

ABSTRACT

KABBALISTIC CUSTOMS DURING HOSHA'NA RABBA

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Various names have been given to *Hosha'na Rabba*: the solemn undertone of this holiday, as the final day of divine judgement, is balanced by the joyous element that comes as part of the holidays of *Succot*. Various literary sources, presented in the article in chronological and geographical order, provide a roadmap to the development of these conceptions of the holiday over many generations, including important contributions of Kabbalistic teachings to the Halakhic literature and its influence on various customs and rituals.