

# Israel Prelude

**Thursday Departures**  
**9 Days • 7 Nights**

*An Isram Israel Exclusive Tour  
Limited to 28 participants*

## Tour Includes:

- Professional Tour Director
- Choice of Deluxe Hotel Plans
- 5 Days of Comprehensive Sightseeing
- Walking Tour of Tel Aviv
- Arrival and Departure Transfers

## 11 Meals:

- Daily Israeli Buffet Breakfast
- Friday Dinner Get-together in Tel Aviv
- 2 Dinners in Haifa
- Lunch at Kibbutz Kfar Charuv
- Restaurant Dinner in Jerusalem

## Special Features

- Tour the Israeli Museum at the Rabin Center
- Dinner and special presentation in Haifa
- Descend to the Underwater Grottos at Rosh Hanikra
- Enjoy wine tasting at a Golan Winery
- Visit an Army Bunker in the Golan
- Tour the spectacular FOZ Heritage Center
- Night Tour of "illuminated" Jerusalem
- Tour Herodian Mansions or Hasmonean Tunnel
- Sound & Light Show in Jerusalem
- WiFi enabled buses and Free WiFi at all hotels
- Tips to all restaurant staff
- Expedited Arrival and Departure Services at Ben Gurion Airport (international flights)

(B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner



Haifa-Bahai Shrine & Persian Gardens

## ITINERARY

### Thursday: En Route

Depart the U.S.A. on your flight to Israel.

### Friday: Tel Aviv

Welcome to Israel! Arrive Ben Gurion Airport; special meeting, assistance and transfer to your hotel in trendy Tel Aviv's Mediterranean beach. Balance of the afternoon at leisure in the "city that never sleeps". Tonight, **Get Together Dinner**. (D)

### Saturday: Tel Aviv

Morning walking tour through the city's well known streets including Dizengoff Square ending at **Ben Gurion House**, former residence of the First Prime Minister. Early afternoon **optional visit to Machon Ayalon**, the fascinating underground Ammunitions Factory (*must be pre-booked; \$120 per person including roundtrip transfers-minimum 2 persons required*). Or, take the **optional full day tour of Masada and the Dead Sea** (\$149 per person based on locally scheduled bus tour). (B)

### Sunday: Tel Aviv/Haifa

Depart Tel Aviv. Drive to the extraordinary **Israeli Museum** at the **Yitzhak Rabin Center** chronicling the life of the late Prime Minister and the development of the State of Israel. Continue to ancient **Caesarea**; explore the Roman and Crusader ruins including the impressive 2,000-year-old theater (still in use!) and aqueduct. Then, visit **Caesarea Harbor**: a fascinating, multi-media presentation brings ancient history to life! Arrive in **Nazareth**, the sacred town where Jesus spent part of his youth; visit the Church and view **Mary's Well**. On to the sparkling port city of Haifa; check into your hotel atop Mt. Carmel. Evening: Enjoy **Dinner** and a special cultural presentation (*subject to minimum 10 tour participants*). (B,D)

### Monday: Haifa

View the golden-domed **Baha'i Shrine** and their breathtaking "hanging gardens," – a UNESCO World Heritage site. Drive along the coast to **Rosh Hanikra**; descend by cable car to see the magnificent underwater grottoes. Continue through the picturesque seaside town of **Nahariya** to the timeless Crusader city of **Acre**; walk through the subterranean city and bazaars that recall the colorful middle Ages. Then, to **Safed**, one of Judaism's holiest cities, where the Kabbalah was developed in the 16th.-century; visit the ancient synagogues and the charming **Artists' Quarter**. Return to your hotel for **Dinner**. The balance of the evening is at leisure to enjoy a stroll under the Carmel skies and the glow of this beautiful port city. (B,D)

### Tuesday: Haifa/Jerusalem

We'll depart Haifa driving first to **Capernaum** to see the fantastic ruins of the ancient synagogue dating back to the 5th-century. Ascend the strategic Golan Heights and learn about the 20th century battles that protected Israel's future. On to **Katzrin**, capital of the Golan and to the **Monument of the 7th Brigade**. It is here, in the magnificent strip of the Golan that has become known for producing the finest wines in the world, that we will enjoy a tour of the wine making process as well as **sample some of the Golan's tastiest wines**. Continue for a visit to a former Syrian army bunker at **Kibbutz Kfar Charuv**, settled by Americans and Israelis together; view of the fertile valleys below as you tour the kibbutz and enjoy a late lunch in the communal dining room. Then drive south and rise through the mountains to "golden" Jerusalem, stopping first for a blessing and a toast to our arrival in the eternal city. Overnite in Israel's capital. (B,L)

### Wednesday: Jerusalem

Drive to Hadassah Medical Center to see the sublime Chagall Windows. On to Yad Vashem, Israel's national Memorial and Museum of the Holocaust, with its Children's Pavilion and Avenue of the Righteous. Then, to Mount Herzl to pay respects to Israel's founders and heroes. Pass the post-modern Supreme Court and the Knesset (Parliament) en route to the Shrine of the Book, home of the Dead Sea Scrolls. Time to walk through the Israel Museum and the Billy Rose Sculpture Garden; see the Scale Model of ancient Jerusalem. Evening: Night Tour of illuminated Jerusalem followed by a Restaurant Dinner and the "Night Spectacular" Sound & Light Show at the Citadel Museum (weather and schedule permitting). (B,D)

### Thursday: Jerusalem

Drive to Mt. Zion to visit the traditional Tomb of King David and the Room of the Last Supper. Enter the Old City to the restored Jewish Quarter; walk along the Cardo, the colonnaded main street of Byzantine Jerusalem. Walk to the Western Wall, last



Market at Acre

remnant of the Second Temple. View the Dome of the Rock. Proceed through the extraordinary Hasmonean Tunnel (tunnel schedule permitting) or tour the Herodian Mansions, a completely excavated residential quarter from 2000 years ago. Follow the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre; stroll through the exotic bazaars with their wondrous aromas. End today with a visit to the fabulous Friends of Zion Heritage Center celebrating the Christian heroes who have contributed to the Jewish people and the State of Israel. The cutting edge technology is amazing. Or, an optional visit to Bethlehem may be arranged. A free night tonight. The shops are open late as it's the start of the Israeli weekend. Enjoy the many eateries along the outdoor Mamilla Mall, Ben Yehuda Street, or the "Tachana". (B)

### Friday: En Route

Transfer to the Airport for your international departure flight. Enjoy our Expedited Check-in Service.

## LAND PRICES PER PERSON (USD) – PRELUDE – THURSDAY DEPARTURES

HOTEL PLAN	CORAL		RUBY		TURQUOISE		PEARL		AMBER		GOLD		OPAL		EMERALD	
Tel Aviv Haifa (Dlx, Bayview) Jerusalem	Herods (EBL) Dan Carmel Dan Panorama (D-E)		Sheraton (DSV) Dan Carmel Inbal (DRPV)		Carlton (P-E) Dan Carmel Inbal (DRPV)		Carlton (P-E) Dan Carmel Orient (OE)		Sheraton (DSV) Dan Carmel David Citadel ■		David Kempinski (DSV) Dan Carmel David Citadel ■		Dan (DCL) Dan Carmel King David ▲		Dan (E) Dan Carmel (E) King David (DOC)	
2022 Departure Dates	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single
May 12	\$3505	\$4775	\$3525	\$4835	\$3570	\$4945	\$3605	\$5010	\$3655	\$5135	\$3990	\$5820	\$4290	\$6340	\$4775	\$7265
May 19	3540	4855	3560	4915	3665	5135	3700	5205	3775	5390	4110	6075	4420	6600	4935	7595
May 26, Jun 2*, 9	3540	4855	3700	5195	3785	5375	3725	5255	3795	5430	4110	6075	4420	6600	4935	7595
Jun 16, 23	3540	4855	3770	5335	3855	5515	3725	5255	3795	5430	4110	6075	4420	6600	4935	7595
Jun 30	3465	4700	3580	4950	3665	5135	3665	5135	3795	5430	4075	6000	4035	5810	4510	6735
Jul 14, 28, Aug 18, 25, Sep 1, 8, 15	3475	4720	3560	4915	3645	5100	3665	5135	3675	5180	3955	5755	4035	5810	4510	6735
Oct 20, 27	3540	4855	3700	5195	3785	5375	3725	5255	3795	5430	4075	6000	4420	6600	4935	7595
Nov 3	3540	4855	3700	5195	3785	5375	3725	5255	3640	5110	3920	5685	4420	6600	4935	7595
Nov 10	3540	4855	3700	5195	3785	5375	3725	5255	3640	5110	3920	5685	3880	5525	4355	6430
Nov 17	3475	4720	3525	4845	3610	5030	3725	5255	3640	5110	3920	5685	3880	5525	4355	6430
Dec 1	3290	4355	3425	4635	3535	4880	3590	4980	3540	4895	3735	5310	3735	5215	4210	6140
Dec 15	3290	4355	3510	4795	3620	5040	3655	5115	3690	5205	3885	5620	3915	5570	4405	6530
Dec 22	3485	4735	3670	5120	3780	5635	3790	5380	3765	5630	3960	5775	4725	6285	4795	7305
Dec 29	3290	4355	3425	4635	3535	4880	3590	4980	3540	4895	3885	5605	3735	5215	4210	6140
2023 Departure Dates																
Jan 11, Feb 16	3290	4355	3425	4635	3465	4730	3515	4835	3540	4895	3735	5310	3655	5070	4130	5975
Mar 2, 9, 16, 23	3475	4720	3580	4950	3665	5135	3725	5255	3675	5180	3905	5655	4035	5810	4510	6735
Apr 13*	3495	4765	3770	5335	3855	5515	3725	5255	3795	5430	4110	6075	4140	6020	4630	6975
Apr 20*	3540	4855	3770	5335	3855	5515	3725	5255	3795	5430	4110	6075	4350	6440	4870	7455
Apr 27, May 4	3540	4855	3700	5195	3785	5375	3725	5255	3795	5430	4110	6075	4420	6600	4935	7595
May 11, 18*, 25																

RATES TO BE ADVISED

Tel Aviv: (EBL) Exec. Sea View Room/Business Lounge Access (DSV) Deluxe Sea View Room (P-E) Premium Sea View Room/Exec. Lounge Access (DCL) Deluxe Room, City Side/King David Crown Lounge Access (E) Executive Sea View Room/Exec. Lounge Access

Jerusalem: (D-E) Deluxe Room/Exec. Lounge Access (DRPV) Deluxe Renovated Pool View Room (OE) Orient Room/Exec. Lounge Access (DOC) Deluxe Old City View Room

#### UPGRADES IN JERUSALEM (Per Room, Total Stay):

■ David Citadel: Upgrade from Superior Room to Deluxe Pool View/Partial Old City View Room \$200

▲ King David: On Opal Plan, upgrade from Standard Room to Deluxe New City View Room (Floors 1-4) \$168

\* Revised touring due to holiday. Please inquire for Special rates for child or adult as third in room.

Tour is guaranteed on a minimum of 4 passengers. Should the tour fall below 4 passengers, you'll be offered the option of touring by Share-a-car at a supplement of \$495 per person (3 persons minimum).

FOR HOTEL DESCRIPTIONS AND DETAILS ON OUR MIX & MATCH HOTEL PLANS, SEE PAGES 8-10. FOR TOURING BY PRIVATE CAR, SEE PAGE 34.