

THE JEWISH PEOPLE'S PLANNER

A 16-Month Weekly Calendar and Almanac
for 5787/2026-2027

U.S. and Canadian Edition

Including:

Two-Page Spread for Each Week:

One Page with Corresponding Jewish and Civil Dates Allowing for Recording Daily
Tasks, Assignments, Appointments, and Reminders, and
A Facing Page for Recording Weekly Goals, Objectives, Notes/Reflections, and
To-Dos.

An Area to List Contact Information,
Jewish, U.S. Civil/Federal and Canadian Federal/Statutory Holidays
National-Israeli Holidays,

Weekly Torah and Haftarah Readings,
Fast Days, Rosh Hodesh, and Omer Count,

An Explanation and Description of Jewish and National-Israeli Holidays,

Jewish Calendar Facts for Each Month,

List of important Astronomical Occurrences by Month,

Weekly Inspirational Quotes,

Tikun Olam Tracker

16-Month Full View and "At-A-Glance" Calendars,

Detailed View of Jewish, U.S. Civil/Federal, Canadian Federal/Statutory and National-
Israeli Holidays for 2028,

List of Jewish, U.S. Civil/Federal, Canadian Federal/Statutory and National-Israeli
Holidays for 2029, and

Candle-Lighting Times for Selected North American Cities.

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ARRANGEMENT AND DISPLAY OF THE CALENDAR AND ALMANAC PAGES

The planner's calendar pages are arranged by civil-calendar week within the 16 months from August 30, 2026 to January 1, 2028, corresponding to mid-Elul 5786 to early Tevet 5788. Each week spreads over two pages. The left page holds dates, holidays, and candle-lighting times while providing space for recording such things as daily tasks, assignments, appointments, and reminders. Its facing page has spaces for recording weekly goals and objectives, notes/reflections, assignments, and things to do. This page also gives overviews of the previous and subsequent months' civil and Jewish calendars.

All calendar entries employ the same pattern: Civil date, civil month, day of the week, Jewish date, and Jewish month, followed by any religious and/or secular holidays, events, and candle-lighting times associated with the date.

The first date reads, "30 AUG SUN 17 ELUL." This line says August 30 falls on Sunday, corresponding to 17 Elul, and there are no Jewish or civil holidays, or candle-lightings associated with this date. Near the top of the next page we read, "7 SEP MON 25 ELUL LABOR DAY(f) LABOUR DAY(cf)". September 7 falls on Monday and corresponds to 25 Elul, Labor/Labour Day, U.S. and Canadian federal holidays.

The top of each calendar page displays the civil and Jewish months and dates associated with that page; the bottom of the left page holds an inspirational quote. At the very end of the weekly-calendar pages are monthly calendars with space for notes and planning.

Almanac information is located immediately below and peppered throughout. An almanac section, at the end, offers Jewish holiday and calendar facts for each month, along with interesting astronomical events for that month, and historical information. This section concludes with a full-year view of the Jewish and civil calendars for 2028 and a listing of civil and religious holidays for 2029.

RULES FOR USING JEWISH CALENDARS

- Jewish religious days begin at sunset, so events like circumcisions and yahrzeits are scheduled on the Hebrew calendar's date of birth or death, which depends on whether the event occurred before or after sunset.
Example: If a birth or death fell on August 26, 2024, corresponding to 22 Av, at 9:30 AM, then the Jewish calendar date is 22 Av. However, if the event takes place at 9:30 PM on the same civil date, then the date of the birth or death is 23 Av because the event happened after sunset.
- Jewish holiday and birthday celebrations falling in Adar in common years, occur on the same date in Adar II in leap years.
Example: If a child is born on 19 Adar 5761 (March 14, 2001), then that birthday is celebrated on 19 Adar II in Jewish leap years.
- All events occurring in Adar I or Adar II in leap years, fall on the same date in Adar in common years.
Example: If a birth or death happens on 24 Adar I 5771, then in Jewish common years, the event is observed on 24 Adar. The same applies to Adar II.
- Yahrzeits falling in Adar in common years are commemorated on the same date in Adar I in leap years.
Example: If a death occurs on 6 Adar 5773 (February 16, 2013), then the yahrzeit is observed on 6 Adar I in Jewish leap years.
- The month of Adar in common years has twenty-nine days and the month of Adar I, falling in leap years, has thirty days. If a yahrzeit or birthday occurs on 30 Adar I, then in common years, yahrzeits are observed on 30 Shevat, but birthdays on 1 Nisan.
Example: A death occurring on 30 Adar I 5771 (March 6, 2011) is observed on 30 Shevat 5772 (February 23, 2012), and all other common years, whereas a birth happening on that day is celebrated 1 Nisan 5772 (March 24, 2012), and in all other common years.
- The months of Heshvan and Kislev have variable lengths of either twenty-nine or thirty days. If an event occurs on the thirtieth of either month and in a subsequent year the month has only twenty-nine days, then the event is commemorated on the twenty-ninth of the month.
Example: A death occurs on November 3, 2013, corresponding to 30 Heshvan 5774. Four years later, in 5778, Heshvan has only twenty-nine days. The yahrzeit will be remembered on the twenty-ninth, which is the same as November 18, 2017. This rule equally applies to the month of Kislev.

ACTIONS REQUIRED BY THE TORAH READING PARENTHETICAL NUMBERS

(1) SHABBATOT PRECEDING PASSOVER:

Shabbat Shekalim: Additional Torah Reading Exodus 30:11-16. Read Haftarah II Kings 12:1-17 (Sephardim Read II Kings 12:1-17).

Shabbat Zakhor: Additional Torah Reading Deuteronomy 25:17-19. Read Haftarah: I Samuel 15:2-34 (Sephardim begin the haftarah with Verse 1).

Shabbat Parah: Additional Torah Reading Numbers 19:1-22. Read Haftarah: Ezekiel 36:16-38 (Sephardim read haftarah Ezekiel 36:16-36).

Shabbat Hahodesh: Additional Torah Reading Exodus 12:1-20. Read Haftarah: Ezekiel 45:16-46:18 (Sephardim read Ezekiel 45:18-46:16).

Shabbat Hagadol: No Additional Torah Reading. Read Haftarah: Malachi 3:4-24.

(2) HAFTAROT ON DOUBLE-TORAH PORTIONS:

Aharei/Kedoshim: Read Haftarah Kedoshim

Behar/Behukkotai: Read Haftarah Behukkotai

Hukat/Balak: Read Haftarah Balak

Mattot/Masei: Read Haftarah Masei

Tazria/Metzora: Read Haftarah Metzora

Nitzavim/Vayelekh: Read Haftarah Nitzavim

(3) SHABBAT SHUVAH: Read Haftarah Hosea 14:2-10 and Micah 7:18-20 (Ashkenazim Add: Joel 2:15-27).

(4) SHABBAT ROSH HODESH: Additional Torah Reading Numbers 28:9-15. Read Haftarah Isaiah 66:1-24.

(5) SHABBAT FALLING ON THE DAY BEFORE ROSH HODESH: Read Haftarah I Samuel 20:18-42.

(6) SHABBAT(OT) OF HANUKKAH:

1st Shabbat Read Haftarah Zechariah 2:14-17; 3:1-10; 4:1-7.

2nd Shabbat Read Haftarah I Kings 7:40-50 (Sephardim Read I Kings 7:13-26).

(7) PARASHAT PEKUDEI FOR SEPHARDIM: Read Haftarah I Kings 7:40-50

(8) PARASHAT PINCHAS FALLING AFTER 17 TAMMUZ: Read Haftarah Mattot (Jeremiah 1:1-19; 2:1-3).

(9) SHABBAT PRECEDING ROSH HODESH: No additional Torah or haftarah readings. The New Month is announced and blessed.

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(10) MACHZOR HAGADOL: Not a Torah reading, but a ceremony, falling on a Wednesday every twenty-eight years, with a recitation of Birkat Hachamah, a "Blessing for the Sun," as it rises in the east and figuratively re-enacts its procession across the sky at the same time, position, and day of the week it did on the day of its creation. Next occurrence: Sunrise, April 8, 2037.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PLANNER'S CONTENTS

- The calendar shows starting and ending dates for daylight saving time, used in all U.S. states, except Hawaii and most of Arizona. All Canadian provinces, except most of Saskatchewan, use daylight saving time.
- Not labeled is the King's birthday because following the accession of Charles III, in May 2023, Canadian Governor General Simon, on advice of the privy council, issued a proclamation declaring henceforth, the sovereign's birthday will be officially celebrated on Victoria Day.
- The three public fast days known as Bet-Hey-Bet, observed in Iyyar and Heshvan, and Yom Kippur Katan, the fast days occurring the day before every Rosh Hodesh, except for the months of Tishri, Kislev, Nisan, and Elul, are not shown.
- The fast days of 17th of Tammuz and the 9th of Av are cited, but not bein hametzarim, the three weeks between them.
- The three preparatory days before Shavuot, the 3rd, 4th, and 5th of Sivan, are not labeled.
- Selihot is displayed, but not the succeeding Selihot days, which continue until the day before Yom Kippur.
- The state holiday of Kurdish Jewry, Seharane, originally celebrated in Kurdistan on 22 – 24 Nisan, is now generally celebrated in Israel sometime during Hol HaMoed Sukkot or just after, so as not to interfere with Mimouna, celebrated annually on 22 Nisan. Seharane is not listed because it has no fixed date and is not recognized as a national-Israeli holiday.

MEANING OF THE PARENTHETICAL SUFFIXES

- The suffix (f) = the holiday is a U.S. federal holiday.
- The suffix (cf) = the holiday is a Canadian federal/statutory holiday.
- The suffix (o) = the holiday is observed on a day other than its official date.

USING THE TABLE OF CANDLE-LIGHTING TIMES

Holiday and Sabbath candle-lighting times listed on each calendar page are for New York City, Eastern Standard Time (EST). To convert to your location, find your closest city and week number within the required month, using the Table of Candle-Lighting Times, below.

Example: The Sabbath candle-lighting time for New York City on January 22, 2027, the fourth Sabbath of the month, is 4:43 PM. Suppose, of the cities listed in the Table of Candle-Lighting Times, the closest city to you is Boston, MA. The Table shows a time difference of -16 minutes. Therefore, the candle-lighting time is sixteen minutes earlier than New York City's time, or 4:43 PM - :16 = 4:27 PM. Compensate if daylight saving time is in effect.

TABLE OF CANDLE-LIGHTING TIMES

	SABBATH	ALBANY	BALTIMORE	BOSTON	BUFFALO	CHICAGO	CLEVELAND	DENVER	HOUTON
	NUMBER	NY	MD	MA	NY	IL	OH	CO	TX
JAN	1	-6	+15	-17	+13	-9	+29	+7	+54
	2	-6	+15	-17	+14	-9	+29	+6	+52
	3	-6	+15	-17	+14	-9	+29	+6	+50
	4	-6	+14	-16	+14	-8	+29	+6	+48
	5	-6	+14	-15	+14	-8	+29	+6	+46
FEB	1	-4	+14	-15	+15	-7	+29	+6	+44
	2	-4	+13	-15	+16	-7	+29	+5	+41
	3	-4	+12	-14	+16	-7	+29	+5	+39
	4	-3	+12	-14	+17	-7	+30	+4	+35
MAR	1	-2	+12	-12	+18	-6	+30	+5	+33
	2	-2	+11	-12	+18	-6	+30	+4	+29
	3	-1	+11	-12	+20	-6	+31	+4	+26
	4	-1	+10	-10	+20	-5	+31	+4	+23
	5	+0	+10	-10	+21	-5	+31	+4	+20
APR	1	+1	+10	-10	+22	-5	+31	+3	+18
	2	+1	+9	-10	+22	-4	+31	+3	+15
	3	+2	+9	-9	+23	-4	+32	+3	+12
	4	+3	+8	-9	+24	-4	+32	+2	+8
	5	+3	+8	-9	+24	-4	+32	+2	+7
MAY	1	3+	+7	-8	+24	-3	+32	+2	+5
	2	+4	+7	-8	+25	-3	+32	+2	+3
	3	+4	+6	-7	+25	-3	+32	+1	+0
	4	+4	+6	-7	+26	-3	+32	+1	-2
	5	+5	+6	-7	+26	-2	+32	+1	-3
JUN	1	+6	+6	-7	+27	-2	+33	+1	-4
	2	+6	+6	-6	+27	-2	+33	+1	-5
	3	+6	+6	-6	+27	-2	+33	+1	-6
	4	+6	+6	-6	+27	-2	+33	+1	-5
	5	+6	+5	-6	+26	-2	+33	+1	-5
JUL	1	+6	+6	-7	+26	-2	+33	+1	-5
	2	+5	+6	-7	+26	-2	+33	+1	-3
	3	+5	+7	-7	+26	-2	+33	+1	-2
	4	+5	+7	-8	+26	-3	+33	+1	+0
	5	+4	+7	-8	+25	-3	+33	+1	+2
AUG	1	+3	+7	-8	+24	-3	+32	+2	+4
	2	+3	+8	-9	+24	-4	+32	+2	+6
	3	+2	+8	-9	+23	-4	+32	+2	+10
	4	+2	+9	-10	+23	-4	+32	+2	+12
	5	+2	+9	-10	+22	-4	+32	+3	+15
SEP	1	+1	+9	-10	+22	-5	+31	+3	+17
	2	+0	+10	-11	+21	-5	+31	+4	+20
	3	+0	+11	-11	+20	-5	+31	+4	+23
	4	-1	+11	-12	+20	-5	+31	+4	+26
	5	-1	+11	-12	+19	-6	+31	+4	+29
OCT	1	-2	+11	-13	+18	-6	+30	+4	+30
	2	-3	+12	-13	+18	-6	+30	+5	+34
	3	-4	+12	-14	+17	-7	+30	+5	+36
	4	-4	+13	-14	+16	-7	+30	+5	+39
	5	-4	+13	-15	+16	-7	+30	+6	+42
NOV	1	-4	+14	-15	+16	-7	+30	+6	+44
	2	-5	+14	-16	+15	-8	+29	+6	+46
	3	-6	+14	-16	+14	-8	+29	+6	+49
	4	-6	+14	-17	+14	-9	+29	+6	+51
	5	-6	+15	-17	+13	-9	+29	+6	+52
DEC	1	-6	+15	-17	+13	-9	+29	+7	+53
	2	-6	+16	-17	+13	-9	+29	+7	+54
	3	-7	+16	-18	+13	-9	+29	+7	+54
	4	-7	+15	-17	+13	-9	+29	+7	+54
	5	-7	+15	-17	+13	-9	+29	+7	+54

TABLE OF CANDLE-LIGHTING TIMES (CONTINUED)

	SABBATH	LAS VEGAS	LOS ANGELES	MIAMI	PHILA.	PHOENIX	SAN DIEGO	SAN FRANCISCO	TORONTO
	NUMBER	NV	CA	FL	PA	AZ	CA	CA	CANADA
JAN	1	-2	+15	+62	+7	+52	+16	+23	+13
	2	-2	+14	+60	+7	+51	+16	+22	+13
	3	-3	+13	+57	+7	+50	+12	+22	+13
	4	-5	+11	+54	+7	+47	+9	+20	+15
	5	-6	+10	+52	+7	+46	+8	+20	+15
FEB	1	-6	+9	+51	+7	+46	+8	+20	+16
	2	-7	+7	+47	+6	+44	+6	+19	+17
	3	-9	+5	+42	+6	+41	+3	+18	+18
	4	-10	+3	+38	+6	+40	+1	+17	+20
MAR	1	-12	+2	+34	+6	+37	-2	+16	+20
	2	-14	-1	+30	+5	+35	-4	+15	+21
	3	-14	-3	+26	+5	+33	-6	+14	+22
	4	-16	-5	+22	+5	+31	-9	+13	+23
	5	-17	-6	+18	+5	+39	-11	+12	+23
APR	1	-19	-8	+14	+4	+27	-13	+12	+24
	2	-21	-10	+9	+4	+24	16	+10	+25
	3	-22	-12	+6	+4	+22	-17	+10	+26
	4	-23	-14	+2	+3	+20	-20	+9	+28
	5	-24	-15	+0	+3	+19	-22	+9	+28
MAY	1	-25	-16	-2	+3	+18	-23	+7	+29
	2	-26	-18	-6	+3	+16	-25	+7	+30
	3	-27	-19	-9	+3	+14	-33	+6	+31
	4	-28	-20	-11	+2	+13	-32	+5	+31
	5	-28	-22	-12	+2	+13	-31	+5	+31
JUN	1	-28	-22	-13	+2	+13	-31	+5	+32
	2	-29	-23	-15	+2	+11	-31	+5	+32
	3	-29	-23	-16	+2	+11	-31	+4	+32
	4	-30	-23	-15	+2	+11	-31	+4	+32
	5	-32	-23	-15	+2	+11	-31	+4	+32
JUL	1	-29	-23	-14	+2	+12	-30	+5	+32
	2	-28	-22	-12	+3	+13	-29	+5	+31
	3	-27	-20	-9	+3	+14	-27	+6	+30
	4	-26	-20	-6	+3	+16	-26	+7	+30
	5	-26	-18	-5	+3	+16	-25	+7	+30
AUG	1	-25	-17	-4	+3	+17	-24	+7	+29
	2	-24	-16	+0	+4	+20	-22	+8	+28
	3	-23	-13	+3	+4	+21	-20	+8	+27
	4	-21	-12	+8	+4	+23	-17	+10	+26
	5	-21	-10	+10	+4	+24	-16	+10	+25
SEP	1	-20	-9	+12	+4	+25	-15	+11	+24
	2	-19	-7	+15	+5	+27	-13	+11	+23
	3	-17	-4	+20	+5	+29	-11	+12	+23
	4	-16	-3	+24	+5	+32	-8	+13	+22
	5	-14	-1	+28	+5	+34	-5	+15	+21
OCT	1	-13	-1	+32	+5	+36	-4	+15	+20
	2	-11	+2	+37	+6	+39	+0	+17	+20
	3	-10	+3	+40	+6	+40	+2	+17	+19
	4	-8	+5	+44	+6	+43	+4	+18	+18
	5	-8	+7	+47	+6	+44	+6	+18	+17
NOV	1	-7	+9	+49	+7	+45	+7	+18	+16
	2	-6	+10	+52	+7	+47	+8	+20	+15
	3	-5	+12	+55	+7	+50	+10	+20	+14
	4	-3	+13	+58	+7	+50	+12	+20	+14
	5	-3	+14	+60	+7	+51	+13	+22	+13
DEC	1	-2	+14	+61	+7	+52	+14	+22	+12
	2	-2	+15	+62	+7	+53	+15	+23	+12
	3	-1	+15	+63	+7	+53	+16	+23	+12
	4	-1	+16	+63	+7	+53	+16	+23	+12
	5	-1	+16	+63	+8	+53	+16	+23	+13

16-Month Civil Calendars, September, 2026 Through December, 2027

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Facts and Statistics About Jewish Year 5787

Jewish New Year 5787, an abundant leap year, begins on Saturday, September 12, 2026 with a molad of 7d 2h 1063p (8:59:03 PM), coming 2,113,298 days after 1 Tishri of Jewish year 1.

The numeric abbreviation for Jewish year 5787 is תשפ"ז - pronounced "tash-páh-z." Hebrew letters have numeric values, and this abbreviation stands for 787. The 5000 is implicitly understood, just as when writing 1/1/27 in the U.S. and 27-01-01 in Canada, the 2000 is implicitly understood.

Jewish year 5787 is year 11 of the 19-year Metonic Cycle within cycle 304 since creation. Creation Cycle 304 is 6,940 days long, from October 3, 2016 through October 3, 2035, the same as 1 Tishri 5777 through 29 Elul 5795.

An abundant Jewish leap year beginning on Saturday happens just once in Creation Cycle 304, Rosh Hashanah 2026. Because Jewish year 5787 is an abundant leap year it holds 385 days, meaning the year has 13 months, and the month of Heshvan, ordinarily having 29 days, has 30 days.

In every creation cycle, there is a 1 in 365 chance of being born or dying on any given day in that cycle. However, 30 Heshvan does not appear every year, just in abundant years. In Creation Cycle 304, 30 Heshvan occurs 9 times, not nineteen; 3 in abundant leap years and 6 in abundant common years. The probability of being born or dying on 30 Heshvan in an abundant leap year during this cycle is 1 in 2,313, a smaller probability than being born or dying on February 29 in a Gregorian calendar year, which is 1 in 1,506. 30 Heshvan falls next on November 10, 2026.

The press made much of the fact that the first night of Hanukkah fell on the night of Christmas Day in 2024 (night of December 25). This event occurs four times in the 21st century: 2005, 2024, 2035, and 2054. A rarer Hanukkah event, the first night of Hanukkah falling on Christmas eve (night of December 24), takes place only three times in the 21st century, 2016, 2027 and 2073.

August 30 – Sep. 4, 2026 17 – 23 Elul 5786

30 AUG SUN 17 ELUL

31 AUG MON 18 ELUL

1 SEP TUE 19 ELUL

2 SEP WED 20 ELUL

3 SEP THU 21 ELUL

4 SEP FRI 22 ELUL 6:05PM

5 SEP SAT 23 ELUL NITZAVIM/VAYELEKH(2)(9)

“Ever tried. Ever failed. No matter. Try Again. Fail again. Fail better.” - Samuel Beckett

August 30 – Sep. 4, 2026 17 – 23 Elul 5786

Preparation is key to a successful week

Goals and Objectives

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Sep. 6 – 12, 2026 24 Elul 5786 – 1 Tishri 5787

6 SEP SUN 24 ELUL SELIHOT

7 SEP MON 25 ELUL LABOR DAY(f) LABOUR DAY(cf)

8 SEP TUE 26 ELUL

9 SEP WED 27 ELUL

10 SEP THU 28 ELUL

11 SEP FRI 29 ELUL EREV ROSH HASHANAH 5:54PM

12 SEP SAT 1 TISHRI ROSH HASHANAH 1ST DAY(5787) 6:52PM

“Align yourself with people that you can learn from, people who want more out of life, people who are stretching and searching and seeking for higher ground.”
- Les Brown (adapted)

September 6 – 12, 2026 24 Elul – 1 Tishri 5787

Call a friend and make a plan

Goals and Objectives

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September 13 – 19, 2026 2 – 8 Tishri 5787

13 SEP SUN 2 TISHRI ROSH HASHANAH 2ND DAY GRANDPARENTS' DAY

14 SEP MON 3 TISHRI **FAST OF GEDALIAH**

15 SEP TUE 4 TISHRI

16 SEP WED 5 TISHRI

17 SEP THU 6 TISHRI

18 SEP FRI 7 TISHRI 5:42PM

19 SEP SAT 8 TISHRI HAAZINU SHUVAH(3)

"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better." - Maya Angelou

September 13 – 19, 2026 2 – 8 Tishri 5787

Make this week a masterpiece

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September 20 – 26, 2026 9 – 15 Tishri 5787

20 SEP SUN 9 TISHRI **EREV YOM KIPPUR 5:38PM**

21 SEP MON 10 TISHRI **YOM KIPPUR**

22 SEP TUE 11 TISHRI **AUTUMN BEGINS**

23 SEP WED 12 TISHRI

24 SEP THU 13 TISHRI

25 SEP FRI 14 TISHRI **EREV SUKKOT 5:30PM**

26 SEP SAT 15 TISHRI **SUKKOT 1ST DAY 6:28PM**

“The purpose of my life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.” - Ralph Waldo Emerson

September 20 – 26, 2026 9 – 15 Tishri 5787

Find joy in your life

Goals and Objectives

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September 27 – October 3, 2026 16 – 22 Tishri 5787

27 SEP SUN 16 TISHRI SUKKOT 2ND DAY

28 SEP MON 17 TISHRI HOL HAMOED SUKKOT

29 SEP TUE 18 TISHRI HOL HAMOED SUKKOT

30 SEP WED 19 TISHRI HOL HAMOED SUKKOT
NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION(cf)

1 OCT THU 20 TISHRI HOL HAMOED SUKKOT

2 OCT FRI 21 TISHRI HOSHANA RABBA 5:18PM

3 OCT SAT 22 TISHRI SHEMINI ATZERET 6:17PM

“Our goal should be to live life in radical amazement...get up in the morning and look at the world in a way that takes nothing for granted. Everything is phenomenal; everything is incredible; never treat life casually. To be spiritual is to be amazed.” - Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel

September 27 – October 3, 2026 16 – 22 Tishri 5787
Conquer the week

Goals and Objectives

SEPTEMBER, 2026

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Oct. 11 – 17, 2026 30 Tishri – 6 Heshvan 5787

11 OCT SUN 30 TISHRI ROSH HODESH

12 OCT MON 1 HESHVAN ROSH HODESH HESHVAN COLUMBUS/INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES' DAY(f) THANKSGIVING DAY(cf)

13 OCT TUE 2 HESHVAN

14 OCT WED 3 HESHVAN

15 OCT THU 4 HESHVAN

16 OCT FRI 5 HESHVAN 4:56PM

17 OCT SAT 6 HESHVAN NOAH

“Do not be wise in words – be wise in deeds.” – Jewish Proverb

Oct. 11 – 17, 2026 30 Tishri – 6 Heshvan 5787
Call a friend and make a plan

Goals and Objectives

SEPTEMBER, 2026

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KISLEV 5787

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DECEMBER, 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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20 FAST 10TH OF TEVET	21 WINTER BEGINS	22	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY(f)(cf)	26 BOXING DAY(cf)
27	28	29	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE		

NOTES AND PLANNING

JANUARY, 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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17	18 M. L. KING BIRTHDAY (o)(f)	19	20	21	22	23 TU B'SHEVAT
24	25	26	27 INT'L HOLOCAUST MEM. DAY	28	29	30
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NOTES AND PLANNING

RABIN REMEMBRANCE DAY – Created by the Israeli Knesset as part of the Yitzhak Rabin Memorial Law, passed in 1997, two years after his assassination. Rabin Remembrance Day is held on 12 Cheshvan, the day of his assassination, and is observed by all state institutions, on Israel Defense Forces army bases and in schools throughout the country. Additionally, Israel's flag is lowered to half-staff, and a memorial service is held at his grave, located on Mt. Herzl, in West Jerusalem.

SIGD – The Ethiopian-Jewish community celebrates Sigd, an Amharic (a Semitic language spoken in Ethiopia) word meaning “to prostrate oneself,” every 29 Heshvan, exactly fifty days after Yom Kippur, mirroring the Jewish holiday of Shavuot, celebrated fifty days after Passover. On Sigd, the Ethiopian-Jewish community rejoices for the renewal of the covenant between the Jewish people, God, and His Torah. Sigd became a national-Israeli holiday in 2008.

BEN-GURION DAY – A national-Israeli holiday falling on 6 Kislev, memorializing the life and inspiration of primary founder of the State of Israel, and Israel's first Prime Minister David Ben Gurion (October 6, 1886 – December 1, 1973.)

Some Jewish Calendar Facts for Heshvan

- The name recorded in the Talmud for the month of Heshvan and used in legal documents is Marcheshvan.
- The Book of Kings (I Kings 6:38) records Solomon completing the First Temple “in the month of Bul,” its Canaanite name, which is the eighth month, Heshvan.
- The month of Heshvan can have either 29 or 30 days. Always 29 days, except in abundant years, years with either 355 or 385 days. Heshvan has 30 days this year.
- On 3 Heshvan in 1290, last of England's 16,000 Jews expelled by King Edward I left the country.
- On 8 Heshvan in 66 CE, during the early years of the Great Revolt, Jewish rebels defeated the Romans at Beth Horon Pass, killing 5,300 footmen and 380 horsemen.
- On 15 Heshvan in 1938, Kristallnacht, "Night of the Broken Glass," referring to thousands of windows broken and destruction of synagogues and Jewish property all over Germany.
- On 24 Heshvan in 1809, birth of Israel Lipkin, known as Rabbi Israel Salanter, in honor of the many years he lived in Salant, Lithuania. He founded the Mussar Movement, the formal study of ethical-improvement Judaism, in 1858.

Astronomical Events in November, 2026

November 4 & 5 - Taurids Meteor Shower

November 9 - New Moon

November 17, 18 - Leonidas Meteor Shower

November 20 - Mercury at Greatest Western Elongation

November 24 - Full Moon, (the second of three supermoon in 2026)

November 25 - Uranus at Opposition

Jewish Holidays Falling in Kislev 5787

November 11 – December 10, 2026

HANUKKAH – An eight-day celebration for the victory of a small band of Jewish rebels, led by Judah Maccabee, his father and brothers, over a much larger Syrian-Greek army, resulting in the establishment of an independent Jewish state, lasting from 167 BCE to 37 BCE. Hanukkah's miracle happened during the rededication of the Temple, defiled by the Syrian-Greeks: The only intact jar of holy oil, used to maintain the Temple's Everlasting Light, which should have lasted only one day, lasted for eight days, just enough time for new oil to be produced and consecrated. This is why latkes, fried-in-oil potato pancakes, and soufganiyot, fried-in-oil jelly-filled donuts, are traditional Ashkenazic Hanukkah foods. Sephardic Jews make fried donuts fritters, bimuelos.

Some Jewish Calendar Facts for Kislev

- The month of Kislev has 30 days, except when the year is a deficient year, a year with either 353 or 383 days, then it has only 29 days. 5785 is an abundant common year with 355 days and Kislev has 30 days.
- The month of Kislev can never begin on the Sabbath.
- The fifth night of Hanukkah can never fall on the Sabbath.
- The month of Kislev always ends with the holiday of Hanukkah.
- The actual name for a Hanukkah menorah is a Hanukkiah because it has nine candles and not seven found in a traditional menorah.
- On 7 Kislev in 4 BCE, death of the King Herod. Megillat Taanit (Chap. 9) records this event as a Jewish holiday.
- On 10 Kislev in 1944, Reichsführer-SS Himmler ordered the destruction of Auschwitz's crematoria to hide all evidence of the mass murders.
- On 11 Kislev in 1945, Yeshiva University received its charter, first American university under Jewish auspices.
- On 15 Kislev in 1976, the UN Security Council endorsed former Nazi Kurt Waldheim, Secretary-General for his second 5-year term.
- On 25 Kislev (December 17, 1862), Gen. Ulysses S. Grant ordered the expulsion of Jews from the Tennessee District. President Lincoln reversed the order the following month.

Astronomical Events in December, 2026

December 9 - New Moon

December 13, 14 - Geminids Meteor Shower

December 21 - December Solstice, Winter begins in the northern hemisphere

December 21 & 22 - Ursids Meteor Shower

December 23 - Full Moon, Supermoon

Jewish Holidays Falling in Tevet 5787

December 11 2026 – January 8, 2027

FAST OF THE 10TH OF TEVET – A dawn-to-nightfall fast day recalling the initial siege of Jerusalem by King Nebuchadnezzar, resulting in its conquest, destruction of Solomon's Temple, and exiling the Jewish people to Babylonia in 586 BCE.

Some Jewish Calendar Facts for Tevet

- Since the month of Kislev can be either 29 or 30 days long and Hanukkah always begins on 25 Kislev, the last few days of Hanukkah continue into the month of Tevet.
- On 1 Kislev in 1839, Turkish Sultan Abd al-Majid issues a declaration of civil liberties, guaranteeing equality of rights, security, and military service for all non-Muslim citizens. However, the decree was implemented only sparsely.
- On 1 Kislev in 1917, the British occupy Tel Aviv.
- On 12 Tevet in 1811, the New Duchy of Frankfurt passed a law granting Jews civil rights and privileges equal to other citizens, following a request by Meyer Anshel Rothschild.
- On 15 Tevet in 1977, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin meets Egyptian President Anwar Sadat at Ismailia, Egypt.
- On 23 Tevet in 1776, Francis Salvador, age 29, was the first Jew to die in the American Revolution.
- On 28 Tevet in 1866, Jews of Switzerland given full civil rights because of pressure exerted by the United States, interceding on behalf of American Jewry.

Astronomical Events in January, 2027

January 3 - Venus at Greatest Western Elongation

January 3, 4 - Quadrantids Meteor Shower

January 7 - New Moon

January 22 - Full Moon, Supermoon

- On 2 Av in 1267, Pope Clement IV establishes the Inquisition in Rome.
- On 6 Av in 1833, the British House of Commons voted in favor of the Jewish emancipation, but the House of Lords refused to do so until 1845.
- On 11 Av, 1908, birth of Arthur J. Goldberg, former Supreme Court Justice.
- On 16 Av in 1946, the British government orders all illegal immigrants bound for Palestine to be deported to camps on the island of Cyprus.
- On 20 Av in 1982, a Parisian Jewish deli, Chez Jo Goldenberg, attacked by two terrorists wielding grenades and machine guns. Six people died and twenty-two injured.
- On 22 Av in 1944, Joop Westerweel, Dutch poet and educator, executed by the Nazis for helping Jews escape.

Astronomical Events September, 2027

September 15 - Full Moon

September 23 - September Equinox – Autumn begins in the Northern Hemisphere

September 24 - Mercury at Greatest Eastern Elongation

September 28 - Neptune at Opposition

September 30 - New Moon

Jewish Holidays Falling in Elul 5787 **September 3 – October 1, 2027, 2027**

SELIHOT – Prayers of “forgiveness” held in synagogues the last or next to the last Saturday evening and into Sunday before Rosh Hashanah.

Some Jewish Calendar Facts for Elul

- On 1 Elul in 1989, the Soviet government permits the opening of a Jewish school in Riga, the first in fifty years.
- On 14 Elul in 1934, the first ship, the Vallos, with "illegal" Jewish immigrants broke through the British blockade of Israel.
- On 19 Elul in 1941, Anti-Semitic speech delivered by Charles Lindbergh on the radio, marked the introduction of anti-Semitism as a political tool in America.
- On 20 Elul in 1394, Charles VI expels the Jews of France.
- On 23 Elul in 1862, Philadelphian Rabbi Jacob Frankel (1808-1887) appointed first Jewish chaplain in the U.S. army by President Lincoln. (See 19 Tammuz).
- On 29 Elul (Erev Rosh Hashanah) in 1922, Present Warren Harding signs the Lodge-Fish Resolution supporting the establishment of a national Jewish homeland in Palestine.

Tikkun Olam Tracker

Hunger and Food Security

- Volunteer at a food bank, soup kitchen, or help distribute meals.
- Collect leftover produce from farms to donate to others.

Supporting Refugees and Immigrants

- Help local resettlement agencies by collecting basic needs.
- Tutoring in English, or mentoring a new family.

Environmental Stewardship

- Join a community clean up at parks, rivers, or beaches.
- Plant trees or start a community garden.

Visiting the Sick or Elderly

- Visit nursing homes or hospital patients for companionship.
- Deliver meals to homebound seniors through a reliable agency.

Helping Youth Through Education

- Tutor students in underserved schools or immigrant communities.
- Read to children in libraries or shelters.

Homeless and Housing

- Create hygiene or winter-care kits, distributing them to homeless shelters.
- Work with Habitat for Humanity.

Interfaith and Cross-Cultural Work

- Participate in interfaith-service projects.
- Volunteer at a local mosque or church event, showing solidarity.

Disability Advocacy

- Volunteer at an organization supporting people with disabilities.
- Assist with inclusive programs at Jewish community centers.

Jewish Community Volunteering

- Join a synagogue's committee for social justice.
- Help maintain Jewish cemeteries or historical sites.
- Support Jewish Family Services.

My Own Tikun Olam Choices

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Some Lesser-Known U.S. Jewish Sites to Visit

Monument to Six Million Jewish Martyrs, an 18-foot, 5-ton bronze sculpture by Nathan Rapoport (1911-1987), located at 16th and Arch Streets (at the start of the Benjamin Franklin Parkway) in Philadelphia, PA. Dedicated on April 26, 1964. <https://philadelphiaencyclopedia.org/essays/monument-to-six-million-jewish-martyrs/>.

Statue of Haym Salomon, known as the financier of the American Revolution, located at the corner of Wacker Drive and Wabash Avenue, Chicago, IL. Solomon raised and donated an amount estimated between \$4 and \$9 billion today. The United States Post Office honored Solomon on a 10-cent stamp in 1975. <https://www.juf.org/Mag/tmpl-article.aspx?id=451668>.

Jewish Tercentenary Monument, Kingshighway Blvd at West Pine Dr., St. Louis, MO. "In 1654, fearing oppression by the Portuguese who had recently conquered the Dutch settlement of Recife, Brazil, Jews living there set off for the Netherlands. However, rather than arriving safely in Amsterdam, one of the 16 ships carrying them was blown off course and robbed by pirates. The 23 survivors were picked up by a French ship heading to Canada and left off in New Amsterdam, as New York was then known. This monument was created in 1954 to mark the 300-year anniversary of this event." (See Cemeteries of Congregation Shearith Israel, below.) <https://forestparkmap.org/jewish-tercentenary-monument>.

Religious Liberty Sculpture, dedicated November 30, 1876, the country's largest monument to religious liberty, originally placed in Fairmont Park, now stands in front of the National Museum of American Jewish History, 101 South Independence Mall East, Philadelphia, PA. "The towering 24-foot, 13-ton statue was commissioned by the Jewish fraternal organization Independent Order of B'nai B'rith (Sons of the Covenant), and executed in marble by Moses Jacob Ezekiel (1844-1917), the first Jewish American artist of international repute." <https://theweitzman.org/exhibitions/enduring-monument/>
https://www.jpost.com/jerusalem-report/article-729588#google_vignette.

Holocaust Memorial, located at Dade Blvd. and Meridian Ave., Miami Beach, FL. "The memorial is a large environmental sculpture consisting of a 'series of outdoor spaces in which the visitor is led through a procession of visual, historical, and emotional experiences with the hope that the totality of the visit will express, in some small way, the reality of the Holocaust.'" Sculpted by Kenneth Treister in 1985, <https://cja.huji.ac.il/hmm/browser.php?mode=set&id=34496>.

Some Jewish Ghost Towns in Western Canada¹

For centuries, many European countries restricted Jews from owning land or engaging in agriculture, confining them largely to trade, small business, and certain professions. After fleeing pogroms, harsh antisemitic laws, and economic hardship in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, some immigrants who arrived in the Americas sought to gain independence through farming and agricultural life. This aspiration coincided with a period of active Canadian immigration policy aimed at populating the West. Public outcry following the Russian pogroms of 1881 contributed to Canada's first efforts at Jewish farm colonization. Although the Department of the Interior admitted Jewish immigrants, they were not granted the same settlement privileges extended to certain other immigrant groups. For example, communities such as the Mennonites were encouraged to establish cohesive ethnic settlements. In contrast, Jewish settlers were generally expected to disperse and integrate into surrounding non-Jewish communities.

Edenbridge, Sonnenfeld, and Eyre Colonies. Two groups of Jews founded the Edenbridge colony in 1906, near Gronlid, northeast of Melfort, in central Saskatchewan. One group came from South Africa via Lithuania, and the other from London, England. Later, additional Jews from New York State joined them. Although the colony is gone, its synagogue and cemetery endure. The site is preserved through local heritage efforts and Jewish historical organizations. In the same year, three Galician Jewish teenagers, Philip Berger, Israel Hoffer, and Majer Feldman, graduates of the Baron de Hirsch Agricultural College of Slobodka Lesna, Ukraine, helped establish the Jewish farm settlement of Sonnenfeld, originally known as New Herman. This colony is approximately 80 km west of Estevan. The only visible reminder of a Jewish presence is a cemetery near the hamlet of Oungre, located at the junction of Highways 18 and 35. The cemetery is managed by the Rural Municipality of Souris Valley. In 1910, the Jewish Colonization Association, created by Baron Maurice de Hirsch, organized the Eyre farming community in Chesterfield No. 261 Rural Municipality, Saskatchewan. This colony is located along the Canadian National Railroad's Big Sky Rail Line running west from Eatonia along Route 44 into Alberta. Today, no physical markers of Jewish presence remain at this site.

Lipton Colony. The village of Lipton is located 17 km north of the town of Fort Qu'Appelle on Highway 22. The Lipton colony was initially settled by Jews from Romania in 1901, and later joined by Jews from Russia. Lipton was Canada's only attempt to have government officials oversee the founding and administration

¹ Based on https://esask.uregina.ca/entry/jewish_rural_settlements.html, https://www.mhs.mb.ca/docs/mb_history/89/jewishfarmcolony.shtml, and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eyre,_Saskatchewan

Some Jewish-American Poets Writing About Jews

(Some of their poems may be part of a collection or anthology in book form and not stand-alone poems).

Emma Lazarus (1849–1887): Jewish pride, exile, freedom, and hope.

Anna Margolin (1887–1952): Yiddish modernism, exile, mysticism, desire.

Charles Reznikoff (1894–1976): Documentary witness, justice, Holocaust testimony.

Muriel Rukeyser (1913–1980) : Activism, identity, empathy, moral courage.

Howard Nemerov (1920–1991): Philosophy, irony, reason, quiet faith.

Shirley Kaufman (1923–2016): Ritual, memory, Israel, generational continuity.

Robin Becker (1951–): Feminism, lesbian identity, Jewish heritage.

Michael Jackman (1956–): Midwestern life, family, Jewish continuity.

Richard Michelson (1953–): Holocaust memory, interfaith, cultural reflection.

Abe Mezrich (1976–): Torah insight, mysticism, modern language.

Jacqueline Osherow (1956–): Biblical echoes, Israel, irony, modern faith.

Yehoshua November (1979–): Hasidic spirituality, longing, divine intimacy.

Some Jewish-Canadian Poets Writing About Jews

(Some of their poems may be part of a collection or anthology in book form and not stand-alone poems).

Mona Adilman (1924–1991): Reflected Jewish ethical and ecological concerns.

Leonard Cohen (1934–2016): Blends Jewish mysticism, biblical imagery, and eroticism.

A. M. Klein (1909–1972): Explores Jewish identity, Montreal life, and faith.

Irving Layton (1912–2006): Passionate, provocative; often engages Jewish themes.

Eli Mandel (1922–1992): Holocaust memory, exile, prairie life, Jewish heritage.

Seymour Mayne (1944–): Draws on Jewish liturgy, Hebrew, and Yiddish tradition.

Karen Shenfeld (c. 1957–): Explores Jewish identity, travel, and spiritual quest.

Kenneth Sherman (1950–): Reflects Jewish history, memory, and moral awareness.

Rhea Tregebov (1953–): Engages with Jewish memory, continuity, and empathy.

Miriam Waddington (1917–2004): Personal reflection blended with Jewish ethical vision.

Elana Wolff (1952–): Explores mysticism, psychology, and Jewish cultural identity.

Shulamis Yelin (1913–2002): Evokes Jewish family and community life in Quebec.

What Did Mark Twain Write About the Jews²

“If statistics are right, the Jews constitute but one percent of the human race. It suggests a nebulous dim puff of stardust lost in the blaze of the Milky Way. Properly, the Jew ought hardly to be heard of, but he is heard of, has always been heard of. He is as prominent on the planet as any other people.... His contributions to the world’s list of great names in literature, science, art, music, finance, medicine, and abstruse learning are also way out of proportion to the weakness of his numbers. He has made a marvelous fight in this world, in all the ages; and had done it with his hands tied behind him.”- Mark Twain, “Concerning The Jews,” Harper’s Magazine, September, 1899.

² The complete essay is available at: <https://origin-rh.web.fordham.edu/Halsall/mod/1898twain-jews.asp>

Civic, Religious, U.S./Canadian Federal, and National-Israeli Holidays in 2029

1	JAN MON	14 TEVET	NEW YEAR'S DAY 2029(f)(cf)	3	SEP MON	23 ELUL	LABOR DAY(f) LABOUR DAY(cf)
15	JAN MON	28 TEVET	MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY(f)	9	SEP SUN	29 ELUL	EREV ROSH HASHANAH
27	JAN SAT	11 SHEVAT	INT'L HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY	10	SEP MON	1 TISHRI	ROSH HASHANAH 1ST DAY(5790**)
31	JAN WED	15 SHEVAT	TU B'SHEVAT	11	SEP TUE	2 TISHRI	ROSH HASHANAH 2ND DAY
19	FEB MON	4 ADAR	WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY(o)(f)	12	SEP WED	3 TISHRI	FAST OF GEDALIAH
28	FEB WED	13 ADAR	FAST OF ESTHER	18	SEP TUE	9 TISHRI	EREV YOM KIPPUR
1	MAR THU	14 ADAR	PURIM	19	SEP WED	10 TISHRI	YOM KIPPUR
2	MAR FRI	15 ADAR	SHUSHAN PURIM	23	SEP SUN	4 TISHRI	EREV SUKKOT
3	MAR FRI	14 NISAN	FAST OF 1ST BORN EREV PESAH 1ST SEDER GOOD FRIDAY(cf)	24	SEP MON	15 TISHRI	SUKKOT 1ST DAY
3	MAR SAT	15 NISAN	PESAH 1ST DAY/2ND SEDER	25	SEP TUE	16 TISHRI	SUKKOT 2ND DAY
1	APR SUN	16 NISAN	PESAH 2ND DAY/OMER 1 EASTER SUNDAY	26	SEP WED	17 TISHRI	HOL HAMOED SUKKOT
2	APR MON	17 NISAN	HOL HAMOED PESAH EASTER MONDAY(cf)	27	SEP THU	18 TISHRI	HOL HAMOED SUKKOT
3	APR TUE	18 NISAN	HOL HAMOED PESAH	28	SEP FRI	19 TISHRI	HOL HAMOED SUKKOT
4	APR WED	19 NISAN	HOL HAMOED PESAH	29	SEP SAT	20 TISHRI	HOL HAMOED SUKKOT
5	APR THU	20 NISAN	HOL HAMOED PESAH	30	SEP SUN	21 TISHRI	HOSHANA RABBA TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION DAY(cf)
6	APR FRI	21 NISAN	PESAH 7TH DAY	1	OCT MON	22 TISHRI	SHEMINI ATZERET
7	APR SAT	22 NISAN	PESAH 8TH DAY MIMOUNA	2	OCT TUE	23 TISHRI	SIMCHAT TORAH
12	APR THU	27 NISAN	YOM HASHOAH	3	OCT WED	24 TISHRI	IRON SWORD WAR MEMORIAL DAY
18	APR WED	3 IYYAR	YOM HAZIKARON(o)	8	OCT MON	29 TISHRI	COLUMBUS/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY(f) THANKSGIVING DAY(cf)
19	APR THU	4 IYYAR	YOM HAATSMAUT(o)	16	OCT TUE	7 HESHVAN	YOM HA-ALIYAH
22	APR SUN	7 IYYAR	EARTH DAY	21	OCT SUN	12 HESHVAN	RABIN REMEMBRANCE DAY
25	APR WED	10 IYYAR	HERZL DAY	6	NOV TUE	28 HESHVAN	U.S. FEDERAL ELECTION DAY
29	APR SUN	14 IYYAR	PESAH SHENI	7	NOV WED	29 HESHVAN	SIGD
3	MAY THU	18 IYYAR	LAG BA-OMER	11	NOV SUN	4 KISLEV	REMEMBRANCE DAY(cf)
9	MAY WED	24 IYYAR	VICTORY OVER NAZI GERMANY DAY	12	NOV MON	5 KISLEV	VETERANS DAY(o)(f)
13	MAY SUN	28 IYYAR	MOTHERS DAY YOM YERUSHALAYIM	13	NOV TUE	6 KISLEV	BEN-GURION DAY
19	MAY SAT	5 SIVAN	EREV SHAVUOT	22	NOV THU	15 KISLEV	THANKSGIVING DAY(f)
20	MAY SUN	6 SIVAN	SHAVUOT 1ST DAY	1	DEC SAT	24 KISLEV	EREV HANUKKAH 1ST CANDLE
21	MAY MON	7 SIVAN	SHAVUOT 2ND DAY VICTORIA DAY(cf)	2	DEC SUN	25 KISLEV	HANUKKAH 1ST DAY
28	MAY MON	14 SIVAN	MEMORIAL DAY(f)	3	DEC MON	26 KISLEV	HANUKKAH 2ND DAY
17	JUN SUN	4 TAMMUZ	FATHERS DAY	4	DEC TUE	27 KISLEV	HANUKKAH 3RD DAY
19	JUN TUE	6 TAMMUZ	JUNETEENTH(f)	5	DEC WED	28 KISLEV	HANUKKAH 4TH DAY
1	JUL SUN	18 TAMMUZ	FAST OF 17TH OF TAMMUZ(o) CANADA DAY(cf)	6	DEC THU	29 KISLEV	HANUKKAH 5TH DAY
4	JUL WED	21 TAMMUZ	INDEPENDENCE DAY(f)	7	DEC FRI	1 TEVET	HANUKKAH 6TH DAY
12	JUL THU	29 TAMMUZ	JABOTINSKY DAY	8	DEC SAT	2 TEVET	HANUKKAH 7TH DAY
22	JUL SUN	10 AV	TISHA B'AV(o)	9	DEC SUN	3 TEVET	HANUKKAH 8TH DAY
27	JUL FRI	15 AV	TU B'AV	16	DEC SUN	10 TEVET	FAST OF 10TH OF TEVET
6	AIG MON	25 AV	CIVIC HOLIDAY(cf)	25	DEC TUE	19 TEVET	CHRISTMAS DAY(f)(cf)
2	SEP SUN	22 ELUL	SELIHOT	26	DEC WED	20 TEVET	BOXING DAY(cf)
				31	DEC MON	25 TEVET	NEW YEAR'S EVE

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