

SPRING

The Four Worlds:

Atsilut
World of Emanation
Birthing, next-to-God

Chokmah Wisdom
Fire

Going from one wine or liquor to a better one, one can bless: *Blessed be You...who is good and does good. Barukh Atah...hatov v'hameitiv*

Briyah World of Creation
Creating something from nothing, intellect

Binah Understanding
Air

The order of the four elements—earth, water, air, fire—follows medieval science, moving from concrete to more ephemeral. However, the order can also be earth—*Asiyah*, air—*Yetsirah*, fire—*Briyah*, water—*Atsilut*—like *Genurah* and *Chesed*.

Yetsirah World of Formation
Creating in the world emotions

Tiferet Beauty
Water

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Asiyah World of Doing
Making and moving

Malkhut Kingdom
Shekhinah Presence
Earth

Some people begin or end the seder with grains that are grown in Israel. You can also end with *challah* and make that the start of a regular meal.

All-Purpose Traditional Blessing After Eating:

Blessed be You *YHVH-Adonai* our God, Ruler of the World, the One who creates many souls along with whatever they lack, for all that you created, to give life through them to the soul of all life.

Blessed be the Life of the Worlds ברוך חי העולמים

פרי FRUIT

The Kabbalists would eat ten fruits for each level.

יין WINE

At each level, before drinking wine, one can add, "For the sake of the unification of *Yod-Heb* with *Vav-Heb*!"

אצילות *Atsilut*

bacteria, archaea, protists: invisible

8. Beyond physical fruit

Unity with all, Spirit; interbreathing

Enjoy sweet smells like cinnamon, bay leaf, or special tastes like scotch

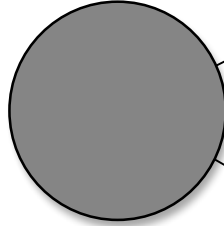


בריאה *Briyah*

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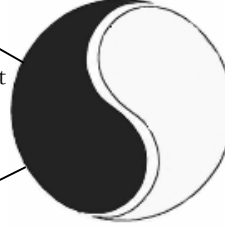
fungus: fruit only visible part

7. red with a drop of white



6. Completely edible fruit

No shells, open on all levels; eating nourishes seed – fullest symbiosis w/fruit
Eat apple, pear, orange, grape, fig, etc.

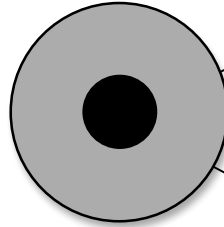


יצירה *Yetsirah*

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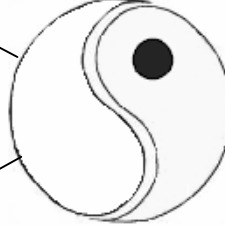
plant: roots invisible

5. half red half white



4. Fruit with a pit

Shell on the inside, inner defenses; eating casts away seed
Eat olive, date, avocado, cherry, etc.

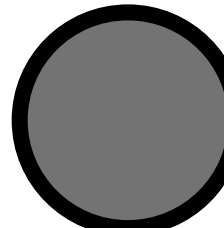


עשייה *Asiyah*

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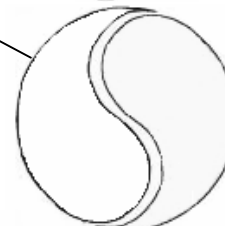
evolutionary tree of life:
animal: visible realm

3. white with a drop of red



2. Fruit with an inedible shell

Outer defenses; eating destroys seed
Eat almond, coconut, pomegranate, etc.



1. all white

make the blessing for wine for all 4 cups



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The Four Levels of Meaning:

At each level, share teachings that fit that level. The acronym for all four levels spells פרדס *Parades*, orchard or paradise.

סוד *Sod*

Secret, mystical meaning
Kabbalah

How to do the seder

Start from the bottom.

For each level:

1. Drink the wine.
2. Learn a text.
3. Eat the fruit.
4. Share songs, poems and meditations.

דרש *Drash*

Mythic meaning
Poetry, Midrash

Blessings for smelling:

fruit: *borei rei'ach tov bapeirot*
trees: *borei atsey b'samim*
plants: *borei isvey b'samim*
prepared spices: *borei miney b'samim*

רמז *Remez*

Moral, Ethical meaning
Parable, Allegory

Blessings for eating:

wine/grape juice: *borei p'ri hagafen*
other drinks: *shehakol nihyeh bidvaro*
tree fruit: *borei p'ri ha'eits*
grains: *borei miney m'zonot*
vegetables or ground fruit:
borei p'ri ha'adamah

פשט *P'shat*

Simple, Literal meaning

WINTER

You can start or end the seder with the blessing from the original Kabbalistic seder, downloadable from neohasid.org.