Grinding on Shabbat: Avocadoes

You may crush or squash an avocado (such as when making guacamole) on *Shabbat*, but ONLY:

- Using a *shinu'i* (such as a spoon, knife, or spatula),
- Without using a specialized tool (such as a grinder, potato masher, or fork),
- If you eat it immediately after preparing it, and
- If you leave some pieces larger than you normally would.

NOTE If you intend for all pieces to be somewhat larger than usual but some end up small, it is OK.

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