



# Journey to the Holy Land

## Sample Itinerary

### [12 DAY TOUR]

#### DAY 1



#### DEPART ON OUR JOURNEY OF FAITH

We depart from the United States on our overnight flight to Tel Aviv, Israel. On route to the Holy Land we will be served dinner.

#### Overnight: Enroute

#### DAY 2



Ben Gurion Airport  
Tel Aviv

#### ARRIVAL IN THE HOLY LAND

Breakfast is served before we land. We arrive in Tel Aviv where we will be greeted and assisted by our tour representative.

Depending on your arrival time, jump right into your tour beginning with a visit to the **Jaffa Port** and **Simon the Tanner's** house.

Transfer to your hotel in Tel Aviv. Enjoy your first dinner together as a group in the hotel.

#### Dinner and Overnight: Tel Aviv [D]

#### DAY 3



Independence Hall

#### INDEPENDENCE HALL – CAESAREA – MOUNT CARMEL – MEGIDDO

After a full Israeli buffet breakfast at the hotel, visit **Independence Hall**, where David Ben Gurion proclaimed the foundation of the State of Israel on May 14, 1948.

Depart Tel Aviv and begin your bus trip north along the Mediterranean Sea passing towns that are home to many hi-tech companies. Arrive in **Caesarea**, home to the first gentile converts. Extensive modern archaeological excavations have made viewable stadiums, theaters, temples, palaces, and a giant sea port built out in the Mediterranean.

Leaving the Mediterranean, we will travel north and ascend **Mt. Carmel**, where the Prophet Elijah called on God who answered by fire. We'll then drive to **Megiddo (Armageddon)**.

Continue on to your hotel in the Galilee area.

#### Dinner and Overnight: Tiberias [B, D]

#### DAY 4



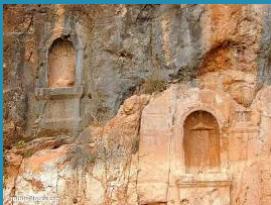
Mount of Beatitudes

#### CAPERNAUM – MOUNT OF BEATITUDES - YARDENIT

This morning we will visit the **Jesus Boat Museum** before taking a **boat ride** across the **Sea of Galilee** to **Capernaum** and visit the remains of the 2nd century synagogue. Journey to **Tabgha** the site of the miracle of fish and loaves, and visit the **Church of Multiplication** with its 4th century mosaic floor. Continue to the **Mount of the Beatitudes** and its' gorgeous view of the Sea where it is said Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount.

End the day at the **Jordan River** and the **Yardenit Baptismal** site where you will have the opportunity to be baptized.

#### Dinner and Overnight: Tiberias [B, D]

**DAY 5**

Caesarea Philippi

**TEL DAN – CAESAREA PHILIPPI**

Drive towards northern border of Israel to see a completely different part of the Land!! Enjoy the wonderful beauty and archeological sites of **Tel Dan** natural reserves. Travel nearby to **Caesarea Philippi** in the **Golan Heights**; an ancient Roman city located at the southwestern base of Mount Hermon. It was adjacent to a spring, grotto, and related shrines dedicated to the Greek god Pan. Now nearly uninhabited, Caesarea is an archaeological site.

**Dinner and Overnight: Tiberias [B, D]**

**DAY 6**

Bethlehem

**FROM THE NORTH TO JERUSALEM – NAZARETH – BETHLEHEM**

Today we depart for Jerusalem with a stop first at **Mary's Well** and then at **Nazareth 1st Century Village**, where you will explore a first-century farm and village presenting the life and teachings of Jesus during his time.

Continue to **Haas Promenade** for a beautiful view of Jerusalem.

From here proceed to **Bethlehem** and visit the **Church of the Nativity**. We will also meet and pray with a Christian Arab congregation who continues to courageously stand strong in their faith in Bethlehem. See the **Shepherds Fields**, which are the fields identified since ancient times with the shepherds who saw the Star of Nativity. At the close of our Bethlehem tour, we will enjoy wonderful shopping at Maher Canawati's Three Arches Shop for olive wood products created in Bethlehem.

Check-in to hotel in Jerusalem.

**Dinner and Overnight: Jerusalem [B, D]**

**DAY 7**

Jerusalem

**OLD CITY JERUSALEM – GARDEN TOMB**

Today we head to the **Old City of Jerusalem**. We will make an attempt to visit **Temple Mount**. Thereafter, visit the **Western Wall Tunnels**. Proceed to the **Church of All Nations** and to **Mount Zion** to see the tomb of King David and the nearby **Room of the Last Supper**.

Enter the Old City to begin exploring the wonders of Jerusalem. Walk through the **Cardo**, the main street of Jerusalem 2000 years ago. View the Temple Mount and the Western Wall. Walk along the **Via Dolorosa**, where Jesus carried His Cross. Continue to the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**. No visit to Jerusalem is complete without a walk through the colorful Arab bazaar (a chance to test your negotiating skills).

End the day with a visit to the **Garden Tomb**.

**Dinner and Overnight: Jerusalem [B, D]**

**DAY 8**

Masada

**QUMRAN – MASADA – DEAD SEA – EIN GEDI**

After enjoying a delicious Israeli breakfast, we will travel south to **Qumran**, the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Then, tour **Masada**. Ascend by cable car and tour the ancient fortress where the Zealots made their last stand against the Romans in 73 AD. Descend by cable car.

Continue to the **Dead Sea** in the afternoon and enjoy a float in the buoyant waters. Stop at the **Ein Gedi Nature Reserve**, home to beautiful hot springs, fascinating plants and wildlife along with great hiking trails, and where David penned many of his Psalms.

**Dinner and Overnight: Jerusalem [B, D]**

## DAY 9



Machane Yehuda Market

## NEW CITY JERUSALEM

Visit the **Friends of Zion Museum or Shiloh**.

This afternoon, shop at **Machane Yehuda Market**, a local open-air market that Jerusalemites see as a place that represents them, symbolizes them, and gives them a unique identity in a larger Israeli social context.

**Dinner and Overnight: Jerusalem [B, D]**

## DAY 10



City of David

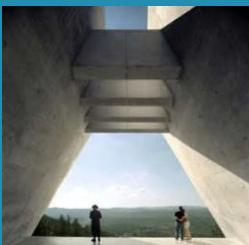
## ABRAHAM'S BREAD FEEDING CENTER – CITY OF DAVID

This morning, visit **Abraham's Bread Feeding Center**, a facility where Israel's poor are fed daily, to see firsthand how Eagles' Wings is partnering with others to help meet the needs of the underprivileged.

In the afternoon, explore the **City of David's** recently excavated fortresses and passageways and relive King David's conquest of the Jebusite city. Explore **Hezekiah's water tunnels** there. The tunnels were designed to act as an aqueduct, providing Jerusalem with water during an impending siege of Assyrians.

**Dinner and Overnight: Jerusalem [B, D]**

## DAY 11



Yad Vashem

## YAD VASHEM – ISRAEL MUSEUM – FAREWELL DINNER

In the morning we will visit **Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial and Museum** where we can walk through the **Children's Pavilion**, visit the museum, and walk down the Avenue of the Righteous. Continue on to **Mount Herzl**, a military cemetery and museum honoring Theodore Herzl. It is the burial site of many great Israeli leaders including Yitzhak Rabin and Golda Meir.

Visit the **Israel Museum** where the ancient Dead Sea scrolls are kept and explore the extensive collection of this world-class museum.

Spend the rest of the afternoon with free time before enjoying a **farewell dinner** at a local restaurant with your group on your last night in Israel.

Transfer to airport for your flight back to the United States.

**Overnight, Enroute**

## DAY 12



## Arrive to the U.S.

Arrive back in the USA and proceed home.

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