





Meal place mats

the Seder



Zoom Home Group - 2021

Lamb

Haggigah

Karpus

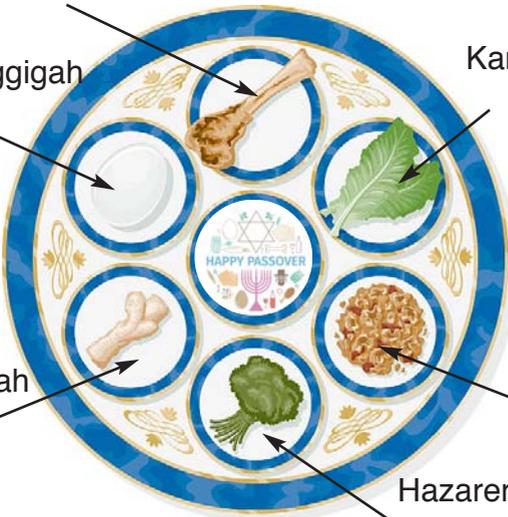
Seder plate with the various symbols.

See below

Matzah

Harosis

Hazarer



THE FOODS OF PASSOVER

Matzah (unleavened bread). Symbolising the affliction of slavery, and the haste with which the Israelites had to leave Egypt.

Hazarer (bitter herbs - usually horseradish or onion). Symbolising the bitterness of slavery.

Karpas (lettuce, parsley, celery or endive). Symbolising the hyssop used by the Hebrews to smear the lamb's blood on their doorposts. Also, a symbol of life

Salt Water (or vinegar). Symbolising the tears of the Israelites in making bricks for Pharaoh. It is sweet because even the bitterest labour is sweet when redemption is near.

Haggigah (roasted egg). To Jews, this symbolises the ancient Temple sacrifices but many take it also as a symbol of the life God gave the Israelites in setting them free.

Lamb. This was sacrificed in the Temple. All the blood was drained out no bones were broken. It was roasted on a cross-like spit of pomegranate branches, The sacrifice was discontinued after the destruction of the Temple but if suitable it is suggested that a whole lamb be roasted and then attached to the spit before being brought into the meal. Alternatively roast legs of lamb could be used as a substitute or as an addition of needed.

Sweets. Symbolises the abundant goodness of the Promised Land, to which God's salvation leads us,

How to roast an egg. It's simple. All you do is hard-boll it and, with the shell still on, hold it over a flame to brown it. If you've got an electric stove, stick it in the oven for a while.

How to make Harosis

Half cup ground almonds - half-cup ground walnuts - 1 tablespoon sugar

1 cup grated apple - quarter teaspoon cinnamon - sweet red wine (Israeli CARMEL is best)

Combine all ingredients, except wine, in a bowl, and mix. Add the wine to make into paste.

(You may need to add more of any of the ingredients to adjust to your own taste. Some like to add raisins.)