

HOLOCAUST TIME LINE
1939

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JAN.1 – All German Jews must carry identification cards. All Jews must have only Jewish first names. If a Jew has a German first name, “Israel” or “Sarah” must be added to it.

JULY 29 – Jews may no longer have telephones.

SEPT. 1 – Germany invades Poland; World War II begins.

SEPT. 21 – Ghettos established in Poland.

NOV. 23 – Jews in Poland forced to wear arm band or yellow Star of David.

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APRIL 9 - Germans occupy Denmark and Southern Norway.

MAY 7 - Lodz Ghetto sealed 165,000 people in 1.6 sq. miles.

MAY 10 - Germany invades Netherlands, Belgium, Luxemburg, and France.

MAY 20 - Concentration camp established at Auschwitz.

JUNE 22 - France surrenders to Germans.

AUGUST 8 - Battle of Britain begins.

NOV. 16 - Warsaw Ghetto sealed, ultimately contained 500,00 people.

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- JAN.21-26** - Anti-Jewish riots in Romania, hundreds of Jews murdered.
- FEB.1** - Germans begin rounding up Polish Jews for transfer to Warsaw Ghetto.
- FEB.22** - Deportation of Jews to concentration camps; Dutch workers strike in sympathy with Jews.
- MARCH** - Adolf Eichmann appointed head of department of Jewish Affairs.
- APRIL 6** - Germany attacks and occupies Yugoslavia and Greece.
- JUNE 22** - Germany invades the Soviet Union; Nazi massacres begin in Eastern Europe.
- JULY 31** - Hermann Goring appoints Reinhard to carry out the "Final Solution" of the Jewish Question.
- SEPT. 1** - Jews may no longer leave their residences without permission of police.
- SEPT. 28-29** - 34,000 Jews massacred at Babi Yar, outside of Kiev.
- OCTOBER** - Auschwitz II (Birkenau) established for the killing of Jews; Gypsies, Poles, Russians and others were also murdered at the camps.
- OCTOBER 14** - German Jews deported to Lodz, Poland.
- DEC. 7** - Japanese attack Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.
- DEC. 8** - Chelmo (Kulmhof) killing camp begins operations; 340,00 Jews, 20,000 Poles and Czechs murdered by April 1943.
- DEC.11** - U.S. declares war on Germany.
- DEC. 26** - Jews forbidden to use phones.

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- JAN.10** - Jews must hand in any woolen or fur clothing.
- JAN.15** - Nazis begin transporting the Jews from Lodz to Chelmo death camp.
- FEB.17** - Jews may no longer subscribe to newspapers and magazines.
- MAR.17** - Killing of Jews begins at Belzec; by end of 1942 600,000 Jews murdered there.
- MAR.26** - Jewish homes must be identified with the Star of David.
- APRIL 24** - Jews are forbidden to use public transportation.
- MAY** - Killing by gas begins in Sobibor killing center; by Oct. 1943, 250,000 Jews murdered.
- MAY 15** - Jews are forbidden to keep dogs, cats, birds, or other pets.
- MAY 29** - Jews are no longer permitted to visit barber shops.
- JUNE 1** - Treblinka death camp opens; Jewish star introduced into Nazi occupied France and Holland.
- JUNE 9** - Jews must hand over all "spare clothing."
- JUNE 11** - Jews no longer receive smoking ration coupons.
- JUNE 19** - Jews must hand over all electrical and optical equipment, as well typewriters and bicycles.
- JUNE 20** - All Jewish schools are closed
- SEPT. 18** - Jews can no longer buy meat, eggs or cheese.
- Oct. 4** - All Jews in German concentration camps deported to Auschwitz.
- Dec. 17** - Allied nations (Britain, U.S. and Soviet Union) pledge punishment for murder of Jews.
- SUMMER-WINTER** - Deportation of Jews to killing centers from Belgium, Croatia, France, Holland, Poland, Germany, Greece, and Norway.

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- JAN. 18** - Warsaw Ghetto Jews launch 1st civilian armed resistance to Nazis, four days of street fighting.
- FEB. 2** - German 6th Army surrenders at Stalingrad.
- MARCH** - Liquidation of Krakow ghetto.
- APRIL** - Warsaw Ghetto revolt begins as Germans attempt to liquidate 70,000 inhabitants; Jewish underground fights Nazis until early June.
- JUNE 11** - Himmler orders the liquidation of all ghettos in Poland and the Soviet Union.
- SUMMER** - Armed resistance by Jews in six ghettos, as well as at Treblinka death camp.
- FALL** - Liquidation of large ghettos in Minsk, Vilna, and Riga.
- OCT-NOV.** - Expulsion of Danish Jews ordered; Danish underground rescue 7,000; only 476 captured by Germans.
- OCT. 20** - United Nations Crimes Commission set up.

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- MAR.19** - Germany occupies Hungary.
- MAY 15** - Nazis begin deporting Hungarian Jews; by June 27, 380,000 sent to Auschwitz.
- SPRING SUMMER** - Soviet army repels Nazi forces.
- JUNE 6** - D-day: Allied invasion at Normandy, France.
- JULY 20** - Attempted assassination of Hitler fails.
- JULY 24** - Russian liberate Majdanek killing center.
- AUG. 6** - SS begins to drive concentration camp inmates back into interior of Germany.
- AUG. 23** - Allies liberate Paris.
- OCT. 26** - Last gassing in Auschwitz. Himmler orders destruction of Auschwitz crematorium, as Nazis try to hide evidence of death camps.

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- JAN. 11** - Soviet troops take Warsaw.
JAN. 17 - Evacuation of Auschwitz;
beginning death march.
JAN. 17-26 - Soviet troops liberate
80,000 Jews in Budapest and find
a few thousand survivors at
Auschwitz.
JAN. 25 - Death march begins for
inmates of Stutthof.
FEB. 4 - Allies in Yalta Conference plan
spheres of influence for post-war
Europe.
APRIL 6-10 - Death march of inmates
of Buchenwald.
APRIL 11-28 - U.S. troops liberate
Buchenwald and Dachau; British
troops liberate Belsen; Soviet
troops reach the outskirts of
Berlin; SS commits last
massacres.
APRIL 30 - Hitler commits suicide.
MAY 2 - Berlin surrenders.
MAY 8 - German army surrenders to
allies unconditionally, V-E Day.
AUG. 6 - Bombing of Hiroshima.
AUG. 9 - Bombing of Nagasaki.
AUG. 15 - Japan surrenders; World War
II ends.
NOV. 22 - Nuremberg Trials of Nazi
leaders begin.

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