# **Israel**...Plus Eilat & Petra

## Includes Over-day Tour to Petra

Wednesday Departures 15 Days • 13 Nights or

Thursday Departures 14 Days • 12 Nights

or

Friday Departures 13 Days • 11 Nights

## An Isram Israel Exclusive Tour Limited to 28 participants

## **Tour Includes:**

- Professional Tour Director
- Roundtrip Flights Tel Aviv/Eilat
- Choice of Deluxe Hotel Plans
- 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 (15 & 14 Day Programs)

## **Special Features**

- Archeological "Dig" at Beit Guvrin (15 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
- Shabbat Dinner with Home Hospitality in Jerusalem
- Tips to all restaurant staff
- Express Airport Check-in Service & Dan VIP Lounge at Ben Gurion Airport (upon return to the USA)

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



## ITINERARY

## Wednesday Departures 15 Days/13 Nights (First 4 days)

### Wednesday: En Route

Depart on your flight to Israel.

#### Thursday: Tel Aviv

Welcome to Israel! Arrive Ben Gurion Airport; 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 caféfilled boardwalk. (B)

## Thursday Departures 14 Days/12 Nights (First 3 days)

#### Thursday: En Route

Depart on your flight to Israel.

#### Friday: Tel Aviv

Welcome to Israel! Arrive Ben Gurion Airport; 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 – Plan A			
Tel Aviv	Herods – Executive Room/Business Lounge		
Haifa	Dan Carmel – Deluxe Bay View Room		
Jerusalem	Dan Panorama – Deluxe Renovated Room/Exec. Lounge		
Eilat	Dan Eilat – Eilat Renovated Sea View Room		
Hotels – Plan B			

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Tel Aviv	Carlton – Premium Sea View Room/Exec. Lounge
Haifa	Dan Carmel – Deluxe Bay View Room
Jerusalem	David Citadel – Superior New City View Room
Eilat	Dan Eilat – Eilat Renovated Sea View Room

## Friday Departures 13 Days/11 Nights (First 2 days)

#### Friday: En Route

Depart on your flight to Israel.

#### Saturday: Tel Aviv

Welcome to Israel! Arrive Ben Gurion Airport; 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 15, 14 and 13 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)



Montefiorie Neighborhood, Jerusalem

#### 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



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#### Petra, Jordan

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 the 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 New 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, a unique and memorable evening as we join an Israeli family at their home to enjoy the traditional Friday dinner together. Afterwards, bid a final farewell to your guide before commencing the independent extension to Eilat. (B.D)

#### 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 rosered 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: Eilat

A full day at leisure to enjoy this wonderful resort city. Optional activities and excursions are available from your hotel or just relax and enjoy the cool, clear waters and underwater life of the Red Sea. (B)

#### Wednesday: En Route

Day at leisure in glorious Eilat. We have arranged for a late check out for you (by 6:00 P.M.). Late afternoon, transfer provided to Eilat airport for your flight to Tel Aviv departing early evening. Upon arrival in Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport, you will be met and assisted through our **Express check in service** for your late evening flight home. Complimentary entrance to the exclusive **Dan VIP Lounge** is included as you await your international flight's departure. (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 due to holidays. Please check details.

 <sup>^</sup> Revised Tour: Eilat Stay is 2 nights Monday-Wednesday. Depart Eilat Wednesday night.

Revised Tour (1 night less): Eilat stay is 2 nights

Sunday- Tuesday. Depart Eilat Tuesday night. 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)

13 Days/11 Nights - <b>FRIDAY</b> Departure	s
1 night Tel Aviv, 2 nights Haifa, 5 nights Jerusalem, 3 night	its Eilat

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			PLAN A		PLAN B	
2019 Departure Dates		Twin	Single	Twin	Single	
May 10		4360	6080	4650	6755	
May 17		4465	6300	4675	6805	
May 24		4335	6035	4635	6730	
May 31^		4400	6155	4750	6965	
Jun 7*, 14, 21, 28		4335	6035	4635	6730	
Jul 5, 19		4285	5930	4555	6595	
Aug 2, 16		4495	6395	4775	6995	
Aug 30, Sep 6, 13		4295	5950	4555	6595	
Sep 20		4705	6775	4965	7420	
Oct 25, Nov 1, 8, 15		4395	6150	4570	6610	
Dec 13		4255	5875	4705	6870	
Dec 20		4590	6545	4935	7335	
Dec 27		4210	5790	4505	6470	
2020 Departure Dates						
Jan 17, Feb 14		4110	5580	4430	6315	
Mar 6, 20, 27∎		4295	5950	4555	6595	
Apr 17*, 24*, May 1, 8		4320	5995	4555	6595	

2 nights Tel Aviv, 2 nights Haifa, 5 nights Jerusalem, 3 nights Eilat				
	PLAN A		PLAN B	
2019 Departure Dates	Twin	Single	Twin	Single
May 9	4605	6440	4940	7210
May 16	4800	6840	4975	7285
May 23	4575	6385	4935	7205
May 30^	4640	6505	5050	7440
Jun 6*, 13, 20, 27	4575	6385	4935	7205
Jul 4, 18	4510	6260	4855	7070
Aug 1, 15	4755	6745	5075	7515
Aug 29, Sep 5, 12	4535	6305	4855	7070
Sep 19	4945	7125	5270	7895
Oct 24, 31, Nov 7, 14	4660	6545	4870	7090
Dec 12	4480	6205	5005	7345
Dec 19	4815	6875	5235	7810
Dec 26	4440	6120	4810	6945
2020 Departure Dates				
Jan 16, Feb 13	4335	5910	4710	6740
Mar 5, 19, 26 ■	4535	6305	4855	7070
Apr 16*, 23*, 30, May 7	4580	6385	4855	7070

14 Days/12 Nights - THURSDAY Departures

3 nights Tel Aviv, 2 nights Haifa, 5 nights Jerusalem, 3 nights Eilat					
	PLA	PLAN A		PLAN B	
2019 Departure Dates	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	
May 8	4985	6945	5365	7815	
May 15	5265	7530	5410	7910	
May 22	5040	7070	5370	7830	
May 29^, Jun 5*	5015	7000	5485	8065	
Jun 12, 19	4950	6880	5290	7695	
Jun 26, Jul 3, 17	4895	6785	5290	7695	
Jul 31, Aug 14	5125	7195	5495	8135	
Aug 28, Sep 4, 11	4905	6800	5290	7695	
Sep 18	5320	7625	5705	8520	
Oct 23, 30, Nov 6, 13	5055	7085	5275	7695	
Dec 11	4845	6680	5440	7970	
Dec 18	5180	7350	5670	8435	
Dec 25	4800	6595	5245	7570	
2020 Departure Dates					
Jan 15, Feb 12	4695	6385	5120	7320	
Mar 4, 18, 25 🔳	4905	6800	5290	7695	
Apr 15*, 22*, 29, May 6	4975	6925	5290	7695	

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