



Israel... A Small Group Tour Experience
Limited to 12 passengers



Wednesday, Day 1

Tel Aviv



Welcome to Israel! Our host will meet you before Passport Control to assist with entry procedures. You will be escorted to meet your transfer to your beautiful hotel in **Tel Aviv**. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. **Overnight Royal Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv**

Thursday, Day 2

Tel Aviv

Begin your day with a visit to the **Yitzhak Rabin Center** which chronicles the life and legacy of the late Prime Minister and where you will explore the development of the state of Israel. Continue to **Jaffa**, an ancient port city, named for Japeth, one of the sons of Noah who built it after the flood; Visit the old city and stroll around the restored city, the Artists' quarter, galleries and the renovated harbor. Visit the **Tel-Aviv Art Museum**, Israel's largest art museum that displays a wide collection of permanent and temporary exhibits of both Israeli and international artists. Witness the old meets the new as you visit **Sarona**, originally a 140 year old German templar colony, occupied later by the British forces and handed back to the Israelis in 1947. It has now been restored, preserving the original architecture, and converted to a lively pedestrian open air commercial center. **Overnight Royal Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv (B)**



Friday, Day 3

Tel Aviv

Start the day with a visit to **Machon Ayalon** the reconstructed underground munitions factory located under the kibbutz bakery. It was built and operated during the years 1946-1948. This special clandestine factory was prepared secretly in less than a month. Its openings were covered by a 10 ton oven and a large washing machine that camouflaged the noise of manufacturing bullets. The Ayalon institute was the largest IMI factory to operate underground and produced over 2,500,000 9mm bullets mostly for Sten guns during its three years of operation. Drive through the main streets of Tel-Aviv, passing by **Rabin's Square**, place of assassination of Prime Minister Itzhak Rabin. Stop at the **Tel-Aviv Port** and enjoy the promenade along the seafront with the unique shops, cafés and youthful ambiance. Continue to **Neve Tzedek**, the first neighborhood of Tel Aviv built in 1887 outside the old port city of Jaffa; explore the narrow alleys and the unique low buildings; Proceed to the **Carmel Market** and enjoy the vibrant noises, smells and colors. End the day at **Nachlat Benyamin** and enjoy the live street music, arts, crafts and handmade jewelry. **Overnight Royal Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv (B)**



Saturday, Day 4

Tel Aviv

Spend a day at leisure or continue to explore Tel Aviv on your own. Below is a list of recommended sites for your day at leisure. Please check with your hotel concierge for exact times for sites and for suggestions for additional sites available on Saturdays:

- **Rubin Museum of Art** dedicated to the extensive collection of Reuben Rubin's colorful images, now icons of early settlement of the State of Israel
- The promenade on the Tel Aviv beach
- **Ilana Goor Museum:** The Ilana Goor Museum is located in an 18th century building surrounded by the breathtaking landscape of the shoreline of Tel Aviv and the Old Jaffa City.

Fascinating historical events are ensconced within the Museum's walls dating back to 280 years ago, when the building served as the first Jewish Inn for pilgrims on their way to Jerusalem. The Museum was restored based on its original building and boasts over 500 Israeli, international and authentic works of art alongside Goor's creations. The Museum collections are blessed with artists such as Diego Giacometti, Henry Moore, Joseph Albers, Uri Lifshitz, Pesi Girsch, Yaakov Dorchin and others.

- **"Tachana"** a newly developed area, converted from an old railroad station, now filled with beautiful restaurants and shops.

Overnight Royal Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv (B)

Sunday, Day 5

Upper Galilee



Depart Tel Aviv and drive along the coastal plain to ancient **Caesarea**, once the Roman capital of the region to see the newly excavated hippodrome, the theatre where concerts are still held and the Caesarea Harbor, with its thrilling, multi-media presentation – you'll see ancient history come to life! Visit the Clandestine Immigration and Naval museum ("**Af Al Pi Chen**") and hear the story of the illegal

immigrants to Israel at the time of the British mandate. Continue to the timeless Crusader port city of **Acre (Akko)**, with its Middle Age fortress, subterranean city and bazaars. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Rich in history, spanning from the Greek periods, this ancient city has fascinating points of interest as well as a charming location along the Sea. While there you will visit the underground knights' chambers and walk through the old city, mosques and local market. Arrive at your hotel for **dinner** and overnight. **Overnight, Kfar Blum, Upper Galilee. (B.D)**



Monday, Day 6

Upper Galilee



Drive to **Safed**, one of the four holy cities in Israel, also considered the center of the kabala, the Jewish mysticism. Visit the **Joseph Caro** and the **Ha'Ari Synagogues**, the most important synagogues in the city; stroll around the artists' quarter and the picturesque alleyways. Continue to the **Golan Heights**. Stop at Gadot overlook (**Mitzpe Gadot**), the memorial site for the fallen of the Golan, located over former Syrian bunkers and see the monument built on site in honor of the Alexandroni brigade. Stop at the **Golan Winery** for a tour and wine tasting; Continue to **Mount Ben Tal**, a dormant volcanic mountain, for a panoramic view of Mount Hermon and the Golan; learn the story of one of the largest tank battles that took place in 1973 war. Return to your hotel. **Overnight, Kfar Blum, Upper Galilee. (B.D)**

Tuesday, Day 7

Jerusalem

Drive to Tiberias and visit **Capernaum** to explore the ruins of the synagogue and church of St. Peter. Enjoy a **boat ride** on the Sea of Galilee; visit the **Yigal Alon Museum** where an ancient 2,000 year old ancient boat was discovered. Continue to



Nazareth to visit the **Church of Annunciation**. Visit **Beit Shean**, also called "scythopolis", the biggest archaeological park in Israel with beautiful excavations from Roman and Byzantine periods. Drive via the Jordan valley to Jerusalem. Stop at **Mount Scopus** for a blessing as you enter the golden city.



Overnight, Orient Hotel, Jerusalem (B)

Wednesday, Day 8

Jerusalem



Tour the **Old City** of Jerusalem; Visit the **Jewish** and **Christian quarters**. Walk through the **Cardo**, the reconstructed main street of Byzantine Jerusalem. Visit the **Western Wall**, holiest site in Judaism. Learn the story of ancient Jerusalem as you tour the **Western Wall tunnels**; Discover the hidden layers of the walls revealed underground. Tonight, enjoy a **Middle Eastern dinner** followed by the spectacular **Sound and Light Show at Tower of David Museum**. **Overnight, Orient Hotel, Jerusalem (B.D)**

Thursday, Day 9

Jerusalem

Begin your day with a visit to the **Israel Museum**, the **Shrine of the Book** where the Dead Sea scrolls are housed, and the new holy land model, a miniature replica of Jerusalem as it was during the Second Temple period. Continue for a tour at the **Knesset**, Israel's parliament and see the Menorah with the biblical emblems. Next you will experience contemporary Jerusalem at the famous **Machane Yehuda market** (shuk)



with its authentic and colorful stands. Enjoy the **"Shuk Bites"**, a culinary extravaganza, where you will taste a variety of local foods and delicacies. End the day with a visit to **Yad Vashem**, memorial to the Holocaust; visit the Museum, Children's Pavilion and walk along the Avenue of the Righteous. **Overnight, Orient**

Hotel, Jerusalem (B)

Friday, Day 10

Jerusalem

Depart Jerusalem and drive through the Judean desert stopping at the **Ein Gedi Nature Reserve**. Explore the lush oasis filled with waterfalls, vegetation and rare wildlife. Continue to **Masada**, ascend by cable car and tour the ancient fortress; visit the remains of the walls, palaces, synagogue, the bathhouses etc. Descend by cable car and travel to one of the leading Dead Sea hotels where you will enjoy **lunch** and their Spa **facilities**. Relax and enjoy an unsinkable swim in the buoyant, mineral-rich, salty waters of the **Dead Sea**. **Overnight, Orient Hotel, Jerusalem (B.L)**



Saturday, Day 11

Jerusalem

Enjoy a day of leisure to relax or continue exploring Jerusalem on your own.. Below is a list of recommended sites for your day at leisure. Please check with your hotel concierge for exact times for sites and for suggestions for additional sites available on Saturdays:

- **Israel Museum (Shrine of the Book, scale model of Jerusalem, Billy Rose Art Garden)** – the largest cultural institution in the State of Israel. Visit the **Jerusalem Model**, which reconstructs the topography and architectural character of the city as it was during Second Temple period, prior to 66 CE, the year in which the Great Revolt against the Romans erupted. Then, visit the **Shrine of the Book** where the **Dead Sea Scrolls**, the oldest biblical manuscripts in the world are housed. End the visit with a stroll through the **Billy Rose Art Garden**, a synthesis of different cultures—those of the Far East, the Near East and the West, against the backdrop of Jerusalem's dramatic landscape. A SHORT VISIT IS INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR BUT THE MUSEUM IS EXTENSIVE AND YOU MAY WISH TO VISIT AGAIN

- **Tower of David Museum**, one of the most beautiful and original locations for a museum anywhere in the world and is the best introduction to 4,000 years of Jerusalem's rich and colorful history. Located in the magnificently restored citadel, the museum stands in the heart of Jerusalem at a point where the city's ancient history to the east meets the blossoming new city of Jerusalem to the west.
- **Friends of Zion Heritage Center** celebrating the Christian heroes who have contributed to the Jewish people and the State of Israel. These heroes come alive through cutting edge, high tech imaging, audio-visual presentations, holograms and much more.
- **Rockefeller Museum Archaeological Museum** is situated in a magnificent white limestone edifice in East Jerusalem, houses the extraordinary collection of antiquities unearthed in excavations conducted in the country mainly during the time of the British Mandate (1919-1948). The Museum was opened in 1938.
- **Bible Lands Museum** offers a unique collection depicting the cultures and civilizations of the ancient lands of the Bible. The museum's extensive collection of Ancient Near Eastern art presents the history of the biblical period. Daily guided tours and an Easy guide audio guiding system are free with admission.

Overnight, Orient Hotel, Jerusalem. (B)

Sunday, Day 12 Jerusalem

Transfer from Jerusalem Hotel to Ben Gurion airport where our special representative will meet and assist you with security and check in formalities for your flight home. **(B)**

NOTE: Changes in the touring program might occur during the year or during the tour due to holidays or unforeseen circumstances.

PLEASE SEE LAST PAGE FOR 2019 ISRAEL SMALL GROUP TOUR PRICE

VIP SERVICE UPON ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE \$159 PER PERSON NOT INCLUDED

NOTE: Tour operator reserves the right to substitute hotels of similar quality if necessary

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TRANSFERS:

Arrival: Our representative will meet you before Passport Control and assist you through baggage claim and customs after which you will meet your Private driver for your transfer to your hotel in Tel Aviv.

Departure: Transfer from Jerusalem to Terminal 3 in Ben Gurion Airport, where you will be greeted at the entrance to the terminal and assisted with your departure procedures and escorted to Passport Control.

OPTIONAL VIP ASSISTANCE ON ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE: \$159 PER DIRECTION

ARRIVAL: Meeting at the plane and escort through all procedures

DEPARTURE: Assistance with all check in procedures and escort to the plane

Not Included

- Treatments in the Dead Sea
- Meals not mentioned
- Entrance fees or activities for free days in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem
- Tips to drivers, guides and hotel personnel.
- Expenses of a personal nature.
- Travel Insurance (SEE BELOW)
- VIP Service at Airport (\$159 each direction)

Included

- MEALS: Breakfast daily, 2 dinners at Mitzpe Hayamim, Lunch at Dead Sea Spa, 1 dinner in Jerusalem.
- TOURING: Eight days small group sightseeing per itinerary in a modern air-conditioned vehicle and professional English speaking licensed guide. Entrance fees to all sites noted in itinerary are included.

TRAVEL INSURANCE INFORMATION

We are pleased to offer you our low-cost **Travel Protection Plan**, with its multi-benefit advantages ideal to cover all of your travel insurance needs. We offer two different options with respect to the cancellation portion of the policy.

Option 1 – Cancel for a covered reason, as defined by the plan provisions: \$269

Important Note: The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived provided 1) the insurance premium is received within 7 days of the initial deposit for the Trip, and 2) you are not disabled from travel at the time you pay your premium.

Option 2 – Cancel For Any Reason (referred to as “CFAR”)—NOT VALID FOR RESIDENTS OF NEW YORK STATE: \$399

You can cancel your Trip for any reason, not otherwise covered by the policy, and you will be reimbursed for 75% of the prepaid, forfeited, non-refundable Payments or Deposits you paid for your Trip provided:

- 1) Your premium payment is received within 7 days of the initial deposit/payment for your Trip; and
- 2) You cancel your Trip two (2) days or more before your Scheduled Trip Departure Date.

If you cancel for a **covered** reason, as outlined in the plan provisions, you will be reimbursed 100% of the penalties for your Trip.

CFAR does not cover penalties associated with air or other travel arrangements not noted in proposal.

Important Note: The **Cancel For Any Reason** benefit is available if your insurance premium is received within 7 days of the initial deposit for your Trip. In the case of late bookings, whereby full payment is made instead of a deposit, the travel insurance premium must accompany this payment. The plan cannot be purchased once final payment has been made.

Deposits, Cancellations and Payments

The above proposal is subject to your approval. Hotel reservations, driver and guide services will not be processed without your verbal authorization to proceed, as well as a deposit of \$500.00 per person, payable by American Express, Visa, Master Card or Discover with proper authorization only.

The balance of all land and/or airfare (due 60 days prior to departure or within 7 days if booking is made less than 60 days in advance of departure) is payable by agency check or by credit card (American Express, Visa or Master Card) with proper authorization only.

CANCELLATION CHARGES PRIOR TO DEPARTURE – PER PERSON PER COUNTRY ALL CUSTOMIZED PROGRAMS BY PRIVATE CAR (Without cruises):

(Unless otherwise advised for Peak Periods *)

Up to 60 Days	\$400
59-45 Days	\$600
44-31 Days	\$800
30-16 Days	\$1,000
15 days or less	50-100% of trip cost

Any and all refund requests for cancellation or otherwise are assessed a 3% processing fee of the amount to be refunded in addition to the penalties indicated.

Israel Deluxe – A Small Group Experience

Maximum 12 participants

Wednesday arrival – 11 nights - 8 touring days

Royal Beach Tel-Aviv - Executive room (without lounge)

Mitzpe Hayamim-Galil room

Orient Hotel Jerusalem-Orient Room

Prices in US Dollars

Tour Dates	Double	Single
2018		
11/14/18	4,134	5,885
11/21/18	4,134	5,885
12/19/18	4,216	6,103
12/26/18	4,134	5,885
2019		
03/20/19	4,458	6,395
04/03/19	4,458	6,395
05/01/19	4,458	6,395
05/15/19	4,458	6,395
05/29/19	4,458	6,395
06/19/19	4,458	6,395
07/24/19	4,458	6,395
08/21/19	5,004	7,545
09/04/19	4,458	6,395
09/11/19	4,458	6,395
10/23/19	4,458	6,395
11/06/19	4,516	6,346
11/13/19	4,516	6,346