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Koren Sacks Rosh HaShana Mahzor (Hebrew And English Edition)



Synopsis

The Koren Rosh HaShana Mahzor, nusah Ashkenaz is a prayer book with translation and commentary by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks. The Mahzor marries the insight and eloquence of Rabbi Sacks with the renowned graphic approach of Koren Publishers Jerusalem. An invaluable introduction guides you through the themes of the day. A brilliant commentary blends insights from Tanakh and classical sources with Rabbi Sacks' keen observations. An eloquent, contemporary translation makes the prayers accessible and meaningful. A sophisticated design brings out the power and poetry of the text. The Koren Sacks Rosh HaShana Mahzor enables you to enter the true spirit of Rosh HaShana and emerge into the new year renewed.

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A spiritual guide rather than just a prayer book...With characteristically elegant and unambiguous translations that distinguish between poetry and prose and favor an intimate, contemporary style over the distant, archaizing language of some other prayer books, Jonathan Sacks helps clear up the abstruseness and remedy the potential dryness of the liturgy...The Koren Sacks Rosh HaShana Mahzor will be a cherished and widely used prayer book for years to come.

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For years I was happy davening with the Birnbaum machzor. As the liturgy changed, the machzor no longer served its purpose (missing some piyyutim and tefilos). This year I used R' Sacks' machzor for the first time and was very pleased. I was already used to the typography and layout through the Koren-Sacks siddur, so I wasn't surprised by any physical feature of the machzor. What I loved was the richness of the translation, which made the prayers more meaningful (I cannot understand Hebrew without a lot of help). I also liked the commentaries, which gave me much to think about, inside and outside the synagogue. I want my synagogue to switch to this machzor.

I'm looking forward to davening with this machzor for years to come. The full-size edition has very readable type. I was surprised to see more block paragraphs than in the Koren Daily/Shabbat siddur, but there is so much to be put in the machzorim, I can live with it. Rabbi Sacks' introduction and commentary is well-done as usual, as are the translations. (This machzor, like the Koren siddur, has the ivrit on the left page with the english on the right page-- once you're used to it, I think it works better that way.) The paper is very thin, but seems to be strong, making this a bit more compact without losing type size/readability. I was disappointed in the paperback binding of the Koren daily siddur-- the front cover is already off and I've only used it for about eight months. The machzor's binding seems very sturdy and tight, so there shouldn't be a similar problem. Looking forward to the

Yom Kippur machzor! L'shana tova!

This is a beautiful Mahzor. Gorgeous font- beautifully laid out. translation is easily matched to Hebrew on facing page. Rabbi Sacks' introductions are worth 10x the price alone. The introductions are so amazing that they could stand alone as a small book. the Yom Kippur intro was world-view changing to me - enhanced my Yom Kippur the way no other single drasha or explanation has ever done for me. R. Sacks is awesome.

If you are looking for a very traditional Rosh HaShanah mahzor, this is a good one. The translations are clear and the liturgy is very comprehensive.

I BOUGHT THE ROSH HASHONA AND YOM KIPPUR MACHZORIM BECAUSE I'M ENJOYING THE SIDDUR SO MUCH. AFTER BREAKING THE FAST, I WROTE A REVIEW ON THE YK MACHZOR. A FELLOW READER ENCOURAGED ME TO FILE THIS REVIEW ON THE RH MACHZOR. BOTH VOLUMES ARE GREAT. CLEAR TYPE, EASY INSTRUCTIONS (I DAVEN WITH A NON-ASHKENAZ MINYAN) AND THE NOTES ARE SPECTACULAR. A REAL LEARNING EXPERIENCE. HEBREW IS NOT JAMMED SO THAT READING IS PLEASURABLE. ENGLISH TRANSLATION IS CLEAR AND THE NOTES EXPLAIN WHAT THE READER WANTS TO KNOW. VALUABLE ASSETS TO MY PERSONAL LIBRARY.

Love Rabbi Sacks commentary and I use this as a study guard in preparation for my Rosh HaShana prayers. But I don't care for the thin, see-thru paper nor the format of this machzor for davening purposes, hence the 3 star review.

This is a very meaningful and beautiful Machzor. The Koren typeset is consistently lovely, the translation is poetic and captures the spirit of the hebrew content beautifully and as always, Rabbi Sacks' commentary is thought provoking and deep. It truly enhanced my Rosh Hashana this year and I also used it in preparation for Yom Kippur. It truly helped keep me in the right frame of mind. I highly recommend this edition and I am looking forward to his Yom Kippur Machzor next year. Gregg Bannett

The new Koren Sacks Rosh HaShana mahzor is a delight. The introduction alone (as is true for the siddur) is itself worth the price of the book - after reading it I really wanted to try to be a better

person. The English translation is beautifully and accurately rendered. I did find 2 errors that I am sure will be corrected in future editions, the most obvious one being an incorrect beracha after the kedusha in the minchah prayer service.

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