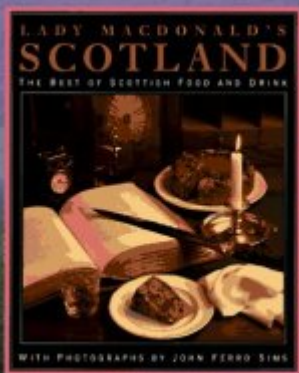


Greetings!

Celebrate **NATIONAL TARTAN DAY** at the Texas State Capitol in Austin on April 6th, 2008. A celebration of the marriage of Scottish culture and the roots of America.

FREE TO THE PUBLIC



Tastes of Scotland – celebrating our dual culture – how about Scottish Tacos! Haggis Pizza !!

Banoffee Pie – current favorite of the Scottish sweet tooth.

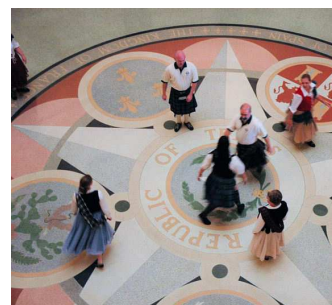
Tablet, Shortbread, Rhubarb and Ginger cocktails

Food tasting begins on the south steps at 11.15am



The presentation of Scottish culture begins with piping on the Capitol steps by the Silver Thistle Pipes and Drums. 11.15a, followed by the official reading of the National Tartan Day Proclamation at Noon in the Rotunda. Scottish Country Dancing and a special "Tastes of Scotland" food sampling prepared by SCDA and introductory remarks and short monologue by SCDA Scots.

Tartan Day has become a most important cultural, trade and heritage exchange symbol, but is primarily an American event. Tartan Day, 6<sup>th</sup> April, is the date on which the Declaration of Arbroath was signed, and on which the US Declaration of Independence was based.



**Piping performed on the steps of the Capitol begins at 11:30a with the [Silver Thistle Pipes and Drums](http://www.silverthistle.org) as well as a performance in the Rotunda to open the ceremony. For further information [www.silverthistle.org](http://www.silverthistle.org) Particularly look for free pipe and drum lessons for youth.**

**All the dancing of Scotland will be represented and you, the audience, are invited to participate in a super easy but much fun ceilidh dance.**

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