



# ISAAC M. WISE TEMPLE FANTASTIC ISRAEL FOR FAMILIES CINCINNATI COMMUNITY MISSION

LED BY RABBI LEWIS H. KAMRASS

Jul 7, 2024 - Jul 16, 2024



DESTINATION  
**ISRAEL**



WHO'S GOING  
**OUR COMMUNITY**



TRIP TYPE  
**CONGREGATIONAL**



DURATION  
**10 DAYS**



GROUP SIZE  
**30+**



PRICE  
**FROM \$5,985**

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## REGISTRATION DATES

APR 30, 2023 - APR 1, 2024

 Program is tentative and subject to change. Connect with our Customer Care Team by calling: (888) 230-6008 Mon.-Thur. from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST.

# YOUR JOURNEY

Join us for the 2024 Cincinnati Community Mission to Israel! Generous subsidies of \$4,000 per person, up to a maximum of \$12,000 per family, are available thanks to the Jewish Foundation of Cincinnati.

J<sup>2</sup> crafts journeys of inspiration, education, and Jewish connections to Israel and worldwide. We are guided by a simple but powerful concept: No two trips are the same; each experience should be personal, meaningful, and backed by superb service. Travel is not just about the places you visit, but the connections you make along the way.

An unforgettable trip awaits! Our community will take a transformative journey to Israel from July 7-16, 2024 and we are inviting you to participate!

**Once you have registered for the trip**, you can also register for the extension to Petra in Jordan. Click [here](#) for details.

**Your \$500 per person deposit is fully refundable till Sept. 1, 2023.**

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# PROGRAM ITINERARY

## DAY 1

### ON THE WAY

Sun. Jul 7, 2024

- Depart on your flight to Israel.

🌙 Overnight: Flight

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## DAY 2

### THE CITY THAT NEVER SLEEPS

Mon. Jul 8, 2024

- Arrive at Ben-Gurion International Airport.
- Check-in to your hotel. (Hotel check-in time is generally from 3:00pm.)
- Opening session & welcome dinner with the tour educator & leaders.

🌙 Overnight: Tel Aviv 🍴 Meals: Welcome Dinner

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## DAY 3

### THE MANY LAYERS OF TEL AVIV

Tue. Jul 9, 2024

- Breakfast at an Israeli hotel is an experience in itself. Start the day with a bounteous buffet.
- Stop at the Jaffa Overlook for an introduction to Tel Aviv and to our journey in Israel.
- Join a scavenger hunt in Neve Zedek, one of Tel Aviv's oldest neighborhoods.
- Join locals lunching at the Carmel Market, with food options from all over the Mediterranean and Middle East. Use our voucher system to get your own taste of Tel Aviv.
- Experience the dynamism of Jewish life at the newly-opened ANU Museum of the Jewish People, which showcases the diversity of Jews across the globe and highlights the creative works and cultural riches of a variety of communities in different periods of history until the present day.
- Enjoy dinner together with everyone on the Cincinnati Community Mission.

🌙 Overnight: Tel Aviv 🍴 Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Community Dinner Event

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## DAY 4

### VOYAGE AND DISCOVERY

Wed. Jul 10, 2024

- Join the volunteer organization Leket Israel and pick fruits and vegetables for those in need.
- Take part in an archaeological dig at the Beit Guvrin Caves and uncover pottery from the Hellenistic period, 2,300 years ago. Optional: Crawl through the Maresha Cave Labyrinth, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

- Visit the Ayalon Institute near Rehovot and uncover its role in the establishment of the state of Israel. This secret ammunition factory produced millions of bullets for Jewish forces fighting for a Jewish state and the end of British rule over Palestine.
- Enjoy Tel Aviv at night and check out the city's nightlife, world-class restaurants, and club and café culture.

🌙 Overnight: Tel Aviv 🍽️ Meals: Breakfast

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## DAY 5

### GLORY OF JERUSALEM

Thu. Jul 11, 2024

- Check-out of the hotel and depart for Jerusalem.
- Explore the Jerusalem Archaeological Park, including the Davidson Center, Robinson's Arch, and the Southern Wall steps where Jewish pilgrims entered the Temple Mount 2,000 years ago.
- Proceed to the Old City and begin by stopping at the Kotel (Western Wall) to experience the special atmosphere of this holy site.
- Continue with a walking tour through the Jewish Quarter for visits to archaeological treasures and other highlights, among them:
  - The Cardo, the main street of Jerusalem in the 6th century.
  - King Hezekiah's First Temple-period "Broad Wall."
  - Hurva Square, the central square of the Jewish Quarter.

🌙 Overnight: Jerusalem 🍽️ Meals: Breakfast

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## DAY 6

### BEYOND THE SURFACE

Fri. Jul 12, 2024

- Explore the City of David, the core of ancient Jerusalem, and learn how the city was administered during the First Temple period.
- Enjoy a tour of the grounds of Israel's "Capitol Hill": The Rose Garden, featuring more than 400 species of roses imported from all around the world; The Knesset – Israel's Parliament building and its famous Menorah – Israel's symbol monument built from bronze; The Supreme Court – designed to reflect Jewish and democratic values of justice.
- Return to the hotel to prepare for Shabbat.
- Celebrate Shabbat together at the Blaustein Hall.
- Enjoy a festive Shabbat dinner and celebrate the holy day in song.
- Walk to the Western Wall (Kotel) for a quiet late night visit.

🌙 Overnight: Jerusalem 🍽️ Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Shabbat Dinner

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## DAY 7

### SHABBAT IN JERUSALEM OR DEAD SEA

Sat. Jul 13, 2024

□ OPTION 1

- Spend the day at the Dead Sea Basin. Take the cable car to the top of Masada, where Jewish rebels are believed to have made their final attempt to resist Roman invaders (c 74 CE).

□ OPTION 2

- Enjoy a guided tour of the Tower of David Museum where the story of Jerusalem is told with exciting exhibitions and in an amazing location.
- Visit some Christian sites, including the Pool of Bethesda and St. Anne's Crusader Church, followed by a walk along the Via Dolorosa, passing by the Ecce Homo Arch and the Sisters of Zion Convent, ending at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

□ OPTION 3

- Stretch your legs with a hike that will take you from the tree-laden beauty of the Jerusalem Hills down to the Sataf Springs. Along the way, witness how ancient methods of agricultural cultivation are being revived in modern Israel.

- Join a communal Havdalah service overlooking the Old City.

🕒 Overnight: Jerusalem 🍴 Meals: Breakfast

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## DAY 8

### MEMORY AND RENEWAL

Sun. Jul 14, 2024

- Visit Yad Vashem, the national memorial to the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust.
- Explore Jerusalem's Biblical Zoo, famous for its Afro-Asiatic collection of wildlife, many of which are ascribed in the Hebrew Bible, as well as for its success in breeding endangered species. for families with children.
- Experience the vibrancy and energy of Mahane Yehuda's open-air market and enjoy a tasty lunch.
- Enjoy dinner together with everyone on the Cincinnati Community Mission.

🕒 Overnight: Jerusalem 🍴 Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Community Dinner Event

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## DAY 9

### ENCOUNTERS AND REFLECTIONS

Mon. Jul 15, 2024

- Where are we and where are we going? A conversation with Ambassador of the United States to Israel - Thomas R. Nides.
- Meet with President of Israel Isaac Herzog at his official residence.
- Choose from some Tikkun Olam projects:
  - OPTION 1:  
Join Keren BeKavod, the Center for Social and Communal Activity of Israel's Reform Movement, and pack boxes of food to be sent to residents in need.
  - OPTION 2:  
Meet elderly, often impoverished, immigrants who are finding a sense of purpose and creating beautiful artwork

at Yad LaKashish (Lifeline for the Elderly). We'll hear personal stories and see the aging artisans in action, talk with those running this inspirational organization, and check out the fabulous gift shop that supports this endeavor.

□ OPTION 3:

Visit Susan's house, an art center and meeting place for youth at risk, which provides an opportunity of learning a craft and skill in order for them to become a productive part of Israeli society.

- Enjoy some free time.
- Consider your experience on this journey and what you are taking back home with you in a closing circle.
- Check out of your hotel before a festive farewell dinner.
- Group transfer to Ben Gurion International Airport to check in for your departure flight to the US.

🌙 Overnight: Flight   🍽️ Meals: Breakfast & Farewell Dinner

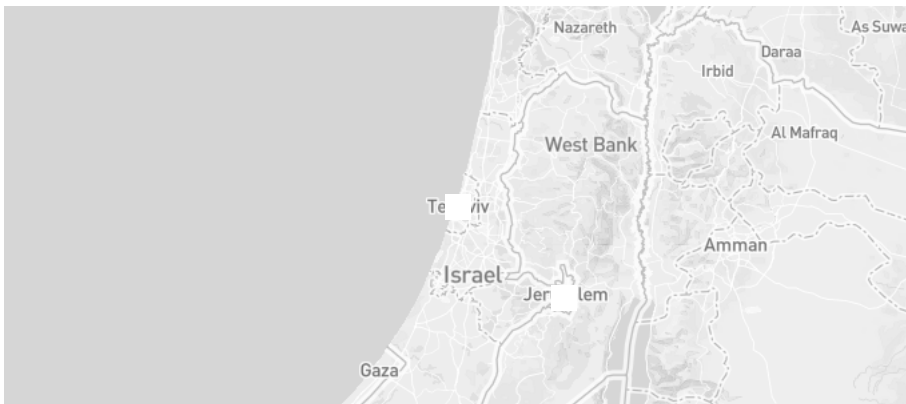
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## DAY 10

### UNTIL THE NEXT TIME

Tue. Jul 16, 2024

- Return to the USA.





# RATES & LODGING

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PARTICIPANTS	COST P/P IN DOUBLE ROOM	COST P/P IN SINGLE ROOM	CHILD AS 3RD (REDUCTION)
30+	\$5,985	\$7,675	- (\$1,080)

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REGISTRATION CLOSED

\$5,345 Cost per person sharing a room as third.

Cost of accommodations for pre & post nights including breakfast and all taxes:

-PRE Tel Aviv: Hilton \$565,- per night per double occupancy room, \$545,- per night per single occupancy room, \$630,- per night per double occupancy room with child as third.

-POST Jerusalem: \$400,- per night per double occupancy room, \$385,- per night per single occupancy room, \$440,- per night per double occupancy room with child as third.

**The night of July 15 is not included. If you would like to reserve the full night (with check out on July 16) a charge of \$160, per room will apply.**

\*All rates are subject to availability.

## TEL AVIV: HILTON

🌙 Nights: 3

🔗 [Hotel Website](#)

## JERUSALEM: THE INBAL

🌙 Nights: 4 + LCO

🔗 [Hotel Website](#)

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# WHAT TO EXPECT

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## 🌟 Included

- 7 nights' accommodations. Late check out at 6:00 p.m. on the day of departure is included.
- 8 days of touring with a tour educator (guide), 7 days of touring in a luxury, air-conditioned bus.
- Daily breakfast, 3 lunches & 3 dinners (plus 2 Community Dinner Events).
- Water on the bus.
- Porterage at the airport & hotels.
- The J<sup>2</sup> adventures App available on the App Store & on Google Play (active 7 days before your departure and throughout your trip).
- All site entrance fees & program fees as per your final program.

## ⚙️ Excluded

- Credit card fees.
- Flights to & from Israel.
- COVID related expenses, including tests.
- Evening transportation when dinner is not included.
- Amendments to the program: In the event that any sites, programs or meals etc. are added to the program, an additional fee may be required.
- Personal extras: Items of personal nature such as laundry, wines, mineral water, beverages, coffee, tea, food other than the table d'hotel menu, passport and visa fees, insurance, and foreign port taxes, unless otherwise specified.
- US and foreign airport taxes, Q fuel surcharge and border taxes when applicable.
- Value Added Tax is currently not applicable to tourists visiting Israel. Should the law change, you will be notified accordingly, and VAT will be added to your final invoice.
- Gratuities: Recommend guidelines for tipping are provided in the terms section.

## 📄 The small print

- Please review our terms & conditions (T&C's) or request that we send you our full T&C's. Until you do that, here is the small print, and other stuff you may want to know:
- Validity | All prices quoted are based on exchange rates as of the proposal date and are subject to change without notice. Rates are per person and are based on shared twin room occupancy.
- How to Make a Reservation | The quickest way to make a reservation is to register online or contact us by email. We accept VISA, MasterCard, and American Express credit cards. A \$500 per person deposit is required in order to complete the registration process.
- For any assistance with this registration process or other trip-related queries, please email Customer Care: [customer-care@j2adventures.com](mailto:customer-care@j2adventures.com).
- Payments | The balance of your payment is due 90 days before your trip begins, or as specified in your invoice. You will receive an email reminder 2 weeks before this date. Various payment options are available as follows:
- Credit card | We accept Visa, Mastercard and American Express. Please check with your credit card provider regarding international processing fees. We are unable to process payments of over \$1,000 over the phone. Please submit payment online via a credit card or by wiring funds via your bank.
- Domestic bank wire transfer | Payment should be wired in the same currency that is listed on your invoice. Please add the name of your group or invoice number as a reference and forward a copy of the transfer receipt by email. The bank transfer should clearly state the beneficiary's name on the wire transfer.
- J<sup>2</sup> Adventures reserves the right to automatically cancel your reservation on that date and it may be subject to reconfirmation should the final payment not be received.





- Cancellation Policy | All cancellations need to be made in writing. The cancellation fee depends on the date when we receive written notification of your request to cancel your booking. Please note that the deposit is non-refundable.
- Cancellation fees | Cancellations made after September 1, 2023 incur the loss of the deposit. Cancellations made 89 to 46 days prior to departure incur the loss of 50% of the full trip cost. Cancellations made 45 days or less prior to the departure incur the loss of 100% of the full trip cost.
- Cancellation fees may also include: Hotel or supplier cancellation fees. J² Adventures reserves the right to adjust its terms of payment, including cancellation policies and initial deposits.

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