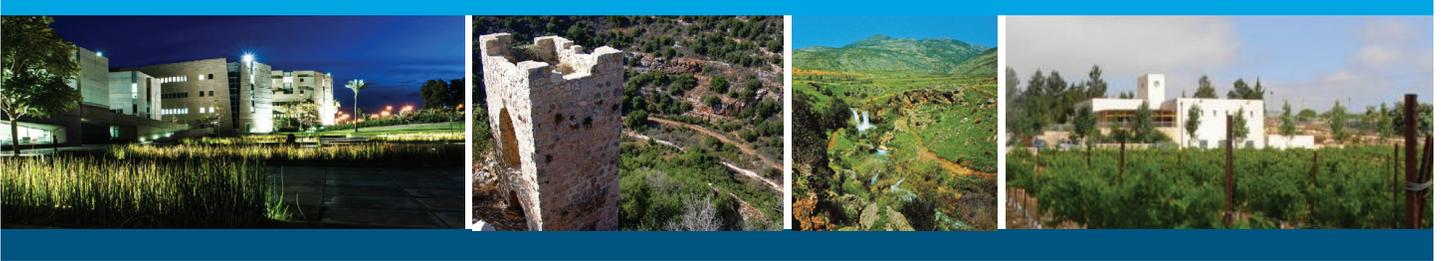




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MISSION

to

ISRAEL

October 19 - 26, 2017

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DAY 1 - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

DEPART ON OVERNIGHT FLIGHT TO ISRAEL

DAY 2 - FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

ARRIVAL IN JERUSALEM

You will be met at Ben Gurion Airport at the sleeve of the plane. After going through arrival procedures meet your Guide and ascend to Jerusalem via the Judean Hills. Arrive to the Kotel (Western Wall) and recite the traditional Shehecheyanu Blessing upon entering the city.

Check into the King David Hotel, unpack and meet in a private room for Cocktails with several Lone Soldiers. Shabbat dinner with Rabbi Swerdlov.



DAY 3 - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

SHABBAT AFTERNOON OPTIONS

OPTION 1:

Walk to the Old City to visit the Christian Quarter and stroll through the Arab Shuk (marketplace).

OPTION 2:

Walk through the streets of Central Jerusalem, using the writings of Shmuel Yosef Agnon, Israel's first Nobel Laureate as a guide, exploring the Jerusalem of over 100 years ago, its differences and similarities to today.

All meet for Shabbat Lunch in the Old City in a lovely Armenian restaurant. Then Open Time.

At the end of Shabbat participate in Havdalah overlooking the Old City at the famous Montefiore Windmill.

Enjoy dinner at the Jerusalem Press Club with speakers Khaled Abu Toameh, an independent award-winning Arab-Israeli journalist, and film producer who has been covering the Middle East conflict for more than 20 years. At present he writes for The Jerusalem Post and US News & World Report and is a visiting fellow at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, and Gil Hoffman, the chief political correspondent and analyst for The Jerusalem Post. Well-connected to Israeli and Palestinian leaders, he has interviewed every major figure across the Israeli political spectrum, has been interviewed by top media on six continents and is a regular analyst on CNN, Al-Jazeera and other news outlets. Called "The most optimistic man in Israel" by Israel Television, Hoffman provides a behind the scenes look at the intrigue and humor in the Israeli political arena. Possible Old City late night tunnel tour.

DAY 4 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

THE DEAD SEA AREA



Depart Jerusalem and drive east through the Judean Desert, arriving at the mountain-top fortress of Masada for an in-depth tour of the site. Ascend the cliff top fortress by cable car. From the top of Masada, the outlines of the Roman encampments are still visible below.

Continue to a hotel/spa on the shore of the Dead Sea for an afternoon of R & R. Enjoy the tasty buffet lunch (included). You also have use of the hotel's private Dead Sea beach and private outdoor pool. You may wish to reserve treatments at the spa (not

included, should be reserved in advance).

Return to Jerusalem in the late afternoon. Dinner is on your own this evening – we will make reservations for you.

After dinner meet at Jaffa Gate and proceed to the David Citadel for the Spectacular Sound & Light Show inside the Citadel.

DAY 5 - MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

THE OLD CITY OF JERUSALEM

After breakfast check-out of the hotel. With your Guide meet Col. (res.) Dany Tirza who will show you the Security Fence winding through neighborhoods of Jerusalem. He is the man responsible for the process. Since 1994, Col. Tirza headed a special staff in the IDF Central Command in charge of regional strategic planning. Col. Tirza specializes in the geography of Judea and Samaria, the Jordan Valley, and Jerusalem.

Proceed to the Old City and walk the ramparts from Jaffa gate to Zion Gate. Tour the Jewish Quarter.



Lunch on your own.

Proceed to visit Yad Vashem, the Memorial and Museum of the Holocaust.

Drive to Tel Aviv and check into David Intercontinental Hotel. Dinner this evening is in a restaurant.

DAY 6 - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24 TO THE GALILEE

Following an early breakfast drive to Herziliya. Take an awesome Helicopter ride across the country to the Golan Heights. Now board your awaiting jeeps and tour the area.

Arrive to Mount Bental, overlooking Syria, to gain a better understanding of the events of Israel's wars of 1967 and 1973, and the issues confronting Israel today in her quest for peace.



Visit an IDF base and meet with the soldiers and officers (pending military permission).

Proceed to Lunch and Wine tasting in a local winery followed by a visit to Safed, the mystical city on the highest mountain in the area.

Board your Helicopter once again and ride back to Herziliya, then return to Tel Aviv.

Dinner this evening is in a restaurant.

DAY 7 - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25



DOWN SOUTH TO BEER SHEVA

Following breakfast today drive south to the city of Beer Sheva. Visit the Beer Sheva Advanced Technologies Park. This is a unique public-private partnership blending the outstanding achievements of Ben-Gurion University and the City of Be'er-Sheva with high-tech companies seeking to develop innovative commercial applications for the world.

Onto the Soroka Medical Research Center whose mission and vision is to lead and support clinical study from the very first step of the project- formulation of a scientific idea, through the data collection and analysis, to the final step - integration of the scientific findings into the clinical practice.

Enjoy a fast lunch en route. Visit a Jewish Federation of North America PROJECT TBD.

Time permitting visit the Ayalon Institute in Rehovot ("the secret bullet factory, a clandestine operation that manufactured armaments right under the noses of the British!")

Arrive back to Tel Aviv - After dinner tonight (on your own account) enjoy a tour of Nightlife around Tel Aviv.

DAY 8 - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26
THE NEW HEBREW CITY OF TEL AVIV
A DAY OF GOLF CAESAREA



OPTION: After breakfast drive to the only 9-hole golf course.*

*Additional fee

For the non-golfers visit remarkable sites around Tel Aviv. Drive to the Palmach Museum in North Tel Aviv. This is an experiential museum, covering the Palmach legacy through the stories of individuals

and groups. Visitors to the museum join a group of young Palmach recruits from its establishment in the early 40's and advance through the story of the Palmach until the end of the War of Independence.

Now on to the Milk & Honey Whiskey Distillery for a tour and tastings. The Milk & Honey Distillery is a hidden gem among the workshops and warehouses of the small industrial zone on the border of Tel Aviv and Jaffa, right by the Bloomfield Soccer Stadium. Whiskey-making is a special process that involves all senses. Moreover, it requires craftsmanship that is soaked with history, combining science, technology and handwork.



We conclude the day at the new Herta and Paul Amir Building of the Tel Aviv Art Museum, inaugurated in the Fall of 2011, which doubled the museum's exhibition space. Designed by American architect Preston Scott Cohen, this innovative building is an international landmark at the center of Tel Aviv, Israel's cultural capital. There is a cafeteria there for lunch (on own account).

Return to the hotel to pack – a late check-out has been provided.

Before dinner meet in a private room to discuss your experiences during your time in Israel.

Drive to the Sarona Compound for a Farewell Dinner – Sarona is the new 'in' area of restaurants and shops in Tel Aviv.

After dinner depart (all on same flight) to Ben Gurion Airport for your flight back to the United States. You will be assisted with departure procedures.

Itinerary subject to change.



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EXTENSION TO PETRA

OCTOBER 26-28, 2017

DAY 8 - THUR, OCT 26

SHALOM

After the Farewell Dinner say Shalom to your friends departing from Israel tonight. Overnight at the Carlton.

DAY 9 - FRI, OCT 27

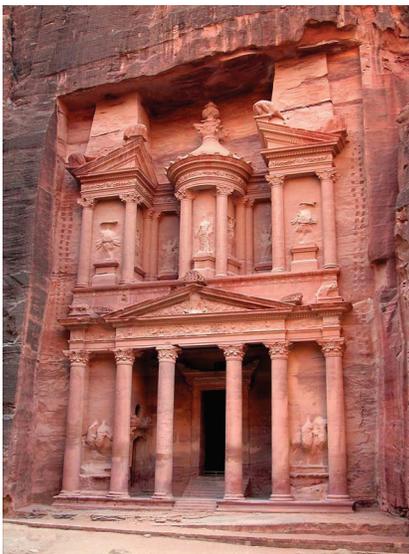
ON TO EILAT

Following breakfast check-out of your hotel. Our driver will meet you for the transfer to the Tel Aviv Domestic Airport for your domestic flight to Eilat (approximately an hour-long flight). After landing in Eilat, meet our driver and transfer vehicle that will take you to the Royal Beach hotel in Eilat to check-in.



DAY 10 - SAT, OCT 28

PETRA



You will be picked up from your hotel and assisted with all procedures at the Arava border. Drive to Petra 2 hours via Aqaba, until the small town of Wadi Moussa / Petra. The entrance to Petra is through Al-Siq, a winding trail at the bottom of a natural deep canyon, at the end of which reveals itself the most famous Treasury monument. Hear story of the Nabateans who have established Petra as their capital on the "Spice Route".

Petra is an archaeological site in Jordan, lying in a basin among the mountains which form the eastern flank of Wadi Araba, the great valley running from the Dead Sea to the Gulf of Aqaba. It is famous for having many stone structures carved into the rock. The long-hidden site was revealed to the Western world in 1812. Its famous description "a rose-red city half as old as time" and the capital of the Nabataeans.

Have a lunch break at a local restaurant.

This afternoon drive back to Arava border. At the border, our representative will await you on the Israeli side to transfer you to Eilat airport for your flight back to Tel Aviv. After landing in Tel Aviv, meet your driver and vehicle for the transfer to Ben Gurion Airport for your departure flight back home. A member of our staff will meet you there to assist you with check-in procedures.

COSTS

ISRAEL LAND ONLY - \$3,800

Based on Double Occupancy and minimum 20 participants. Single Supplement \$1,175

PETRA - \$1,165

Based on Double Occupancy and minimum 10 participants. Single Supplement \$259

Room upgrades available.

Room includes: Free Wifi and Free Daily Breakfast

Deposit of \$500 required per person by May 1 (\$50 is non-refundable).

From July 1 - August 31 there is a Cancellation fee of \$1,000 per person.

Final payment to be paid in full by September 1, 2017.

Cancellation within 30 days of arrival - full payment will be charged.

Payable to the Jewish Federation. Monthly payment plans via credit card or check can be arranged.

Travel Insurance is strongly suggested. This can be bought when booking flights OR go to www.insuremytrip.com for comparison travel insurance companies.

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