

CONGREGATION DOR TAMID JOURNEY TO ISRAEL

LED BY RABBI JORDAN OTTENSTEIN

Aug 23, 2025 - Sep 2, 2025



DESTINATION
ISRAEL



WHO'S GOING
OUR COMMUNITY



TRIP TYPE
CONGREGATIONAL



DURATION
11 DAYS



GROUP SIZE
20+




PRICE
FROM \$5,690






REGISTRATION DATES

MAY 18, 2023 - JUN 23, 2025



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PROGRAM ITINERARY

DAY 1

THE JOURNEY BEGINS

Sat. Aug 23, 2025

- Depart the USA.

Overnight: Flight

DAY 2

ARRIVAL TO ISRAEL

Sun. Aug 24, 2025

- Check into the hotel.
- Meet your tour educator who will accompany you on this journey of education and inspiration.
- Enjoy a welcome dinner and orientation at a local restaurant.

Overnight: Tel Aviv Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 3

A PEOPLE AND A LAND

Mon. Aug 25, 2025

- Visit the Ayalon Institute near Rehovot for an eye-opening tour of a clandestine munitions factory used during the British Mandate.
- Explore the Old City of Jaffa and ascend from the old port through the renovated alleyways to the Jaffa Overlook for an introduction to Tel Aviv at the place where it all began.
- Experience the dynamism of Jewish life at the newly-opened ANU Museum of the Jewish People, dedicated to telling their story and representing their diversity, highlighting the creative works and cultural riches of a variety of communities in different periods of history until the present day.
- Enjoy a free afternoon at the Tel Aviv beach or the hotel pool.

Overnight: Tel Aviv Meals: Breakfast

DAY 4

TO THE NORTH

Tue. Aug 26, 2025

- Check out of the hotel and depart Tel Aviv, heading north.
- Visit the Zippori National Park, known for its extraordinary ancient mosaics and its central role in Jewish life after the destruction of the Temple.
- Visit Rish Lakish Olive Press, located on Moshav Zippori in the Galilee, for a hands-on family experience.
- Drive to the Galilee and check into the kibbutz hotel:

- Dinner at the hotel.
- Enjoy an evening tour of the kibbutz with your tour educator.

 Overnight: Upper Galilee  Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 5

SERENITY & SECURITY IN THE NORTH

Wed. Aug 27, 2025

- Enjoy a hike in the beautiful Tel Dan Nature Reserve.
- Take a jeep tour off-road up the Golan Heights and enjoy the beautiful natural scenery while learning about the strategic complexity of the Golan.
- Visit a Druze village for a window into the unique world of the Israeli Druze community.
- Take in the panoramic views from Mt. Bental (overlooking the abandoned Syrian town of Kuneitra) and gain sharp insights into Israel's security situation on the Golan Heights.
- Option 1:
 - Wine Tasting at Pelter winery in the Golan Heights.
- Option 2:
 - Enjoy the culinary delight of a chocolate workshop at the De Karina Chocolate Factory.
- All:
 - Enjoy rafting or kayaking down the Jordan River.
 - Return to the hotel, followed by dinner.

 Overnight: Upper Galilee  Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 6

DREAMERS IN THE NORTH

Thu. Aug 28, 2025

- Check out of the hotel.
- Visit the Hula Nature Reserve, home to thousands of storks, cranes, pelicans, and flamingos. Enjoy bike-riding and golf-carting.
- Explore Tsfat, a center of Jewish mysticism for hundreds of years and a contemporary artists' colony. Your visit will include:
 - Guided visit to the Ari, Caro, or Abuhav Synagogues, each with its great stories and mystical messages.
 - A stroll through the quaint Artists' Colony. Shop in the galleries and crafts shops and engage in dialogues with local artisans inspired by the messages of Kabbalah.
 - Meet with artist Sheva Chaya in her studio.
- Welcome to Jerusalem. Enter the vibrant and colorful ancient city of Jerusalem and experience the convergence of the old and the new.
- Stop at the Haas Promenade for an overlook of the Old and New City of Jerusalem and to recite the traditional

shehechyanu blessing.

- Check into the hotel.

🌙 Overnight: Jerusalem 🍴 Meals: Breakfast

DAY 7

CITY OF LAYERS

Fri. Aug 29, 2025

- Explore the excavations at the City of David, the very core of ancient Jerusalem, view the Gihon Spring, and wade through the 2,700-year-old water tunnel of King Hezekiah. Walk through the recently opened Second Temple-period tunnel under the walls of the Old City, emerging in the Jerusalem Archaeological Park.
- Explore the Western Wall Tunnel.
- Kabbalat Shabbat services at Kehillat Mevasseret in Mevasseret Zion, led by Alona Nir-Keren.
- Home Hospitality Shabbat dinner/communal Shabbat dinner with local congregants.

OR

Festive Shabbat dinner at the hotel.

🌙 Overnight: Jerusalem 🍴 Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 8

THE DEAD SEA BASIN

Sat. Aug 30, 2025

- Take the cable car to the top of Masada.
- Float into happiness on the Dead Sea where the feeling of weightlessness is great fun.
- Hike in Nahal David, part of the Ein Gedi Nature Reserve.
- Return to Jerusalem.

🌙 Overnight: Jerusalem 🍴 Meals: Breakfast

DAY 9

MEMORY & RENEWAL

Sun. Aug 31, 2025

- J² Salon Talk: A Time to Remember and a Time to Forget. Memory is a key part of Jewish identity. But aren't some parts of history better left forgotten? We'll be hearing from a variety of voices - Bob Marley, Yehuda Amihai, Rabbi Nahman, and Elie Wiesel – to talk about the role of remembering and forgetting in Jewish life.
- Meet elderly immigrants at Yad LaKashish (Lifeline for the Elderly).
- Experience the sights, smells, and tastes of Jerusalem while walking through the Mahane Yehuda open-air market.
- Adults and youth over the age of 12:
 - Visit the Yad Vashem complex, the Jewish National Memorial to the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust, including:

- The Avenue of the Righteous.
- The Historical Museum.
- The Children's Memorial.
- A concluding Memorial Service.
- Children under 12 with an adult:
 - Visit Ein Yael, an interactive museum located on a 2,000-year-old archaeological site. Take part in weaving, ceramics, painting, and other crafts typical of life in ancient times.
- Return to the hotel.

🌙 Overnight: Jerusalem 🍴 Meals: Breakfast & Lunch

DAY 10

I DIG ISRAEL

Mon. Sep 1, 2025

- Meet with a leader from IRAC (Religious Action Center) to learn about social justice initiatives in Israel at HUC.
- Take part in an interactive archeological dig geared to all ages at the Beit Guvrin Caves.
- Late Check out of the hotel.
- Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant.
- Transfer to the Airport.

🌙 Overnight: Flight 🍴 Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 11

HOME AGAIN

Tue. Sep 2, 2025





RATES & LODGING

PARTICIPANTS	COST P/P IN DOUBLE ROOM	COST P/P IN SINGLE ROOM	CHILD AS 3RD (REDUCTION)
20+	\$5,690	\$7,470	-\$970

TEL AVIV: CROWNE PLAZA BEACH

🕒 Nights: 2

🏠 Room Category: Deluxe

UPPER GALILEE: PASTORAL KFAR BLUM HOTEL

🕒 Nights: 2

🏠 Room Category: Classic

JERUSALEM: LEONARDO PLAZA HOTEL

🕒 Nights: 4+LCO

🏠 Room Category: Deluxe new city



WHAT TO EXPECT

🌟 Included

- 8 nights' accommodations. Late check out on the day of departure is included.
- 9 days of touring with a tour educator (guide), in a luxury, air-conditioned bus.
- Daily breakfast, 1 lunch & 5 dinners.
- Water on the bus.
- The J2 adventures App available on the App Store & on Google Play (active 7 days before your departure and throughout your trip).
- Porterage at the hotels.
- 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

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- 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 non-refundable deposit is required in order to complete the registration process.
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