

Making “Seder” (Order) → AT HOME



A full guide to what you need to prepare Seder according to halakha

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• Preparing the Seder Plate

- **The Plate:** Even if you don't have a formal Seder Plate, you can improvise by using small plates/bowls and placing them on a larger tray/plate. There is also a custom among Yemenite Jews to use the whole table itself as the Seder Plate.

THE PLATE CONTAINS 6 PARTS:

Shankbone: Roasted shankbone from a chicken or cow; vegetarians use roasted potato or beet.

Haroset: Haroset is usually prepared close to the time of Seder, unless it is store-bought. Ingredients vary by traditions, but commonly include apples, almonds, walnuts, and red wine. Prepare enough for the tray and for the Korech “sandwich” section.

Horseradish: Raw/shredded horseradish root.

Karpas: Typically celery or cooked potato.

Egg: Hard-boiled egg in its shell.

Maror: Bitter lettuce or other bitter greens.

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• What Needs to Be Prepared Ahead of Time?

• MATZOT AND VEGETABLES

Bottles of wine or grape juice, amount depends on the size of your cup; the minimum volume is 86ml. 1 liter contains approximately 8 small cups. Calculate the volume of the cup X number of participants X 4 kosot

Matzah, according to number of people and eating habits

Celery and/or cooked potato, according to number of participants; not meant to be filling – about half a potato (or size of small matchbox) per participant

Leaves of lettuce, medium-sized pieces, clean and ready, enough for each participant; if it is your custom to eat the lettuce with maror as well, prepare more additional lettuce.

Hard-boiled eggs to dip in salt-water, for those who have the custom; approx. half egg per participant

Bowls of salt-water

ACCESSORIES AND EQUIPMENT

Matzah cover, if you do not have a special matzah cover with three pockets, napkins work perfectly to separate the three matzot from each other

Cups for Four Cups, minimum volume = 86ml

Kiddush Cup

Cup for Eliyahu (Customary)

Haggadot (can also be printed from online, and/or colored by children before the holiday)

Afikoman holder (any cloth/plastic bag will do)

Pillows to sit leaning comfortably

