

How to Build a Sukkah (Tent/Booth)

A Temporary Dwelling of Trust in YAHUAH

Leviticus 23:42–43

The sukkah represents temporary dwelling a reminder that our protection, provision, and stability come from YAHUAH.

It is not about architectural perfection.
It is about remembrance and trust.

Basic Requirements (Traditional Guidelines)

Temporary structure

It must be built for the feast not permanent.

At least three walls

They can be solid or flexible (fabric, wood, etc.).

Roof (s'chach) made from natural materials

Branches, palm leaves, bamboo, reeds something grown from the earth.

Roof must allow you to see some sky

It should provide shade but not be fully sealed.

The structure should feel temporary not like a finished building.

Simple DIY Sukkah (Backyard Version)

Materials

- PVC pipe or wood frame
- Zip ties or screws
- Canvas sheet, tarp, or fabric (for walls)
- Palm branches, bamboo, or tree branches (for roof covering)

Steps

Build a simple 6x6 or 8x8 frame (size can vary).
Attach at least three walls.
Lay branches loosely across the top.
Do not seal the roof completely allow air and light through.
Add table, chairs, and simple lighting if desired.

Keep it safe and stable, but remember it is meant to be temporary.

Small Space Option (Apartment / Balcony)

If you do not have a yard:

- Use a small pop-up frame
- Build on a balcony (if allowed)
- Create a scaled-down version
- Even a symbolic structure can serve as remembrance

The heart of the command is dwelling and remembering not size.

What to Do Inside the Sukkah

- Eat meals
- Pray
- Read Scripture
- Give thanks
- Invite others

Deuteronomy 16:14
“You shall rejoice...”

Sukkot is joyful.

It is a feast of gratitude and provision.

Spiritual Reminder

Living in a temporary booth teaches:

- Life is temporary
- Comfort is not our foundation
- YAHUAH is our covering
- Provision comes from Him

The sukkah is not about craftsmanship.

It is about stepping outside permanence to remember that YAHUAH alone is our shelter.

Simple is enough.

Intentional is what matters.