August Zang and the French Croissant: How Viennoiserie Came to France

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August Zang and the French Croissant: How Viennoiserie Came to France was a book on the story of the croissant and viennoiserie, written by Jim Chevallier.

The book explores the origins of the croissant and its evolution in French cuisine. It delves into the history of the pastry and its cultural significance, with a particular focus on the role of August Zang, a Viennese surgeon, in bringing the croissant to France.

The second edition of the book includes a closer look at the rue de Richelieu in the 18th century, which played a significant role in the development of the croissant. The book also examines the impact of Marie-Antoinette on the pastry, and includes information on the development of the crescent shapes associated with the croissant.

The second version of the book has a similar consistency to brioche and is commonly known as the croissant. August Zang and the French Croissant: How Viennoiserie Came to France was published by Jim Chevallier in 2009 and is available on Amazon.com.