Bood (בוד)

A body, specifically a toned and muscular body. From the English word *body*.

Coksinel (קוקסינל)

Originally unique to transvestitism, now a general term for all forms of gender transgression and for transgender people. Was for many years considered a slur but is now being reclaimed by the Israeli transgender community. From the French word *Coccinelle*, meaning ladybug. It was the stage name of Jacqueline Charlotte Dufresnoy, a French transgender entertainer and singer whose tour of Israeli night clubs in 1964 was a public scandal and introduced transgenderism to Israeli society.

Cookitza (קוקיצה)

A young gay man, particularly a skinny, effeminate and flamboyant one. From the English word *cookie*, inspired by the English gay slang word *twink*, probably because of the similarity with the word *twinkie*.

Dkekt (דקקט)

A small penis. From the Hebrew word דק (*dak*), meaning thin or slim.

Eft (אפט)

A big penis. From the English word *apt*, meaning appropriate or suitable.

Falsch (פאלש)

1. To lie, to be dishonest or deceitful.
2. To fib, to embellish, to exaggerate.
3. To not be genuine, to be a “phony” or give off the appearance of being “fake”.

Through Yiddish, ultimately from the German word *falsch* (false, incorrect, wrong). Alternatively, possibly from the English word *false*.

Fatoocz (פאטוץ')

Ostensibly “goodbye” but used exclusively in a dismissive and derogatory way. Used to make it clear to someone that you do not think highly of them and would life for them to leave your presence. Alternatively, used to end a conversation while making it clear that you did not appreciate what the other person was saying. Origin unknown. Probably a unique creation.

Flega (פלגה)

A stupid person, an idiot. From the English word *phlegmatic*.

Forach (פורח)

A good time, but often used specifically for a party, especially a wild and rumbunctious one. Possibly from the Hebrew word for *poreach* (spelled the same in Hebrew), meaning to blossom or to bloom.

Gavro/Al HaGavro (גברו/על הגברו)

Masculinity, to be masculine. **Al HaGavro**: to present masculine, to appear in men's clothing. Used both for drag queens while out of drag and for drag kings in drag. From the Hebrew word גבר (*gever*), meaning man.

Haramot/LeHarim (הרמות/להרים)

To act merry, joyful, and gay. Specifically, to speak in gay slang. From a Hebrew word meaning "to lift" in the sense of "lifting (one's) spirits".

Jongleur (ז'ונגלר)

The peak of elegance and sophistication. A French word meaning *juggler*.

Jonj (ג'ונג')

A penis. Origin unknown. Probably a unique creation.

Jordel/LeJardel (ז'ורדל)

1. Tel Aviv's *Gan Ha'Atzmaut* (גן העצמאות), or *Independence Garden* – a municipal park.
2. Broadly, to have sex with other men, particularly strangers, in public parks.

A portmanteau of the French words *Jardin*, meaning garden, and *bordel*, meaning brothel. Tel Aviv's Independence Garden, referred to by gay men in French as *Jardin de L'indépendance* to make it sound classier, is a favorite spot for Israeli gay men to have anonymous sex in public.

Koveret (קוברת)

To look beautiful. From a Hebrew word meaning "to bury (someone)".

Kubur (קובור)

A big penis. From a similar Arabic word meaning "big".

Oktcz/Oktcza (אוחץ'/ה):

A gay person, specifically an effeminate and/or flamboyant one. From the Arabic word أخت (pronounced *ukht*), meaning sister.

Lehapil (להפיל)

To have sex with a straight man. From the Hebrew idiom *Lehapil BaPach* (*להפיל בפח*) meaning "to trap" or "to fool someone (into doing something)".

Lird/Lard/Loord (לירד/לארד/לורד)

An attractive man. Three interchangeable variations of the same word. Origin unknown. Possibly from the English word *lord*.

Lirlur/LeLarler (לרלור/ללרלר)

1. To gossip.
2. To run your mouth, to talk too much.

From Judo-Tat, a Jewish language spoken in the Caucasus Mountains. Also an onomatopoeia.

Markita (מרקיטה)

A somewhat antiquated word for a gay man. From an Italian word meaning to be effeminate.

Nesh/Al HaNesh (נש/על הנש)

Femininity, to be effeminate. **Al HaNesh**: to present feminine, to appear in women's clothing. Sometimes used for doing drag. From the Hebrew word *נשיות* (*nashiyoot*), femininity.

Schtrich/LeHaschtrich (שטריך/להשטריך)

To cruse, to seek out sexual encounters with other gay men. From the German word *strich*, which means "straight line" but is also used for "promenade". The Tel Aviv beach promenade was at one time a major cruising spot for Israeli gay men.

Us (יוז') (the *s* is pronounced like in the word *usually*)

1. Mundane, unexciting, boring.
2. A boring person.

From the English word *usual*.

Voija (ויאז'ה)

An aging gay man. From the Judeo-Spanish (Ladino) word *vieja*, meaning an old woman.

Wedge (וודג')

Face. From the Arabic word وجه (pronounced *wajah*), face.

Yachti (יאחתי):

Your sis, your good Judy, your friend. A variation on the Hebrew *achot* (אחות), sister.

-ze

A vaguely French-sounding suffix, but not actually French, used to make words sound classier. Is particularly used to describe something good. Example: *Madhooze*, a portmanteau of the Hebrew word *madhim* ("amazing") and the suffix -ze.