

what does bitterness

What does bitterness mean to you?

Welcome to Cheshvan, also called Marcheshvan, which is usually translated as "Bitter Cheshvan," due to the lack of major holidays this month.

Cheshvan can be a great time for reflecting on abundance and regeneration.

In Cheshvan, as leaves fall from trees, later to become new soil, we are reminded of how decomposition brings about new life.

What transformations are you inviting this month?

This is the fourth
edition of a new monthly
zine by the Jewish Museum
of Maryland. In each
issue, we share content
about the holidays,
rituals, and ideas
related to each month in
the Jewish calendar.

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A sukkah, often translated as "booth" is a temporary fort constructed for use during the week-long Jewish festival of Sukkot.

For our Cheshvan edition of the zine, we are featuring photos of sukkahs built by JMM staff members.





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