BURIAL: WHERE

BURIAL: JEWISH CEMETERY

Jews Buried with Jews

Jews should be buried with Jews. It is permitted to disinter a body from a non-Jewish cemetery for reburial into a Jewish cemetery.

Non-Jew Not Buried in Jewish Cemetery

A non-Jew (including a non-Jewish spouse of a Jew) may not be buried in a Jewish cemetery.

Suicide

Someone who commits suicide may not be buried within 8 <u>amot</u> of other Jews in a Jewish cemetery. If the person had emotional problems, consult a *rabbi*.

BURIAL: ERETZ YISRAEL

Burial: Eretz Yisrael If Did Not Live There

You should not be buried in <u>Eretz Yisrael</u> if you could have lived in <u>Eretz Yisrael</u> but chose not to. If you could not live there or if you had a <u>heter</u> to not live there, it is OK to be buried there.

NOTE The reason to be buried in <u>Eretz Yisrael</u> is for Resurrection of the Dead (<u>techiyat ha'meitim</u>), which will only happen in <u>Eretz Yisrael</u>. But the entire world will eventually become <u>Eretz Yisrael</u>, so it is only an issue of time.

BURIAL: NEAR OFFSPRING

Children Visiting Cemetery

It is considered comforting to the parent's soul for children to visit the cemetery. So proximity to children may be a factor in choosing where to be buried (but who knows where offspring will end up living?).

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