

Israel & Jordan

The Holy Lands

February 17 - 28, 2022 (Fly)

(12 days - 11 nights)



Highlights Include:

- 3 nights Jerusalem
- Bethlehem
- Nazareth & Sea of Galilee
- Garden of Gethsemane
- Mt. Zion
- Dead Sea Scrolls
- Petra
- Capernaum
- Tel Aviv City Tour
- Yaffa & Haifa
- 2 nights Tel Aviv
- 2 nights Haifa
- 3 nights Dead Sea (Jordan)

Thu, February 17

Motorcoach to DFW where we board our overnight flight to Tel Aviv, Israel

Fri, February 18

Arrive in Tel Aviv, Israel, meet your Local Trip Expert/Guide and transfer to your hotel. This evening enjoy a Welcome Dinner with your fellow travelers.

Tel Aviv

Sat, February 19

Today enjoy a Tel Aviv City Tour including a visit to Independence Hall, site of the speech by David Ben-Gurion declaring Israel its own state. See Rabin Square and visit Carmel Market "Shuk" for a falafel and some shopping. Visit neighboring Yaffa, the oldest port city on the Mediterranean and learn of its 5,000 year old history. Tonight enjoy dinner with your fellow travelers.

Tel Aviv

Sun, February 20

This morning we leave Tel Aviv and drive along the Mediterranean Coast and visit the ruins of Roman Caesarea, once the Capital of the Roman regime. Over a period of just 12 years, Herod transformed Caesarea into a grand city and major seaport. See the theatre, the aqueduct, the Hippodrome and more. Then we will visit Nazareth, Jesus' boyhood town and the site of the annunciation to Mary. We will visit the Basilica. Depart from Nazareth and drive to Tiberias and the Sea of Galilee. Board a Wooden River Boat and sail the Sea of Galilee to the ancient town of Capernaum. Visit the house of St. Peter and walk around the ruins of the ancient Synagogue found here in Archaeological excavations. From Capernaum we drive uphill to the Mount of Beatitude where Jesus made the Sermon on the Mount. Drive to Haifa the beautiful city

Haifa

located on top of Mount Carmel for a 2 night stay and dinner with your fellow travelers.

Mon, February 21

This morning we tour Haifa and stop at the view point overlooking the bay and hanging Baha'i Gardens. From here we continue to Safed the Holy City on the Galilee Mountains to visit the old city. Continue to Akko to tour the ancient city and see the underground crusaders city. We will walk through the escape tunnel to the old port and see the traditional Turkish Bath now used as a local museum telling the story of Akko. Tonight enjoy dinner with your fellow travelers.

Haifa

Tue, February 22

After breakfast we will cross over to Jordan and continue to the Jordan River. In Jordan we will meet our local driver and guide and drive to Jerash, the "Pompeii of the East," which is perhaps the best preserved of the provincial Roman towns. Around its colonnaded main street, see the Cardo, Temple of Zeus, Hadrian's Arch, the Artemis Temple and the Nymphaeum. Then onward to our Dead Sea hotel for 3 nights and dinner with your fellow travelers.

Dead Sea

Wed, February 23

After breakfast drive along the King's Highway, one of the oldest trade routes in the world to Madaba, home to some of the finest Byzantine mosaics in the world. View the 6th century mosaic Map of Jerusalem, possibly the oldest map of the Holy City in existence. Continue to Mount Nebo, highest point in the Moabite mountain range, offering a remarkable view of the Jordan Valley, the Dead Sea and the spires of Jerusalem. Tradition holds that Moses viewed the

Dead Sea

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Promised Land from this peak. The rest of the day is at leisure to enjoy the Dead Sea and your resort.

Thu , February 24

Petra

This morning, experience a tour into the breathtaking “rose-red” city of Petra which begins at the “Siq,” a winding canyon road. At the end of the passage you’ll see Petra’s most beautiful monument – the Treasury – carved out of the solid rock from the side of the mountain. Beyond the Treasury, you’ll discover soaring temples, elaborate royal tombs, a theatre, burial chambers and water channels. Return to our hotel in Dead Sea. Tonight enjoy dinner with your fellow travelers.

Fri, February 25

Jerusalem

After breakfast, drive to Allenby Bridge and back to Israel. After arrival in Israel, we will drive southward along the shores of the Dead Sea to Masada. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is famous for the palaces built by King Herod and for the heroic struggle of the Jewish Zealots against the Romans. We will take a cable car and visit this amazing site. Next we visit Jericho, one of the oldest cities in the world to see the excavations of the ancient walls, view the Mount of Temptation and see Elijah’s Spring. Continue to Jerusalem for 2 nights and dinner with your fellow travelers.

Sat, February 26

Jerusalem

Today we visit the Old City and the Western Wall Tunnels. Then continue to the Mount of Olives for the breathtaking view of the entire city. Then to The Garden of Gethsemane the site of the arrest of Jesus. We continue to Mount Zion to the tomb of King David and the nearby Room of the Last Supper. Enter the Old City walls, visit the Jewish quarter, the Cardo, the Broad Wall, and continue to the Western Wall, the most sacred site to Jews from all over the world. From here, cross over to the Christian Quarter and walk along the Via Dolorosa and see the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the site of the burial of Jesus. End the day with a lovely walk through the colorful Bazaars. Tonight enjoy dinner with your fellow travelers.

Sun, February 27

Jerusalem

Today we visit the new city of Jerusalem. We will enter into the Knesset and learn about Israeli Democracy through a special guided tour. Then a special visit to Ammunition Hill, where we will learn about the 1967 battle for the unification of Jerusalem. Next visit the Israel Museum to see the Dead Sea Scrolls, the Biblical Archaeology museum and a special visit to the “JUDAICA” pavilion of the Museum. Later take a short drive to the town of Bethlehem where we will visit the nativity site of Jesus and the Shepherds Field. Return to Jerusalem. The remainder of the day will be free for last minute shopping and preparing for your journey home. Tonight enjoy a Farewell Dinner with your fellow travelers.

Mon, February 28

Return Home

Today transfer to the airport and board your flight to DFW filled with memories of your Israel & Jordan tour. Our motorcoach will be waiting at DFW to transfer you to Abilene.

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