

And when you shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees for food, then you shall count the fruit thereof as uncircumcised: three years shall it be as uncircumcised unto you: it shall not be eaten of. But in the fourth year all the fruit thereof shall be holy to praise the Lord with. And in the fifth year shall you eat of the fruit thereof, that it may yield unto you the increase thereof: I am the Lord your God.

~Leviticus 19:23-25

## Tu B'Shevat

Tu B'Shevat is the 15th day of the Jewish month, Shevat. It is the "birthday" for trees, and has become a Jewish Arbor day. God commanded the Israelites not to eat of the fruit of the tree for the first three years after it's planted. The fourth year, the fruit is the Lord's. They are free to eat of the tree on the fifth year.

