

Kehila Kedosha Janina has the largest collection of books on the Jews of Greece (in English) in the world. This book list starts out with recent acquisitions, expanding our book store to include books on the Lower East Side, Jewish New York, Greece in World War II and, stories of other Sephardic communities.

NEW

Greece WWII

The Agony of Greek Jews, 1940-1945 \$40

Steven Bowman

Despite the nearly total obliteration of Greek Jewry in World War II, the Holocaust in Greece has been virtually ignored in historical literature in the English language. Bowman's volume, based on decades of research and deep familiarity with the region, its complexities, and its personalities, is an important corrective to this great gap.

I Was Trained to be a Spy \$15

By Helias Doundoulakis

Fascinating story of a Greek-American who served as a spy in Greece during WWII. Helias Doundoulakis would operate his wireless radio, sending messages to OSS, in an abandoned Greek Jewish textile factory in Salonika.

Occupation and Resistance: The Greek Agony 1941-1944 \$20

By John Louis Hondros

This book, which is based on British and German wartime records, offers a provocative reinterpretation of this period in modern Greek history.

Inside the Gas Chambers \$15

Sholomo Venezia

This is the only complete eye-witness account that we have from a survivor of the Sonderkommandos

After the War Was Over \$25

Edited by Mark Mazower

Originally published in 2000: now in reprint. Essays on life in Greece after the war.

Portraits of our Past \$10

Bob Bedford & FASSAC

Photos of Jews of Greece lost in the Holocaust, along with photos of survivors.

New Addition From Greece

Sephardic & Romaniote Costumes in Greece & Turkey \$20

By Nikos Stavroulakis

Each lithograph is capable of framing.

Jewish New York

The Lower East Side Remembered and Revisited: \$20
History and Guide to a Legendary New York Neighborhood
Joyce Mendelsohn

Synagogues of New York City \$35
Israelowitz Publishing
This lavish volume contains the history of synagogue architecture in America's oldest and largest Jewish community. There are two hundred color and black & white photographs, illustrations, architect's renderings, floor plans and maps, plus listings of over 1500 former synagogue locations throughout the five boroughs of New York City.

Guide to Jewish New York City \$20
Israelowitz Publishing
This is the only guide of its kind. It contains complete do-it-yourself walking and driving tours of the unique New York Jewish neighborhoods of today, along with lists of hundreds of kosher restaurants, synagogues (of all denominations), mikvehs, Jewish Community Centers (JCCs) and YMHAs.

Lower East Side Tourbook \$10
Israelowitz Publishing
This guide is the most essential tool a visitor or researcher into the history of this unique neighborhood can utilize. It offers a complete do-it-yourself walking tour plus a list of over five hundred synagogues which served the nearly 600,000 Jews who lived here in the early part of this century. There are also original street maps, dating from 1914, showing every building in the Lower East Side.

Postcards of the Lower East Side \$10
Israelowitz Publishing
In packets of ten, classic images of early 20th century Lower East Side.

Postcards of the Brooklyn Bridge \$10
In packets of ten, classic images of early 20th Brooklyn Bridge.

Of Sephardic Interest

The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit \$15
Lucette Lagnado
The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit recounts the exile of the author's Jewish Egyptian family from Cairo in 1963 and her father's heroic and tragic struggle to survive his "riches to rags" trajectory.
After the War Was Over, Edited by Mark Mazower: Princeton University Press, originally published in 2000. \$25

Our Collection

Books of Interest on Greek Jewry: History

Greece--A Jewish History \$30

K. E. Fleming

A fascinating look at Greek Jewry as it entered the modern age. A special chapter on Kehila Kedosha Janina.

The Jews of Byzantium

\$20

Steven Bowman

The history of Romaniote Jews from the Fourth Crusade to the Ottoman conquest of Constantinople.

The Jews of Greece

\$20

Nikolas Stavroulakis

Essay on the Jews of Greece from antiquity through the Holocaust; color, b/w photos

Jewish Sites & Synagogues of Greece

\$25

Nikolas Stavroulakis

A city by city account of what remains of Jewish sites and synagogues today; color, b/w photos and maps.

Yannina: Journey To the Past

\$15

Eftihia Nachman

Amazing book on what life was like in Ioannina before the Holocaust: how the holidays were celebrated, the traditions and customs. Includes eyewitness accounts of the deportation and a glossary of Yanniote expressions.

Books of Interest on Sephardic Communities in Greece

Farewell Salonica

\$15

By Leon Sciaky

Reprint of classic book. One of the best books on Jewish Salonika. A story of what life was like before the Holocaust.

Traditions & Customs of the Sephardic Jews of Salonica

\$30

By Rabbi Michael Molho

A beautifully published adaptation of Rabbi Michael Molho's extensive description of the special customs and traditions of the Saloniklis. Written just preceding the destruction of the community in the Holocaust, this is the definitive work on the specific customs and traditions of the Jews of "La Madre de Israel."

Holocaust

***A Liter of Soup & Sixty Grams of Bread:
The Holocaust Diary of Prisoner #109565***

\$10

Heinz Kounio

Translated by Marcia Haddad Ikonomopoulos

Based on the actual diary of Heinz Kounio, deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau on the first transport from Salonika on March 15, 1943.

Athens-Auschwitz

\$20

Errikos Sevillias

A diary of the plight of one Greek-Jew during the Holocaust: b/w photos.

Chimera-- Period of Madness \$10

Isaac Bourla

A powerful memoir based on notes Bourla jotted down beginning two months after his liberation, describes his thoughts and impressions of the darkest years of his life.

***From Thessaloniki To Auschwitz & Back:
Memoirs of a Survivor From Thessaloniki*** \$25

Erika Kounio Amariglio

Sensitive account of survival, one of the few written by a woman from Greece. A vivid picture of life in Salonika before the war and the horrors of Auschwitz-Birkenau.

The Holocaust in Salonika: Eyewitness Accounts \$10

Translated by Ino Benmayor

Three eyewitness accounts of the Holocaust in Salonika by former members of the Jewish community.

The Holocaust Odyssey of Daniel Bannahmias-Sonderkommando \$25

Rebecca Camhi Fromer

A rare account of one of the eleven Greek Jews from the Sonderkommando to have survived routine extermination.

The Illusion of Safety: The Story of Greek Jews During the Second World War \$25

Michael Matsas

The hypocrisy of the American and British governments during the Greek Holocaust and the story of Greek Jews who fought in the Resistance to free the country.

Jewish Resistance in Wartime Greece \$25

Steven Bowman

A fascinating, in-depth look at the many Jews who fought in the Greek Resistance during WWII

The Jewish Community of Salonika: History, Memory & Identity \$30

Bea Lewkowicz

Interviews with survivors. A sensitive look at the remnants of the Community.

Last Century of a Sephardic Community: The Jews of Monastir 1839-1943 \$30

By Marc Cohen

An excellently written portrait of a traditional Sephardic community in transformation, caught up in the political upheavals of the time and, finally, destroyed in the Holocaust. A list of all those from Monastir who perished is in an appendix at the end of the book.

Legacy of Courage \$20

Frederic Kakis

A true story of survival in Occupation Greece. A rare account of a Jewish family that fled the Bulgarian Zone of Occupation in Greece. A glimpse of life in the Resistance.

Monastir Without Jews \$18

Jamila Andjela Kolonomos

A rare Holocaust memoir by a Jewish woman who witnessed the brutality of the Bulgarians in Monastir and fought in the Resistance Movement.

This Child Died Tomorrow \$15

By Nestor Matsas

A moving diary recorded by 12 year old Nestor Matsas. Lovingly translated by Jason Rigas. The Greek equivalent of the Diary of Ann Frank.

Books of Interest on Greece and Greek History

Eleni \$15

Nicholas Gage

We are honored to offer this classic book by our dear friend, Nicholas Gage. A true story set in Epirus during the Greek Civil War.

Footsteps Through Athina: A Traveler's Guide To Athens and Greek Culture \$20

Angelyn Balodimas-Bartolomei, Ph.D

A tour of Athens includes the Jewish Museum of Greece and the Synagogues of Athens. Includes insights into Greek culture, food and language.

It's All Greek To Me \$15

John Mole

Delightful, tongue-in-cheek look at life in Greece and the challenges of learning Greek!

Books of Interest on Greece in World War II

Inside Hitler's Greece \$20

Mark Mazower

Greece under the Nazis. The photo of the Ioannina round-up comes from this book

Cookbooks

A Fistful of Lentils: Syrian-Jewish Recipes From Grandma Fritzie's Kitchen \$15

Jennifer Felicia Abadi

Now in paperback. More than just a cookbook. A glimpse into the world of Syrian Jews. Syrian Jews once lived alongside the Romaniotes on the Lower East Side.

The Cookbook of the Jews of Greece \$35

Nicholas Stavroulakis

Recipes and customs of Romaniote and Sephardic Jews of Greece; drawings.

Books of Interest on Sephardic Jews

Marguerite \$10

Gloria Sananes Stein

Tenderly written story of an immigrant family from Salonika, vividly portraying their life in Salonika, their leaving after the Fire of 1917 and their arrival in the New World. Originally published in 1997. Recently made available again. A treasure.

Sephardic Jews In America: A Diasporic History

\$25

Aviva Ben-Ur

An excellent book by a prominent scholar of Sephardic Jewish history. This book covers the rarely told story of Sephardic and Romaniote immigration to the United States.

Ladino

Ladino Reveries

\$15

Hank Halio

Classic book on Sephardic customs, traditions, foods and sayings of the Ladino-speaking world of Sephardic immigrants.

Un Ramo de Poemas: A Bouquet of Poems

\$12

Haim Vitali Sadacca

A beautiful collection of poems written in Judeo-Espanyol and lovingly translated to English by David Altabe of Blessed Memory. Both original and translation appear in the book.

Books of Interest on New York City

Hidden New York: A Guide To Places That Matter

\$20

Marci Reaven and Steve Zeitlin

A delightful insight into fascinating places to visit throughout New York City and, Kehila Kedosha Janina is highlighted as one of the "places that matter."

For Children

A Shout in the Sunshine

\$10

Maria Cohen Ioannides

Delightful fictionalized account of Romaniote and Sephardic life in Salonika in 1492.

Ten Gold Medals: Glory or Freedom

\$10

Isaac Dostis

Written for juveniles, this special book tells the under-told story of the Greek Holocaust, the story of the pain of loss, sacrifices made for survival and the role of courageous Greek Christians who risked their own lives to help save the Cohen family.

VIDEOS

It Was Nothing, It Was Everything

\$25

Sy Rotter

Rescue in Greece during the Holocaust.

DVDs

The Last Greeks On Broom Street

\$25

Ed Askinazi's highly acclaimed documentary on our community and our Synagogue. A 'must have' for any Yanniote family.

Hy Genee Holiday Piyyutim

\$20

Produced by Marvin and Andrew Marcus

Rare opportunity to see and hear Hy Genee of Blessed Memory recite the distinctive piyyutim of the Yanniotes. In addition, Hy lovingly explains why these songs are sung and how they differ from traditional Ashkenazi and Sephardic counterparts.

COMPACT DISKS

A La Una: In the Beginning

\$15

Sarah Aroeste

A funky blend of traditional Sephardic Ladino music mixed with rock and blues.

Amalia: Old Greek Sounds In the New Land

\$20

Archoolic Productions 2002

Amalia Baka, a Romaniote Jew from Ioannina, performs Greek traditional songs with passion and verve.

Greek-Oriental Rebetica

\$20

Archoolic Productions 2002

Featuring songs of Roza Eskenazi.

Puertas

\$15

Sarah Aroeste

Ladino songs with a modern soul.

Santorini

\$20

The Noga Group

Led by Avram Pengas, a Romaniote Jew, the disk includes melodies of Greek, Yiddish, Turkish, Yemenite and Sephardic tunes.

MISCELLANEOUS

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NOTE CARDS

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