



We take the responsibility of crafting your ketubah seriously,
and collaborate with you and your Rabbi to create a work of art that honors
Jewish tradition and feels like you.

How to order:

- 1) Consult with your Rabbi to choose the text option below that fits your ceremony, and collect your personalization information - see our personalization links [here](#)
- 2) Purchase your design, then submit your personalization form
- 3) Recieve your personalized proof (filled with your details in Hebrew + English) + review with your Rabbi - we'll revise as necessary until both you and your Rabbi approve
- 4) We create and ship your ketubah!

Conservative Weddings

The core of the Conservative ketubah is the traditional ketubah text in Aramaic (an ancient semitic language written with Hebrew characters), along with the Leiberman Clause. The traditional text is essentially a pre-nuptial agreement in which the groom commits to setting aside a certain amount (a dowry from the bride's family, plus a certain sum of his own) for the bride in the event that they dissolve their marriage. An in-depth translation can be found below. This commitment is not enforceable in civil court in the US and is only signed for ceremonial purposes (it is incredibly rare that actual money is exchanged). The Leiberman Clause lays out additional protections for the bride in the event of the dissolution of the marriage. Because the traditional text is fairly legalistic, many couples choose to include a different text for the English portion of the ketubah. The Conservative Barmash text is a contemporary interpretation of the traditional ketubah, adapted to better reflect the equal commitments made by a bride and groom in modern marriages.

You will also have a choice of how many signature lines are included on your ketubah, and how they are labelled. Our "standard" option for Conservative ketubot is to label lines in both Hebrew and English, and to include lines for the bride/groom, two witnesses, and your Rabbi. Your Rabbi may request to only include two signature lines for witnesses, which is a more traditional/Orthodox format - you can indicate this on your personalization form after purchase!

If your Rabbi prefers to correspond with us directly with notes and/or questions, they can reach us at hello@foreveriepaper.com!

Conservative Text Options

Conservative 1

Hebrew/Aramaic Traditional text with the Lieberman Clause only (no English). Review the full text below.

Barmash 1

Aramaic Barmash (Egalitarian Conservative) text with the Lieberman Clause only (no English). Review the full text below.

Conservative 2

Hebrew/Aramaic Traditional text with the Lieberman Clause. English text is a modern reinterpretation of the traditional text:

On the _____ day of the month of _____, in the year _____, corresponding to the ____ day of the month of _____, _____ here in _____, _____, _____, daughter of _____ and _____, son of _____ and _____ entered into this Covenant of Marriage. Before God and their families, they said to one another: "I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine. With this ring, you are consecrated to me according to the law of Moses and Israel. And I pledge that I will work for, support, honor, and maintain you, and will provide your food, clothing, and necessities. And I will live with you in marital relations according to universal custom." We vow to honor, support and nurture one another in body, mind and spirit. Together, we will build a peaceful and welcoming home, family and community grounded in love, respect and Jewish traditions and values. We have performed the act which in Jewish law makes the obligations of this document legally binding with an instrument fit for that purpose in order to confirm all that is stated and specified above, which shall be valid and immediately effective.

Barmash 2

Aramaic Barmash (Egalitarian Conservative) text with the Lieberman Clause. English text is a modern reinterpretation of the traditional text:

On the _____ day of the month of _____, in the year _____, corresponding to the ____ day of the month of _____, _____ here in _____, _____, _____, daughter of _____ and _____, son of _____ and _____ entered into this Covenant of Marriage. Before God and their families, they said to one another: "I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine. With this ring, you are consecrated to me according to the law of Moses and Israel. And I pledge that I will work for, support, honor, and maintain you, and will provide your food, clothing, and necessities. And I will live with you in marital relations according to universal custom." We vow to honor, support and nurture one another in body, mind and spirit. Together, we will build a peaceful and welcoming home, family and community grounded in love, respect and Jewish traditions and values. We have performed the act which in Jewish law makes the obligations of this document legally binding with an instrument fit for that purpose in order to confirm all that is stated and specified above, which shall be valid and immediately effective.

Conservative 3

Hebrew/Aramaic Traditional text with the Lieberman Clause. English: Your custom text, written using our [guide](#) or provided by your Rabbi. Unfortunately, we are not able to include texts from other ketubah designers. Your custom text will be collected via personalization form following checkout.

Barmash 3

Aramaic Barmash (Egalitarian Conservative) text with the Lieberman Clause. English: Your custom text, written using our [guide](#) or provided by your Rabbi. Unfortunately, we are not able to include texts from other ketubah designers. Your custom text will be collected via personalization form following checkout.

Conservative 4

Hebrew/Aramaic Traditional text with the Lieberman Clause, and a direct translation of that text in English.

Traditional Text with the Lieberman Clause (will be filled with your details)

ב _____ בשבת יום _____ לחדש _____ שנת חמשת אלפים שבע מאות שמונים ושתיים למנין שאנו מונין כאן ב _____, במדינת ארצות
הברית איך החתן _____ בן _____ ו _____ למשפחת _____ אמר להדא _____ בת _____ ו _____ למשפחת _____ הוי לי לאנתו כדת
משה וישראל ואנא אפלה ואוקיר ואיזון ואפרנס יתיכי ליכי כהלכות גוברין יהודאין דפלחין ומוקרין וזנין ומפרנסין לנשיהון בקושטא ויהיבנא
ליכי מהר בתוליכי כסף זוזי מאתן דחזי ליכי מדאורייתא ומזוניכי וכסותיכי וסיפוקיכי ומיעל לותיכי כאורח כל ארעא וצביאת מרת _____ דא
הות ליה לאנתו ודן נדוניא דהנעלת ליה מבי אבוה בין בכסף בין בזהב בין בתכשיטין במאני דלבושא בשימושי דירה ובשימושא דערסא הכל
קבל עליו _____ חתן דנן במאה זקוקים כסף צרוף וצבי _____ חתן דנן והוסיף לה מן דיליה עוד מאה זקוקים כסף צרוף אחרים כנגדן סך הכל
מאתים זקוקים כסף צרוף וכך אמר _____ חתן דנן אחריות שטר כתובתא דא נדוניא דן ותוספתא דא קבלית עלי ועל ירתי בתראי להתפרע מכל
שפר ארג נכסין וקנינין דאית לי תחות כל שמיא דקנאי ודעתיד אנא למקנא נכסין דאית להון אחריות ודלית להון אחריות כלהון יהון אחראין
וערבאין לפרוע מנהון שטר כתובתא דא נדוניא דן ותוספתא דא מנאי ואפילו מן גלימא דעל כתפאי בחיי ובתר חיי מן יומא דנן ולעלם ואחריות
שטר כתובתא דא נדוניא דן ותוספתא דא קבל עליו _____ חתן דנן כחומר כל שטרי כתובות ותוספתות דנהגין בבנת ישראל העשוין כתקון
חכמינו זכונם לברכה דלא כסמכתא ודלא כטופסי דשטרי וקנינא מן _____ בן _____ ו _____ למשפחת _____ חתן דנן למרת _____
בת _____ ו _____ למשפחת _____ דא על כל מה דכתוב ומפורש לעיל במנא דכשר למקניא ביה וצביאו מר _____ בן _____ חתן דנן
ומרת _____ בת _____ כלתא דא דאן יסיק אדעתא דחד מינהון לנתוקי נישואיהון או אן איתנתוק ניש ואיהון בערכאות דמדינתא דיכול דין או
דא לזמנא לחבריה לבי דינא דכנישתא דרבנן ודבית מדרשא דרבנן דארעתא דקיימא או מאן דאתי מן חילה וליצותו תרוייהו לפסקא דדיניה בדיל
דיכלו תרוייהו למיחי בדיני דאורייתא והכל
שריר וקים.

Barmash 4

Aramaic Barmash (Egalitarian Conservative) text with the Lieberman Clause and direct English translation.

Direct English translation of Conservative Barmash text

We testify that on the _____ day of the week, the _____ day of the month of _____, in the year five thousand seven hundred _____, corresponding to the _____ day of _____, here in _____ in the country of _____, the groom, _____ the son of _____ of the family of _____, said to the bride, _____ the daughter of _____ of the family

_____ : “Be my wife according to the laws and traditions of Moses and the Jewish people. I will work on your behalf and honor, sustain, and support you according to the practice of Jewish men, who faithfully work on behalf of their wives and honor, sustain and support them. I obligate myself to give you the sum of 200 *zuzim* as the money for your *ketubbah*, to which you are entitled according to biblical law. I will provide your food, clothing and necessities, and I will live with you in marital relations according to universal custom.

And the bride _____ the daughter of _____ said to the groom _____ the son of _____ :
“Be my husband according to the laws and traditions of Moses and the Jewish people. I will work on your behalf and honor, sustain, and support you according to the practice of Jewish women, who faithfully work on behalf of their husbands and honor, sustain and support them. I obligate myself to give you the sum of 200 *zuzim* as the money for your *ketubbah*, to which you are entitled according to rabbinic law. I will provide your food, clothing and necessities, and I will live with you in marital relations according to universal custom.”

For a total of 400 *zuzim*. They will control their property equally.

The groom _____, and the bride _____ said: “We take upon ourselves, and our heirs after us, the obligation of this *ketubbah* to be paid from the best part of all our property, real and personal, that we now possess or may hereafter acquire. From this day forward, all our property, wherever it may be, even the mantle on our backs, shall be mortgaged and liened for the payment of this *ketubbah*, whether during our lifetime or thereafter.”

_____, the groom, and _____, the bride, took upon themselves all the obligations and strictures of this *ketubbah*, as is customary with other *ketubbot* made for Jewish men and women in accordance with the enactment of our sages, may their memory be for a blessing.

_____ the son of _____, the groom, and _____ the daughter of _____, the bride, agreed to build a house in which love and companionship, peace and friendship will abide.

_____ the son of _____, the groom, and _____ the daughter of _____, the bride, further agreed that should either contemplate dissolution of the marriage, or following the dissolution of their marriage in the civil courts, each may summon the other to the Bet Din of The Rabbinical Assembly, or its representative, and that each will abide by its instructions so that throughout life each will be able to live according to the laws of the Torah. This *ketubbah* is not to be regarded as mere rhetoric or as a perfunctory legal form. We have performed the act which in Jewish law makes the obligations of this document legally binding on the part of _____, the groom, to _____, the bride, and on the part of the bride, _____, to _____, the groom, with an instrument fit for that purpose, in order to confirm all that is stated and specified above, which shall be valid and immediately effective.

Direct English Translation of the Traditional Text

We testify that on the _____ day of the week, the _____ of the month _____, in the year 57____, corresponding to (gregorian calendar date) here in (place) the groom, _____, said to the bride, _____:

"Be my wife according to the laws and traditions of Moses and the Jewish people. I will work on your behalf and honor, sustain, and support you according to the practice of Jewish men, who faithfully work on behalf of their wives and honor, sustain, and support them. I obligate myself to give you the sum of _____two/one hundred zuzim as the money for your ketubah, to which you are entitled according to _____ law (proper to brides/virgins/divorcees/converts). I will provide your food, clothing and necessities, and I will live with you in marital relations according to universal custom."

The bride, _____, agreed to these terms and to become his wife, to participate together with him in establishing their home in love, harmony, peace, and companionship, according to the practice of Jewish women.

The groom, _____, accepted responsibility for the full dowry that she brought from her _____ (father's/family's) house, whether in silver, gold, jewelry, clothes, or furnishings, amounting to the sum of _____zuzim and agreed to increase this amount from his own assets with the sum of _____ zuzim, for a total of _____ zuzim.

The groom, _____, said: "I take upon myself and my heirs after me, the obligation of this ketubah, the dowry and the additional sum, to be paid from the best part of all my property, real and personal, that I now possess or may hereafter acquire. From this day forward, all my property, wherever it may be, even the mantle on my back, shall be mortgaged and liened for the payment of this ketubah, dowry, and additional sum, whether during my lifetime or thereafter."

_____, the groom, took upon himself all the obligations and strictures of this ketubah, the dowry, and additional sum, as is customary with other ketubot made for Jewish women in accordance with the enactment of our sages, may their memory be for a blessing.

_____, the groom, and _____, the bride, further agreed that should either contemplate dissolution of the marriage, or following the dissolution of the marriage in the civil courts, each may summon the other to the Bet Din of The Rabbinical Assembly and the Jewish Theological Seminary, or its representative, and that each will abide by its instructions so that throughout life each will be able to live according to the laws of the Torah.

This ketubah is not to be regarded as mere rhetoric or as a perfunctory legal form. We have performed the act which in Jewish law makes the obligations of this document legally binding on the part of _____, the groom, to _____, the bride, and on the part of _____, the bride, to _____, the groom, with an instrument fit for that purpose, in order to confirm all that is stated and specified above, which shall be valid and immediately effective.

Orthodox

We can include the Aramaic text below, or work from a version that your Rabbi provides. We will include two signature lines for witnesses, labelled in Hebrew, unless otherwise requested. If your Rabbi prefers to correspond with us directly with notes and/or questions, they can reach us at hello@foreveriepaper.com!

Traditional Aramaic

ב _____ בשבת יום _____ לחדש _____ שנת חמשת אלפים שבע מאות שמונים
ושתיים למנין שאנו מונין כאן _____, במדינת ארצות הברית איך החתן _____ בן _____ ו _____
למשפחת _____ אמר להדא _____ בת _____ ו _____ למשפחת _____ הוי לי לאנתו כדת משה
וישראל ואנא אפלא ואוקיר ואיזון ואפרנס יתיכי ליכי כהלכות גוברין יהודאין דפלאחין ומוקרין וזנין
ומפרנסין לנשיהון בקושטא ויהיבנא ליכי מהר בתוליכי כסף זוזי מאתן דחזי ליכי מדאורייתא ומזוניכי
וכסותיכי וסיפוקיכי ומיעל לותיכי כאורה כל ארעא וצביאת מרת _____ דא והות ליה לאנתו ודן
נדוניא דהנעלת ליה מבי אבוח בין בכסף בין בזהב בין בתכשיטין במאני דלבושא בשימושי דירה
ובשימושא דערסא הכל קבל עליו _____ חתן דנן במאה זקוקים כסף צרוף וצבי _____ חתן דנן
והוסיף לה מן דיליה עוד מאה זקוקים כסף צרוף אחרים כנגדן סך הכל מאתים זקוקים כסף צרוף וכך
אמר _____ חתן דנן אחריות שטר כתובתא דא נדוניא דן ותוספתא דא קבלית עלי ועל ירתי בתראי
להתפרע מכל שפר ארג נכסין וקנינין דאית לי תחות כל שמיא דקנאי ודעתיד אנא למקנא נכסין דאית
להון אחריות ודלית להון אחריות כלהון יהון אחראין וערבאין לפרוע מנהון שטר כתובתא דא נדוניא
דן ותוספתא דא מנאי ואפילו מן גלימא דעל כתפאי בחיי ובתר חיי מן יומא דנן ולעלם ואחריות שטר
כתובתא דא נדוניא דן ותוספתא דא קבל עליו _____ חתן דנן כחומר כל שטרי כתובות ותוספתות
דנהגין בבנת ישראל העשוין כתקון חכמינו זכרונם לברכה דלא כאסמכתא ודלא כטופסי דשטרי
וקנינא מן _____ בן _____ ו _____ למשפחת _____ חתן דנן למרת _____ בת _____
ו _____ למשפחת _____ דא על כל מה דכתוב ומפורש לעיל במנא דכשר למקנא ביה והכל שריר
וקים.

