

# 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)
- Archeological "Dig" at Beit Guvrin (15 Day Participants Only)

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



*Eilat on the Red Sea*

### 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 cafes and craft stalls — 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 café-filled 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 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 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 – Sea View Room                         |

#### Hotels – Plan B

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Tel Aviv  | Carlton – Executive Room/Exec. Lounge       |
| Haifa     | Dan Carmel – Deluxe Bay View Room           |
| Jerusalem | David Citadel – Superior New City View Room |
| Eilat     | Dan Eilat – 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 presentation on the multicultural traditions and religions in Israel (subject to minimum 10 tour participants). (B,D)



*Tower of David, 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



*Magnificent Mediterranean Sea, Tel Aviv*

*Hidden City of Petra*

you tour the kibbutz and enjoy lunch in the communal dining room. Visit the remains of an 8th century Roman city at **Bet Shean** (daylight time permitting). Then drive south and rise through the mountains to “golden” Jerusalem celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the reunification of the city, 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 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**

Enter the **Old City** from the **Dung Gate**; walk to the **Western Wall**, last remnant of the **Second Temple**. Witness joyous **Bar Mitzvah** ceremonies! View the **Dome of the Rock**. Drive to **Mt. Zion** to visit the traditional **Tomb of King David** and the **Room of the Last Supper**. Proceed to the restored **Jewish Quarter**; walk along the **Cardo**, the colonnaded main street of **Byzantine Jerusalem**. Visit the **Herodian Mansions**, a completely excavated residential quarter from 2000 years ago, or, walk through the extraordinary **Hasmonean Tunnel** (*tunnel schedule permitting*). Follow the **Via Dolorosa** to the **Church of the Holy**

**Sepulchre**; walk through the exotic **bazaars** with their wondrous aromas. End today with a visit to the fabulous new **Friends of Zion Heritage Center** celebrating the **Christian heroes** who have contributed to the **Jewish people** and the **State of Israel**. These heroes come alive through, cutting edge, high tech imaging, audio-visual presentations, holograms and much more. 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

bathroom. 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. Evening: You will be deeply moved as you join Jerusalemites welcoming the Sabbath at the Western Wall. Tonight, a unique and memorable evening as we join an Israeli family at their home to enjoy the traditional Friday dinner together. (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 to the Airport for your flight to Eilat. Upon arrival, transfer 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 get to the entrance of the Old City. Continue by foot to visit the rose-red 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 under 28.)

### 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

We’ve arranged for a late check out for you (by 6:00 P.M.). Transfer to the airport for your flight to Tel Aviv departing early evening. Upon arrival in Tel Aviv, transfer between the domestic terminal at Ben Gurion to the international terminal where you will enjoy 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)

| ISRAEL PLUS EILAT AND PETRA – LAND PRICES (USD) PER PERSON<br>(Includes Round Trip Flights Tel Aviv/Eilat)        |  |        |        |        |
|---|--|--------|--------|--------|
| 13 Days/11 Nights - FRIDAY Departures<br>1 night Tel Aviv, 2 nights Haifa, 5 nights Jerusalem, 3 nights Eilat     |  |        |        |        |
| 2017 Departure Dates  | PLAN A   |        | PLAN B |        |
|   | Twin   | Single | Twin   | Single |
| May 5, 12, 19, 26*, Jun 2, 9, 16  | 3855   | 5260   | 4195   | 6095   |
| Jun 23, 30, Jul 7, 14, 21   | 3925   | 5405   | 4240   | 6120   |
| Jul 28, Aug 4, 11   | 4240   | 6025   | 4535   | 6710   |
| Aug 18, 25, Sep 1   | 3850   | 5245   | 4145   | 5935   |
| Sep 8^  | 3690   | 4960   | 4025   | 5720   |
| Oct 13  | 3835   | 5230   | 4145   | 5935   |
| Oct 20, 27  | 3925   | 5405   | 4220   | 6085   |
| Nov 3, 10, 17   | 3850   | 5250   | 4090   | 5815   |
| Nov 24  | 3670   | 4890   | 4055   | 5745   |
| Dec 15, 22  | 3990   | 5540   | 4365   | 6390   |
| Dec 29  | 3655   | 4870   | 4055   | 5745   |
| 2018 Departure Dates  |  |        |        |        |
| Jan 26, Feb 16  | 3655   | 4870   | 4030   | 5700   |
| Mar 9, 16, Apr 13*, 20, 27, May 4   | 3820   | 5195   | 4145   | 5935   |
| May 11  | PRICES TO BE ADVISED - OVERNIGHT STAYS REVISED |        |        |        |
| 14 Days/12 Nights - THURSDAY Departures<br>2 nights Tel Aviv, 2 nights Haifa, 5 nights Jerusalem, 3 nights Eilat  |  |        |        |        |
| 2017 Departure Dates  | PLAN A   |        | PLAN B |        |
|   | Twin   | Single | Twin   | Single |
| May 4, 11, 18, 25*, Jun 1, 8, 15  | 4095   | 5610   | 4495   | 6585   |
| Jun 22, 29, Jul 6, 13, 20   | 4175   | 5765   | 4540   | 6595   |
| Jul 27, Aug 3, 10   | 4515   | 6435   | 4835   | 7185   |
| Aug 17, 24  | 4125   | 5660   | 4450   | 6405   |
| Aug 31  | 4045   | 5515   | 4450   | 6405   |
| Sep 7^  | 3925   | 5300   | 4330   | 6195   |
| Oct 12  | 4075   | 5570   | 4450   | 6405   |
| Oct 19, 26  | 4175   | 5765   | 4525   | 6560   |
| Nov 2, 9, 16  | 4095   | 5610   | 4390   | 6290   |
| Nov 23  | 3920   | 5255   | 4355   | 6220   |
| Dec 14, 21  | 4230   | 5880   | 4670   | 6860   |
| Dec 28  | 3895   | 5210   | 4355   | 6220   |
| 2018 Departure Dates  |  |        |        |        |
| Jan 25, Feb 15  | 3895   | 5210   | 4310   | 6125   |
| Mar 8, 15, Apr 12*, 19, 26, May 3   | 4070   | 5555   | 4450   | 6405   |
| May 10  | PRICES TO BE ADVISED - OVERNIGHT STAYS REVISED |        |        |        |
| 15 Days/13 Nights - WEDNESDAY Departures<br>3 nights Tel Aviv, 2 nights Haifa, 5 nights Jerusalem, 3 nights Eilat |  |        |        |        |
| 2017 Departure Dates  | PLAN A   |        | PLAN B |        |
|   | Twin   | Single | Twin   | Single |
| May 3, 10, 17, 24*, 31, Jun 7, 14   | 4425   | 6055   | 4895   | 7160   |
| Jun 21, 28, Jul 5, 12, 19   | 4495   | 6195   | 4915   | 7135   |
| Jul 26, Aug 2, 9  | 4865   | 6920   | 5210   | 7730   |
| Aug 16, 23  | 4475   | 6140   | 4825   | 6950   |
| Aug 30  | 4355   | 5925   | 4825   | 6950   |
| Sep 6^  | 4235   | 5710   | 4705   | 6735   |
| Oct 11  | 4385   | 5980   | 4825   | 6950   |
| Oct 18, 25  | 4495   | 6195   | 4900   | 7105   |
| Nov 1, 8, 15  | 4420   | 6045   | 4765   | 6830   |
| Nov 22  | 4240   | 5685   | 4730   | 6760   |
| Dec 13, 20  | 4540   | 6290   | 5045   | 7405   |
| Dec 27  | 4205   | 5620   | 4730   | 6760   |
| 2018 Departure Dates  |  |        |        |        |
| Jan 24, Feb 14  | 4205   | 5620   | 4660   | 6620   |
| Mar 7, 14, Apr 11*, 18, 25, May 2   | 4390   | 5985   | 4825   | 6950   |
| May 9   | PRICES TO BE ADVISED - OVERNIGHT STAYS REVISED |        |        |        |

For all tours listed here:

Visa for Petra, border crossing/assistance fees are not included and are to be paid locally--\$130 per person at time of printing (Visa will be secured on your behalf by our representatives).

\* Revised touring due to holiday

^ Tour is one night less (Eilat 2 Nights instead of 3 Nights) - Arrives back to USA on Wednesday

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).