

Major holidays (Rabbinic Calendar)

Holidays begin at sundown on the evening before the date specified.

Dates in **bold** are *yom tov*, so they have similar obligations and restrictions to Shabbat in the sense that normal "work" is forbidden.

Day	Dates	Description
Rosh Hashana	Oct 3-4, 2016 M-Tu	The Jewish New Year
Yom Kippur	Oct 12, 2016 W	Day of Atonement
Sukkot	Oct 17-18, 2016 M-Tu Oct 19-23, 2016 W-Su	Feast of Tabernacles
Hoshana Rata	Oct 24, 2016 M	Eighth Day of Assembly
Simchat Torah	Oct 25, 2016 Tu	Day of Celebrating the Torah
Chanukah	Dec 25-Jan 1, 2017 Su-Su	The Jewish festival of rededication, aka: Festival of Lights
Purim	Mar 12, 2017 Su	Celebrating the triumph of Esther saving her people
Passover	Apr 11-12, 2017 Tu-W	Passover
	Apr 13-16, 2017 Th-Su	Feast of Unleavened Bread
	Apr 17-18, 2017 M-Tu	Yom Habikkurim – Feast of First Fruits
Shavuot	May 31-Jun 1, 2017 W-Th	Festival of Weeks, giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai