

This is a time that matters. This is Israel @ 78

April 20-27, 2026

Not Just a Trip—A Journey

Travel with purpose. This immersive journey, tailored for adults, is designed for those seeking meaning, context, and connection in today's Israel.

Timed to coincide with Yom HaZikaron (Israel's Memorial Day) and Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel's 78th Independence Day), you'll experience two of Israel's most emotionally resonant national moments—moving from solemn remembrance to vibrant celebration.

You'll hear directly from thought leaders in politics, tech, art, and defense. You'll taste the best of Israel's culinary scene and relax in some of its finest hotels. You'll engage, reflect, and celebrate with people who share your values.

Whether it's your first time in Israel or your fifth, this mission offers something uniquely powerful—and profoundly meaningful.

Trip Highlights:

Each day is designed with intention. Highlights include:

- Exclusive access to national ceremonies, leaders, and briefings
- Thematic tracks in tech, politics, food & wine, art, and more
- Gourmet meals & boutique winery visits
- Post-October 7 context, including visits to impacted communities and recovery efforts
- Time for connection and reflection with free evenings in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem
- Deluxe guided touring, private bus, enhanced security, and top-tier hospitality



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What's Included

- Seven nights of luxury accommodations in Tel Aviv (3 nights), Jerusalem (3 nights), and Northern Israel (1 night)
- VIP airport transfers (for designated mission times)
- Deluxe motor coach with private guide
- 6 dinners, 5 lunches
- All programming, speaker sessions, and entrance fees
- Enhanced security, porterage, and more

Cost and Registration

Premier accommodations package:
(Sheraton hotel in Tel Aviv)
\$5,700* per person, double occupancy, with optional \$1,604 single occupancy upgrade.

Luxury accommodations package:
(Kempinski hotel in Tel Aviv)
\$6,300* per person, double occupancy, with optional \$2,283 single occupancy upgrade.

Please note:

Airfare is not included in the program cost. Participants are responsible for booking their own flights. Mission will begin in Israel on the morning of April 20, 2026 and participants can schedule their departure for the evening of April 27, 2026. Travel insurance is strongly recommended; JFGC does not provide trip cancellation insurance.

A \$1,000 deposit is required for each person registering for the mission. Full payment of your selected package is due by March 1, 2026. In the event of cancellation by JFGC, your deposit will be refunded to you in full.

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