

visit the Basilica of the Nativity. Continue to Rachel's Tomb. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem. (B,D)

March 19, Wednesday Tel-Aviv

We drive to Tel Aviv, the vibrant cosmopolitan Mediterranean city. We visit the Hall of Independence, the original site where David Ben Gurion, Israel first Prime Minister declared Israel independence in 1948. We visit Jaffa with its many art galleries and colourful alleys, and then walk along the Beach Promenade. In the evening we enjoy a special farewell dinner in a restaurant. Overnight at Tel-Aviv. (B,D)

March 20, Thursday Tel-Aviv - New York

Early in the morning we transfer to the airport for our flight to New York.

Includes:

- ◆ Roundtrip international air fare between New York – Tel Aviv
- ◆ 9 Nights hotel accommodation in Israel
- ◆ 2 Nights hotel accommodation in Petra
- ◆ Daily breakfast at the hotels
- ◆ 10 Dinners at the hotels
- ◆ 1 Farewell Dinner with singing waiters on March 19
- ◆ 9 days English speaking guide in Israel
- ◆ 3 days English speaking guide in Jordan
- ◆ Entrance fees to all sites as per the attached itinerary
- ◆ Transportation in air-conditioned bus throughout the tour
- ◆ Porters' fees at hotels
- ◆ All border fees
- ◆ Tips to Hotel staff
- ◆ Tips to the Tour Guide & to the Bus Driver
- ◆ Service charges and local taxes

Not Included:

- ◆ Drinks and meals which are not listed at the itinerary
- ◆ All personal expenses
- ◆ Tips
- ◆ Lunches
- ◆ Travel insurance
- ◆ Any expenses not mentioned at the above "included" list.

*\$500 USD deposit at registration, final payment 75 days prior to departure.

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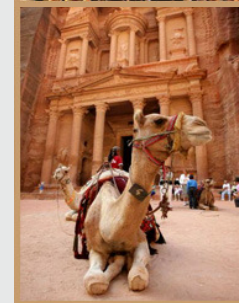
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Jerusalem

***Price**
\$4,750 USD Per Person In Double Occupancy
\$5,640 USD Single Room



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Itinerary

March 8, Saturday Depart from New York - Fly Tel Aviv

March 9, Sunday Arrive Tel Aviv - Tiberias

We arrive to Tel Aviv airport. We will meet our guide then board our coach and drive north to the Sea of Galilee. Pending on arrival time, we will visit the site of Caesarea Maritime, King Herod's Capital and main Mediterranean port. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias. (D)

March 10, Monday Tiberias

We start the morning at a small museum where a 2000 year old fishermen's boat was discovered and restored and is now exhibited. Continue to Capernaum, the centre of Jesus' Galilean ministry and the site of many of his miracles. We will walk among the ruins of the ancient synagogue and view the remains of first century houses, including one which may have been Peter's. Continue to the Golan Heights. On the way we stop at Talmudic Village in Katzrin. We will have a perspective of the way Jew and Christian lived during the ancient times. Continue to Caesarea Philippi where Jesus asked his disciples "Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?" We end the day in the Hula lake park, where thousands of migratory cranes spend the night. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias (B,D)

March 11, Tuesday Tiberias

We start this morning with a beautiful short walk to the high cliffs of Arbel, with a panoramic view of the Sea of Galilee and Northern part of Israel. Continue to Nazareth, the former village where Jesus spent most of his life. We visit Mount of Precipice, the Basilica of the Annunciation and Mary's Well. Continue to Cana of Galilee, site of the Wedding Wine miracle, then to the ancient city of Zippori, the main urban centre in the Galilee during Jesus time. Zippori is among the best preserved and excavated archaeological sites in Israel with beautiful mosaic floors and many public buildings. On the way back to Tiberias we will board a boat for a leisurely sail on the Sea of Galilee. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias. (B,D)

March 12, Wednesday Petra

We cross today into Jordan. We visit Jerash, the most extensive and well preserved Roman ruins in the whole Middle East. Conquered in 63 BC, it came under Roman rule and was one of the ten great Roman cities of the Decapolis League. Continue to Mt. Nebo, from where Moses looked upon the Promised Land and where is believed that Moses was buried. We tour Mabada, "City of Mosaics", best known for its spectacular Byzantine and Umayyad mosaics, including the famous 6th century Mosaic Map of Jerusalem and the Holy Land. Continue to Petra to our hotel and dinner. (B,D)

March 13, Thursday Petra

After breakfast, we visit the famous Nabatean wonder city of Petra. We walk along the narrow gorge of the "Siq" and visit the rose-red stone carved ancient city, founded by the Nabateans. We pass the theatre, visit the church, the temples and



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enter into some of the famous tombs hewn into the Red Sand Stone. Dinner and overnight in Petra. (B,D)

March 14, Friday Dead Sea

We drive to the World Heritage Site of Wadi Rum with its sheer walled mountains and huge sand dunes. This is the area where Laurence of Arabia was active during WW1 and where he assembled his Bedouin army. We take a 4WD safari tour of the fascinating area. Later we drive to the border crossing and enter Israel. We travel north via the Rift Valley to the Dead Sea resort area. Overnight in a spa hotel near the Dead Sea. (B,D)

March 15, Saturday Jerusalem

We ascend Masada by a cable car. The cliffs of Masada symbolize the heroism of the Jews in their resistance to the Roman occupation. On we go to En Gedi where David hid in a cave from King Saul. We visit the interesting Botanical Garden. Continue on the beautiful road beside the Dead Sea, then visit Qumran, the place where the "Dead Sea Scrolls" were unearthed in 1947 by a Bedouin shepherd. We proceed to Jerusalem passing by Jericho and the Good Samaritan Inn. We stop at the Mount of Scopus for a breathtaking view of the Holy City of Jerusalem. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem. (B,D)

March 16, Sunday Jerusalem

We start our day at the Mount of Olives. We descent an easy path to Dominus Flevit, then to Gethsemane. Continue to the Old City, where we enter the Walls via the Lion Gate and visit Pools of Bethesda and St. Ann's Basilica then follow the Via Dolorosa to Church of Holy Sepulchre. We proceed to the Jewish Quarter through the famous Old City Bazaar, then visit the Herodian Quarter (Whol Archaeological Museum) and the Roman Cardo. In the afternoon we will visit the Israel museum including the Shrine of the Book with the Dead Sea Scrolls and the renovated Model of the Second Temple. In the evening we will enjoy the beautiful Sound & Light spectacular in David Citadel. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem. (B,D)

March 17, Monday Jerusalem

Early morning we visit the Temple Mount. We look at the beautiful Dome of the Rock and the important mosque of El Aqsa, then visit the Western Wall, the most sacred Jewish site. We will watch many traditional Jewish Bar Mitzvah ceremonies (adulthood ceremony) held at the site every Monday. Continue to Davidson Centre (South Wall Park) where the testimonial of the temple destruction during the Big Revolt of 67-70 ad are evident. In the afternoon we visit the City of David. We go down the Warren Shaft and through Hezekiah Tunnel to the Pool of Siloam. We end the day in the Garden Tomb, believed by many to be the historical tomb of Jesus. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem. (B,D)

March 18, Tuesday Jerusalem

We start the morning at Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Memorial Museum, for a touching experience. Continue to Herodium, the Desert Fort - Palace built by King Herod to be his eventual burial site. Herod's Burial tomb was discovered four years ago. Onward to Shepherds' Field and Bethlehem, the birth site of Jesus where we



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