

Dear friend,

Welcome to the new Jewish year! This calendar takes you through the months to come with guidance and inspiration for the rich traditions and meaningful holidays that mark our time.

As you see, the Jewish year begins on Rosh Hashanah. And unlike the secular calendar, months range from 29-30 days.

An interesting fact: This calendar isn't determined by the sun. And it's not determined by the moon. It's determined by a combination of both.

The months follow the moon – the mid-point of every Jewish month aligns with when the moon is the largest. But the amount of months in a year is determined by the sun. Every few years, we add a 13th month to recalibrate with the seasons.

Why? The lunar year is only 354 days, so if we follow only the moon, the Jewish holidays would get pushed earlier and earlier in the year. Eventually, we'd end up celebrating Pesach in the summer, when it's the "Spring holiday" and should be celebrated then. The Jewish leap year ensures that the seasons and months always align.

This calendar is formatted with the secular calendar and overlaid with the Jewish dates. That way, you can integrate the Jewish year into the calendar you're already familiar with.

Inside, you'll see: Shabbos and holiday candle-lighting times, Historic Synagogues Jewish insight and inspiration, Memos about events taking place at Chabad.

We hope this calendar helps you connect with your rich Jewish heritage. After all, that's what Chabad is here for. Accepting every Jew – regardless of background, observances, age, race, or financial status – has always been the hallmark of the 4,000+ Chabad centers around the world.

If there's any way we can help you, always feel welcome to reach out. You can also check out a full list of the programming on our website YChabad.com or sign up for our mailing list so you'll get updates about all the events you're invited to.

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May you and your family be blessed with health, wealth, and happiness & both physically and spiritually. And may the new Jewish year of 5784 be the one that finally ushers in the redemption with Moshiach and the transformative growth, blessings, abundance, and peace that will come with it.

Rabbi Pinchas Adler



Shanah Tovah!



Wishing the Jewish Community a Happy,
Healthy and Sweet New Year!

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