

# TEMPLE ISRAEL MULTIGENERATIONAL JOURNEY TO ISRAEL

LED BY RABBIJESSE GALLOP

Feb 13, 2025 - Feb 23, 2025



DESTINATION ISRAEL



WHO'S GOING

MULTI-GENERATIONAL



TRIP TYPE

CONGREGATIONAL



DURATION
11 DAYS

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**GROUP SIZE** 

20+



PRICE

FROM \$4,995



## REGISTRATION DATES NOV 30, 2023 - DEC 13, 2024

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## **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.

Once you have registered for the trip, you can also register for the extension. Click here for details.

- **Ψ1** Food & Wine **Ψ** Heritage **☆** Food Tasting Tour
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## **PROGRAM ITINERARY**

#### DAY 1

#### **SETTING OUT**

Thu. Feb 13, 2025

Depart USA for your Israel journey.

**Overnight:** Flight

#### DAY 2

#### WELCOME TO ISRAEL

Fri. Feb 14, 2025

- Arrive at Ben Gurion International airport.
- Meet your tour educator who will accompany you on this journey of education and inspiration.
- Guided visit to the ancient city of Caesarea.
- Check in at your hotel.
- Shabbat Shalom. Welcome the Shabbat together as a community with Or Hadash Reform Congregation in Haifa.
- Community Shabbat dinner at the hotel or a local venue.

♦ Overnight: Haifa 

| Meals: Dinner

#### DAY 3

A CITY BY THE SEA

Sat. Feb 15, 2025



- Visit the Or Hadash Reform Congregation in Haifa for a dialogue with the Rabbi and local congregants followed by lunch.
- Visit the Baha'i Gardens and gold-domed Shrine of the Bab.
- 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?
- Cherish shabbat and mark it's passing (until next week) with a havdalah ceremony by the beach.
- Free time to explore Haifa on own.

#### DAY 4

#### COMMUNITIES OF THE NORTH

Sun. Feb 16, 2025

- Check out of your hotel and depart Haifa.
- Encounter the Christian Crusaders and their Muslim rivals at Akko (Acre). Our visit will include The restored Crusaders' Fortress.
- Lunch (on own account) in the Akko shuk market.
- Explore Tsfat, a center of Jewish mysticism for hundreds of years and a contemporary artists' colony, including:



- 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.
- Check in and dinner at your hotel.

#### DAY 5

#### NATURE & SECURITY IN THE GOLAN

Mon. Feb 17, 2025

- Explore Rosh Pina, one of the earliest Zionist agricultural settlements, now a village and artists' colony.
- We'll gaze across the Golan and into Syria from the top of Mount Bental and gain powerful insights into Israel's geopolitical and security situation.
- Go for a jeep tour of the Golan Heights.
- Home hospitality dinner with a Druze family.
- Return to your hotel.

♦ Overnight: Upper Galilee 

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

#### DAY 6

FROM THE HILLS OF THE NORTH TO THE FIRST HEBREW CITY Tue. Feb 18, 2025

Check out from your hotel and depart from the Galilee Panhandle.



- Dialogue with Mohammed Darawshe, Director of Planning,
   Equality and Shared Society at the Givat Haviva Center.
- Stop at Kibbutz Ein Hashofet meet with members and have Lunch.
- Enter Tel Aviv, also known as "the city that never sleeps."
- Explore Nachalat Binyamin, Tel Aviv's arts and crafts market before we move on to the Carmel Market.
- Check in at your hotel.
- Explore the Old City of Jaffa, including the flea market Shuk Hapishpishim, and enjoy dinner on own.

♦ Overnight: Tel Aviv 

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### DAY 7

ALTNEULAND: DREAMS & REALITIES IN TEL AVIV Wed. Feb 19, 2025

- Walk through colorful Neve Zedek, one of Tel Aviv's earliest neighborhoods.
- Walk along the 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.
- Eat, drink, and learn at Levinsky Market, where we'll sample food, sweets, and spices from all over the Mediterranean and the Middle East.
- Visit the Ayalon Institute near Rehovot and its secret ammunition factory.

♦ Overnight: Tel Aviv 

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch



#### DAY 8

MASADA: HISTORY AND MYTH

Thu. Feb 20, 2025

- Early departure from Tel Aviv for the descent to the Dead Sea and the Judaean Desert.
- Take the cable car or hike up the 'Snake' path to the top of Masada, where Jewish rebels are believed to have made their final attempt to resist Roman invaders (c 74 CE).
- 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. (Time permitting)
- Stop at Mount Scopus in Jerusalem for a traditional "shehechiyanu" blessing of thanksgiving.
- Check into the hotel.

#### DAY 9

#### POWER OF MEMORY

Fri. Feb 21. 2025

- Visit Yad Vashem, the national memorial to the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust. Your guided tour will include:
  - The Avenue of the Righteous Gentiles.
  - The Historical Museum.
  - The Sculpture and Monuments Garden and the Children's Memorial.



- Experience the sights, smells, and tastes of Jerusalem while walking through the Mahane Yehuda open-air market.
- Return to the hotel to prepare for Shabbat.
- Shabbat Shalom! Watch as Israelis prepare for Shabbat: Experience the sights, smells. Enjoy shabbat evening with an Israeli Reform movement congregation and Friday together with your Israeli hosts.

♦ Overnight: Jerusalem 

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

#### **DAY 10**

#### A DAY OF ROOTS AND WINGS

Sat. Feb 22, 2025

- Discover multiple faiths in the Old City, including the Via Dolorosa, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. The Western Wall the Jewish quarter.
- Mark the end of Shabbat with a communal Havdalah ceremony overlooking the Old City.
- Free Time in Jerusalem.
- Optional walk tour: Explore the pastoral neighborhoods of Yemin Moshe and Mishkenot Sha'ananim, where the great banker and philanthropist Sir Moses Montefiore developed the famous windmill and the artists' colony.
- Late check out from the hotel.
- Devote some time for reflection and sharing. Where have your been and what are you taking home?
- Festive farewell dinner.
- Group transfer to Ben Gurion Airport.



- Check in and prepare for your flight.
- □ Flight to the USA from Israel. Travel safely and return soon.

♦ Overnight: Flight 

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

#### **DAY 11**

#### **ARRIVE HOME**

Sun. Feb 23, 2025

Arrive home.





## **RATES & LODGING**

PARTICIPANTS 20+

DOUBLE ROOM SINGLE ROOM (REDUCTION)

\$4,995

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**\$6,215** - (**\$380**)

#### **REGISTRATION OPEN**

All rates are in USD.

#### HAIFA: DAN **PANORAMA**

⟨ Nights: 2

Room Category: Executive Bay → View Room

#### **UPPER GALILEE: PASTORAL KFAR BLUM** HOTEL

⟨ Nights: 2

Room Category: Classic Room

#### **TEL AVIV: DAN PANORAMA**

Room Category: Deluxe Plus

Room

#### **JERUSALEM: DAN PANORAMA**

Room Category: Deluxe Room



### WHAT TO EXPECT

#### Included

- 8 nights' accommodations. Late check out on the day of departure is included.
- 9 days of touring with a J<sup>2</sup> Expert Educator (guide), in a luxury, airconditioned bus.
- □ Daily breakfast, 3 lunches & 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.
- 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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