

# TEMPLE BETH EMETH WOMEN'S JOURNEY TO ISRAEL

LED BY CANTOR REGINA LAMBERT-HAYUT

Jun 30, 2024 - Jul 10, 2024





## REGISTRATION DATES JUN 19, 2023 - MAY 12, 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.

## 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.

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### PROGRAM ITINERARY

#### DAY 1

ON OUR WAY

Sun. Jun 30, 2024

Depart for the US.

**Overnight:** Flight

#### DAY 2

#### WELCOME TO ISRAEL

Mon. Jul 1, 2024

- Arrive at Ben-Gurion International Airport.
- Meet your J<sup>2</sup> Expert Educator who will accompany you on this journey of education and inspiration.
- Enter Tel Aviv, also known as "the city that never sleeps."
- Enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant.

♦ Overnight: Tel Aviv

#### DAY 3

TEL AVIV-JAFFA: OLD & NEW

Tue. Jul 2, 2024

- Look back to October 7 and toward the future with your J<sup>2</sup> Expert Educator.
- Stop at the Jaffa Overlook for an introduction to Tel Aviv and to our journey in Israel.
- Usit the Peres Peace Center, created by the late Shimon Peres, former Prime Minister and President of Israel. Our visit will include a tour of the Israeli Innovation Center, which celebrates the people and companies that are making Israel the "innovation nation." You will also meet with a Peres Center professional to learn about the unique and cutting-edge programs supported by the Peres Center.
- Eat, drink, and learn at Levinsky Market, where we'll sample food, sweets, and spices from all over the Mediterranean and the Middle East.
- 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.
- Festive dinner celebrating Cantor Regina Lambert-Hayut.

#### DAY 4

**COMMUNITIES PAST AND PRESENT** 

Wed. Jul 3, 2024



- Join journalist Tal Schneider, chief political correspondent, for an introduction into the country's turbulent political scene.
- Spend time with families of those who were taken hostage. Hear their stories and learn about the work they are doing every day to ensure the safe return of their loved ones.
- Prayer session at Hostage Square to give and receive comfort.
- Meet the team behind Israeli podcast Rays of Light: a podcast that captures the stories of women who survived the attacks of October 7.

♦ Overnight: Tel Aviv

#### DAY 5

#### CHALLENGES IN THE SOUTH

Thu. Jul 4, 2024

- Drive south to the Gaza Envelope.
- Walk through the remains of Kfar Aza with members of the community as they share the stories of this oncevibrant home.
- Continue to Sderot located on Israel's border with the Gaza and see the reality on the ground.
- Visit the site of the Nova Music Festival. The temporary installation is to memorialize those lost and serve as a reminder that "we will dance again."
- Spend time in Rahat, the largest Bedouin city in Israel. Visit a local mosque and speak with its Imam, eat a
  Bedouin meal in the home of a local family, and meet with peace activists and changemakers.
- Return to Tel Aviv.
- Take time to review and reflect on the day with your tour leader and tour educator.

♦ Overnight: Tel Aviv

#### DAY 6

#### ALL ROADS LEAD TO JERUSALEM

Fri. Jul 5, 2024

- Check out of the hotel.
- Stop at the Haas Promenade for a traditional "shehehiyanu" blessing of thanksgiving.
- 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.
  - The Historical Museum.
  - Share feelings and thoughts and discuss what we have experienced and learned at Yad Vashem.
- Check into the hotel and freshen up for Shabbat.
- 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.

#### DAY 7

#### SHABBAT IN JERUSALEM

Sat. Jul 6, 2024

- Discover multiple faiths in the Old City, including the Via Dolorosa and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.
- Visit the Austrian Hospice.
- The Cardo, the main street of Roman-controlled Jerusalem and its Byzantine-era columns.
- □ King Hezekiah's "Broad Wall," built to protect Jerusalem from invasion 2,700 years ago.
- Hurva Square, the center of modern-day life in the Jewish Quarter.
- Spend time at the Kotel (Western Wall), widely considered Judaism's holiest site. We'll discuss the wall's historical and contemporary importance and experience its unique atmosphere.
- Stroll along the Old City Ramparts.
- Visit the Tower of David Museum.
- Havdalah overlooking the Old City.
- Watch the Night Spectacular at the Tower of David Museum, a cinematic celebration of sight and sound depicting the story of Jerusalem.

#### **DAY 8**

#### **DREAMERS & STONES**

Sun. Jul 7, 2024

- Join the Women of the Wall on Rosh Chodesh with a prayer service at the Kotel (Western Wall).
- Meet with a leader from IRAC (Religious Action Center) to learn about social justice initiatives in Israel and women rights.
- Pantry Packers: Volunteer to pack food that is distributed to Jerusalem's most needy communities.
- Dialogue with Rachel Azaria, an activist, former deputy mayor of Jerusalem, and former Member of the Knesset.

#### DAY 9

#### **BEAT OF A CITY**

Mon. Jul 8, 2024

- Torah Reading at the HUC campus overlooking the Old City followed by a meeting with a member of faculty.
- View artist Marc Chagall's tribute to the twelve tribes of Israel in the form of twelve stained-glass windows in the synagogue of Hadassah Hospital, Ein Kerem.
- Explore the Israel Museum, housing more than 5,000 years of cultural treasures.



- Experience the sights, smells, and tastes of Jerusalem while walking through the Mahane Yehuda open-air market.
- The new Israel National Library provides the opportunity to understand centuries of Jewish creativity through one of the world's most impressive collections of Jewish and Israel related literature. In addition, the library staff is dedicated to a national project documenting the events of October 7, 2023.
- Tour 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.

#### **DAY 10**

#### ROOTS TO GROW, WINGS TO FLY

Tue. Jul 9, 2024

- Participate in a ceramic workshop at Susan's House a center that works with at risk youth training them in an artistic field and providing a safe space.
- Take an interactive tour of the Hebrew Music Museum learning about different Jewish music from all over the world and honoring our beloved cantor.
- Bake babka for soldiers and displaced families with Nissimmi Naim Naor, a chef who works in the realms of memory, culture, identity, and tradition. Hear from Nissimmi about his experience during the war and how he believes food can bring comfort in times of need.
- Free afternoon for last-minute shopping and packing.
- Late checkout of the hotel.
- Festive farewell dinner at a local restaurant.
- Group transfer to Ben-Gurion International Airport and check in for your flight.

#### **DAY 11**

#### **HOME**

Wed. Jul 10, 2024

Arrive back in the US.





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## **RATES & LODGING**

PARTICIPANTS

COST P/P IN DOUBLE ROOM

COST P/P IN SINGLE ROOM

20+

\$4,990

\$6,120

**TEL AVIV: TAL BY THE** 

**BEACH** 

Room Category: Standard

JERUSALEM: DAN BOUTIQUE

Room Category: Superior



### WHAT TO EXPECT

#### Included

- $\ \square$  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, 3 lunches & 4 dinners.
- □ The J² adventures App available on the App Store & on Google Play (active 7 days before your departure and throughout your trip)...
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- 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.
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- □ US and foreign airport taxes, Q fuel surcharge and border taxes when applicable.
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