# Israel...Plus Eilat & Petra

### Includes Over-day Tour to Petra

Wednesday Departures 14 Days • 12 Nights

Thursday Departures 13 Days • 11 Nights

Friday Departures 12 Days • 10 Nights

An Isram Israel Exclusive Tour Limited to 28 participants

#### **Tour Includes:**

- Professional Tour Director
- Roundtrip Flights Tel Aviv/Eilat
- Deluxe Hotel
- Comprehensive Sightseeing
- Transfers as indicated

#### Meals:

- Daily Israeli Buffet Breakfast
- 2 Dinners in Haifa
- Lunch at Kibbutz Kfar Charuv
- Restaurant Dinner in Jerusalem
- Traditional Friday Night Dinner-Israeli home in Jerusalem
- Lunch in Petra
- Friday Night Dinner in Tel Aviv (14 & 13 Day Programs)

#### **Special Features**

- Archeological "Dig" at Beit Guvrin (14 Day Participants Only)
- 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
- Night Tour of "illuminated" Jerusalem
- Sound & Light Show in Jerusalem
- Tips to all restaurant staff
- Expedited Arrival and Departure Services at Ben Gurion Airport (international flights)

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



Dan Eilat Hotel

#### **ITINERARY**

#### Wednesday Departures 14 Days/12 Nights (First 4 days)

#### Wednesday: En Route

Depart on your flight to Israel.

#### Thursday: 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 and evening at leisure in the "city that never sleeps".

#### Friday: Tel Aviv

Today, a great adventure! Spend the morning digging and excavating at the Tel Maresha Dig at Beit Guvrin National Park (weather permitting). Continue to the 4,000-year-old port city of Jaffa. Explore the magnificently reconstructed Artists' Quarter with its galleries and boutiques. Afterwards, on to Tel Aviv's bustling Carmel Market and lively Nachlat Benjamin Street with its delightful craft stalls. Adjacent is Sheinkin Street one of the most popular streets in Tel Aviv, for the trendiest boutiques or just some coffee and people watching definitely the place to be on Friday afternoon! Tonight, Get Together Dinner. (B.D)

#### Saturday: Tel Aviv

Morning walking tour includes **Ben Gurion House**, former home of Israel's first Prime Minister; see his personal

belongings and expansive library. Remainder of the day at leisure to enjoy all of the delights of this seaside city. Tel Aviv's museums and restaurants are world-class. Don't miss Tel Aviv's hip port neighborhood, with its yachts, eateries and café-filled boardwalk. (B)

### Thursday Departures 13 Days/11 Nights (First 3 days)

#### Thursday: En Route

Depart 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; \$110 per person including roundtrip transfers-minimum 2 persons required). Remainder of the day at leisure to enjoy all of the delights of this Mediterranean paradise. Tel Aviv's museums and restaurants are world-class. Don't miss Tel Aviv's hip port neighborhood, with its yachts, eateries and café-filled boardwalk. (B)

#### Hotels

Tel Aviv Carlton – Premium Sea View Room/Exec. Lounge Access
Haifa Dan Carmel – Deluxe Bay View Room

Jerusalem Inbal – Deluxe Renovated Pool View Room\*

Eilat Dan Eilat – New Eilat Sea View Room

\* Upgrades available to the exclusive Premium Rooms (Inbal Hotel), please inquire

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## Friday Departures 12 Days/10 Nights (First 2 days)

#### Friday: En Route

Depart on your flight to Israel.

#### Saturday: 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 and evening at leisure in the "city that never sleeps".

## Balance of Itinerary Continued (for 14, 13 and 12 Day Programs):

#### 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)



Dizengoff Square, Tel Aviv

#### 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



Capernaum

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The Treasury-Petra, Jordan

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. Overnight 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 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: Jerusalem

Descend through the Judean desert to the Dead Sea, lowest point on Planet Earth. Ascend Masada by cable car and see this last stronghold of the Zealots in their struggle against the Romans. Visit the excavations, Herod the Great's palace, synagogue and bathhouse. Then, opportunity to enjoy an "unsinkable" swim in the buoyant waters of the Dead Sea. Drive via the Qumran Caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, on your return to Jerusalem. We'll stop at the Western Wall, beautifully illuminated on this Sabbath eve before arriving to the hotel (time permitting). Tonight, enjoy the traditional Friday dinner together. Afterwards, bid a final farewell to your guide before commencing the independent extension to Eilat. (B.D)

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#### Saturday: Jerusalem

Enjoy a full day at leisure for relaxation and on your own exploration. For those still craving to see and do as much as possible, your tour manager will provide entrance tickets to the Museum of the History of Jerusalem in the Old City—definitely worth a visit. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B)

#### Sunday: Eilat

Transfer is provided to the Airport for your flight to Eilat. Upon arrival, you will be met and transfered to your hotel. Balance of day at leisure to enjoy the facilities at your hotel on the Red Sea. (B)

#### Monday: Eilat/Petra\*/Eilat

A most unforgettable day touring Petra. Morning transfer from your hotel in Eilat to the Arava border crossing. Assistance at the border is provided. Arrive in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and drive to the "hidden" city of Petra. Start the visit with a horse ride, or, if you prefer, an exhilarating walk from the main gate to the entrance of the Old City. Continue by foot to visit the rose-red city of Petra—city of the Edomites and later the Nabateans. Visit the Treasury carved out of a single piece of rock. The site was made famous in the movie "Indiana Jones"; see the Theatre Tombs, Hall of Justice, Palaces and Temples. After Lunch, depart Petra driving to the resort city of Aqaba for a short panoramic tour before returning to the Arava border crossing back to Eilat. Transfer to your hotel in Eilat for overnight. (B.L) \*Petra overday tour is operated by a local company on group basis (number of participants is not guaranteed to be 28 or under.)

#### Tuesday: En Route

Day at leisure in glorious Eilat. We have arranged for a late check out (by 6:00 P.M.). Late afternoon, transfer is provided to Ramon Airport in Eilat for your flight to Tel Aviv's domestic terminal at Ben Gurion Airport. Upon arrival, a transfer service will meet you for the very short drive to the International Terminal where you will be met by our host and provided with Expedited service through security and airline check in process for your ongoing flight. (B)

#### For all tours above:

Visa for Petra, border crossing/assistance fees are not included and are to be paid locally - \$133 per person at time of printing (Visa will be secured on your behalf by our representatives).

- \* Revised touring in Israel due to holidays. Please inquire for details.
- Program is one night more (has an extra night in Jerusalem). Eilat stay is Monday to Wednesday. Depart Eilat Wednesday night. Also some sightseeing changes due to holiday.

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

#### ISRAEL PLUS EILAT AND PETRA - LAND PRICES PER PERSON (USD)

(Includes Round Trip Flights Tel Aviv/Eilat)

12 Days/10 Nights - <b>FRIDAY</b> Departures 1 night Tel Aviv, 2 nights Haifa, 5 nights Jerusalem, 2 nights Eilat				
2022 Departure Dates	Twin	Single		
May 13	\$4775	\$6730		
May 20	4825	6835		
May 27 <b>■</b> , Jun 17	5145	7475		
Jun 3*, 10	5075	7335		
Jun 24	5310	7800		
Jul 1, Aug 19	4995	7225		
Jul 15, 29	4905	6990		
Aug 26, Sep 2, 9, Nov 18	4775	6730		
Oct 21,28, Nov 4, 11, Dec 16	5075	7325		
Dec 2, 30	4665	6510		
Dec 23	5235	7650		
2023 Departure Dates				
Jan 13, Feb 17	4630	6440		
Mar 3, 10, 17, 24	4825	6835		
Apr 21*	5145	7475		
Apr 28, May 5	5030	7240		
May 12, 19*, 26*	RATES TO BE	RATES TO BE ADVISED		

13 Days/11 Nights - <b>THURSDAY</b> Departures 2 nights Tel Aviv, 2 nights Haifa, 5 nights Jerusalem, 2 nights Eilat				
2022 Departure Dates	Twin	Single		
May 12	\$5160	\$7340		
May 19	5210	7445		
May 26 <b>■</b> , Jun 16	5530	8080		
Jun 2*, 9	5460	7940		
Jun 23	5695	8410		
Jun 30, Aug 18	5375	7770		
Jul 14, 28	5290	7600		
Aug 25, Sep 1, 8, Nov 17	5160	7340		
Oct 20, 27, Nov 3, 10, Dec 15	5460	7940		
Dec 1, 29	5050	7120		
Dec 22	5620	8260		
2023 Departure Dates				
Jan 12, Feb 16	4975	6970		
Mar 2, 9, 16, 23	5210	7445		
Apr 20*	5530	8080		
Apr 27, May 4	5415	7850		
May 11, 18*, 25*	RATES TO BE	RATES TO BE ADVISED		

14 Days/12 Nights - <b>WEDNESDAY</b> Departures 3 nights Tel Aviv, 2 nights Haifa, 5 nights Jerusalem, 2 nights Eilat				
2022 Departure Dates	Twin	Single		
May 11	\$5580	\$7915		
May 18	5705	8165		
May 25 <b>■</b> , Jun 15	6020	8800		
Jun 1*, 8	5950	8660		
Jun 22	6185	9130		
Jun 29, Aug 17	5870	8320		
Jul 13, 27	5780	8320		
Aug 24, 31, Sep 7, Nov 16	5650	8060		
Oct 19, 26, Nov 2, 9, Dec 14	5950	8660		
Nov 30, Dec 28	5540	7840		
Dec 21	6110	8980		
2023 Departure Dates				
Jan 11, Feb 15	5430	7620		
Mar 1, 8, 15, 22	5705	8165		
Apr 19*	6020	8800		
Apr 26, May 3	5905	8570		
May 10, 17*, 24*	RATES TO B	RATES TO BE ADVISED		

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