# *The Historic Journey Israel–Jordan–Egypt*

PLUS! Optional Extension: 5 Day Deluxe Nile Cruise

### 15 Days – 13 Nights 18 Days – 16 Nights (with Nile Cruise) Thursday Departures Limited to 28 participants

### **Tour Includes:**

- Deluxe Hotels
- Meals: Buffet Breakfast Daily, 6 Lunches, 6 Dinners
  With Nile Cruise Extension: Buffet Breakfast Daily, 5 Lunches, 5 Dinners, all Meals on Cruise
- All Transfers as indicated
- All Touring with Professional Isram Guide including Entrance Fees
- Flights within Egypt per Itinerary (Flight from Amman to Cairo NOT included and must be added)
- VIP Assistance for Crossing at the Allenby Bridge
- Entry Permit for Jordan & Visa for Egypt (USA & Canadian passports)

## **Highlights:**

- View the breathtaking "Hanging Gardens" in Haifa
- Descend to the Underwater Grottos at Rosh Hanikra
- Enjoy wine tasting at a Golan Winery
- Visit a former Syrian Army Bunker
- Sound & Light Show, Jerusalem
- Tour the Hasmonean Tunnel
- Horse ride in Petra
- Visit the Ruins of Jerash
- Entrance to one of the Great Pyramids
- Visit the Solar Boat Museum in Cairo
- Camel Ride by the Pyramids
- Visit King Tut's Treasures & enter the Mummy Room at the famous Egyptian Museum

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



# ITINERARY

### Thursday: En Route

Depart the U.S.A. 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. Tonight, **Get Together Dinner. (D)** 

### **Deluxe Hotels & Nile Cruse:**

City/Cruise I	Nights	Accommodations					
Israel:							
Tel Aviv	2	Sheraton – Deluxe Sea View Room/Club Lounge Access					
Haifa	2	Dan Carmel Haifa – Deluxe Bay View Room					
Jerusalem	3	Orient – Orient Room/Executive Lounge Access					
Jordan:							
Petra	1	Movenpick					
Amman	1	W Hotel					
Egypt (without Nile cruise):							
Cairo	4	Kempinski Nile Hotel – Deluxe Nile View Room					
Egypt (with Nile Cruise)							
Cairo	1	InterContinental Citystars – Deluxe Nile View Room					
Nile Cruise	4	Sonesta St. George					
Cairo	2	Kempinski Nile Hotel – Deluxe Nile View Room					
Other hotel options are available in Israel; please inquire.							

### 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. Remainder of the day is at leisure; or take an early afternoon optional visit to Machon Ayalon, the fascinating underground Ammunitions Factory (*\$110 per person including roundtrip transfers; must be pre-booked with minimum 2*  participants). Or, take the optional full day tour of Masada and the Dead Sea (\$136 per person based on locally scheduled bus tour). (B)

### Sunday: Tel Aviv/Haifa

Depart Tel Aviv and drive to the extraordinary Israeli Museum at the Yitzhak Rabin Center. Continue to ancient Caesarea; explore the Roman and Crusader ruins including the impressive 2,000-year-old theater and aqueduct. Then, visit Caesarea Harbor, a 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 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; visit the ancient synagogues and the charming Artists' Quarter. Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight. (B.D)

### Tuesday: Haifa/Jerusalem

Depart Haifa en route **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. Continue to Katzrin, capital of the Golan and to the Monument of the 7th Brigade. In the magnificent strip of the Golan known for producing the finest wines in the world, enjoy wine tasting and a tour of the wine making process. Continue for a visit to a former Syrian army bunker at Kibbutz Kfar Charuv, settled by Americans and Israelis together. Enjoy a late lunch in the communal dining room. Then drive south to Jerusalem, stopping first for a blessing and a toast to our arrival in the eternal city. Overnight in Israel's capital. (B.L)



Cable car to Underwater Grottos at Rosh Hanikra

Hanging Gardens at the Baha'i Shrine, Haifa

### 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, visit the Children's Pavilion and Avenue of the Righteous. Then, continue to Mount Herzl to pay respects to Israel's founders and heroes. Pass the Supreme Court and the Knesset (Parliament) en route to the Shrine of the Book, home of the Dead Sea Scrolls. 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 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 main street of Byzantine Jerusalem. Continue to the Western Wall, the last remnant of the Second Temple and view the Dome of the Rock. Proceed through the Hasmonean Tunnel (tunnel schedule permitting) or tour the Herodian Mansions, a completely excavated residential guarter from 2000 years ago. Follow the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre; stroll through the exotic bazaars. End today with a visit to the fabulous Friends of Zion Heritage Center before returning to your hotel; or, an optional visit to Bethlehem may be arranged. (B)

### Friday: Jerusalem / Petra

Morning transfer from Jerusalem to the Allenby/ King Hussein Bridge. Our representative will meet you at the Terminal Building on the Israeli side of the Border, attend to all required procedures at this crossing and escort you to the awaiting vehicle to begin your tour of Jordan; an Exclusive IsramBeyond Service with no waiting for shuttle buses! Meet your Jordanian guide and begin your drive through the dramatic desert scenery of the Kings Highway. First stop is Mt. Nebo, highest point of the Moabite mountain range, offering a remarkable view of the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea. Then proceed to Madaba, home to some of the finest Byzantine mosaics in the world. View the 6th century mosaic map of the Holyland. Lunch en route. Continue to Petra, built by the Nabateans over 2000 years ago. Dinner and overnight in Petra. (B.L.D.)

### Saturday: Petra / Amman

Today, discover a most unforgettable day in the "hidden" city of Petra. Travel on horseback or on foot into the "rose-red" city beginning at "Siq", a winding canyon road. Marvel at one of Petra's most impressive monument, The Treasury, made famous in the movie "Indiana Jones", carved out of solid rock from the side of the mountain. Beyond the Treasury, you'll discover soaring temples, elaborate royal tombs, a theatre, burial chambers and water channels. After lunch, depart Petra and drive north to Amman, the modern and ancient capital of Jordan. Check into your hotel for overnight. (B.L)

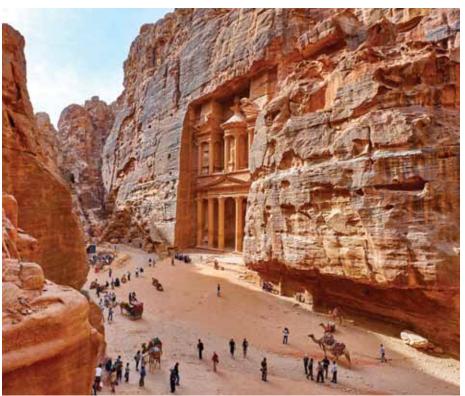


### Sunday: Amman / Cairo

Morning drive to Jerash, known as the "Pompeii of the East", one of the world's best preserved Greco-Roman cities. Your local guide will escort you on a tour of the Temples of Artemis and Zeus, the Roman Forum, Hadrian's Arch, the massive Theatre and the mile long Street of Columns. After lunch, time permitting, continue to Ajloun for a visit to Saladin's magnificent mountaintop castle. In time, transfer to the airport for your flight to Cairo (Note: Flight from Amman to Cairo NOT included and must be added as additional). Arrive Cairo; transfer to your hotel for overnight. (B.L)

### Monday: Cairo

(See also Nile Cruise option on next page) Morning drive to Giza to see the Three Great



"Feluccas" in Aswan

Pyramids, the oldest surviving structures built by man; enter one of the Pyramids. Visit the astonishing Solar Boat Museum, housing the oldest known ship in the world buried for over 4500 years. Stand in awe at the magnificent Sphinx carved out of a single piece of stone, guarding the Giza plateau. Try a camel ride before continuing to the unique Karnak Bazaar for refreshments and some fantastic buys. After lunch, visit to the world famous Egyptian Museum with objects covering 5000 years of ancient Egyptian civilization; see Tutankhamun's treasures and enter the fascinating Mummy Room. Overnight in Cairo. (B.L)

### Tuesday: Cairo / Luxor / Cairo

Early morning flight to Luxor. Drive past the famed Colossi of Memnon to the beautifully terraced Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir el Bahari. Then explore the Valley of the Kings containing the secretive tombs of New Kingdom Pharaohs; enter the Tomb of Tutankhamen. After lunch, tour the Karnak Temple-Complex, built by generations of Pharaohs over a 2000-year period. Continue to the Avenue of the Sphinxes and the imposing Temple of Luxor with its grand colonnades. Return flight to Cairo and transfer to your hotel for overnight. (B.L)

### Wednesday: Cairo

Morning drive to Old Cairo to visit the beautiful Coptic Church of St. Sergius, where Jesus and the Holy Family stayed after fleeing Jerusalem. Continue to the restored, 10th century A.D. Ben Ezra Synagogue (*subject to opening schedule and permission*), the oldest in Egypt. Proceed to the Mosque of Mohammed Ali at the Citadel of Saladin. Drive to the bustling Khan el-Khalili Bazaar, where shopping is an exotic experience. Balance of the day is at leisure. Evening: Farewell Dinner overlooking the Nile River. (B.D)

### Thursday: En Route

"Treasury", Petra

Transfer to Cairo Airport for your departure flight. (B)

# THE HISTORIC JOURNEY – ISRAEL – JORDAN – EGYPT

# *The Historic Journey with Nile Cruise Extension*

### FEATURING: 5 DAY DELUXE NILE CRUISE 18 DAYS – 16 NIGHTS

Program follows same itinerary, pages 38-40, till Sunday (arrive Cairo).

# **BALANCE OF ITINERARY**

### Monday: Cairo / Luxor NILE CRUISE

Take early morning flight to Luxor. Arrive and transfer to your Nile Cruiser for a 5 Day/4 Night Cruise. After lunch, our guide will meet you to begin with a visit to the Avenue of the Sphinxes and the imposing Temple of Luxor with its grand colonnades, standing alone in the heart of town. Continue to the vast Karnak Temple-Complex, built by generations of Pharaohs over a 2000-year period. Evening, enjoy on board entertainment featuring belly dancing and an Egyptian folkloric show. Overnight in Luxor. (B.L.D)

### Tuesday: Luxor / Esna NILE CRUISE

After breakfast, visit the Valley of the Kings containing the secretive tombs of New Kingdom Pharaohs. On to the beautifully terraced Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir el Bahari. Pass the famed Colossi of Memnon, standing nearly 70 feet tall. Sail to Esna. Balance of the afternoon at leisure. Join your Captain for a welcome cocktail before dinner. Overnight in Esna. (B.L.D)

### Wednesday: Esna / Edfu / Kom Ombo NILE CRUISE

Early morning set sail to Edfu. Visit the Temple of Horus, the best preserved of all large Egyptian Temples, built over 180 year period. In the afternoon arrive in Kom Ombo, a hill town over-looking the banks of the Nile. Visit the Greco-Roman Temple of Kom Ombo, dedicated to Horus, the Sun God and Sobek, the Crocodile God. This evening, a traditional fun-filled Galabeya party. Overnight in Kom Ombo. (B.L.D)

### Thursday: Kom Ombo / Aswan NILE CRUISE

Morning set sail to Aswan. Visit the Aswan High Dam and the granite quarries where the stone for the ancient monuments and modern dam of Aswan were cut. Continue by motorboat to the beautiful island of Philae to see the exquisite, gleaming white Temple of Isis. After lunch, sail on a traditional Egyptian "felucca" (sailboat) which glides along the Nile, passing by Lord Kitchener's Island and the dramatic white marble Aga Khan Mausoleum. Nubian Show this evening after dinner on board. Overnight in Aswan. (B.L.D)

### Friday: Aswan / Cairo

After disembarkation, transfer for your return flight to Cairo. Meet and transfer to your hotel. Balance of the day at leisure. Or, join the optional tour to Abu Simbel\*. Evening: Optional Sound & Light Show at the Pyramids (See details on Page 23; please reserve at time of booking). Overnight in Cairo. (B)

 \* Optional Tour to Abu Simbel escorted by exclusive IsramBeyond guide & services: Fly from Aswan to the mighty Sun Temple of Abu Simbel. The Temple was reclaimed from the dam and reconstructed in its present and unforgettable location. Return flight to Cairo where you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Please reserve at time of booking.
\$495 per person (min. 2 persons)
\$655 single traveling alone

### Saturday: Cairo

Morning drive to Giza to see the **Three Great Pyramids**, the oldest surviving structures built by man; enter one of the Pyramids. Visit the astonishing **Solar Boat Museum**, housing the oldest known ship in



the world buried for over 4500 years. Stand in awe at the magnificent **Sphinx** carved out of a single piece of stone, guarding the Giza plateau. Try a **camel ride** before continuing to the unique Karnak Bazaar for refreshments and some fantastic buys. After **lunch**, visit to the world famous **Egyptian Museum** with objects covering 5000 years of ancient Egyptian civilization; view **Tutankhamun's treasures** and the fascinating **Mummy Room**. Overnight in Cairo. (B.L)

### Sunday: En Route

Transfer to Cairo Airport for your departure flight; or extend your journey to Dubai, please inquire. (B)

**Please Note:** The cruise line reserves the right to alter the sailing schedule.

# THE HISTORIC JOURNEY - LAND PRICES PER PERSON (USD)

(Flight Amman/Cairo is NOT included – Includes Intra-Egypt Domestic Flights) May'20 - May'21

Thursday Departures	Twin	Single <sup>†</sup>	Twin	Single <sup>†</sup>	
	<b>15 Days/13 Nights</b> (Without Nile Cruise)		<b>18 Days/16 Nights</b> (With Nile Cruise)		
2020 Departure Dates					
May 14, 21	\$6420	\$8695	\$7230	\$9935	
May 28^, Jun 4^, 11, 18, Sept 10*	6380	8620	7190	9860	
Jul 2, 16, 30, Aug 20, 27, Sep 3	6325	8515	7150	9780	
Oct 15	6455	8770	7695	10645	
Oct 22, 29, Nov 5	6455	8770	7605	10490	
Nov 12	6400	8665	7555	10385	
Dec 3	6240	8345	7395	10065	
Dec 17	6590	9040	8325	11705	
Dec 24	6590	9040	7545	10455	
Dec 31	6270	8405	7300	9960	
2021 Departure Dates					
Jan 14	6270	8405	7300	9960	
Feb 11	6330	8515	7360	10075	
Mar 4, 11	6490	8840	7520	10400	
Apr 15, 22, 29, May 6	6490	8840	7265	9995	
May 13*, 20, 27		PRICES TO	PRICES TO BE ADVISED		

For Departures Jan 16 to May 7, 2020, please inquire or check our website at www.isramBeyond.com.

^May 28 & Jun 4 Departures with Nile Cruise option: Sonesta St. George Cruise is on Dry Dock. Cruise will be performed by Farah Nile Cruise.

\* Revised touring in Israel due to holidays.

Tour is guaranteed on a minimum of 4 passengers throughout. 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). Please note: During certain Jordanian holidays (dates approximate due to Lunar calendar), some border crossings may

close. In such cases, Jordan program will be revised utilizing a different border crossing. Jordan entry permit is included (US Passports) providing tour is booked minimum 2 weeks prior to departure. If less than 2

weeks, you will be responsible to obtain your own visa from the Jordanian Embassy prior to operature. It less than 2 weeks, you will be responsible to obtain your own visa from the Jordanian Embassy prior to your departure from the USA. Border Crossing Fees are not included and must be paid locally (approximately \$50 per person at time of printing).

<sup>†</sup> SINGLE TRAVELING ALONE, PLEASE INQUIRE as subject to confirmation of minimum participants required throughout this tour. Additional supplement applies.