

## **Holy Land Tour Experience 8 Day Group Tour – Sunday Arrival**

### Day 1 Sunday

***WELCOME TO HOLY ISRAEL!*** (Arrival Welcome & Transfer to Your Hotel)

### **Airport Assist & Transfer**

After clearing passport control a Shalom Israel Tours representative will be waiting to welcome you, assist with your luggage, and escort you to your waiting chauffeur for transfer. Arrive in Tel Aviv, Israel's first "modern" city to relax and get ready to begin your journey!

### **Dinner & Overnight: Tel Aviv Hotel Options**

### Day 2 Monday (Professional Guide & Tour Vehicle)

***ISRAEL'S COAST – ANCIENT PORTS***

### **Caesarea Ruins** **8am - 8:30am hotel pickup, let's go touring!**

The ruins of Roman and Crusader structures in Caesarea tell the story of this once Christian port town. Highlights include the ruins of a Hippodrome, Roman theater, shop-lined Byzantine street, Greek mosaic inscription, and Crusader cathedral dedicated to St. Paul.

### **Megiddo National Park**

Learn about the history of the biblical period and visit Armageddon. An impressive water system commissioned by King Solomon and expanded by King Ahab is tall enough to walk through. Other finds at the site include a Late Bronze Age gate, palace and ancient stables.

### **Acco Fortified Walls & Market**

One of the oldest continuously inhabited cities in the world- Acco, dating back to the time of the Pharaoh Thutmose III (1504-1450 BCE). A walk along the land wall and along the sea wall is a unique experience, which illustrates the military strength of the protected city.

### **Dinner & Overnight: Kibbutz Lavi Hotel, Northern Israel**

### Day 3 Tuesday (Professional Guide & Tour Vehicle)

***THE SEA OF GALILEE – HOLY WATERS***

### **Cruise on the Sea of Galilee**

In Tiberias, enjoy a boat ride along the crystal blue waters of Israel's largest freshwater lake. The Sea of Galilee, also known as the Kinneret, sits 209 m below sea level. It is the main source of water for drinking in modern Israel and is known as "holy" since ancient times.

### **Capernaum National Park**

This is the town where Jesus settled after leaving Nazareth and where he chose his disciples. Archaeological excavations have revealed a gathering place for the early Christian community and modern day church that stands where the house of Peter once stood.

### **Tabgha Holy Sites**

The site of the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes as well as the fourth resurrection of Jesus, Tabgha is home to several holy sites. These include the Church of Loaves and Fishes, the Church of the Primacy of St. Peter and a Benedictine monastery.

### **Mount of Beaititudes**

Visit the site of the Sermon on the Mount and the church commemorating it. The church is designed in an octagon to represent the eight beatitudes, with floor mosaics symbolizing the seven virtues. Look down at the Plain of Gennesaret, where Jesus healed the multitudes.

### **The Famous Banias Spring**

Paneas (Banias) was first settled in the Hellenistic period following Alexander the Great's conquest of the east. Later King Herrod built a temple here; the ancient remains still stand in front of the cave. After Herod's death, his son Philip founded his capital near the Banias.

### **Dinner & Overnight: Kibbutz Lavi Hotel, Northern Israel**

#### **Day 4 Wednesday (Professional Guide & Tour Vehicle)**

#### ***NAZARETH & THE JORDAN VALLEY***

### **Nazareth Holy Sites**

Visit the churches that commemorate the Annunciation, when Mary was informed of Jesus' impending birth. Visit Mary's Well and a cave that may have held Joseph's workshop.

### **Yardenit Baptismal Site**

Follow in the footsteps of Jesus, who was baptized in the Jordan River by John the Baptist. Touch the "Wall of New Life," where the baptismal verse is written in various languages.

### **Beit Shean Ruins**

The fully excavated theater and town of Beit Shean tell the story of daily life in the time of Jesus. See the remains of the town, with its colonnaded streets and elaborate bathhouses. Learn about the history of the city, inhabited over the years by pagans, Jews and Christians.

### **Dinner & Overnight: Jerusalem Hotel Options**

#### **Day 5 Thursday (Professional Guide & Tour Vehicle)**

#### ***JERUSALEM'S OLD CITY – THE HOLY CAPITAL***

### **The Mount of Olives**

Associated with so many major events in the life of Jesus, including his arrest, the Mount of Olives serves as a rich area for Christian worship and pilgrimage. Today, camels, monasteries, and ancient tombstones dot these scenic slopes overlooking the Kidron Valley.

### **Church of All Nations**

Visit this beautiful Mount of Olives church, which stands on the spot where Jesus issued his last prayer before his arrest and crucifixion. The building is decorated with mosaics paying homage to the many nations that contributed to the most recent phase of its construction.

### **King David's Tomb**

Possibly the tomb of the great Israelite King David, this site has been visited by pilgrims Jewish and Christian for centuries. It also served as a substitute prayer site when Jews were denied access to the Wailing Wall (1948 to 1967) while Jordan controlled the Old City.

## **Last Supper Room**

Visit the site of the Last Supper, where Jesus dined with his disciples on the night before his arrest. Situated above the Tomb of King David, this long hall is a perfect place for group or individual worship. The rooftop here offers a panoramic view of the Old City of Jerusalem.

## **The Temple Mount** (security permitting)

Atop the Temple Mount stands one of the most magnificent Islamic structures. Particularly interesting to Christians is the founding inscription mentioning Jesus and Mary and the Foundation Stone, marking the site of the Holy of Holies and spot of the Sacrifice of Isaac.

## **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**

The last stop on the Via Dolorosa, this church, a prime example of medieval architecture, is the site of Jesus' tomb as well as his crucifixion. Here you can worship at the Rock of Cavalry and the Stone of the Anointing and in the Catholic and Greek Orthodox chapels.

## **Dinner & Overnight: Jerusalem Hotel Options**

### **Day 6 Friday (Professional Guide & Tour Vehicle)**

### ***JERUSALEM'S NEW CITY & BETHLEHEM***

## **Ein Kerem Village & Church of the Visitation**

Commissioned by St. Helene, this holy site commemorates the visit by the Virgin Mary to Elizabeth, mother of John the Baptist. This is where Mary recited the song of praise known as the Magnificat. The architecture is Italian and contains frescoes depicting the Visitation.

## **Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum**

Tour Jerusalem's international center for the documentation, research, education and commemoration of the Holocaust. Highlights include the Hall of Names, a memorial to individual victims, and "The World that Was" which documents pre-war European Jewry.

## **Israel Museum & Dead Sea Scrolls**

Tour Israel's foremost museum, home to impressive collections of art and archaeology from ancient and modern Israel and the Jewish Diaspora. View some of the original Dead Sea Scrolls, which shed light on the milieu in which Jesus and John the Baptist lived and taught.

## **Bethlehem Holy Sites** (pending security)

Next we will travel to Bethlehem, the place of the birth of Jesus in the Grotto of the Nativity. Also in Bethlehem is the tomb of Rachel, a symbol of hope for the Jewish people, as she was childless for many years, but ultimately became the Matriarch of the Jewish people.

## **Dinner & Overnight: Jerusalem Hotel Options**

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Day 7 Saturday (Professional Guide & Tour Vehicle)

## ***THE JUDEAN DESERT – KING HEROD'S FORTRESS***

### **Masada Mountain & Cable Car**

Learn about the end of Jewish independence at the time when Christianity was just getting started. View a short film which tells the story of the site, and hike or take a cable car up the mountain to view the ruins of Herod's palace overlooking the Dead Sea & Judean Desert.

### **Dead Sea Float**

Travel below sea level to the lowest point on earth and float in the Dead Sea, whose high concentration of salts and minerals contains unique healing properties, which, combined with the nutrient-filled mud found on its shores, creates one luxurious and healthy day.

### **The Qumran Caves**

See the archaeological site where a Judean sect lived in relative isolation, copying and composing texts to be uncovered 2,000 years later. Hear the story of the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls and their significance for the study of both Judaism and Christianity.

### **Dinner & Overnight: Jerusalem Hotel Options**

Day 8 Sunday (Farewell Transfer)

## ***FAREWELL FOR NOW...WE'LL MISS YOU!***

### **Farewell Transfer...We'll Miss you!**

Transfer to Ben Gurion Airport for your departure flight from the Holy Land...bye for now!

## ***GROUP TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES***

### ***7 NIGHTS HOTEL ACCOMMODATION***

1 night hotel in Tel Aviv, The Modern City  
2 nights Kibbutz Lavi Hotel, Northern Israel  
4 nights hotel in the Holy City of Jerusalem

### ***MEALS INCLUDED***

Daily Breakfast Buffet at each Hotel  
Nightly Dinner Buffet at each Hotel

### ***TOUR SERVICES INCLUDED***

Welcome Assist at Ben Gurion Airport  
Arrival & Departure Airport/Hotel Transfers  
6 Days Touring in an Air-Conditioned Coach  
All Touring with a Professional Licensed Guide  
Israel Tours Hats/Israel Maps/ Bottle Carriers  
All Group Touring & Sites as per Tour Program

### ***OPTIONAL UPGRADES***

VIP Welcome from the Door of your Plane: \$145  
Trip Insurance & Medical Coverage: Ask for details!  
Phone & SIM card & Wi-Fi Rentals: Ask for Details!

## 8 DAY HOLY LAND GROUP TOUR PACKAGE PRICING

		3 Star Class		3 Star Superior		4 Star Class	
Tel Aviv Hotels:		Gilgal Hotel		Grand Beach		Tal Tel Aviv	
Northern Hotels:		Kibbutz Lavi		Kibbutz Lavi		Kibbutz Lavi	
Jerusalem Hotels:		Prima Jerusalem		Grand Court		Ramada Jerusalem	
Tour Starts	Tour Ends	Double	Single	Double	Single	Double	Single
7-Jan-2018	14-Jan-2018	\$1,445	\$2,032	\$1,510	\$2,058	\$1,755	\$2,429
14-Jan-2018	21-Jan-2018	\$1,445	\$2,032	\$1,510	\$2,058	\$1,755	\$2,429
21-Jan-2018	28-Jan-2018	\$1,445	\$2,032	\$1,510	\$2,058	\$1,755	\$2,429
28-Jan-2018	4-Feb-2018	\$1,445	\$2,032	\$1,510	\$2,058	\$1,755	\$2,429
4-Feb-2018	11-Feb-2018	\$1,445	\$2,032	\$1,510	\$2,058	\$1,755	\$2,429
11-Feb-2018	18-Feb-2018	\$1,445	\$2,032	\$1,510	\$2,058	\$1,755	\$2,429
18-Feb-2018	25-Feb-2018	\$1,445	\$2,032	\$1,510	\$2,058	\$1,755	\$2,429
25-Feb-2018	4-Mar-2018	\$1,487	\$2,107	\$1,547	\$2,118	\$1,851	\$2,623
4-Mar-2018	11-Mar-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,620	\$2,225	\$1,671	\$2,446
11-Mar-2018	18-Mar-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,620	\$2,225	\$1,671	\$2,446
18-Mar-2018	25-Mar-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,620	\$2,225	\$1,671	\$2,446
25-Mar-2018	1-Apr-2018	Passover	Passover	Passover	Passover	Passover	Passover
1-Apr-2018	8-Apr-2018	Passover	Passover	Passover	Passover	Passover	Passover
8-Apr-2018	15-Apr-2018	\$1,657	\$2,354	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,722	\$2,550
15-Apr-2018	22-Apr-2018	\$1,657	\$2,354	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,722	\$2,550
22-Apr-2018	29-Apr-2018	\$1,657	\$2,354	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,678	\$2,460
29-Apr-2018	6-May-2018	\$1,657	\$2,354	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,678	\$2,460
6-May-2018	13-May-2018	\$1,671	\$2,382	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,678	\$2,460
13-May-2018	20-May-2018	\$1,671	\$2,382	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,678	\$2,460
20-May-2018	27-May-2018	\$1,671	\$2,382	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,678	\$2,460
27-May-2018	3-Jun-2018	\$1,657	\$2,357	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,678	\$2,460
3-Jun-2018	10-Jun-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,620	\$2,225	\$1,678	\$2,460
10-Jun-2018	17-Jun-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,620	\$2,225	\$1,678	\$2,460
17-Jun-2018	24-Jun-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,620	\$2,225	\$1,678	\$2,460
24-Jun-2018	1-Jul-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,620	\$2,225	\$1,678	\$2,460
1-Jul-2018	8-Jul-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,592	\$2,169	\$1,671	\$2,446
8-Jul-2018	15-Jul-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,592	\$2,169	\$1,671	\$2,446
15-Jul-2018	22-Jul-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,592	\$2,169	\$1,671	\$2,446
22-Jul-2018	29-Jul-2018	\$1,662	\$2,337	\$1,626	\$2,203	\$1,704	\$2,480
29-Jul-2018	5-Aug-2018	\$1,696	\$2,371	\$1,659	\$2,236	\$1,738	\$2,513
5-Aug-2018	12-Aug-2018	\$1,710	\$2,399	\$1,666	\$2,250	\$1,738	\$2,513
12-Aug-2018	19-Aug-2018	\$1,710	\$2,399	\$1,666	\$2,250	\$1,738	\$2,513
19-Aug-2018	26-Aug-2018	\$1,710	\$2,399	\$1,666	\$2,250	\$1,738	\$2,513

# SHALOM HOLY TOURS

EXPERIENCE THE HOLY LAND

26-Aug-2018	2-Sep-2018	\$1,710	\$2,399	\$1,666	\$2,250	\$1,738	\$2,513
2-Sep-2018	9-Sep-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,592	\$2,169	\$1,671	\$2,446
9-Sep-2018	16-Sep-2018	Rosh	HaShana	Rosh	HaShana	Rosh	HaShana
16-Sep-2018	23-Sep-2018	Yom	Kippur	Yom	Kippur	Yom	Kippur
23-Sep-2018	30-Sep-2018	Sukkot	Sukkot	Sukkot	Sukkot	Sukkot	Sukkot
30-Sep-2018	7-Oct-2018	Sukkot	Sukkot	Sukkot	Sukkot	Sukkot	Sukkot
7-Oct-2018	14-Oct-2018	\$1,671	\$2,382	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,722	\$2,550
14-Oct-2018	21-Oct-2018	\$1,671	\$2,382	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,722	\$2,550
21-Oct-2018	28-Oct-2018	\$1,671	\$2,382	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,722	\$2,550
28-Oct-2018	4-Nov-2018	\$1,671	\$2,382	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,722	\$2,550
4-Nov-2018	11-Nov-2018	\$1,657	\$2,354	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,722	\$2,550
11-Nov-2018	18-Nov-2018	\$1,650	\$2,341	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,722	\$2,550
18-Nov-2018	25-Nov-2018	\$1,629	\$2,303	\$1,627	\$2,239	\$1,722	\$2,550
25-Nov-2018	2-Dec-2018	\$1,594	\$2,236	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,599	\$2,303
2-Dec-2018	9-Dec-2018	\$1,552	\$2,161	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
9-Dec-2018	16-Dec-2018	\$1,552	\$2,161	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
16-Dec-2018	23-Dec-2018	\$1,623	\$2,232	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
23-Dec-2018	30-Dec-2018	\$1,647	\$2,256	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,671	\$2,446
30-Dec-2018	6-Jan-2019	\$1,647	\$2,256	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,612	\$2,329
6-Jan-2019	13-Jan-2019	\$1,552	\$2,161	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
13-Jan-2019	20-Jan-2019	\$1,552	\$2,161	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
20-Jan-2019	27-Jan-2019	\$1,552	\$2,161	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
27-Jan-2019	3-Feb-2019	\$1,552	\$2,161	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
3-Feb-2019	10-Feb-2019	\$1,552	\$2,161	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
10-Feb-2019	17-Feb-2019	\$1,552	\$2,161	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
17-Feb-2019	24-Feb-2019	\$1,552	\$2,161	\$1,585	\$2,155	\$1,585	\$2,275
24-Feb-2019	3-Mar-2019	\$1,592	\$2,232	\$1,611	\$2,202	\$1,637	\$2,377

**RESERVATION:** A \$300 per person deposit is requested at time of registration.

**FINAL BALANCE:** Final balance is due 45 days prior to the clients' arrival in Israel.