

COACH TOUR - BEST OF ISREAL - 8N/9D



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Best of Israel:
9days Tour (Trafalgar)

Holy Jerusalem sets the scene for this all-embracing study of Israel, before you venture from its Wailing Wall to the Dead Sea, Nazareth, the Mount of Beatitudes and bustling Tel Aviv.

You'll enjoy Insider moments like...your footsteps echoing in Jerusalem, as you enter the room where the Last Supper took place. And feeling weightless, the warmth of sunshine on your skin, as you float in the famous Dead Sea.



Day 1 : ARRIVE TEL AVIV - JERUSALEM (4 NIGHTS)

Welcome to Israel. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel in Jerusalem. Relax or take a stroll around the city. In the evening, enjoy a Welcome Drink with your fellow travellers and your Travel Director.

Meal(s)

Welcome Reception

Hotel : Dan Panorama



Day 2 : MOUNT ZION - THE OLD CITY OF JERUSALEM

Admire the Old City of Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives. Visit the tomb of King David on Mount Zion. See the room where the Last Supper took place near Zion Gate. Walk through the Jewish Quarter to the Wailing Wall and see the Dome of the Rock. Follow the Stations of the Cross along the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

Meal(s)

Israeli Breakfast



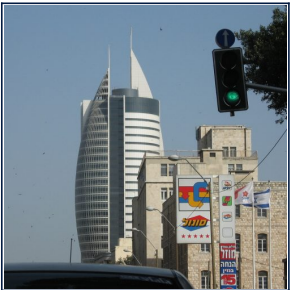
Day 3 : JERUSALEM - DEAD SEA - MASADA - JERUSALEM

Traverse the Judean Desert to the Dead Sea, the lowest point on earth. Near Qumran, view the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. A short drive brings you to Masada. Ride by cable car to the ancient fortress where the Zealots made their last stand against the Romans. Explore the excavations of Herod's Palace before having the chance to float in the Dead Sea, time permitting. Later, enjoy an evening meal at your hotel.

Meal(s)

Israeli Breakfast

Dinner



Day 4 : JERUSALEM FREE TIME

Spend the day exploring the sights of your choice. There are a wealth of great attractions to visit, including the Tower of David Museum, the Archaeological Gardens and the Davidson Centre.

Meal(s)

Israeli Breakfast



Day 5 : NEW CITY OF JERUSALEM - LOWER GALILEE (2 NIGHTS)

Tour Yad Vashem, a memorial commemorating the six million martyrs of World War II. Discover the Shrine of the Book at the Israel Museum, housing the Dead Sea Scrolls. See the Knesset – Israel's Parliament – and the Givat Ram Campus of the Hebrew University. Travel through the Jordan Valley to reach your Kibbutz hotel, home for the next two nights. Dine tonight at your hotel.

Meal(s)

Israeli Breakfast

Dinner

Hotel : Lavi Kibbutz



Day 6 : EXCURSION MEGGIDO - NAZARETH - CAPERNAUM - MOUNT OF BEATITUDES

Visit the 'chariot city' of Megiddo to see the excavations of Solomon's Stables. Explore the Church of the Annunciation at Nazareth and visit the old synagogue at Capernaum, the old town of Jesus. Continue to the Mount of Beatitudes where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount. Dine tonight at your hotel.

Meal(s)

Israeli Breakfast

Dinner



Day 7 : LOWER GALILEE - ACRE - HAIFA - CAESAREA - TEL AVIV (2 NIGHTS)

Visit the ancient synagogue and artists' colony at Tzfat, one of Judaism's Four Holy Cities. Discover the fascinating underground Crusaders City of Acre. Admire views of the Bahai Shrine and the beautiful Persian Gardens at Haifa. See the Roman statues, the aqueduct and the Roman Theatre at the ancient port city of Caesarea. Later, travel to Tel Aviv for a two-night stay.

Meal(s)

Israeli Breakfast

Hotel : Dan Panorama

Day 8 : TEL AVIV FREE TIME

Take time on your own to discover the myriad delights Tel Aviv has to offer; the Flea Market, Newe Zedek, the first Jewish neighbourhood, the Diaspora Museum and the Eretz Israel Museum.

Meal(s)

Israeli Breakfast

Day 9 : DEPART TEL AVIV

After a memorable holiday in this historic region, it is time to say goodbye to your fellow travellers as you prepare for your journey home. Transfers are available. Conditions apply.

Meal(s)

Israeli Breakfast

INCLUSIONS:

Sightseeing Highlights:

City tour in Jerusalem

Visit the tomb of King David on mount Zion, the Fortress of Masada, the Church of Annunciation in Nazareth, the old Synagogue and the Mount of Beatitudes near Capernaum, the ancient Synagogue and artists' colony at Tzfat, the underground Crusader City of Acre
View the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem, the Bahai Shrine from the summit of Mount Carmel in Haifa, the excavations of Solomon's Stables and the Roman Amphitheatre and aqueduct at Caesarea
See the Mount of Olives, the former Syrian bunkers at Golan

Heights

Dining

8 Israeli breakfasts.

Welcome Drink.

3 three course dinners.

Travel Highlights:

Luxury air-conditioned coach with WiFi in most countries or alternative transportation (such as rail journeys)

Hand-picked 4 and 5 star accommodation

Hand-picked Insider Experiences

Optional Experiences and free time

All portorage and restaurant gratuities

Must-see sightseeing and surprise extras

An expert Travel Director and separate Driver

All hotel tips, charges and local taxes

VIP entry to many sights

Audio Headsets for flexible sightseeing

Airport Transfers