



TOUR INCLUDES

- 5 Star Deluxe hotel accommodation and Kibbutz Experience
- Deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- Exciting Comprehensive itinerary designed for families
- Expert Licensed English speaking Guide and Driver- the Finest in Israel
- Assistance at airport upon arrival and departure
- Welcome kit upon arrival
- All entrance fees to places of interest and activities mentioned in the itinerary
- Airport transfers on official group arrival and departure dates
- Spectacular Israeli Buffet Breakfast Daily

TOUR EXCLUDES

- PCR or other Covid-19 tests
- Gratuities to guide and driver
- Meals and drinks which are not mentioned on the itinerary
- Travel Insurance (highly recommended)

Day 1 - Sunday - Israel, here we come! Tel Aviv

Depart on your flight to Israel and begin an unforgettable journey.



Day 2 - Monday - Welcome to Israel

Jerusalem

(Dinner included)

Welcome to Israel! Arrive at Ben Gurion

SPECIAL FEATURES

- Old City special tour
- The City of David
- The Rabbinical Tunnel
- Desert Adventure
- Archaeological Dig
- Camel ride
- Bar/Bat Mitzvah Ceremony at Masada
- Rehearsal with Rabbi prior to Ceremony
- Certificate from the State of Israel
- Twinning ceremony at Yad Vashem
- Candle Lighting Ceremony
- Bar Mitzvah & Bat Mitzvah Celebration Dinner party
- Jeep Ride through the Golan Heights
- Hiking at Ein Gedi waterfall
- Visit Biblical village in the Galilee
- Special Shehecheyanu Welcome in Jerusalem
- Har Ben Tal observation point
- Army base visit
- Meeting families and making memories that last a Lifetime

where you will be met and assisted with for your transfer to the Orient hotel in Jerusalem. Take some time to refresh after the flight or have free time for walking at Ben Yehuda Street/Emek Refaim or enjoying the SPA at the hotel. Evening: Meet your guide and enjoy the **delicious welcome dinner** at the Orient Hotel.

Overnight: Orient Hotel, Jerusalem



Day 3 - Tuesday

Jerusalem Old City

(Breakfast & Dinner included)

After breakfast at the hotel, drive to the **City of David**, an exciting area of discovery in the heart of ancient Jerusalem - home to many of the most impressive finds of recent years. A true highlight of the tour is a visit to the **underground water system** including brand new discoveries from the Canaanite Period. You might explore the cool wet **Hezekiah's Tunnel**, or choose the recently opened (and dry...) tunnel which brought water to the city in the time of Herod. Continue to the **Southern Wall Archaeological Park (Davidson Centre)**

and experience a fascinating presentation describing the Temple Mount and life as it was two millennia ago. Arrive at the **Kotel - the Western Wall**, Judaism's holiest site, and finish the day's adventure walking back in time through the **Western Wall (Rabbinical) Tunnels**, a fantastic route running under the Old City.

Special Dinner: drive to **Genesis Land (Eretz Beresheet)**, located in the heart of the Judean Desert.

Have a chance to experience life as it was in biblical times. You will be greeted by Eliezer, Abraham's servant, and by a train of camels which will lead you down to Abraham's tent for the **"Chafila", local dinner.**

Overnight: Orient Hotel in Jerusalem

Day 4 - Wednesday

Jerusalem New City

(Breakfast included)

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel and then, take



a short drive to **Ammunition Hill** and learn of the site's epic battle between Israeli paratroopers and Jordanian legionnaires during the Six Day War – a battle resulting in the reunification of Jerusalem in 1967. Continue to **Yad Vashem** Holocaust Museum & Memorial- strategically situated on the green slopes of **Har HaZikaron** ("Mount of Remembrance"). The museum tells the story of the Holocaust from a unique perspective by emphasizing the experiences of Jewish victims and survivors using original artefacts, testimonies, and personal possessions. Tour this sprawling complex and visit the **Grove of the Righteous among the Nations**, the **Children's Memorial** and take part in a special "**Yizkor**" (memorial service) in **Bik'at Ha Kehilot** (The Valley of Communities). A special program will be provided for children (accompanied by one parent). Proceed to **Mt. Herzl**, the site of Israel's national cemetery which is named after **Theodor Herzl**, the founder of modern political **Zionism**, whose tomb lies at the top of the hill. See the burial place of Israel's former prime ministers and presidents, prominent Jewish and Zionist leaders, as well as those of young men and women who paid the ultimate price to make the dream of modern Israel a reality. Enjoy the **Machane Yehuda Market** and immerse yourself in the bustling energy of Jerusalem's Shuk (market). Wander around the many local vendors selling delicious cheeses, pastries, spices, nuts and much more. Taste halva, ice cream and fruit drinks. Return to the hotel and meet with the Rabbi for a final rehearsal before the big day...

Evening: "**Night Spectacular**" **Sound & Light Show** at the Citadel Museum.

Overnight: Orient hotel Jerusalem



Day 5 - Thursday

Masada, The Dead Sea - Ceremony Day
(Breakfast & Dinner included)

The big day is here and we've made sure that it's everything you hoped for and more. Following breakfast at the hotel, descend through the Judean Desert to the **Dead Sea**, the lowest point on earth, continuing straight to **Masada**. Ascend the mountain by Cable Car to this last stronghold of the Zealots who chose death rather than surrendering to the Roman

Legion in the Jewish Revolt against Rome some 2000 years ago. Masada is not declared a UNESCO "World Heritage Site". Join the Rabbi for the **Bar/Bat Mitzvah service** at a select location overlooking the Dead Sea and the Mountains of Moab.

After, tour Herod's Palace, the synagogue, the bath house, the water system and the fascinating storage rooms. Descend Masada and drive to one of the hotels at the Dead Sea for an **unforgettable dip at the Dead Sea**; float effortlessly in the therapeutic



mineral-rich waters before proceeding to Ein Gedi for a hike through this beautiful oasis to the spectacular waterfalls—a perfect family day to remember. Tonight we've planned a **Festive Bar/Bat Mitzvah celebration** in honor of the children's hard work and the dedication they have shown. Enjoy a specially arranged dinner planned around the freshest of local bounty and live entertainment (subject to group size). It will be a night to remember.

Overnight: Orient Hotel Jerusalem



Day 6 - Friday

Archaeological Dig

(Breakfast & Dinner included)

Following breakfast and hotel checkout, head to **Tel Maresha** in the area of **Beit Guvrin**, ancestral home of King Herod, and participate in an **archaeological dig**. This hands-on experience includes digging, sifting, pottery examination and a tour in



Beit Guvrin National Park with an exciting crawl through unexcavated cave systems. Continue to **Yad LaShiryon** at **Latrun**, Israel's official memorial site for fallen soldiers from the armoured corps with an open-air museum, featuring more than 200 tanks and military vehicles dating back to

WWI. Explore the museum and learn of its location, which was a major battle ground during the War of Independence.

Drive back to hotel Orient; traditional **Friday night dinner** at the hotel

Overnight: Orient hotel Jerusalem



Day 7 - Saturday

Jerusalem at Leisure

Spend the day at leisure in honour of Shabbat. Consider resting or catching up with friends and relatives, attending a Shabbat service, taking a dip in the pool, or enjoying Jerusalem at your own pace.

Overnight: Orient hotel Jerusalem

Day 8 - Sunday

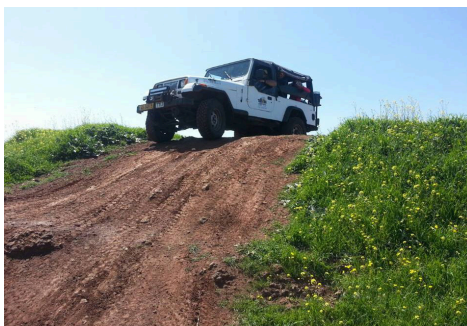


En Route to the North

(Breakfast & Dinner included)

Drive through the **Jordan Valley**, homeland of the Prophet Elisha, to **Beit Shean**. Visit the largest excavated Roman city in the Middle East that was home to approximately 40,000 people. See the Roman temple, artisan workshop, public baths and a magnificent amphitheater that is still used for performances. Drive to the chocolate farm at Kibbutz Degania and enter **Galita, the sweet world of chocolate!!** Watch a short film about chocolate, and continue to the workshop center to create your chocolate choice. After the workshop, you have free time to try delicious and home-made ice cream of Galita. Proceed to **Safed**, the ancient city that was home to the mystics of the Kabala. Wandering the twisting alleyways, you'll encounter tiny, historic synagogues and have an opportunity to visit the galleries of Safed's celebrated **artists' colony**. Get an adrenalin rush in the afternoon kayaking* in the **Jordan River**, and dare the 300-foot long zip-line journey, ending with a splash in the Jordan waters.

Dinner & Overnight: Pastoral Kfar Blum



Day 9 – Monday

Galilee - Golan

(Breakfast & Dinner included)

Today, we've arranged for a rare treat – subject to the political situation, we'll **visit an Army Base**, speak with the soldiers who defend the northern borders and observe the life of an active combat unit. Head down from the heights of the **Golan**, taking in spectacular views of the area as we make our way to **Tel Dan**, a town that has seen many different occupants in the course of 6000 years. Its setting in the lush valley supplied by the Dan River makes it one of the loveliest sites to visit in the North. Tonight we'll enjoy a **traditional Israeli dinner** followed by an exciting jeep tour beginning in the twilight hour traveling into the darkness. Traveling in open **jeeps**, we'll hear the sounds of the night and observe the active wildlife. Returning from this exhilarating ride, we'll head for a cozy get together around a bonfire **"Kumzits"** to roast some marshmallows while we star gaze into the glorious Israeli skies.

Overnight: Kibbutz Kfar Blum



Day 10 – Tuesday

Haifa, Caesarea, Tel Aviv

(Breakfast included)

After enjoying the delicious buffet breakfast at Kfar Blum, drive to **Mitzpeh Hoshaya's Kfar Kedem**, where the day-to-day life of this ancient land is recreated. Hear the words of the prophets as you thresh grain, spin wool, press oil from fresh olives and wine from fresh grapes, and take to the trail on donkeys. Leave with a **Homing pigeon** and send a special message back to Kfar Kedem as you release the pigeon on his path back home. Then, head to **Haifa**; see the meticulous **Baha'i Gardens**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, often described as the "eighth wonder of the world." Then proceed to a nearby **Druze Village** where we will learn about the Druze people and their way of life. Drive to **Caesarea**, the **"Dream by the Sea"** constructed by Herod the Great between 22 and 10 BC and named after Caesar Augustus. Enjoy a tour of the rich remains spanning from the



time of the Romans to the Islamic period: the 2,000-year-old Roman amphitheatre, the Crusader harbour, and Herod's palace—all will be brought to life in a brand new multi-media show dedicated to the events and personalities who shaped this seaside wonder. Drive to Tel-Aviv. Evening - free to enjoy this unique and well-known city. Check in at **hotel Carlton**



Day 11 – Wednesday

Tel Aviv

(Breakfast & Dinner included)

After a buffet breakfast at the hotel, drive to **Machon Ayalon**, a secretive bullet factory established by the Haganah underground

movement in 1945. As the largest bullet factory during that time, it produced 2.23 million bullets between 1946-1948, while keeping this secret from the ruling British military. Continue to **Neot Kedumim**, an eco-tourism site and a "living museum" that recreates the physical setting of the Bible, in all its depth and detail. Here you will have the opportunity to plant a tree. Drive back to Jaffa to explore the reconstructed Artists' Quarter with its galleries and boutiques. We'll head to Tel-Aviv's popular Nachalat Benyamin, an open pedestrian Arts and Craft Fair where you will find a variety of hand made products as well as performance artists making this a lively event and definitely in Tel Aviv. Free evening tonight. Back to hotel to refresh before **farewell dinner**.

For those who have midnight flight, a departure transfer will be arranged.

For others, last overnight.

Overnight: Tel Aviv Hotel

Day 12 – Thursday

En Route

(Breakfast included)

Unfortunately, our journey has come to an end...

Check-out from hotel and transfer to the airport for your international departure flight.

