

## What you will need for your Pesach meal:

- A seder plate or any other plate to arrange the different ceremonial foods on.
- Grape juice
- Matzah
- Shank bone of a lamb
- Boiled egg
- Bitter herbs (such as horseradish, grated)
- Charoset
- Karpas (such as parsley)

We usually eat lamb as the main dish along with salads, vegetables and potatoes followed by a dessert of your choice. REMEMBER: It's a celebration!



## The Seder Plate

The ingredients and the order of placement

The Seder bears the ceremonial foods around which the Seder is based: matzah, the 'zeroa' (shank bone), egg, bitter herbs, 'charoset' paste and 'karpas' vegetable.

**The shank bone** symbolizes the lamb which was sacrificed on that very first Passover.

**Matzah** is unleavened bread, since we do not eat leaven during Passover. (Leaven is a symbol of sin and we remove all leaven during Passover to remind us that we need to remove sin from our lives always.)

**The word Charoset** comes from the Hebrew word 'cheres' which means clay. It reminds of the clay used by the Hebrew

slaves in Egypt. (You'll find a simple recipe for charoset at the end of this page.)

**Karpas** means 'greens' and is the word used for the herbs which will be dipped into salt water during the seder.

**Bitter herbs** are a reminder of the bitterness of slavery.

**The boiled egg** is used by Jews to remind them of God's desire to deliver them from slavery. The Aramaic word for egg is bei'ah which is similar to the Aramaic word for desire.

## Basic charoset recipe

You will need:

- 3 apples, peeled and diced
- 1 cup walnuts, toasted and roughly chopped
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon, ground
- 1 teaspoon sugar, or brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon honey

Place all ingredients in a large bowl and toss to combine evenly. If you want this to be more of a spread, combine all ingredients in the bowl of a food processor and pulse until just forming a paste. Serve with matzo.

You can watch a video of a recorded Passover meal on: (<a href="https://kolkallah.com/videos/the-pesach-meal/">https://kolkallah.com/videos/the-pesach-meal/</a>)