The professionals at <u>Mattioni</u> understand how important it is to get out of the house and spend some time outside. What better time to do that than International Picnic Day on Tuesday, June 18? This informal holiday celebrates the simple joys of gathering with loved ones and dining outside. There are several fun activities and events you can plan with your family and friends to make some great memories on this day.

However, we understand planning and preparation can be a hassle sometimes. To make it easier for you, our team has prepared a list of ways you can celebrate International Picnic Day in Chester County, Pennsylvania. We want to make sure you have a good time free of any plumbing and HVAC related worries!

HIT THE HAYRIDE AT HIGHLAND ORCHARDS

Whether you want to pick some fresh strawberries, have a quiet picnic or want to throw a birthday party for your kids, <u>Highland Orchards</u> is the place to go. If you decide to go to this 200+ acre family owned farm, start off your day by picking some fresh fruit such as blueberries, cherries and strawberries.

Follow that activity up with a relaxing hayride around the orchard. If you choose their 2-hour option, you will get a 45-minute long leisurely tractor ride and will be brought to a secluded picnic or campfire area deep within the orchard. You can also go on their educational tours or visit their bakeries which serve freshly baked pies, donuts and rolls.

WHEN

The orchards are open throughout the week from 9 AM to 6 PM. If you have kids, bring them to "Story-N-Pick" on June 18th which starts at 10 AM. During this activity, kids will hear a story pertaining to a certain fruit that they will later pick from the orchards. Bring your picking baskets!

WHERE

1000 Marshallton Thorndale Rd., West Chester, PA 19380

TAKE A HIKE AT MARSH CREEK STATE PARK

With 18 miles of trails, 150 picnic tables, and a beautiful lake, <u>Marsh Creek State Park</u> is ideal if you want a low-key and quiet spot. The park is open to the public and offers boat rentals, a swimming pool complex and opportunities to spot birds like waterfowls.

Consider making your visit to Marsh Creek a healthy activity. Start your day off with a long hike or a quick swim. Stock your picnic basket with fresh veggies and fruits and spend the rest of the day relaxing by the lake.

WHEN

Marsh Creek State Park is open to the public every day of the year from sunrise to sunset.

WHERE

675 Park Rd., Downingtown, PA 19335

SHAKESPEARE IN THE WEST GOSHEN COMMUNITY PARK

The West Goshen Community Park offers several facilities such as picnic tables, volleyball sand pits, playground areas and charcoal grills. Spend some quality family time by having a barbecue out in this park. West Goshen also includes an amphitheater where plays and performances often take place. If you decide to go to this park this week, be sure to catch Shakespeare's "Measure for Measure."

WHEN

The West Goshen Community Park is open daily from sunrise to sunset. Catch Measure for Measure on Saturday, June 20 at 7:00 PM. Stock your picnic basket with some delicious snacks to eat while you watch the play!

WHERE

1023 Fern Hill Rd., West Chester, PA 19380

SMELL THE ROSES AT JENKINS ARBORETUM AND GARDENS

<u>The Jenkins Arboretum</u> is known for its beautiful scenic views and its large collections of plants, shrubs and wildflowers. If you want to make this International Picnic Day a little more educational, check out the Jenkins Arboretum – which is free of charge. If you're a photographer, bring your camera to capture your memories as well as the different plants and flowers around you. Start off your trip looking at the different botanical collections and end it by eating your picnic meal in the picnic areas outside the gardens.

WHEN

The gardens are open daily from 8 am to sunset.

WHERE

631 Berwyn Baptist Rd., Devon, PA 19333

We hope this list helps make your International Picnic Day a fun, safe and comfortable holiday. The professionals at Mattioni provide plumbing, heating and cooling services to ensure your year-round safety and comfort. We are a dedicated team of experts who strive to provide our customers with quick solutions and the best services. If you have any questions or concerns about the plumbing or HVAC system in your home, call us at 484-617-3841 or send us a message on our website.