

We offer here a tour for visitors to Iasi which takes as its starting point the question "how does a city remember?" The tour includes sites we visited which we feel constitute a representative sample of the types of memory we identified. For those who locate the stations along the route, we highly recommend to ask passers-by about each site, as we often found in the recesses of their memories, perhaps in contrast to the urban space that tends to forget, vivid living recollections of a community that was once an inseparable part of Iasi.

Synagogues

Schools and public institutes

Hospitals

Free professions

2 **Apple Merchants' Synagogue**
Many synagogues were divided according to guilds. The synagogue of the apple merchants is no longer in use and stands deserted. A quick look inside reveals an ostentatious and impressive structure that is deteriorating.



3 **The Canteen**
An active community center run by the Jewish community which includes a kosher restaurant and various social and welfare services for the city's Jewish community.



5 **Israeliite Hospital**
The present hospital at this site was originally a Jewish hospital. In the courtyard there is a memorial plaque that briefly relates the history of the building.



8 **Moshe Vexler Synagogue**
The synagogue that stood here was apparently destroyed in the 1970s and in its place a housing block was built, which was a common pattern in many parts of the city during the communist era.



4 **"Steaua" (star) school**
A large Jewish school once stood at this site that now serves as a public park.



1 **Great Synagogue**
The synagogue is still used by the Jewish community of Iasi, mainly during the holidays. There is also a museum at the site that tells the story of the community. In every Jewish neighborhood there was at least one great synagogue alongside the many small synagogues used in daily life.



7 **Yiddish Theatre**
In 1876 Abraham Goldfaden established in Iasi the first Yiddish theater in the world. The theater operated at first on temporary stages and later in a building that stood here. The building was destroyed and there is only a memorial with a plaque.



9 **Bronstein Bank**
This was the home of a large Jewish-owned bank in heart of the city center. Today it is a commercial and office building.



10 **Police Station**
In the summer of 1941, over 13,000 Jews were murdered in Iasi, many of them in this courtyard. Today there are cafes in the courtyard and only a small plaque in a corner of the building recalls what took place here.

