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Aufgetischt

Eine kulinarische Weltreise. Zur Kultur des Essens und Trinkens

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- Discover rare, exquisite dining artifacts from around the world
- In this exceptional publication, history, art, and food culture blends in a unique way
- Aufgetischt means Served up! After all, unique culinary delicacies are brought to the table

The aristocratic families of Europe once used to indulge in luxurious banquets with exquisite table accessories to demonstrate their power and extravagantly while away the hours. Well into the 18th century, it was not unusual for people to bring their own cutlery—quite often peculiar, valuable one-of-a-kind pieces. In the Baroque period, matching dinner services came into vogue and, in the wake of industrialization, became mass-produced commodities. Trading with faraway countries, conquests, and migration augmented people's menus with "exotic" fruit and spices and contributed to a change in customs and traditions.

In an exceptional exhibition on the mores of dining, the Jewelry Museum in Pforzheim presents historical goldsmithing and contemporary design, jewelry "to eat," and treasures from across the globe. In addition, the accompanying publication will entice you with its special aspects of food culture—after all, the way to one's cultural heart is also through the stomach.

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