



## Highlights of Past to the Future - The Story of Israel

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### Escorted Experience

- 24-Hour Local Assistance
- Fixed Dates
- First Class Hotels
- Guaranteed Departures
- Modern Airconditioned Vehicle

**Visit:** Tel Aviv-Haifa-Galilee-Jerusalem

### Detailed Itinerary

**Day 01: Thursday Arrival Tel Aviv**

Upon arrival to Ben Gurion Airport, Tel Aviv, you will be met by our representative and transferred to your hotel in Tel Aviv for overnight. Overnight Tel Aviv.

### **Day 02: Friday Tel Aviv**

Our first day of touring will begin immediately after breakfast. An interesting walking tour of Tel Aviv and Jaffa is ahead of us. We will start on Rothschild Boulevard, where we will see Tel Aviv's beautiful Bauhaus style architecture, recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will continue to Neve Tzedek – Tel Aviv's very first neighbourhood. The next stop will be Jaffa, the world's oldest port city, for a view of the old city and its well-known artist's colony. To end our day, you will enjoy free time at one of Tel Aviv's busiest areas on Friday afternoons – the Nahalat Binyamin Crafts Fair and Carmel Outdoor Market - for great sounds, smells and of course, great shopping. Overnight Tel Aviv.

### **Day 03: Saturday Free day in Tel Aviv**

Day at leisure in Tel Aviv. Overnight Tel Aviv.

### **Day 04: Sunday Rehovot / Caesaria / Zichron Yaacov / Haifa**

After breakfast, we check out of the hotel and drive to Rehovot. Our first stop will be at the Weizmann Institute which played a key role in the development of the state. We will enjoy the presentation of high technology and see the mansion house of Haim Weizmann, the first president of Israel. Visit Caesarea, built over 2000 years ago by King Herod the Great, which served as a key Mediterranean port for centuries. Hear about Caesarea's role in Jewish history, including its part in the Great Revolt of AD66. Onwards to the Carmel Mountain range to visit Zichron Yaacov, for a stroll through the historic streets of one of the earliest settlements from Israel's first immigration period founded in 1882 by Baron Edmond de Rothschild. Continue to Mount Carmel and into Haifa - Israel's major port city, with a stop at the Louis Promenade for a great view of the Haifa Bay and the beautiful Baha'i Gardens. Overnight Haifa.

### **Day 05: Monday Safed / Galilee**

Check out after an Israeli breakfast in the hotel. Our journey will begin with a drive through the mountain ranges and valleys which extend from the west to the east of the Galilee region. Drive up to Safed (Safed), where we will walk through ancient sections of the city and hear stories of the Kabbalists and their ancient synagogues. Our Safed tour will end with a visit to its famous artists' colony. Continue to Rosh Pina, originally founded in 1878 by a group of ultra-orthodox Jews intending to become farmers, with the support of Baron Edmund de Rothschild. Rosh Pina is one of Israel's oldest colonies

but today boasts a small town known for great restaurants, cafés and art galleries. In the afternoon, we will visit the beautiful Hula Valley, Israel's first Nature Reserve, which has become one of the world's most important centres for bird watching and ornithology. Overnight Kibbutz hotel.

### **Day 06: Tuesday Golan Heights**

This touring day will give you an opportunity to enjoy the north of Israel in a unique and exciting way. We will start our day by driving up into the Golan Heights. Visit Tel Faher (Golani Lookout), a former Syrian outpost in the Golan which was the site of an intense battle during the Six-Day War. Continue to Mount Bental, a beautiful spot for a panoramic view of the Upper Galilee, the Golan Heights, Mount Hermon and Syria. We will then walk through The Golan Olive Oil Mill and Visitor Centre, a uniquely designed building with ancient ambience, as your guide explains the olive oil production process, including the evolution from antique tools to modern machinery. We will finish the touring day with a visit to a Golan Heights Winery for an Israeli wine-tasting tour and to get an up close and personal view of the wine production process. The rest of the day is free to relax in the pastoral surroundings of the kibbutz. Overnight Kibbutz hotel.

### **Day 07: Wednesday Jerusalem**

Check out from the hotel and depart for our touring day. Our first stop will be at the Tel Hai Museum. This memorial is dedicated to a dramatic battle in 1920 led by Joseph Trumpeldor, a hero known for his national loyalty. Then we will descend to the shores of Lake Kinneret (Sea of Galilee) for a visit to Tiberias, a city which was a significant spiritual centre during the Mishna and Talmudic periods. We will drive south through the Jezreel Valley - a green fertile plain and inland valley, covered with fields of wheat, melon, oranges, beans, chickpeas, cotton, sunflowers and corn. Passing by the city of Afula we continue south to the point where the road begins ascending from the coastal plain to the hills of Jerusalem. Situated in the narrow opening known as Bab-al-Wad (Gate of the Valley), we arrive at Khan Sha'ar HaGai, a reconstruction of an old Ottoman building, commemorating the courageous men and women who fought fierce battles and brought food, supplies and manpower to under-siege Jerusalem during the War of Independence. Continuing our journey we arrive to Jerusalem, stopping at Mt. Scopus for a magnificent view of the city and a brief explanation about the capital's past and future. Overnight Jerusalem.

### **Day 08: Thursday Jerusalem Old City**

After breakfast, we will start our tour at the City of David for a virtual reality movie about King David's historical city, and a "wet" walking tour of the ancient water system connecting Warren's Shaft to the Shiloah tunnels (Hezekiah's Tunnel). Then walk through one of the Old City of Jerusalem's many ancient gates to the Archaeological Garden and the new Southern Wall excavations (Davidson Centre) - the same steps once used by pilgrims entering the Holy Temple. Visit the Western Wall (Ha

Kotel), the colourful bazaars and the Cardo and the restored Jewish Quarter. Overnight Jerusalem.

### **Day 09: Friday Jerusalem New City**

Visit the graves of Israel's former prime ministers, and soldiers who died in battle, at the Mount Herzl Military Cemetery. We will then continue to the museum at the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial, including the Valley of the Communities. We will pass by the Knesset - Israel's Parliament building, as well as the famous Menorah and the new home of Israel's Supreme Court. Visit the Israel Museum to see the Shrine of the Book with a display of Dead Sea Scrolls and visit the model of Jerusalem during the Second Temple period. Then continue on for a neighbourhood tour around the Mahane Yehuda Market to meet different local ethnic groups and taste some of their cultural foods. Return to the Western Wall to participate in meaningful Kabbalat Shabbat services as the Jewish Sabbath descends over Jerusalem. Overnight Jerusalem.

### **Day 10: Saturday Free day in Jerusalem**

Day at leisure in Jerusalem. Or join an optional day tour to Masada & Dead Sea (not included in the package – subject to fee). Overnight Jerusalem.

### **Day 11: Sunday Jerusalem / Ben Gurion Airport**

Transfer to the airport for departure.

### **Inclusion**

- Transfer on arrival and departure (from/to Ben Gurion Airport).
- Assistance at the airport upon arrival.
- 10 nights accommodation on Bed & Breakfast.
- 2 dinners in the Galilee.
- Entrance fees to the sites visited as per itinerary.

### **Exclusion**

International airfares

Optional activities

Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program

Travel insurance

Gratuities

Voluntary tips for guides or drivers

Travel and medical insurance

Any items not mentioned as included

Optional Massada and Dead Sea tour on Saturday from Jerusalem (on regular daily tour) - rates available on request.

## Note

Hotels Used

Plan A

Tel Aviv - Dan

Haifa - Dan Carmel

Galilee - Kibbutz Hagoshrim

Jerusalem - King David

Plan B

Tel Aviv - Carlton

Haifa - Dan Carmel

Galilee - Kibbutz Hagoshrim

Jerusalem - David Citadel / Mamilla

Plan C

Tel Aviv - Dan Panorama / Crown Plaza Beach

Haifa - Dan Panorama

Galilee - Kibbutz Hagoshrim

Jerusalem - Dan Panorama / Cassia

NOTE: Tours will be operated on the dates mentioned.

Children under the age of 5 are not accepted on the tour.

Please note that the sequence of the tour and sites visited may be amended due to circumstances at the company's or the guide's discretion.

Thursday Departure.

**Tour Dates & Pricing**