

## Qasrin (Katzrin, Qatzrin)

Qasrin sets in the Golan Heights and is actually the remains of a Jewish community that was not settled until the Byzantine period (300's). This Talmudic Village was ruined by an earthquake in 746 AD during the Islamic Period. Many of the buildings have been reconstructed and hold ancient artifacts from daily life of the past when about 300 people lived in the 75 houses.



The Qasrin synagogue is one of the best preserved synagogues of the ancient world. The synagogue was constructed out of ashlar stones without mortar. It is oriented toward Jerusalem so that when the worshipers faced the Torah on the south wall they would be facing Jerusalem.



Olive Grinder used to grind olives including seeds. An olive press is in the back used to press the olive oil out of the crushed olives and seeds from the grinder.



Toni stands inside the north entrance of the synagogue built with ashlars, no mortar and a lintel with a carved wreath.