



Journey to the Holy Land with optional Jordan Extension

with Sunlight Tours

 Tel Aviv-Yafo, Israel

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Trip Overview



Your host

Sunlight Tours ✓

Feb 25 – Mar 10, 2025

Group size: 1-40

Tel Aviv-Yafo, Israel

About this trip

Come and experience the wonders of this beautiful and complex land.

This trip invites you into a multitude of opportunities to explore the culture, the spirituality and the political story of this land and its people. You won't read the Bible or the news in the same way again!

Trip Highlights: Seeing many ancient sites connected the ministry of Jesus, visits with speakers from different faiths and backgrounds, floating on the Dead Sea, staying at the Mount of Beatitudes, a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, and so much more...

This trip also offers an optional trip extension to Jordan (March 10-13, 2025) to see the world-famous UNESCO site of Petra, along with the Wadi Rum, Jerash and Mount Nebo.

With so many special stops along the way, you don't want to miss this trip of a lifetime!

****Now Offering No Risk Registration****

Here at Sunlight Tours we hold safety as one of our highest priorities – both yours and ours. Due to the current turmoil in this area, we wish to ease any hesitation you might have about signing up. So, we have now added “no risk registration” to this trip offering. What does this mean? We will refund your deposit and any trip payments for this trip if either Sunlight Tours cancels the trip or if you decide to cancel your travel for safety reasons up until 90 days before the trip. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please contact us [here](#).

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What's included

✓ Airport Transfers	to and from the hotel with group
✓ Hotel Accommodations	
✓ All meals	
✓ Expert Trip Guide	English speaking
✓ Transportation	by private bus with water provided
✓ Entrance & speaker fees	
✓ Tips/Gratuities	For guide, driver, and hotel staff
✓ Whisper Sound System	to clearly hear the guide's presentation while touring sites
✓ Boat ride excursion	
✗ Airfare	We are happy to book your airfare for you. If you book airfare on your own, it must be coordinated with us to best arrange transfers to/from the airport. Airfare needs to be paid upon booking.
✗ Personal Expenses	and any incidentals
✗ Some beverages	
✗ Passport/visa fees	not already indicated in itinerary
✗ Travel Insurance	This is highly recommended. As a way to help protect your trip experience, we offer travel insurance options. Free quotes & special group rates are available. Please contact with questions.
✗ All other services	All other services/gratuities not mentioned as included

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Packages & Options

Available packages

Double Occupancy

\$4125

Deposit: \$500

Single Occupancy

\$5465

Deposit: \$500

Available options

Jordan Extension Double Occupancy

\$1500

Jordan Extension Single Occupancy

\$1925

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Itinerary

Day 1 Tuesday, February 25

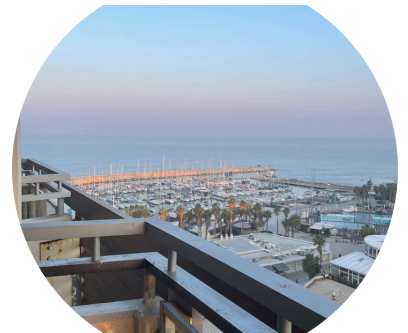
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Day 2 Wednesday, February 26

Arrival in Israel

Arrive in **Tel Aviv** around 4 pm on Monday afternoon. Be met by our guide at Ben Gurion Airport after customs and baggage claim. Proceed to hotel to check in. **Herod's Hotel in Tel Aviv (D)**



Day 3 Thursday, February 27

Along the Mediterranean Coastline and on to Galilee

This morning we begin with a walking tour of **Jaffa**. We then depart Tel Aviv heading north along the coast to **Caesarea** and its Roman antiquities. We continue on to **Cana** in the **Galilee**. Stop at **Nazareth** to view the **Basilica of the Annunciation** and **Church of St. Joseph**. **Mount of Beatitudes Guesthouse. (B, L, D)**



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Day 4 Friday, February 28

The Hills of Galilee and the Cradle of Christianity

After breakfast, board a **boat** and enjoy a **boat ride** around the **Sea of Galilee**. Travel to the **Mount of Beatitudes** where we celebrate Holy Communion. **Lunch at Mount of Beatitudes**. Drive to **Tabgha** and see the traditional site of the "*Feeding of the Multitudes*". Visit the **Church of Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes** and **Capernaum**. Visit **Magdala**, hometown of Mary Magdalene. **Mount of Beatitudes Guesthouse (B, L, D)**



Day 5 Saturday, March 1

Beauty and History

Travel to **Caesarea Phillipi**, one of the sources of the Jordan River. Appreciate the beauty of this enchanting spot located in a Nature Reserve at the foot of **Mt. Hermon**, believed by some denominations to be the site of Jesus' transfiguration. **Mount of Beatitudes Guesthouse (B, L, D)**



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Day 6 Sunday, March 2

Bethlehem Tour

Megiddo, Shepherd's Field, Manger Square and Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. After our journey from up north visiting Megiddo along the way, we spend the rest of the day in and around Bethlehem. We will visit the one of the oldest Christian churches in the world, the Church of the Nativity. We also stop at the area of the caves where the shepherds were visited by the angels. **St. George Hotel in Jerusalem (B, L, D)**



Day 7 Monday, March 3

In and Around Jerusalem

We begin this day on the **Mount of Olives** where we follow the **Palm Sunday road** and end in the **Garden of Gethsemane**, Next, we go on to the **Garden Tomb** and then to **Mt. Zion**. We also see **King David's tomb**, the **Room of the Last Supper**, the **Dormition Abbey**, and **St. Peter in Gallicantu Church**. A visit with Sheikh Ehab. **St. George Hotel in Jerusalem (B, L, D)**



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Day 8 Tuesday, March 4

Kings and Rebels in the Desert of Judah

This morning, we drive east through the Judean Desert to the caves of **Qumran**, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. We also visit **Jericho** and **Masada**, Herod's fortress of majestic beauty overlooking the Dead Sea. We finish our day with a float in the Dead Sea. **St. George Hotel in Jerusalem (B, L, D)**



Day 9 Wednesday March 5

Living Stones that Work for Peace

In the morning, we visit Daoud Nasser at **Tent of Nations**. We will hear about his work to promote peace while working to keep his land. We will share lunch with Daoud. In the afternoon, we will visit Wi'am, the Palestinian conflict resolution center to learn about its work, political socio-economic situation, and how there can be hope for a future of justice, peace and reconciliation. We finish our day at Banksy's **Walled Off Hotel** in Bethlehem. **St. George Hotel in Jerusalem (B, L, D)**



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Day 10 Thursday, March 6

Old City Jerusalem

We begin the day with a visit to **Al Aqsa Mosque**. We then walk to the **Western Wall, the Christian Quarter**, walk along the **Via Dolorosa** and the **Stations of the Cross** to the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**. Lunch in the Old City. Worship in the **Garden Tomb**. Have a conversation with a Jewish Scholar. **St. George's Hotel in Jerusalem (B, L, D)**



Day 11 Friday, March 7

Western Jerusalem

Today, we visit **Yad Vashem, the Holocaust museum**. We will also visit **Ein Karem**, where Mary visited her sister Elizabeth before the birth of Jesus. We will also visit the **City of David and Hezekiah's Tunnels**, to see what lies under the current city of Jerusalem that can give us clues to its history. **St. George's Hotel in Jerusalem (B, L, D)**



Day 12 Saturday, March 8

Working for Hope

Today we visit the traditional site of **Jacob's Well** in Nablus. It is also the site where Jesus encountered the Samaritan woman. We will visit **Tomorrow's Youth Organization** in Nablus. TYO provides support for



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families in the area through early childhood education, after-school tutoring, entrepreneurship training and mental health services. **St. George's Hotel in Jerusalem (B, L, D)**

Day 13 Sunday, March 9

Jordan River, Nablus

Worship at **Christmas Lutheran in Bethlehem** at 10:30 am. Visit **Qasar El Yahud**, the place the Israelites crossed the Jordan River on their way to the Holy Land and where John the Baptist baptized Jesus. **Farewell dinner. St. George's Hotel in Jerusalem (B, L, D)**



Day 14 Monday, March 10

Return home -or- continue on to Jordan extension

Flight out for those going home

-or-

Transfer to the Jordan border for those going on the extension

***All dates and times are subject to change, but we will do our best to make sure you see it all!*



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Jordan Extension: Day 1 Monday, March 10

Arrival at Allenby border and cross into Jordan. Visit Madaba "The City of Mosaics" and the city of Christianity, with very impressive Greek Orthodox ruins and churches and dozens of beautiful Mosaics. The Mosaic of the ancient map that shows the Middle East is the most important and the most beautiful. It is located in St. George Church. After Madaba drive onwards to Mt. Nebo, where Moses overlooked the Holy Land. Here we will have the chance to look through Moses' eyes. We then continue to the ancient Roman city of Jerash. Jerash is known as one of the most well preserved Old Roman cities with impressive colonnaded streets, vaulted terrace, and the ruins of two theatres. Overnight in Amman. (B, L, D)



Jordan Extension: Day 2 Tuesday, March 11

This morning we leave Amman and drive to Petra. The afternoon will be spent in Petra visiting many of the wonderful sites waiting for you there. Petra is called the lost city in the middle of nowhere with its huge facades carved into the rocks that will take our breath away around each corner. Petra has been featured in Hollywood blockbusters such as "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" and "Transformers 2." Overnight in Petra. (B, L, D)



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Jordan Extension: Day 3 Wednesday, March 12

This morning, our journey takes us to the Wadi Rum, which is an amazing desert with other-worldly landforms and scenery. Our day includes a jeep ride to see up close the unique features of this natural ecosystem. We will check in to our camp in the Wadi Rum for the night. Plenty of time to watch the sunset over the landforms of the valley. Overnight at Aicha Luxury Camp (B, L, D)



Jordan Extension: Day 4 Thursday, March 13

This morning, after a late check out, you will depart the camp to head to Amman. In Amman, we will tour the Citadel, a museum dedicated to the rich and long history of the city of Amman. After dinner, the group will be taken to the Amman Airport to wait for the late-night flight home, arriving back in the US on March 14. (B, L)



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