



# Holyland Tour 2022-2023



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## HOLYLAND TOUR 2022-2023

### **8 DAYS | 7 NIGHTS | 6 GUIDED DAYS**

Join us on a Christian Tour in Israel to explore a country that is rich in culture and history, the foundation of three major religions, and one of the most modern and tech-savvy countries.

### TOUR OVERVIEW

<b>Multiple Departures</b>	All-year-round.
<b>Highlights</b>	Caesarea, Meggido, Acre, Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Tabgha, Mount of the Beatitudes, Banias Spring, Golan Heights, Nazareth, Jordan River, Jerusalem
<b>Duration</b>	8 days, 7 nights
<b>Activity Level</b>	Moderate
<b>Private Tour Guide Option</b>	Want your tailor-made tour? We can do it too.
<b>Notes</b>	Land Only Package. Airfare is not included in the price. We will be glad to book your flights.

# ITINERARY

## DEPARTURE, SATURDAY



- Depart from the USA for your Jewish Heritage Israel Tour

## DAY 1, SUNDAY



- Upon arrival at **Ben Gurion Airport**, proceed to the arrival hall.
- Transfer to your hotel in Tel Aviv.

### **Overnight Tel Aviv**

## DAY 2, MONDAY



- Depart **Tel Aviv** and drive along the coastal plain to **Caesarea**, once the Roman capital of the region. Visit the excavations of the ancient city, the Roman Theater, and the aqueduct.
- Proceed to **Muhraka**, the site of confrontation between Elijah and the prophets of Baal;
- Enjoy the spectacular view of the **Jezreel Valley** and the lower Galilee.
- Continue to **Megiddo**, identified as the site of Armageddon. Learn the impressive history of this battlefield as you visit the archaeological excavations, including the well-preserved water supply system. Onto Acre to visit the remarkable underground Crusader City and crypt; walk through the Old City, recognized by UNESCO as a world heritage site, and visit the local market and harbor.

Overnight Kibbutz Lavi guesthouse

## DAY 3, TUESDAY



- After a short tour of **Tiberias**, enjoy a boat ride on the **Sea of Galilee**.
- Visit the Yigal Allon Center where the "**Jesus Boat**," an ancient fishing boat from the 1st century, is displayed.
- Continue to **Capernaum** to visit the remains of the 2nd-century synagogue.
- Stop at **Tabgha**, the site of the Miracle of Fish and Loaves, and visit the **Church of Multiplication** with its 4th-century mosaic floor. Proceed to **Mount of Beatitudes**, the place where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount.
- Drive to the **Banias Springs** and tour the **Golan Heights**.

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## DAY 4, WEDNESDAY



- Drive to **Cana** to visit the **Wedding Church**, where Jesus performed his first miracle turning water into wine.
- Continue to **Nazareth** to visit the **Church of Annunciation**, Joseph's workshop, and Mary's well.
- Proceed to **Yardenit**, the baptismal site on the Jordan River
- Followed by a stop at **Beit Shean** to visit the newly excavated Roman city and amphitheater.
- Drive along the **Jordan Valley** towards Jerusalem.

### Overnight Jerusalem

## DAY 5, THURSDAY



- Drive to **Mount of Olives** for a panoramic view of the city.
- Visit the **Church of All Nations**, **King David's Tomb**, and Room of Last Supper on **Mt. Zion**.
- Enter the **Old City**; walk through the **Cardo**, the ancient Roman road.
- Visit the Jewish and Christian quarters; see the Jewish Wailing Wall; view the **Temple Mount**.
- walk along the **Via Dolorosa** and the oriental Bazaar to visit the **Church of Holy Sepulcher**.
- Next, drive to the **Garden Tomb** and enjoy the beautiful gardens and peaceful ambiance.

### Overnight Jerusalem

## DAY 6, FRIDAY



- Drive to **Ein Karem** to visit the **Church of Visitation**.
- Proceed to **Yad Vashem**, Israel's official memorial to the Holocaust.
- Visit the **Israel Museum** and the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea scrolls are housed, and the miniature model of Jerusalem as it was during the Second Temple period.
- Proceed to **\*Bethlehem**, the birthplace of Jesus; visit Shepherds' Field; walk through Manger Square to visit the remarkable **Church of Nativity**. Return to Jerusalem. \* Visit subject to security conditions.

### Overnight Jerusalem

## DAY 7, SATURDAY



- Drive through the **Judean desert** to the **Dead Sea**-the lowest point on earth. Then, visit **Qumran**, where the Dead Sea scrolls were found.
- Drive along the shores of the Dead Sea to Masada. Ascend **Masada** by cable car and tour the mountain fortress built by King Herod, where the Zealots made their last stand against the Romans. Visit the remains of the walls, palaces, synagogue, and bathhouse. Descend by cable car.
- Continue to **the Dead Sea**; Cover yourself with the mineral-rich mud and experience a swim in the Dead Sea\*which many believe will offer therapeutic effects.

### Overnight Jerusalem.

## DAY 8, SUNDAY



Transfer to Ben-Gurion airport for departure.

Program sequence is subject to change without advanced notice.

## USEFUL INFORMATION

Gil Travel is committed to keeping Israeli Ministry of Health (MOH) guidance and/or the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) guidelines and restrictions regarding personal movements and social distancing to reduce the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). These guidelines include the requirement to wear a protective mask that covers the nose and mouth in public and guidelines regarding personal movement, gatherings, transportation, and businesses.

- ✓ **Save \$40 per person for reservations paid by cash or check**
- ✓ **Save \$60 per person for reservations of six or more passengers**  
**\*Only one discount applies per booking**
- ✓ **All Tours are subject to availability and should be confirmed within 72 business hours.**
- ✓ **Departure from origin should be 1 day before the tour start date**
- ✓ **Please note there is NO credit for unused services or joint transfers**

### **Included services in our tour rates:**

- ✓ Private transfer from Ben-Gurion Airport to your hotel & from the hotel to the Airport
- ✓ 6 Full day touring with all entrance fees and attractions as per the above itinerary
- ✓ 7-night accommodation including buffet breakfast and dinner daily at the hotels in the dates and rates chart below. **Similar hotels may be substituted based on availability**
- ✓ Boat ride at the sea of Galilee

### **Not included in our tour rates:**

- ✓ Tips to guide/driver and hotel staff. Optional tips for Israel are suggested as follows:
  - Bellman \$1 per piece of luggage
  - Waiter/Waitress 10%-15%
  - Tour Bus Driver \$6 per person per day
  - Tour Guide \$8 per person per day
  - Private Transfer 10%-15%
- ✓ Lunches en-route on sightseeing days
- ✓ Treatments at the Dead Sea spa
- ✓ Items of a personal nature (laundry, souvenirs, film, toiletries)
- ✓ Travel Insurance. For more details look at <http://www.giltravel.com/travel-protection/>

**WE WOULD LOVE TO BOOK YOUR NEXT ISRAEL ADVENTURE!**



## TOUR DATES & RATES PRICE IS PER PERSON/ PER ROOM TYPE

Hotel Plans	4 Star Standard			4 Star Superior			5 Star Standard			5 Star Deluxe		
	Prima City Tel Aviv			Grand Beach Tel-Aviv			Tal Tel Aviv			Dan Panorama Tel- Aviv		
	Kibbutz Lavi - Eden wing			Kibbutz Lavi			Kibbutz Lavi			Kibbutz Lavi		
	Prima Park Jerusalem			Grand Court Jerusalem			Ramada Jerusalem			Dan Panorama Jerusalem		
Arrival	Single	Double	Triple	Single	Double	Triple	Single	Double	Triple	Single	Double	Triple
3/6/22	2216	1567	1444	2431	1769	1595	2650	1790	1623	3053	2108	1676
3/13/22	2216	1567	1444	2431	1769	1595	2650	1790	1623	3321	2249	1676
3/20/22	2216	1567	1444	2431	1769	1595	2650	1790	1623	3321	2249	1676
3/27/22	2216	1567	1444	2431	1769	1595	2650	1790	1623	3321	2249	1676
4/3/22	2216	1567	1444	2431	1769	1595	2650	1790	1623	3321	2249	1676
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4/17/22	No Tour											
4/24/22	2216	1567	1444	2431	1769	1595	2650	1790	1623	3321	2249	1676
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10/9/22	No Tour											
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2/19/23	2172	1540	1420	2388	1742	1568	2179	1664	1385	2787	1962	1670
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