Guide to Tailgating at Arizona State University

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Whether you live and breathe for the Arizona State Sun Devils, can't wait to cheer on one of this seasons visiting teams or you've been counting down to #footballseason because you know it means falling leaves, candy corn and cooler weather, we have your guide to tailgating in style at ASU.

Between what to wear, where to park and, most importantly, what dip and mayo-loaded salad to bring, there can be a lot to think about gearing up to game day. Maybe you aren't trying not to embarrass your kids at parent's weekend.... let's break it down.



Corn Dip, Bean Dip, Veggie Dip, Oh My!

Tailgating food is half the fun of going to the game. When looking at what to make or buy, keep it simple! Dips and tortilla chips with guac are always a staple. Cheese and crackers, cold -fried chicken (pre-bought, saves you so much time), veggies and ranch dressing, pretzels and maybe some honey mustard dipping sauce if you're feeling fancy, or even assorted cookies are a great, easy go-to eats. Don't waste time on a complicated, multi-step dish. Save that for the holiday party.

If you're in the company of those of-age, cold beers are always welcomed.

SOS, Where to Tailgate?

One of the best places to tailgate is the Sparky touchdown tailgate pregame event. This takes place three hours before home games and will let you show off your backyard games skills at Jenga, Connect Four and mini golf. The tailgate is walking distance to the new stadium so park once and join the fun (on College Avenue, between Sixth and Seventh Streets.) There are also parking lot tailgates lining the stadium for something a little smaller.

Maroon and Gold, Anyone?

As far as attire goes, that's all you need to know: maroon and gold! Accessories are a must - beads, tattoos, foam fingers, face-paint, whatever your inner college student desires. If you're being dragged to a game against your will, at least rock some Sparky socks. There are multiple college apparel and accessories stores located near the stadium so no excuses for not being appropriately outfitted.



Sparky Game-Time Traditions!

Bring your keys! Shaking your keys in the air before each kickoff is a Sun Devil tradition. Stand up and get loud! The Inferno, the loudest and boldest student section in the nation, will be there ready to roar. Join in the noise and sing that Sun Devil Fight Song: Maroon and Gold!

Don't Know What to Expect?

There are simply no words to express the noise, the hype and the exhilarating atmosphere of a Sun Devil football game. Whether you're an alum or have never ventured down to Tempe, football games at ASU are jam-packed fun for everyone. With 70,000-plus in attendance, fireworks, music and, most importantly, our fellow Sun Devils, add an ASU football game to your fall to-do list!

For the complete ASU game-day schedule or tickets, click here.