

# Welcoming Guests

One of the Jewish values associated with Sukkot is hachnasat orchim, or welcoming guests. Traditionally, people welcome friends and neighbors into their sukkah. We are encouraged not just to invite guests over, but also to make them feel honored and comfortable during their stay. Create welcome mats or signs to display outside your sukkah or your home to provide a friendly invitation for all those who visit.

## What you will need:

- Paper or cardboard
- Sharpies or markers
- Additional craft supplies



## What to do:

- Take your piece of paper or rectangular cardboard piece and decorate it with words, phrases, and designs that will help welcome guests.
- You might chose to write the word “welcome” in English, in Hebrew (Baruch Haba), or in another language you or your guests may know.
- Place your welcome sign or mat on the outside of your sukkah or home to greet those who enter.