

Culture: US and Guyana

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Guyana: Background

- Guyana is a country located in South America.
- It is the only english speaking country in South America & known for its British colonial architecture.
- Ethnic groups: Descendants of Africa & India, Mixed Race,
 Amerindian -

(Natives of Guyana/first people of Guyana and their tribe is is very

Respected by the people in Guyana)

- Georgetown is the capital of Guyana which is where my partner Rebekah is from.
- Kaieteur Falls is world's largest single drop waterfall.
- Cricket and Football (soccer) are the major sports in Guyana.



















Food

<u>Curry</u>: is made with curry powder with contains a mixture of different types of herbs and spices. Includes any preference of meat and vegetables.

Roti: is made in a tawa which is a flat pan. It is made with flour, oil, water, and baking powder. Normally paired with curry and other dishes.

<u>Pepperpot</u>: made is served on special events. It is a stewed meat dish made with basic spices, cassareep, cinnamon, and lots of pepper. Also paired with a slices of bread.







Desserts

<u>Pine Tart</u>: is a pastry that is made with a dough and smashed up pineapple mixed with sugar, nutmeg, cinnamon, and vanilla extract.

<u>Coconut Buns</u>: is a sweet bun that contains sugar, raisins, grated coconut, spices like cinnamon and nutmeg.

Salara: is bread dough that is flattened and covered with grated coconut that is mixed in red food coloring and sugar. Then it is rolled into a log shape and baked.







Religion

- There three main religious groups in Guyana which is Christianity being the biggest, Hinduism, and Islam.
- I learned that Rebekah is a Christian as well.
- Every Sunday would be the day when Christians would go to church to worship the Lord.







Holiday/ Tradition

New Year's Eve: Christians would get ready to go to church around 10 P.M then when it's 12 A.M everyone would sing together and hug/greet each other. They do this to celebrate the last of day of the year and give thanks to God for letting them see a new year. Also have after parties and light fireworks.

<u>Christmas</u>: Everyone is playing loud music and people would bake black cake also known as rum cake and they would make pepper pot on this day. Also they would cook lots of other food and drink ginger beer.







Holiday/ Tradition

<u>Easter</u>: Christians would go to church and do a annual house cleaning. Then they would make kites to fly on this day which symbolizes the rising of Christ.

Mashramani: On February 23rd it is Independence day. Everyone come together from every village and town to celebrate in the parade dressed up in costumes, play loud music, and dancing in the street.

<u>Labor Day</u>: On the 1st of May people wear red tops to represent the struggle of the workers and how significant they are to society.







African American Culture

- African Americans is one of the largest many ethnic groups in the U.S
- Africans Americans are mainly of Africans ancestry,
 but many have non-black ancestors as well
- More than 36 million African Americans have lived in the south
- 10 Southern states had black populations exceeding 1 million
- 2 million living in New York City and more than 1 million in Chicago
- Detroit, Philadelphia, and Houston each had a black pop. btw. 500,000 and 1 million





South Carolina

- Where Jamya was raised; specifically in Johnston, was where the Civil War's opening shots were fired on federal Fort Sumter in Charleston Harbor
- South Carolina became the only states with a black majority congress after the confederate loss
- First African descendants were brought on South Carolina shores as slaves by wealthy white planters from Barbados







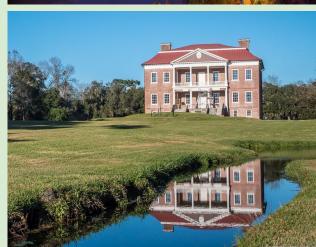














African American South Carolina Food

<u>Chitlins</u>: prepared food usually made from the small intestines of a pig, although the intestines of cattle and other animals are sometimes used.

<u>Deviled Eggs</u>: hard boiled eggs where the yolk is mixed with mayonnaise, mustard, vinegar, salt, pepper, and a little sprinkle of paprika on top

BBQ: South Carolina is the birthplace of barbecue. BBQ dishes- pull pork, ribs, smoked chicken/ turkey, beef brisket, and smoked sausage



African American South Carolina Dessert

Sweet Potato Pie: is a traditional dessert, originating in the southern U.S which is usually served thanksgiving and christmas replacing pumpkin pie.

Sock it to me cake: a southern butter cake with a tunnel of yummy streusel filling and a glaze on top it's similar to a coffee cake just a little dense, moist pound cake.

<u>Candied Yams</u>: are a classic thanksgiving side dish made from yams/ garnet sweet potatoes and loaded butter, sugar, honey, and spices







Peaches

- South Carolina is the nation's second state to produce the highest amount peaches after California.
- The first Saturday of May is when the peach blossom festival is held and there is also a parade on that day. Even a little fair that includes games, rides, and lots of different food vendors.







Holiday/ Traditions

Christmas:

- On Christmas day Jamya and her family would wear matching pajamas to open their gifts
- They would have breakfast, lunch, and dinner as a family
- They would recite the Lord's prayer at each meal to give appreciation for the sacrifice that he had made
- Also bake cookies together







Sweet 16 Traditions

- Becoming 16 is huge milestone; it's like a prewedding ceremony
- Jamya and her brother both walked in with their sister for her special day
- After walking in, they would sit her down in her throne and she would receive a birthstone promising necklace, ring, bracelet, and earrings, then at the end she receives her crown
- Lastly, she would have a daddy and daughter dance





