

# The Etz Chaim Project:

## 1. How it works

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Working in partnership with British youth organisations such as Bnei Akiva and Ezra Youth, the Chief Rabbi's Centre for Community Excellence works to recruit the most dynamic and committed individuals to tailor-make programmes that synagogue members will enjoy over Shabbatot and Chagim.

Madrachim selected for the Chief Rabbi's Etz Chaim project are those who exemplify a Torah-true way of life, whilst having the maturity and sensitivity to know how best to impart their Jewish knowledge and enthusiasm. They have a wealth of experience in developing programming for adults and or children, and are enthusiastic about creating enriching Jewish experiences for communities across the UK.

An Etz Chaim team can comprise up to 6 Madrichim including a Team Leader, and can be either a single or mixed gender team. The Madrichim and Team Leader in any particular team will be determined by the leadership of their affiliated organisation.

The community they visit is decided by CCE together with the leadership of our partner organisations, and madrichim are able to let us know if there is a particular community they would like to visit. Madrichim are generally aged between 16-22.

