

# TEMPLE EMANUEL OF KENSINGTON INTERFAITH JOURNEY TO ISRAEL

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Feb 12, 2025 - Feb 21, 2025



DESTINATION

ISRAEL



WHO'S GOING

**ADULTS ONLY** 



TRIP TYPE

**INTERFAITH** 



DURATION

10 DAYS



GROUP SIZE

**30+** 



PRICE

FROM \$4,390



## REGISTRATION DATES JUL 27, 2023 - DEC 12, 2024

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Program is tentative and subject to change. Connect with our Customer Care

## **YOUR JOURNEY**

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.

- 🖒 Local Specialists 🛕 Social Justice 📮 Jeep Tour
- Nature Walks 

   ♥¶ Street Food



## PROGRAM ITINERARY

#### DAY 1

DEPARTURE TO ISRAEL

Wed. Feb 12, 2025

Depart from the USA.

♦ Overnight: Flight

#### DAY 2

#### A JOURNEY OF MEANING

Thu. Feb 13, 2025

- Arrival at Ben Gurion International Airport. Welcome to Israel.
- Check into your hotel (hotel check-in time is generally not before 3:00 p.m.).
- Meet your tour educator who will accompany you on this journey of education and inspiration.
- Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant.

#### DAY 3

#### LAYERS OF JERUSALEM

Fri. Feb 14, 2025

Stop at the Haas Promenade for a traditional "shehechiyanu" blessing of thanksgiving followed by sharing texts focusing on holy space.



- Enter the Old City through the Jaffa Gate and encounter the diversity of faith and tradition in this unique sacred space.
- Tour the Jewish Quarter.
- Climb to the rooftops and look out over the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the golden Dome of the Rock, and the Jewish Quarter's famous Hurva Synagogue.
- Lunch on your own inside the Jaffa Gate and the Old City markets.
- Visit the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.
- Welcoming the Sabbath with a local synagogue.
- Festive shabbat dinner at your hotel.

♦ Overnight: Jerusalem 

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

#### DAY 4

#### THE DEAD SEA BASIN

Sat. Feb 15, 2025

- 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).
- Walk Qumran, where the Dead Sea Sect established a community and the caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found - key to understanding the relations between ancient Judaism and early Christianity.
- Float into happiness on the Dead Sea where the feeling of weightlessness is great fun.
- Return to Jerusalem.



Watch the Night Spectacular at the Tower of David Museum, a cinematic celebration of sight and sound depicting the story of Jerusalem.

#### DAY 5

#### MEMORY AND SACRED PLACE

Sun. Feb 16, 2025

- Sunday worship at a local church.
- Explore Bethlehem, a Palestinian town in the West Bank, and a city central to Chistian memory and tradition.
- Visit Yad Vashem, the national memorial to the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust.
- Drive through the Israeli "Capitol Hill" view the Knesset Israel's Parliament and its famous Menorah, the Supreme Court building, the Prime Minister's Office, the Israeli National Bank, and the Israel National Library.
- J² Salon Talk: A Small Country With Big Questions. Geographically, Israel is one of the smallest countries in the world. However, few landscapes have played such a formative role in human civilization. What are the foundational elements that make up the story of Israel, and what key questions does Israel contends with as it continues to evolve in a shifting regional and international reality?

#### DAY 6



#### CONNECTING WITH THE LAND

Mon. Feb 17, 2025

- Check out of the hotel.
- Visit Kasser Al Yahud, the spot where Christians believe the baptism of Jesus took place.
- On the Mount of Beatitudes, study the "Sermon on the Mount." and meet Jesus as a Galilean figure.
- Visit Capernaum on the shores of the Sea of Galilee and meet the historical context of Jesus' life and teaching.
- Cruise the Sea of Galilee on a boat inspired by the fishing vessels used here 2,000 years ago.
- Check into the hotel and have dinner.
- Reflection and text study.

♦ Overnight: Sea of Galilee 

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

#### DAY 7

#### CHALLENGES IN THE NORTH

Tue. Feb 18, 2025

- Go for a jeep tour of the Golan Heights.
- Stop at Tel Faher, an abandoned Syrian outpost where Israeli soldiers fought during the Six Day War.
- Visit Caesarea Philippi (Banias), the site where Jesus revealed his mission.
- Visit the Hula Nature Reserve, home to thousands of storks, cranes, pelicans, and flamingos. Enjoy bike-riding and golfcarting.
- Wine tasting at a local boutique winery.



Dinner at the hotel.

♦ Overnight: Sea of Galilee 

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

#### DAY 8

#### **COMMUNITY AND MEANING**

Wed. Feb 19, 2025

- Check out of the hotel.
- Stop at Hararit and meet With Rabbi Or Zohar and explore spiritualty together.
- Visit Nazareth and its holy sites.
- Guided visit to the ancient Roman city of Caesarea.
- Enter Tel Aviv and check into the hotel.

♦ Overnight: Tel Aviv

#### DAY 9

#### ROOTS TO GROW, WINGS TO FLY

Thu. Feb 20, 2025

- Explore the Old City of Jaffa and the port were the prophet Jonah embarked on his journey.
- Walk along Independence Trail in Tel Aviv and embark on a remarkable journey that begins with the founding of Tel Aviv in 1909 and ends with the establishment of Israel in 1948.
- Visit ANU the newly opened Museum of the Jewish People. Tour the museum for an interactive encounter with the diversity of the Jewish story.



- Visit the Rabin Memorial and learn about former Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who was assassinated in 1995.
- Late Check out of the hotel.
- Farewell Festive Dinner.
- Transfer to Ben Gurion International Airport and check in for your flight.

♦ Overnight: Flight 

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

#### **DAY 10**

#### **HOME**

Fri. Feb 21, 2025

Until we meet again.





## **RATES & LODGING**

PARTICIPANTS
30+

COST P/P IN DOUBLE ROOM

\$4,390

COST P/P IN SINGLE ROOM

\$5,530

#### JERUSALEM: DAN PANORAMA

Room Category: Deluxe

## SEA OF GALILEE: NOF GINOSAR HOTEL

Room Category: Deluxe

## TEL AVIV: TAL BY THE BEACH

Room Category: Standard



### WHAT TO EXPECT

#### Included

- 7 nights' accommodations. Late check out on the day of departure is included.
- 8 days of touring with a tour educator (guide), in a luxury, air-conditioned bus.
- □ Daily breakfast & 5 dinners.
- Water on the bus.
- Porterage at the hotels.
- □ The J² 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.
- Gratuities: Recommend guidelines for tipping are provided in the terms section.
- 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.
- □ Peace of Mind Travel Protection Program (POM).

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- □ 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.
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