

JEWISH FESTIVALS: KIDDUSH: CUP & WINE BOTTLES

Your Own Kiddush Cup

If you want to drink kiddush wine, you may either hold your own cup of wine (or grape juice) during kiddush or receive wine or grape juice from the kiddush leader's cup.

Kos Pagum

Kos pagum means either:

1. "Physically damaged or broken drinking utensil": You may not use such a cup for kiddush l'chatchila.
OR
2. Cup of wine, grape juice, or any beverage that has been drunk from. This beverage may not be used for a kos shel bracha until at least a small amount more of some beverage has been added.

Uncovered Wine Bottles/Cups

You do not need to close the wine bottle or cover the other wine cups while the first of several people says kiddush, whether on Shabbat or Jewish festivals.

Washing Wine Glass

There is no need to wash a clean wine glass before using it for kiddush.