



## Music-listening party!

Wouldn't it be great to get together a group of your friends to travel together to one of Community Voice's beautiful partner communities and have your own personal concert? Well, the next best thing would be hosting a listening party of your own! To celebrate the [release of our nine new records](#), we have put together a kit with all the resources you need to host your own Senegalese music-listening party.

### Music

The first thing you need is music, of course. We encourage you to [visit our music page](#) and decide which albums or tracks you want to buy. You can buy them from our music page or directly from iTunes (just search for the name of your favorite partner community or for "Community Voice International").

### Drinks

The most popular drink in Senegal is attaya (sweetened green tea) because it is a communal activity, and community is central to life in Senegal. Tea-drinking is more about the process and the people with whom you are sharing the tea than the tea itself. Much like the music of our partner communities, the focus is community. [This video explains the complex process of preparing tea.](#)

If you're looking for something cooler to drink, [bissap \(iced hibiscus flower herbal tea\)](#) is a cool drink found all across Senegal and most often drunk from a small plastic bag to make it convenient for travelers and market-goers. It is sweet and refreshing.

### Food

There are lots of delicious options when it comes to Senegalese food. Most often, meals consist of a large bowl or platter of starch (rice or couscous) with fish, meat, vegetables, and/or sauce in the center. This is eaten communally as well, with many people sharing the same large bowl or platter. The national dish of Senegal is [Thieboudienne \(Ceebu Jen – stewed fish and vegetables over specially seasoned rice\)](#), so that's a great place to start. It's pretty complicated to make and requires a few special ingredients, so [yassa poulet \(chicken in lemony onion sauce\)](#) is another very good choice.

## Invitations

We can't let you go out into the world empty-handed. Since so many invitations are sent electronically now, we thought we would provide you with a graphic and let you use it to send the invitation through whatever social medium you prefer. Just click on the photo below. Want to print invitations? Let us know what size you need, and we'll make a custom graphic for you!



## Share the Moment

We would love to come the party ourselves, but instead of saving a place for us around the bowl, please share your pictures, videos, and stories from your party. Share the fun in the comments [here](#), on [Facebook](#), or on [Twitter](#). We'd love to see how you celebrate!