HOW LONG SHIV'A (AND SHLOSHIM) LASTS

Duration of Shiv'a (and Shloshim)

Shiv'a lasts seven days. *Shloshim* lasts 30 days, beginning with Day 1 of *shiv'a*. There may be some exceptions if *shiv'a* occurs before or during festivals.

NOTE Any part of the first day is considered to be one full day. On the final day after *shacharit*, the mourners finish *shiv'a*, so *shiv'a* can actually last as little as 5 ½ calendar days.

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