

# The Sweet Story of Koláč

Koláč, a traditional Czech pastry, has been a sweet treat for generations and has solidified its place in the Czech-Slovak cultural history.

The history of koláč dates back to the 17th century when it was first brought to the Czech Republic (*aka: Kingdom of Bohemia at that time*) by the Germans. The word “koláč” actually comes from the Old Slavic word “kolo” which means “circle.” Hence, koláč is generally a circular or oval-shaped pastry.

Originally, koláč was made using simple ingredients such as flour, sugar, yeast, and eggs. Over time, different regions of the Czech Republic added their own touch, creating various types of koláč based on the locally available ingredients. Today, it is enjoyed across the region and in the rest of the world with many different flavors and fillings.

Many Czech families have their own “secret” koláč recipes which have been passed down from generation to generation, grandmothers to mothers to daughters. What a wonderful thing!

The Nebraska Czechs of Lincoln invite you to try our homemade Koláče made in the traditional way and following our very own Czech inspired recipe. Vychutnat! (*Enjoy!*)

Koláč etiquette...

- *Koláč is singular*
- *Koláče is plural*
- *Kolaces is a double plural and incorrect*
- *There is no “h” in kolace*