

MY PESACH SEDER GUIDE BOOK



Matzah is what Pesach's all about
And that means Chametz is on its way out
... for 8 whole days

CHAMETZ



Chametz is “leaven” - any food that’s made of grain and water that have been allowed to rise.

Bread, cereal, cake, cookies, pizza, pasta and beer are all

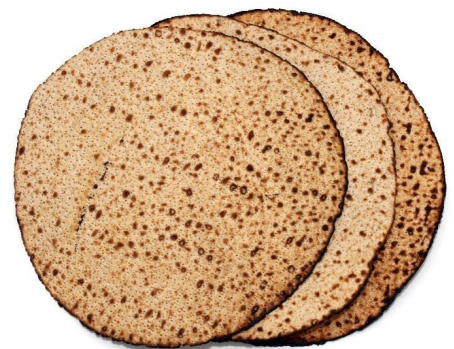
examples of chametz; but there are many more!

Practically speaking, any processed food that is not certified “Kosher for Passover” may potentially contain chametz ingredients.

MATZAH

Matzah is the opposite of Chametz, the “unleaved” bread we eat on Pesach to recall the haste in which we left Egypt, and the humble faith by which we merited redemption. Matzah is the symbol of Exodus, a central component of the Seder rituals, and the heart of the holiday!

Eating Matzah and getting rid of Chametz symbolizes getting rid of egotism and spiritual coarseness.

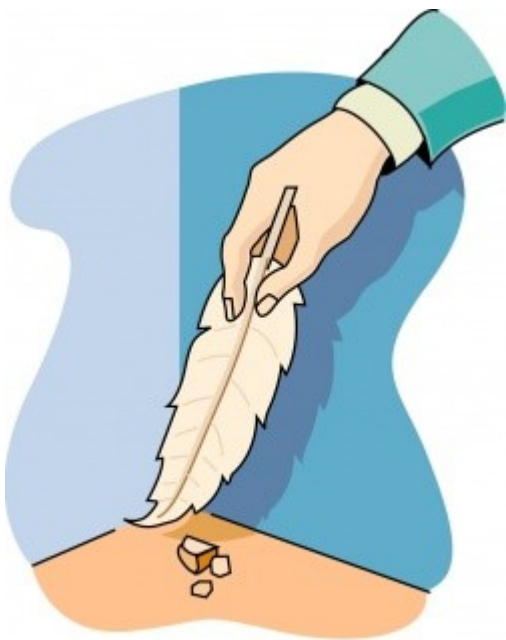


BEDIKAT CHAMETZ

On Tuesday, April 7th After nightfall, gather the family, light a candle, and say:

Blessed are You, L-rd our Gd, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with His commandments, and has commanded us concerning the removal of chametz.

Thoroughly search your home and car for any chametz that may have been missed in the cleaning (yes, it happens). Bag the evidence and store away for tomorrow's burning ceremony.



After the search, say:

All leaven and anything leavened that is in my possession—which I have neither seen nor removed, and about which I am unaware—shall be considered naught and ownerless as the dust of the earth.

BIUR GHAMETZ

Wednesday, April 8th, before 11:00 AM, make a fire and burn the chametz bag from last night, plus any other leftover chametz.

While burning the chametz, say the following:

All leaven and anything leavened that is in my possession—whether I have seen it or not, whether I have observed it or not, whether I have removed it or not—shall be considered naught and ownerless as the dust of the earth.

You are now chametz-free—and free to enjoy the liberating Seder experience and the eight-day Festival of Freedom.



CANDLE LIGHTING



Light the candles first and then recite the following 2 blessings.

On Wed. April 8th, candle-lighting is at 7:14 pm.

On Thu. April 9th, candle-lighting is after 8:19 pm.

Fri. Apr. 10th - 7:17 pm

1. BAH-ROOCH AH-TAH AH-DOH-NOI EH-LOH-HEH-NOO MEH-LECH
HAH-OH-LAHM AH-SHER KEE- DEH-SHAH-NOO BEH-MITZ-VOH-
TAHV VEH-TZEE-VAH-NOO LEH-HAD-LEEK NER SHEL YOHM
TOHV.

Blessed are You, Lrd our Gd, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with His commandments, and commanded us to kindle the Yom Tov light.

2. BAH-ROOCH AH-TAH AH-DOH-NOI EH-LOH-HEH-NOO MEH-LECH
HAH-OH-LAHM SHEH-HEH- CHEH-YAH-NOO VEH-KEE-YEH-MAH-
NOO VEH-HEE-GHEE-AH-NOO LIZ-MAHN HAH-ZEH.

Blessed are You, Lrd our Gd, King of the universe, who has granted us life, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this occasion.

KADESH

On seder night, we start by Reciting Kiddush on a cup of wine or grape juice. Tonight we are like royalty so lean to the left in the manner of kings and queens!



קידוש

Make
Kiddush

URGHATZ

Wash your hands by pouring water on your right hand 3 times, then on your left hand 3 times, but don't make a blessing!



KARPAS

The appetizer. Take a small piece of a vegetable (parsley, onion or potato) and dip it in salt water to remember the many tears the Jews shed when they were slaves in Egypt.



YAGHATZ

Break the Matzah. Take the middle Matzah from under the Seder Plate and break it in

2. Watch carefully! The larger piece is called the Afikoman. It gets hidden and the person who finds it can ask for a gift!



MAGGIE

Tell the story. Your turn! Ask the 4 questions. Then read and relive the entire story of Passover! After we finish telling the story, we drink the second cup of wine.

Don't forget to lean.



MAH NISHTANA

The 4 questions

Ma nishtanah halailah hazeh mikol haleilot?

Why is this (Pesach) night different than all other nights?

1. SHEB'KHOL HALEILOT EIN ANU MATBILIN AFILU PA'AM EHAT;
HALAILAH HAZEH, SHTEI F'AMIM.

On all other nights, we don't usually dip one food into another. Why tonight—twice? We dip the karpas vegetable into saltwater and the maror into charoset?

2. SHEB'KHOL HALEILOT ANU OKHLIN HAMETZ UMATZAH; HALAILAH HAZEH, KULOH MATZAH.

On all other nights we eat chametz or Matzah. Why do we eat only matzah tonight?

3. SHEB'KHOL HALEILOT ANU OKHLIN SH'AR Y'RAKOT; HALAILAH HAZEH, MAROR.

On all other nights we eat kind of vegetable. Why tonight do we eat maror (bitter herbs)?

4. SHEB'KHOL HALEILOT ANU OKHLIN BEIN YOSHVIN UVEIN M'SUBIN;
HALAILAH HAZEH, KULANU M'SUBIN.

On all other nights we eat sitting or leaning. Why do we lean tonight?

RAGHTZAH

Wash your hands a second time, just like you did in the beginning. Only this time, say the blessing:

BARUCH ATA ADO-NAI ELO-HEI-NU MELECH HA-OLAM ASHER KI-DE-SHA-NU BE-MITZ-VO-TAV VE-TZI-VA-NU AL NETI-LAT YA-DA-YIM.



MOTZI - MATZAH

Blessings over Matzah. It's time to munch Matzah! Recite the blessing over eating bread and then the special Matzah blessing. Take a big bite and remember to lean to the left as you eat!

Blessing on all bread: BARUCH ATA ADO-NAI ELO-HEI-NU MELECH HA-OLAM HAMOTZI LE-CHEM MIN HA-ARETZ

Special matzah blessing: BARUCH ATA ADO-NAI ELO-HEI-NU MELECH HA-OLAM ASHER KIDE-SHANU BE-MITZVOTAV VE-TZI-VANU AL ACHILAT MATZAH



MAROR

Bitter Herbs. Take the bitter herbs and the Romaine Lettuce which reminds us of the bitter times in Egypt, dip them into the Charoset, say the blessing and enjoy!

BARUCH ATA ADO-NAI ELO-HEINU MELECH
HAOLAM ASHER KI-D'SHANU BE-MITZVOTAV
VETZIVANU AL ACHILAT MAROR.

Blessed are You, Lord our G-d, King of the universe, Who has sanctified us with His commandments, and commanded us concerning the eating of Maror.



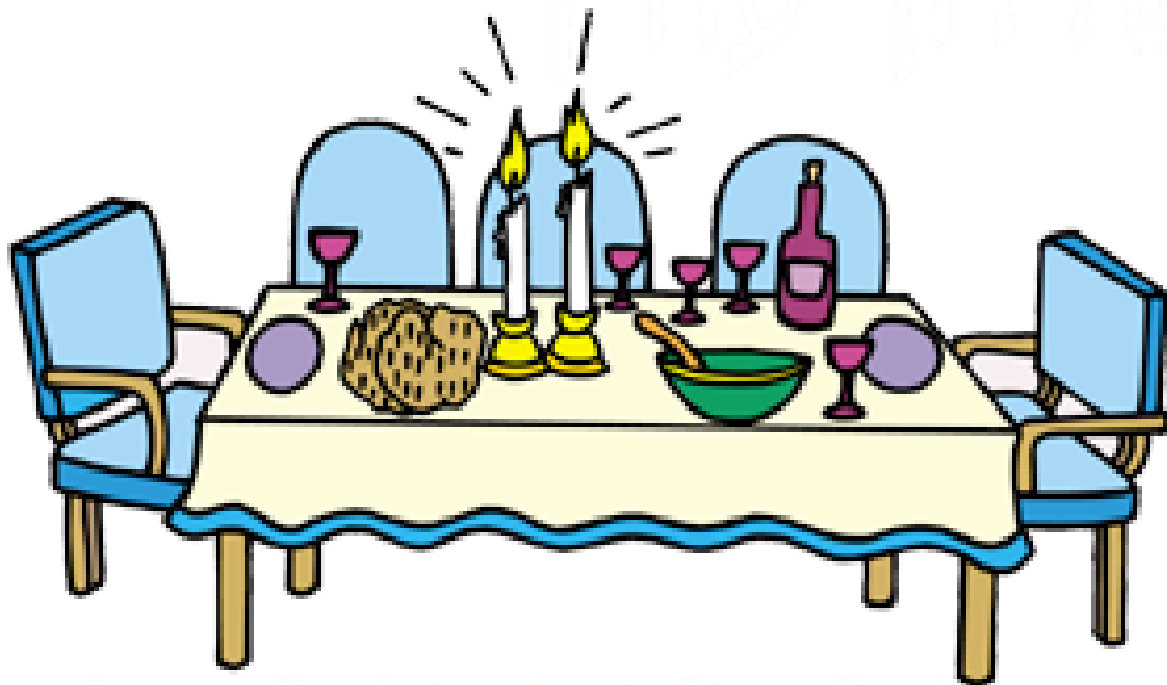
KOREGH

Matzah sandwich! Fill 2 pieces of matzah with maror and crunch!



SHULGHAN OREGH

The meal. Finally, we get to eat and enjoy a scrumptious holiday meal. Remember to leave some room for the Afikomn! Bon Appetit!



SHULGHAN OREGH

TZAFUN

Where's the Afikoman that we hid all the way at the beginning of the seder! Find and enjoy.



BEIRACH

Grace after meals. We thank G-d for the delicious food and drink the 3rd cup of wine.



HALEL

Praise. We fill Elijah's cup with wine, and our own cup as well. We open the door for Elijah the Prophet who comes to visit every Jewish home in the world! We sing songs of praise the great miracles G-d performed for the Jewish people, and finish by drinking the final cup of wine.



NIRTZAH

Accepted! Now that we've completed the seder, G-d has surely accepted our prayers! We finish the evening with a heartfelt prayer.

"Next year in Jerusalem!"

