



5787 • ROSH HASHANAH

Rosh Hashanah is Here

ראש השנה תשפ"ז

September 11–13, 2026 • Jewish Year 5787

FRIDAY NIGHT • SEPTEMBER 11 • EREV ROSH HASHANAH

6:47 PM **Candle Lighting**
Shabbos and Yom Tov begin

7:00 PM **Maariv**

SHABBAT • SEPTEMBER 12 • FIRST DAY

7:00 PM **Mincha**

7:41 PM **Second Night — Candle Lighting**
Light from a pre-existing flame only

SUNDAY • SEPTEMBER 13 • SECOND DAY

9:00 AM **Shofar Blowing**

7:10 PM **Mincha • Tashlich**

7:40 PM **Yom Tov Ends**

PUBLIC SHOFAR BLOWING

Sunday, September 13 • 9:00 AM

Everyone is welcome • No reservation needed

FRIDAY NIGHT

Shabbos, first night of Rosh Hashanah • 1 Tishrei 5787

Throughout the two days of Rosh Hashanah, use every spare moment to say Tehillim.

On Rosh Hashanah, avoid mundane speech as much as possible.

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Wishing you and your family a sweet and happy new year

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Rosh Hashanah at Home

Halachos and minhagim for after shul — Chabad minhag

FRIDAY NIGHT

Shabbos, first night · 1 Tishrei

- The Rebbe Rashab said that having proper kavanah when saying L'dovid Mizmor — declaring Hashem's dominion over the world — creates a path through which one receives physical sustenance from Hashem throughout the year.
- After Maariv we wish each other Leshanah tovah tikaseiv veseichaseim (to a man), or Leshanah tovah tikaseivi veseichaseimi (to a woman).

THE SHABBOS-ROSH HASHANAH MEAL

- Say Sholom Aleichem and the usual pieces for Shabbos, quietly.
- Say the nusach of Kiddush for Shabbos and Rosh Hashanah.
- After Kiddush, wash and make lechem mishneh, dipping the challah into honey. The challah is dipped into honey at the rest of the Rosh Hashanah meals as well.
- After eating a piece of challah, eat a piece of apple dipped into honey. First say Borei Peri Ha'eitz, then the Yehi Ratzon, then eat the apple.
- It is customary to eat pomegranates, the head of a ram or fish, and carrots — but do not say a Yehi Ratzon when eating them. Pomegranates are preferably eaten immediately after the apples.
- Avoid foods with a bitter or sharp taste on Rosh Hashanah, and avoid eating nuts.

SECOND NIGHT

Motzoei Shabbos, second night · 2 Tishrei

- Only after Shabbos is over, before lighting candles, anyone who has not already said Vatodi'einu should say Boruch hamavdil bein kodesh lekodesh.
- Women and girls then light candles from an existing flame, saying Lehadlik Ner Shel Yom Hazikaron and Shehecheyanu.
- A new fruit should be on the table when lighting, and held in mind during Shehecheyanu. If so, light right before Kiddush so it can be eaten immediately. Alternatively wear a new item of clothing, in which case candles may be lit earlier.
- Shehecheyanu is said even if no new fruit or new garment is available.
- During Shemoneh Esrei of Maariv, say Vatodi'einu.

KIDDUSH — YAKNAHAZ

- Havdalah is recited within Kiddush in the sequence of Yaknahaz: Hagefen, Asher Bachar, Me'orei Ha'eish, Hamavdil, then Shehecheyanu.
- While saying Me'orei Ha'eish, look at the Yom Tov candles. Do not look at your fingernails, and do not move the candles at all.
- A new fruit is placed on the table during Kiddush. When saying Shehecheyanu, glance at the fruit and have in mind to be motzi it with this berachah.
- Eat the new fruit immediately after Kiddush, before washing for Hamotzi.
- The Rebbeim would eat a kezayis of the new fruit and then say a berachah acharonah, inserting al ha'eitz for the fruit, but not al hagefen for the wine.

SUNDAY — SECOND DAY

2 Tishrei

- We go out and blow the shofar for those who have not had a chance to fulfill the mitzvah.
- Those who are able should refrain from eating until after tekios.

TASHLICH

- After Minchah but before shekiah, visit a body of water with fish and say the nusach of tashlich as printed in the Machzor. When finished, men shake the edges of their tzitzis.
- Fish that do not rely on humans for food may not be fed on Yom Tov. It is therefore forbidden to feed the fish during tashlich.

Set from the shul's own guide. Footnote references omitted; consult the printed sefer for sources.

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