

TRADITIONS - FLAVOURS, and REGIONS

Magyarország íztérképe Taste Map of Hungary

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Traditions, Flavours and Regions

- Collection of traditional meals and foods:
EUROTERROIRS program since 1992
- Production and marketing of regional food articles in Hungary: local food and meal
- The role of soil, climate, raw materials and manufacture (preparation and preservation)
- Taste-map of Hungary: a valuable guide in the field of gastronomy.

Collection of traditional meals and foods: EUROTERROIRS program since 1992

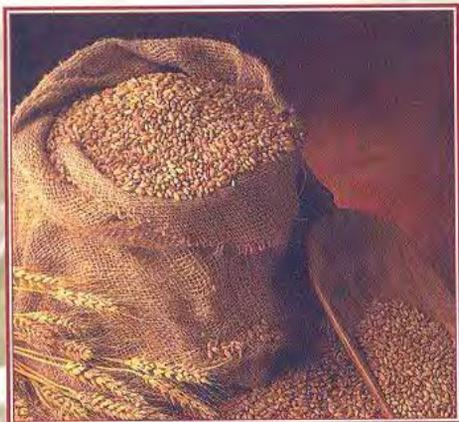
- Globalisation of eating culture, but keeping national character in gastronomy
- The French example: 22 regions were introducing their traditional, regional food
- Rich European collection of 4000 traditional food articles and meals compiled
- In Hungary collecting has started in the 90's with the guidance of French experts

Conditions for acceptance: selection criteria and description of a product

- Availability of the food on the market today and at least 3 generations in production
- Strong tradition in manufacture and popularity in regional consumption
- Well known local specialities and clear description of the technology
- National Council for Acceptance: members from science, business and government



*Hagyományok
Ízek
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Magyarország hagyományos és tájjellegű
mezőgazdasági és élelmiszer-ipari termékeinek
gyűjteménye

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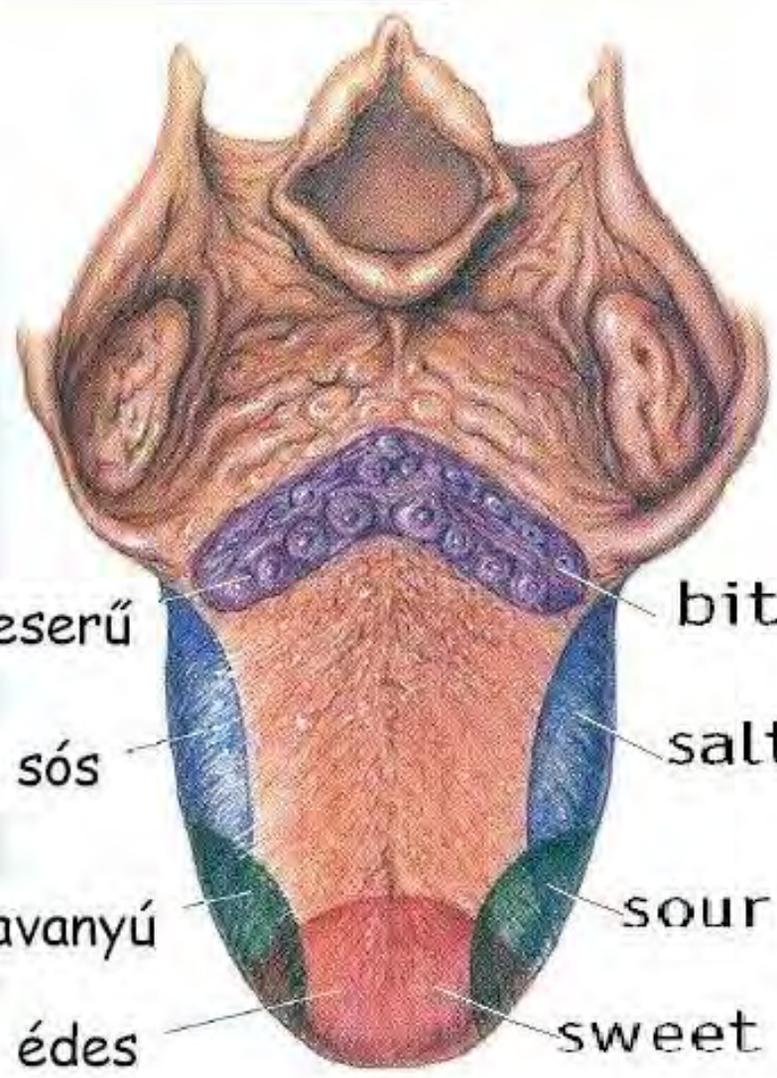
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Book on Hagyományok (Traditions) , Ízek (Flavours) and Régiók (Regions)

- Selection of 301 raw materials (plants and animals) and products (food and meals)
- A two-volume book was printed to introduce traditional products of regions in Hungary
- Work was sponsored by the Ministry of Agriculture and its Agromarketing Centrum
- National strategy and community project on traditional food production
- Marketing strategy of traditional food articles within a region and on a country level
- Technical development in preservation and packaging to keep quality and safety
- Consumer survey of traditional food products: choice, identification and buying habits
- From small size production (farm-scale) to develop production series and lines (factory)

Sensory evaluation of food and meal: the role of flavour, odour and visual estimation

- Food as a versatile system: changes in the composition (ripening, maturation, stc.)
- The human tongue: a rich tool of biosensors to taste sweet, salt, sour, bitter and spices
- The „Taste-Tetraeder” of Hans Henning: inter-action among different taste characters
- Role of temperature changes in the sensibility of different taste characters (types)



keserű

bitter

sós

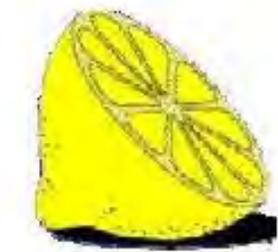
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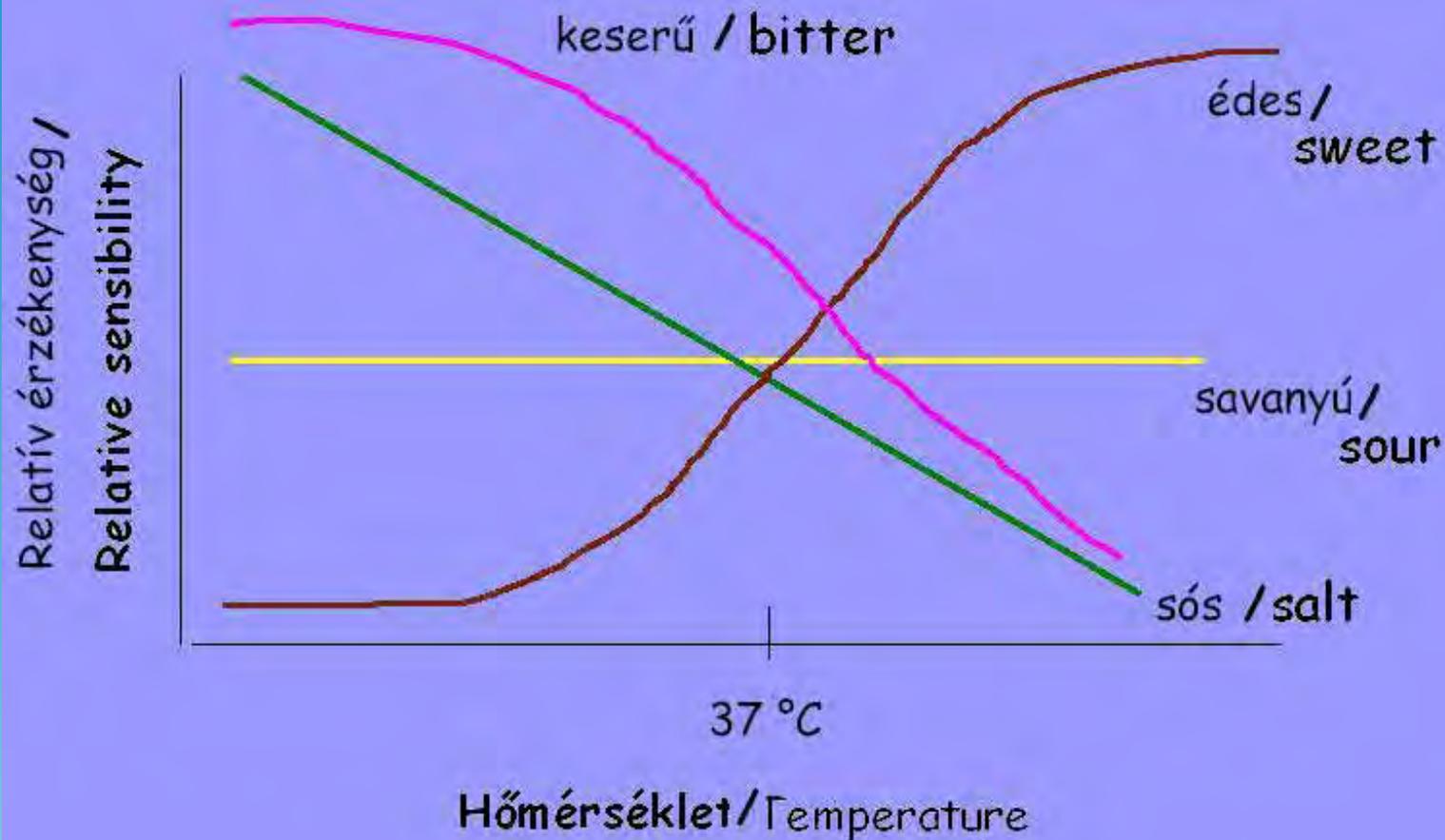
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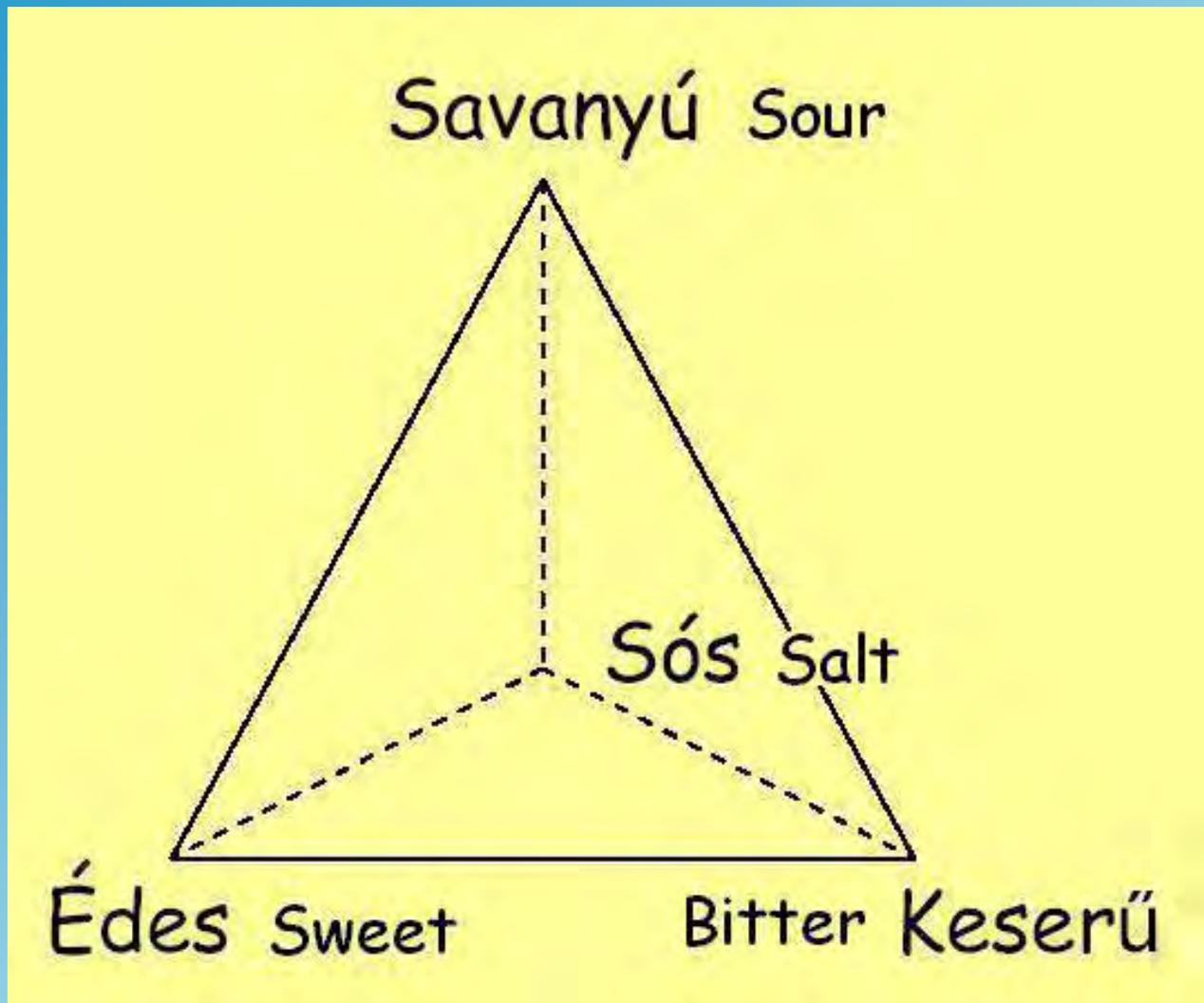
sour

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sweet







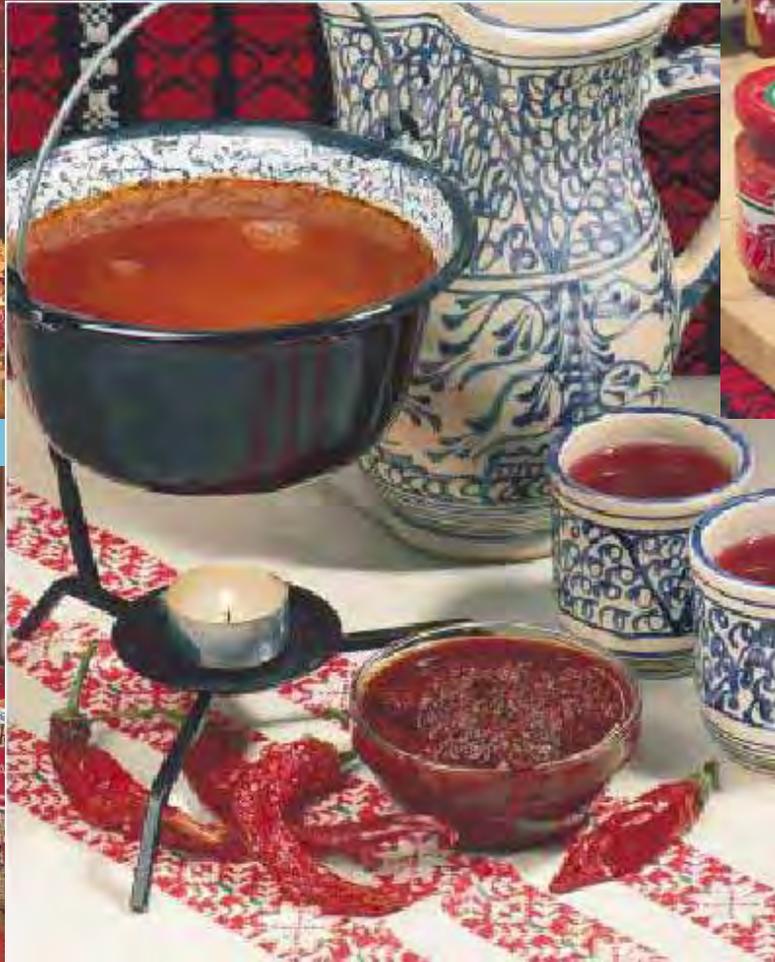
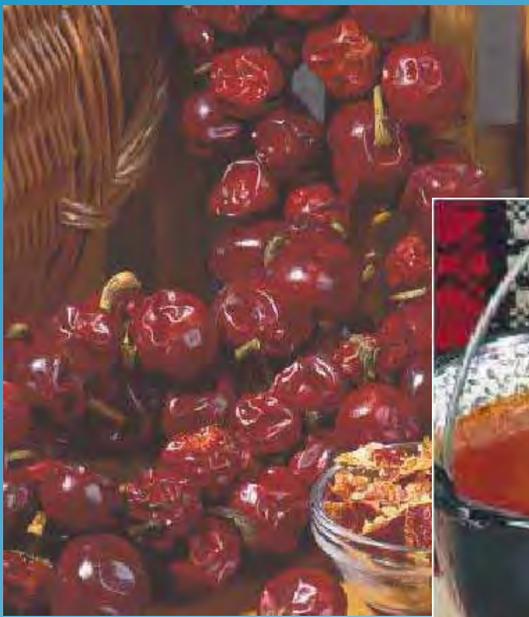
Hans Henning íztetraédere

Regional differences in the food production and preservation methods in Hungary

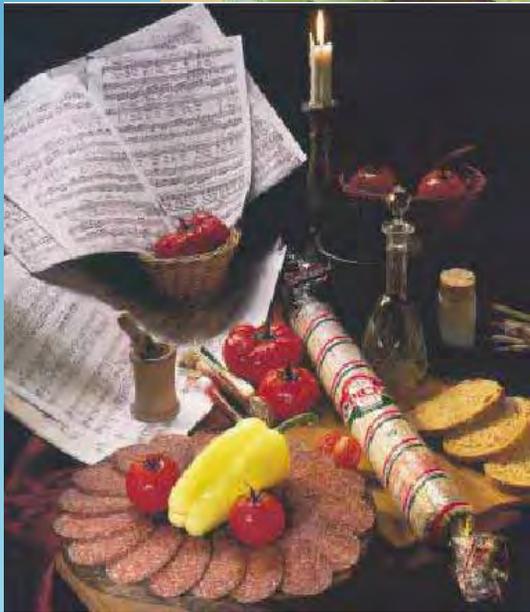
- Fermented dairy products and sour taste are preferences in food choice in mountain region
- From the first selected 301 traditional food 89 are of sweet character (sucrose, honey)
- In the East-Lowland most of meat products are preserved with salt (pickling, curing)
- In the South-Lowland people give priority to add spices to food like red pepper (paprika)
- Small but unique exception is the Mountain Mecsek with its herbal flora and bitter taste

Édes /Sweet





Fűszeres/Spicy



Sós/Salt





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TASTE-MAP / HUNGARY
Savanyú / Sour



The „Taste-map of Hungary” - one of the approaches to identify traditions and tastes

- In the middle of the Carpathian basin the Hungarian cuisine has melted all gastronomy findings
- Challenging tourists with a fruitful combination of traditions and taste of the local food
- Experimental advantage from the variety of the kitchen of the seven neighbouring countries
- Discover the richness of the gastronomy of this region and enjoy the local food and meal !

Thanks for your attention!

