

Savoury Sukkot: Build your own edible sukkah

Materials:

- Cruskits
- Carrot sticks
- Celery sticks
- Cream cheese/hummus



Instructions:

1. Stick the cruskit walls together using cream cheese or hummus
2. Create a roof using celery and/or carrot
3. Make sure your sukkah is *kosher* (follow the guide below for details)
4. Eat outside! Whether or not you have your own sukkah at home, eat your edible sukkah outside, to feel connected with the traditions of sukkot.

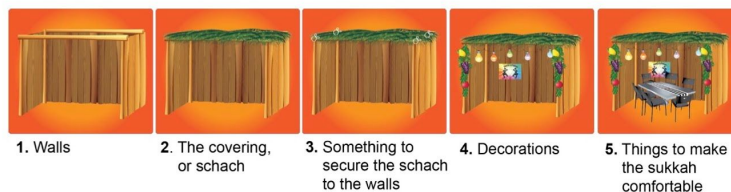
What exactly is a sukkah?

A *sukkah* is a temporary shelter. They represent the sukkot that our people lived in for 40 years while wandering the desert after the Exodus from Egypt.

What do we do in the sukkah?

In our *sukkah*, we are meant to feel close to the earth. After we build and decorate our *sukkah*, we eat our meals in it. Sometimes we even sleep in it! Using our *sukkah* in these ways is a mitzvah: something our tradition tells us to do. We are meant to really live in our *sukkah*: eating, sleeping, talking, and singing, and inviting guests to enjoy it as well!

Guide To Building a Sukkah



A sukkah must have at least three walls. The walls of the sukkah can be made out of anything: canvas, wood, bricks, even metal or stone. They may even be a permanent structure, such as the side wall of a house.

There are, however, certain rules about the roof of a sukkah:

- it must be made out of something which grew from the ground (e.g. branches are allowed, plastic or metal is not).
- the material it is made from must no longer be connected to the ground. e.g. you may not use a living branch as part of the sukkah roof - it must be cut off the tree before it may be used.
- It must be possible to see at least 3 stars in the night sky through the sukkah roof (it must not be such a good roof that it protects us totally from the environment - instead, we need to still have some trust that God will continue to protect us).