



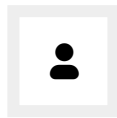
PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE A JOURNEY THROUGH ISRAEL'S CHALLENGES & HOPE

LED BY RABBI NEIL ZUCKERMAN & RABBI
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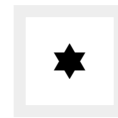
Mar 29, 2025 - Apr 4, 2025



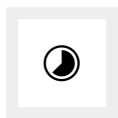
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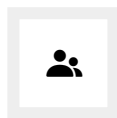
WHO'S GOING
ADULTS ONLY



TRIP TYPE
CONGREGATIONAL



DURATION
7 DAYS



GROUP SIZE
30+



PRICE
FROM \$4,035

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REGISTRATION DATES

JAN 12, 2025 - FEB 28, 2025



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 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).

YOUR JOURNEY

J² 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.

REGISTRATION

If you previously paid a deposit for the November 2024 trip, and J² is still holding it, please register by clicking [HERE](#). Your deposit will be allocated toward this trip.

For those who were not registered for the November 2024 trip, a \$500 non-refundable deposit is required. Click on “REGISTRATION OPEN” at the bottom right corner of the screen to begin your registration and payment process.

ELECTRONIC TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

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As of January 2025, **entrance to Israel** for any non-Israeli passport holders **will require a permit called ETA-IL** (Electronic Travel Authorization).

An application for the permit must be submitted at least 72 hours prior to traveling to Israel and the permit will be valid for two years.

For more information about the ETA-IL and to apply, please see the website of Israel Population & Immigration Authority [here](#).

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PROGRAM ITINERARY

DAY 1

ON OUR WAY

Sat. Mar 29, 2025

- Depart for Israel.

 Overnight: Flight

DAY 2

WELCOME TO ISRAEL

Sun. Mar 30, 2025

- Arrive at Ben-Gurion International Airport.
- Check into the hotel. Meet your J² Expert Educator, Uri Feinberg, who will accompany you on this journey of education and inspiration.
- 7:30 p.m. Welcome dinner and dialogue with Haviv Rettig Gur, senior analyst at The Times of Israel. Since 2005, he has covered Israeli politics, foreign and regional policies, and the complex relationship with the Jewish Diaspora.

 Overnight: Jerusalem  Meals: Dinner

DAY 3

ISRAEL IN DIALOGUE: STORIES, POLITICS, AND HERITAGE

Mon. Mar 31, 2025

- Engage in an inspiring conversation with Dr. Hadas Minka-Brand, CEO of the Joint Distribution Committee (JDC), at their headquarters in

Jerusalem. Gain firsthand insights into the JDC's critical humanitarian efforts, both in Israel and around the world, as they support vulnerable communities, respond to crises, and foster resilience. Learn about the organization's impact on Israeli society, including programs that empower disadvantaged populations, promote social innovation, and strengthen communal resilience in times of challenge. This intimate discussion will provide a deeper understanding of how global Jewish philanthropy plays a vital role in sustaining hope and rebuilding lives.

- Mount Herzl is Israel's central military cemetery and hosts the graves of the leaders of the nation. Over the last several months, the recently fallen have joined this sacred place. Visit Mount Herzl and contend with the human price paid by Israeli families and the country in the Israel-Hamas War.
- Visit the Himmelfarb School and engage in meaningful dialogue with Rabbi Jeremy Stavisky.
- Enjoy lunch (on own) with an opportunity to support the local Israeli economy.
- Experience an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at Israel's National Library, including private access to rare manuscripts, historical archives, and special exhibits. Engage with leading curators and scholars about the library's rich collections and its role in preserving Jewish heritage.
- Return to Jerusalem for dinner and dialogue with Col. (Ret.) Miri Eisin , a leading thinker on geopolitics, Zionism, and foreign policy. Miri formerly served as the advisor to the Prime Minister on foreign media and now is the chairman of the board of the Taub Center.

 Overnight: Jerusalem  Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 4

RESILIENCE AND INSIGHT: A DAY IN THE GAZA ENVELOPE

Tue. Apr 1, 2025

- Drive to the Gaza Envelope.
- Visit the resilient community of Kibbutz Kfar Aza. Walk around the kibbutz to see first hand how what was destroyed is being rebuilt in the hopes of allowing kibbutz members to return home. Hear firsthand from community members about the profound trauma they experienced and their unwavering determination to rebuild, showcasing their collective strength and hope in the face of immense challenges. Engage in a heartfelt dialogue with kibbutz members about their journey of recovery and the bonds that sustain their community as well as their vision of for the new Kfar Aza.
- Embark on a sensory-filled culinary tour in Sderot – a delightful journey through the heart of the city. Led by Adi Rozen, this unique experience combines immersive tastings with insights into the personal and communal resilience of Sderot's residents. Adi will share with you the challenges Sderot has faced since October 7th as well as her own story as an evacuee from Netiv Ha'asara.
- Get a chance to form person-to-person connections and hear about life since October 7, 2023 from your partners in the Eshkol region.
- Enjoy dinner at the home of Ossy, a resident of Ofakim, who will share her story.
- Return to Jerusalem.

 Overnight: Jerusalem  Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 5

THE LEBANESE BORDER AND THE HUMAN MOSAIC OF THE GALILEE

Wed. Apr 2, 2025

- Head north to the Western Galilee.
- Understanding the Security Challenges on Israel's Northern Border: Field Briefing with Lieutenant Colonel (Res.) Sarit Zehavi, Founder and President of the Alma Research and Education Center. Specializing in Israel's security concerns on the northern border, particularly regarding Hezbollah and other regional threats, Zehavi provides unparalleled insights into the complex security dynamics at play.
- Support a local business that has been significantly impacted by the recent conflict in the north by enjoying lunch in the home of a Druze family.
- The Human Mosaic of the Galilee: Panel discussion at the Alma Research & Education Center with two speakers from diverse communities, ethnic backgrounds, and identities in the Galilee region. These individuals will share their unique perspectives on issues affecting their communities, followed by an interactive Q&A session with the audience and a moderator.
- Return to Jerusalem.

 Overnight: Jerusalem  Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 6

FROM REMEMBRANCE TO RENEWAL

Thu. Apr 3, 2025

- Meet Menachem Bombach, a member of the Hassidic community who is revolutionizing Haredi education in Israel. He will shed light on the Ultra Orthodox perspective on the current situation in Israel.
- Drive to Gush Etzion. Meet with Khaled Abu Awwad and Shaul Judelman from Shorashim (Roots), fostering constructive communication between West Bank Palestinians and their Jewish neighbors.
- Enjoy lunch (on own) with the opportunity to support the local Israeli economy.
- What Uplifts Us: Engage in a thought-provoking dialogue with Rabbi Tamar Elad Appelbaum, a prominent spiritual leader and founder of Tzion: An Israeli Community. Gain insights into her compassionate leadership and the ways she has inspired resilience and unity in the face of Israel's latest challenges, fostering hope and connection across diverse communities.
- Where Do We Go From Here? Dialogue with Tal Becker, an Israeli international law expert, negotiator, and strategic advisor. He serves as a Senior Fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem, where he is the principal staff member responsible for developing the Institute's educational and policy initiatives on Israel and the Jewish world.
- Late checkout of the hotel.
- Private farewell dinner: Reflecting on our journey and charting the path forward.

 Overnight: Flight  Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 7

HOME AGAIN

Fri. Apr 4, 2025

- Arrive back in the US.

THE EXPERT



URI FEINBERG

Uri Feinberg has been a Jewish educator for over 30 years. Emigrating from the US with his family when he was 10, Uri grew up in Jerusalem, served in the IDF, and traveled the world. He has a master's degree in Contemporary Jewish Studies, and was a Jewish history teacher for North American teens, in semester programs in Israel, for many years. Uri spent three years in the US with his wife and three daughters where he served as the Interim Director of Education of Temple Israel of Boston. Uri has worked as a tour educator for a wide range of groups including synagogue, Federation, URJ and CCAR leadership, interfaith, multi-generational. He has guided Jewish heritage trips throughout Europe and has lectured on Israel and Jewish identity across North America. Uri and his family live in the city of Modi'in, and are active members of their Reform congregation, YOZMA.



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RATES & LODGING

PARTICIPANTS	COST P/P IN DOUBLE ROOM	COST P/P IN SINGLE ROOM
30+	\$4,035	\$4,915

JERUSALEM: THE INBAL

 Nights: 4 + LCO

 Room Category: Standard New City
[View](#)

WHAT TO EXPECT

◆ Included

- 4 nights' accommodations. Late check out until 6:00 p.m. on the day of departure is included.
- 5 days of touring with a J² Expert Educator (guide) in a luxury, air-conditioned bus.
- An armed security guard throughout the mission.
- Daily breakfast, 2 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).
- Water on the bus.
- Porterage at the hotels.
- Gratuities to J² Expert Educator (guide) and driver.
- All site entrance fees & program fees as per your final program.

⚙ Excluded

- Credit card fees.
- Flights to & from Israel.
- COVID related expenses, including tests.
- Late check out **past** 6 p.m. on the day of departure.
- 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.
- Peace of Mind Travel Protection Program (POM).

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 non-refundable deposit of \$500 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: customercare@j2adventures.com.
- Payments | The balance of your payment is due on Feb 28, 2025, 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.
- J² 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 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.

Terms

- Final payment is due on February 28, 2025.
- Protect yourself from fraud by being cautious and vigilant when it comes to online theft. It is crucial to note that J² adventures will never send an email requesting you to transfer funds to a new account or to redirect a payment. We will never alter our account number or issue additional payment requests without first personally speaking to you and properly identifying ourselves. If you feel uncertain about any communication (scammers often impersonate legitimate companies via e-mail or by calling), halt and contact us directly through our toll-free number listed on our website to discuss any necessary payments. Refrain from responding to suspicious emails or clicking on links or attachments unless you are completely certain of their legitimacy. By following these guidelines and staying vigilant, you can significantly reduce your risk of becoming a victim of fraud.
- Mobility: Solidarity missions are specifically strenuous, and our visits include places that are inaccessible to people who may have mobility challenges. You should be in good health and able to walk reasonable distances, often over unpaved and uneven surfaces. PLEASE NOTE: In some cases you may need to run to a shelter, if you have questions regarding this matter please speak to a J² representative.
- Please click [here](#) to view our full terms (T&C's). These T&C's apply to all reservations created within J² Adventures.