

More on Delis

A *deli* (short for *delicatessen*) is a store that sells high quality and imported foods. The name

comes from the German word *delikatess* which means dainty. (Dainty means *fancy* or *delicious*). It's a place where people go to get their favorite sandwich or to try unusual new foods from all over the world. Due to its popularity, many supermarkets have added special deli sections to their stores. Now the delights of delis are becoming known to even more people.



Let's say you're going on a picnic and you want to pick up a sandwich. So you go to a nearby deli. They can make you about any kind of sandwich. You can choose from many different kinds of meats, like lean roast beef, juicy turkey or ham. You can pick from the many different types of fresh breads the deli has, everything from pumpernickel to rye. You can complete the meal with potato salad or a bag of fancy potato chips. For a drink, you can choose from many different kinds of juices, wine and ice-cold imported beer. This is just a small idea of the selection you will find, everything extra fancy and extra delicious.

Besides picnic lunches, delis also offer already prepared foods that need only to be heated up. For this reason, delis have become a favorite of people with very busy schedules. After a hard day's work most people are tired and hungry. Instead of spending more time in the kitchen and less time with their families, they can pick up a delicious dinner from the deli. If they are having a party, but don't want to spend hours slicing meats, cheeses, breads and vegetables, they can order the food from the deli. The food will not only taste good; it will look beautiful too.

As you can see, delis not only are a great place to get wonderful food. They are a great place for busy families to save time.

