

Classical Israel



Departs: Saturdays

Tour does not operate on the: 9 Mar, 20 Apr; 17 Aug; 28 Sep; 5, 12, 19 Oct; 7 Dec 2019

Similar tour departs on Tuesdays, for detailed itinerary please contact us.

Day 1 Sat: Tel Aviv

Upon arrival to airport meet our representative and transfer to Tel Aviv for overnight.

Day 2 Sun: Tel Aviv-Galilee

Depart Tel Aviv along the coastal plain to Caesarea, capital of Judea under the Romans. Visit the excavations of the ancient city, the Roman theatre and aqueduct. Proceed to Megiddo, identified as the site of Armageddon - visit the archaeological excavations including the well preserved water supply system. Continue to the Druze village at Daliat El Carmel and enjoy lunch and famous Druze hospitality at a local restaurant. Continue on via Mount

Carmel to Haifa for a panoramic view of the Haifa bay and the Golden domed Bahai shrine and gardens. Overnight in Kibbutz questhouse in Galilee. (B, D)

Day 3 Mon: Galilee

Proceed to Safed, the centre of Jewish mysticism, to visit the ancient synagogues and the artists' colony. Continue to the Golan Heights to see the former Syrian bunkers, Kuneitra and the new Israeli town of Katzrin. Stop at a Golan winery for a tour and wine tasting. Onto "Kessem Hagolan", a multimedia presentation of the area and its history. Overnight in Kibbutz guesthouse in Galilee. (B, D)

Day 4 Tue: Galilee-Sea of Galilee-Nazareth-Jerusalem

Start the day with a tour of Tiberias. Explore the centre of Jesus' ministry at Capernaum to see the remains of the synagogue where he preached, and the octagonal church of St. Peter. Continue on to Nazareth to visit the church of the Annunciation. Drive via Beit Shean to Beit Alpha to see the remains of the mosaic floor of an ancient synagogue depicting the zodiac. Continue to Jerusalem for overnight. (B)

Day 5 Wed: Jerusalem-Bethlehem-Jerusalem

Start the day with a magnificent panoramic view of the Old City from the Mount of Olives. Visit the tomb of King David and the Room of the Last Supper on Mt. Zion. Enter the walled city and walk through the newly restored Jewish Quarter. Visit the

Roman Cardo, the Herodian Quarter and continue to the Western Wall. Walk along the Via Dolorosa to the church of the Holy Sepulchre. Continue to Bethlehem (subject to security clearance) to visit the Church of the Nativity. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B)

Day 6 Thu: Jerusalem

After breakfast visit to the Israel Museum - Tour the Shrine of the Book where the Dead Sea Scrolls are housed and see the miniature model of Jerusalem as it was during the second temple period. Enjoy a tour of the New City - include a view the Knesset (Israel's Parliament). Continue for a moving visit to Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum. Visit Meah Shearim, the ultraorthodox neighborhood in Jerusalem and learn about their unique lifestyle. In the evening enjoy a Middle Eastern dinner followed by the spectacular "sound and light" show at the Tower of David museum (weather conditions permitting). Overnight in Jerusalem. (B)

Day 7 Fri: Jerusalem

Depart Jerusalem via the Judean Mountains and descend to the lowest place on earth. Visit the ancient city



• 8 Days

of Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls where found. Continue along the shores of the Dead Sea to the magnificent cliff top fortress of Masada. Ascend via cable car to explore the remains of King Herod's luxurious palace and hear about the zealots who defied the Roman Empire from this location. Take the chance to enjoy a float in the salty waters (weather conditions permitting). Overnight in Jerusalem. (B)

Day 8 Sat: Jerusalem-Tel Aviv Transfer to Ben Gurion airport for departure. (B)

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Regular coach tour
- Airport transfers with Meet and greet service
- Transport by air conditioned coach
- 7 nights accommodation
- Tours as per itinerary with Licensed English speaking guide
- Entrance fees to sites visited
- Meals as per Itinerary
 (B-Breakfast, D-Dinner)

Price Per Person A\$	Saturday Arrival			Tuesday Arrival		
	Twin	Triple	Single	Twin	Triple	Single
Bronze	2739	2572	3965	3009	2804	4476
Silver	2869	2702	4169	3166	2944	4717
Gold	3399	3185	5107	3751	3510	5785

High season and holiday supplement may apply. Entrance to the Holocaust museum is not permitted for children under the age of 10.

Please refer to page 21 for the list of hotels used in these programs.