



## **ITINERARY**

# Day 1 MONDAY APRIL 1, 2019

DEPART

Today we embark on our journey to Eretz Yisrael. Our ELAL nonstop flight from Miami departs at around 1 pm.

Meals included: On Board
Overnight: On Board

# Day 2 TUESDAY APRIL 2, 2019

**BRUCHIM HABAIM - WELCOME TO ISRAEL** 

We arrive at Ben-Gurion Airport, you will be met by our airport representative to assist you through security & customs. Our flight arrives at around 8am. At the arrival hall we will meet our Israeli tour guide and bus driver. We will drive to Jerusalem. We will take a panoramic view of Jerusalem for a traditional Shehechiyanu blessings. Continue to our hotel for check –in (5 nights). Rest of the day is free.

Meals included: Dinner

Overnight: Leonardo Plaza Jerusalem

## Day 3 WEDNESDAY APRIL 3, 2019

**IERUSALEM OLD CITY** 

After breakfast, we will start our old city exploration and enter the old city via the Dung Gate. We will visit the Kotel (Western Wall) and the Western Wall (Rabbinical) Tunnels. The Rabbinical Tunnels, running along the base of the Western Wall will lead us through the Second Temple era. The tunnel and exhibit give a clear understanding of the amazing construction of the Temple Mount, its giant stones, water supply and a Roman street. For those who have been to the tunnels an alternative tour will be arranged to the southern wall excavation and the Davidson center. We will walk through the Jewish Quarter to explore its architectural and archaeological sites. We will visit the Cardo and the colorful bazaars. At the Burnt House, experience a moving and informative presentation on the destruction of Jerusalem and the second Beit Hamikdash. Visit Mt. Zion and the tomb of King David. Return to our hotel.

**Meals included:** Dinner on your own **Overnight:** Leonardo Plaza Jerusalem

## Day 4 THURSDAY APRIL 4, 2019

**JERUSALEM NEW CITY** 

After breakfast, we will drive by the Supreme Court and stop by the Knesset and the famous Menorah- the emblem of the State of Israel. We will have a tour of the Knesset and then drive to the Hadassah Medical Center in Ein Kerem to tour the facility. Those who have been here before will continue Ein Karem for a visit. Our next stop will be at the Israel Museum to visit the miniature model of Jerusalem, as it was during the Second Temple period, and the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea Scrolls are housed. We will end the day visiting the newly-expanded Yad Vashem Holocaust complex. Return to the hotel.

**Meals included:** Dinner on your own **Overnight:** Leonardo Plaza Jerusalem

# Day 5 FRIDAY APRIL 5, 2019

MASADA AND THE DEAD SEA

After early breakfast, we will travel to the lowest place on earth - the Dead Sea. Our first stop will be at the excavation site of Qumran and walk through the impressive Dead Sea sect community area and see the caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found in 1948. We will drive along the shores of the Dead Sea to visit Masada, the spectacular mountain top fortress built by Herod, famous for being the last stronghold of the Jewish rebellion against the Romans. We will have lunch in one of the Dead Sea hotels and enjoy free time to float and experience the weightlessness of the Dead Sea. In the afternoon we will drive back to Jerusalem and prepare for Shabbat.

**Meals included:** Shabbat Dinner at the hotel **Overnight:** Leonardo Plaza Jerusalem

## Day 6 SATURDAY APRIL 6, 2019

FREE DAY IN JERUSALEM

Free day to enjoy the special atmosphere of Shabbat in Jerusalem. Attend Shabbat services at one of the nearby synagogues of your choice. A Shabbat lunch is included at our hotel.

**Meals included:** Dinner on your own **Overnight:** Leonardo Plaza Jerusalem

# Day 7 SUNDAY APRIL 7, 2019

FROM JERUSALEM TO UPPER GALILEE

After breakfast, we will check out from our hotel in Jerusalem. We will drive north to Caesarea, once the roman capital of the region. See the excavations of the crusaders' city, the aqueduct and the amphitheater, which has been restored as a concert venue. We will drive to Haifa - Israel 3rd largest city and visit the Baha'i Gardens and enjoy a scenic view of the Haifa Bay. Next, we will visit the Clandestine Immigration and Navy Museum. Continue to Acco, where we will visit the templars Hall as well as walk along the old harbor and the local market. We will end the day driving to the Galilee region and the Hula valley for our lovely kibbutz hotel (3 nights).

Meals included: Dinner at our Kibbutz hotel Overnight: Kibbutz Hagoshrim

# Day 8 MONDAY APRIL 8, 2019

**TZFAT & UPPER GALILEE** 

After breakfast, we will drive to Tel Hai and learn the brave story of Yosef Trumpeldor. Next, we will drive to Tzefat, a center of Jewish mysticism for hundreds of years, and a contemporary artists' colony. Visit the many unique synagogues and stroll the narrow alleyways through the quaint art galleries and shop in the artists' colony. We will end the day in Peki'in - a small town in the Upper Galilee. The town is predominantly Druze but is a popular tourist spot for its restored ancient synagogue, the cave where the Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai. Here we will have the chance to visit few local Druze shops. Return to our kibbutz hotel.

Meals included: Dinner at our Kibbutz hotel

Overnight: Kibbutz Hagoshrim





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## Day 9 TUESDAY APRIL 9, 2019

#### **GOLAN HEIGHTS**

After breakfast, we will have some free time to visit Teva Naot shoe factory. Next, we will drive up to the Golan Heights to Tel Bental - one of the chains of extinct volcanoes. Tel Bental offers spectacular panoramic views at the crossroads of three countries. From this point we can see across the Golan Plateau bordering with Syria and observe the abandoned Syrian city of Kuneitra and the U.N. outpost located nearby. We will drive to Tel Faher, a pre-1967 Syrian post. We will study the strategic importance of this area. From there we will continue on to the town of Katzrin. We will visit the Talmudic village to study the Talmudic Period of the 5th century and to learn about the other cities of the Golan Heights - that were inhabited by Jews since the Hasmonian period (2nd century B.C.). Before returning back to our hotel we will enjoy a wine testing at the Golan winery. Return to our hotel.

Meals included: Dinner at our Kibbutz hotel
Overnight: Kibbutz Hagoshrim

## Day 10 | WEDNESDAY APRIL 10, 2019

#### FROM THE GALILEE TO TEL AVIV

After breakfast, we drive south for a short visit of the Tiberia. We continue to the lower Galilee and visit Tzipori, with its beautiful mosaic floor. From Tzipori we will drive to Beth Sharim to learn about this site and Alexander Zide.

We will end our day driving along the Mediterranean coast & arrive in Tel Aviv. Check in at our hotel (4 nights). Enjoy your first evening in Tel Aviv.

Meals included: Dinner on ow Overnight: Herods Tel Aviv

### Day 11 THURSDAY APRIL 11, 2019

#### TEL AVIV CITY TOUR

After breakfast we start our tour by visiting the Palmach Museum for a multi-media presentation on defense in the pre-state era, 1920-48. Next, we will visit the Independence Hall, relive Ben Gurion's moving declaration of the State and examine the early leaders' vision for Israeli society. For those who have been to the Independence Hall, an alternate program will be offered. After lunch (not included) we will drive through HaBimah Theater, Rothschild Blvd, Rabin Square, Opera House & Tel Aviv Museum. Stroll down – Sheinken Street, the "in" street of Tel Aviv where we will have time to see arts & crafts, fashion & funky shops. Return to our hotel.

Meals included: Dinner on own Overnight: Herods Tel Aviv

## **Day 12** FRIDAY APRIL 12, 2019

#### AYALON INSTITUTE / NACHALAT BINYAMIN MARKET

After breakfast we will drive to the city of Rechovot to visit the "Ayalon Institute", once an ammunition factory for the "Hagana" – the underground movement before May 1948. We return to Tel Aviv to visit Nachalat Binyamin Market - a street market of arts and crafts from all corners of Israel. Before returning to the hotel, we will visit the Sarona shopping center, a newly renovated complex, originally a German Templar Colony. Return to our hotel for our Shabbat dinner.

**Meals included:** Shabbat dinner at the hotel **Overnight:** Herods Tel Aviv



### Day 13 SATURDAY APRIL 13, 2019

#### FREE DAY IN TEL AVIV

After breakfast enjoy a free Shabbat in Tel Aviv. Lunch is included at our hotel. Meals included: Dinner on own

Overnight: Herods Tel Aviv

## **Day 14** | SUNDAY APRIL 14, 2019

#### LATE NIGHT DEPARTURE FLIGHT BACK TO MIAMI

After breakfast we will check out from our hotel. Visit the Israeli Museum of Art. Cotunnite to the Coca Cola factory for a tour. We will end our tour strolling the streets of Jaffa, the oldest port city in the world. We will enjoy a view of the Tel Aviv Shoreline from Jaffa's Hilltop. We will celebrate the end of our journey with a great farewell dinner in one of the restaurants nearby. From here a short transfer back to the Ben Gurion Airport. Our ELAL nonstop flight departs 30 minutes after midnight (00:30am). Meals included: Farewell dinner in a restaurant

Overnight: On board

# **Day 15** MONDAY APRIL 15, 2019

#### ARRIVE BACK IN THE U.S.

Today we arrive back in Miami. Our flight arrives at approx. 7am. Take home your fond memories of Israel that will last a lifetime.





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#### **INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR PACKAGE:**

- Round trip nonstop flights from Miami to Tel Aviv, Israel on ELAL Airlines
- All Taxes and fuel surcharges included
- 12 nights hotel Accommodation:
  - 5 nights April 2- 7,2019 Leonardo Plaza Jerusalem
  - 3 Nights April 7- 10,2019 Kibbutz Hagsohrim Upper Galilee
  - 4 Nights April 10- 14, 2019 Herods Tel Aviv
- Breakfasts buffet daily at the hotels
- 1 Welcome dinner in the hotel
- 3 Dinners in Kibbutz Hagsohrim hotel
- 1 Farewell dinner in a restaurant before departure
- 1 Shabbat dinner in Jerusalem Hotel, 1 Shabbat lunch in the Jerusalem Hotel, 1 Shabbat
- dinner in Tel Aviv Hotel. 1 Shabbat lunch in the Tel Aviv hotel, 1 lunch in the Dead Sea
- Meet and Assist upon arrival
- 1 group arrival transfer and 1 group departure transfer
- 11 days of private Touring with our top professional licensed English-speaking guide
- 11 days of private transportation on Dlx private vehicle
- All entrance fees as per your tour itinerary
- Service and local taxes
- Tourist kit including maps, hats, etc.

#### **NOT INCLUDED:**

- Land only Package does not include flights
- Lunches daily and dinners not mentioned as included
  - Tips to tour guide, bus driver and hotel staff
  - Group travel insurance (optional & highly recommended)
    - \$248 per person for a group insurance policy for up to \$4000 in coverage
    - \$313 per person for a group insurance policy for up to \$5000 in coverage

#### **PRICING & REGISTRATION**

Air and land tour prices from Miami, Fl.

\$4600 - All taxes included (Per person in double occupancy)

Rates are based on a minimum of 42 travelers / Single room supplement - \$1385

\$4525 - All taxes included (Per person in double occupancy)

Rates are based on a minimum of 47 travelers / Single room supplement - \$1385

Land only tour package - All taxes included

\$3375 - All taxes included (*Per person in double occupancy*) min. of 42 travelers \$3310 - All taxes included (*Per person in double occupancy*) min. of 47 travelers

You may register online by visiting: www.americaisraeltours.com/tas

A \$500 per person tour deposit is due upon registration, no later than November 23, 2018 Final payment is due no later than Friday February 01, 2019

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