

Israel Overture

Thursday Departures
11 Days • 9 Nights

An Isram Israel Exclusive Tour
Limited to 28 participants

Tour Includes:

- Professional Tour Director
- Choice of Deluxe Hotel Plans
- 6 Days of Comprehensive Sightseeing
- Walking Tour of Tel Aviv
- Arrival and Departure Transfers with Special Assistance (International Flights)

14 Meals:

- Daily Israeli Buffet Breakfast
- Friday Dinner Get-together in Tel Aviv
- Dinner in Haifa
- Lunch at Kibbutz Kfar Charuv
- Restaurant Dinner in Jerusalem
- Traditional Friday Night Dinner in Jerusalem

Special Features

- Tour the Israeli Museum at the Rabin Center
- Dinner and special presentation in Haifa
- Descend to the Underwater Grottos at Rosh Hanikra
- Enjoy wine tasting at a local Winery
- Thrilling Jeep Ride in the Golan
- Night Tour of "illuminated" Jerusalem
- Tour Herodian Mansions or Hasmonean Tunnel
- Sound & Light Show in Jerusalem
- WiFi enabled buses and Free WiFi at all hotels
- Tips to all restaurant staff

(B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner



Colorful Neighborhood in Safed

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Thursday: En Route

Depart the U.S.A. on your flight to Israel.

Friday: Tel Aviv

Welcome to Israel! Arrive Ben Gurion Airport; special meeting, assistance and transfer to your hotel in trendy Tel Aviv's Mediterranean beach. Balance of the afternoon at leisure in the "city that never sleeps". Tonight, **Get Together Dinner**. (D)

Saturday: Tel Aviv

Morning walking tour with the group guide through the city's well known streets including **Dizengoff Square** and **Ben Gurion House**, former residence of the First Prime Minister. Remainder of the day at leisure to enjoy all of the delights of this Mediterranean paradise. Tel Aviv's museums and restaurants are world-class. Don't miss Tel Aviv's hip port neighborhood, with its yachts, shops and café-filled promenades. (B)

Sunday: Tel Aviv/Haifa

Depart Tel Aviv. Drive to the extraordinary **Israeli Museum** at the **Yitzhak Rabin Center** chronicling the life of the late Prime Minister and the development of the State of Israel. Continue to ancient **Caesarea**; explore the Roman and Crusader ruins including the impressive 2,000-year-old theater (still in use!) and aqueduct. Arrive in **Nazareth**, the sacred town where Jesus spent part of his youth; visit the Church and view **Mary's Well**. On to the sparkling port city of **Haifa**; check into your hotel atop Mt. Carmel. Evening: Enjoy **Dinner** and a special cultural presentation (*subject to minimum 10 tour participants*). (B,D)

Monday: Haifa

Begin the day with a view of the golden-domed **Baha'i Shrine** and visit the breathtaking "hanging gardens," – a UNESCO World Heritage site. Drive along the coast to **Rosh Hanikra**; descend by cable car to see the magnificent underwater grottoes. Time to enjoy some fine wines at a local winery. Then continue to the timeless Crusader city of **Acre**; walk through the subterranean city and bazaars that recall the colorful Middle

Ages. Return to Haifa for an evening at leisure in the picturesque **German Colony**, with its great dining options and special ambiance. Your guide and driver will be available to assist with transportation to this charming neighborhood. (B)

Tuesday: Haifa/Jerusalem

Depart Haifa en route to **Safed**, one of Judaism's holiest cities, where the Kabbalah was developed in the 16th-century; visit the ancient synagogues and the charming **Artists' Quarter**. On to **Capernaum**, by the Sea of Galilee; see the fantastic ruins of the ancient 5th-century synagogue. Continue through the southern **Golan Heights** to visit a former Syrian **army bunker** at **Kibbutz Kfar Charuv**, settled by Americans and Israelis together; view the fertile valleys below as you tour the kibbutz and enjoy lunch. We'll then have a thrilling afternoon as we board our **Jeeps** and ascend the strategic **Golan Heights** to learn about the 20th century battles that protected Israel's future. We'll stop at the **Syrian Officers' Club** and hear the story of Israel's most famous Mossad spies, **Eli Cohen "Our man in Damascus"**. Then drive south and rise through the mountains to "golden" **Jerusalem**, stopping first for a blessing and a toast to our arrival in the eternal city. Overnight in Israel's capital. (B,L)

Wednesday: Jerusalem

Drive to **Hadassah Medical Center** to see the sublime **Chagall Windows**. On to **Yad Vashem**, Israel's national Memorial and Museum of the Holocaust, with its **Children's Pavilion** and **Avenue of the Righteous**. Then, to **Mount Herzl** to pay respects to Israel's founders and heroes. Pass the post-modern **Supreme Court** and the **Knesset** (Parliament) en route to the **Shrine of the Book**, home of the **Dead Sea Scrolls**. Time to walk through the **Israel Museum** and the **Billy Rose Sculpture Garden**; see the **Scale Model** of ancient Jerusalem. Evening: **Night Tour of illuminated Jerusalem** followed by a **Restaurant Dinner** and the "Night Spectacular" **Sound & Light Show** at the **Citadel Museum** (weather and schedule permitting). (B,D)

Thursday: Jerusalem

Drive to Mt. Zion to visit the traditional Tomb of King David and the Room of the Last Supper. Enter the Old City to the restored Jewish Quarter; walk along the Cardo, the colonnaded main street of Byzantine Jerusalem. Walk to the Western Wall, last remnant of the Second Temple. View the Dome of the Rock. Proceed through the extraordinary Hasmonean Tunnel (tunnel schedule permitting) or tour the Herodian Mansions, a completely excavated residential quarter from 2000 years ago. Follow the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre; stroll through the exotic bazaars with their wondrous aromas. This afternoon, at leisure for relaxation and strolling the neighborhoods of Jerusalem. Or, an optional visit to Bethlehem may be arranged. A free night tonight. The shops are open late as it's the start of the Israeli weekend. Enjoy the many eateries along the outdoor Mamilla Mall, Ben Yehuda Street, or the "Tachana". (B)

Friday: Jerusalem

Descend through the Judean desert to the Dead Sea, lowest point on Planet Earth.



Tower of David, Jerusalem

Ascend Masada by cable car and see this last stronghold of the Zealots in their struggle against the Romans. Visit the excavations, Herod the Great's palace, synagogue and bathhouse. Then, opportunity to enjoy an "unsinkable" swim in the buoyant waters of the Dead Sea. Drive via the Qumran Caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, on your return to Jerusalem. We'll stop at the Western Wall on this Sabbath eve before arriving to the hotel (time permitting).

Tonight, enjoy the traditional Friday dinner together. (B.D)

Saturday: Jerusalem

Enjoy a full day at leisure for relaxation and on your own exploration. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B)

Sunday: En Route

Transfer to the Airport for your international departure flight; special assistance is provided for check-in service. (B)

LAND PRICES PER PERSON (USD) – OVERTURE – THURSDAY DEPARTURES

HOTEL PLAN	CORAL		RUBY		TURQUOISE		PEARL		AMBER		GOLD		OPAL		EMERALD	
Tel Aviv	Herods (EBL)		Sheraton Grand (DSV)		Carlton (P-E)		Carlton (P-E)		Sheraton Grand (DSV)		David Kempinski (DSV)		Dan (DCL)		Dan (E)	
Haifa (Dlx, Bayview)	Dan Carmel		Dan Carmel		Dan Carmel		Dan Carmel		Dan Carmel		Dan Carmel		Dan Carmel		Dan Carmel (E)	
Jerusalem	Dan Panorama (D-E)		Inbal (DNC)		Inbal (DNC)		Orient (OE)		David Citadel ■		David Citadel ■		King David ▲		King David (DOC)	
2026 Departure Dates	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single	Twin	Single
May 28, Jun 4	\$5460	\$7625	\$5495	\$7725	\$5585	\$7870	\$5570	\$7850	\$5830	\$8485	\$6190	\$9225	\$6865	\$10340	\$7790	\$12010
Jun 11, 18, 25	5460	7625	5700	8110	5775	8260	5570	7850	5830	8485	6190	9225	6865	10340	7790	12010
Jul 2	5300	7295	5320	7350	5395	7495	5455	7615	5830	8485	6370	9580	6380	9410	7270	11025
Jul 9, 16, 23 & Aug 6, 20, 27	5310	7315	5380	7465	5455	7615	5455	7615	5625	8065	6170	9165	6380	9410	7270	11025
Oct 8, 15, 22	5460	7625	5525	7760	5600	7905	5570	7850	5830	8485	6140	9130	6865	10340	7790	12010
Oct 29, Nov 5	5460	7625	5380	7465	5455	7615	5570	7850	5830	8485	6140	9130	6865	10340	7790	12010
Nov 12	5460	7625	5380	7465	5455	7615	5570	7850	5625	8065	5935	8710	6865	10340	7790	12010
Nov 19	5270	7235	5275	7270	5410	7530	5530	7765	5525	7875	5895	8630	6825	10255	7730	11895
Dec 10	4990	6670	5330	7380	5465	7640	5370	7450	5365	7555	5625	8085	5755	8225	6580	9705
Dec 17	5425	7550	5555	7835	5695	8095	5750	8210	5625	8090	5925	8695	6690	9995	7595	11635
Dec 24	5425	7550	5480	7685	5615	7940	5750	8210	5625	8090	6045	8945	6505	9640	7390	11250
Dec 31	4990	6670	5175	7075	5310	7335	5370	7450	5365	7555	5625	8085	5645	8010	6430	9425
2027 Departure Dates																
Jan 14, Feb 11	4990	6670	5235	7190	5245	7205	5245	7205	5365	7555	5625	8085	5645	8010	6430	9425
Feb 25	5260	7210	5275	7270	5290	7285	5405	7520	5525	7875	5785	8405	5690	8090	6490	9540
Mar 4, 11	5310	7315	5380	7465	5455	7615	5570	7850	5625	8065	5860	8560	5840	8385	6700	9935
Mar 18	5310	7315	5380	7465	5455	7615	5570	7850	5625	8065	5860	8560	6285	9235	7195	10880
Mar 25, Apr 1, 8*	5310	7315	5380	7465	5455	7615	5570	7850	5830	8485	6140	9130	6285	9235	7195	10880
Apr 29, May 13, 20	5460	7625	5525	7760	5675	8060	5650	8000	5830	8485	6190	9225	6865	10340	7790	12010

Tel Aviv: (EBL) Exec. Sea View Room/Business Lounge Access (DSV) Deluxe Sea View Room (P-E) Premium Sea View Room/Exec. Lounge Access (DCL) Deluxe Room, City Side/King David Crown Lounge Access (E) Executive Sea Facing Room/King David Crown Lounge Access; Executive Lounge access in Haifa. NOTE: Sea View Room at all hotels in Tel Aviv are Partial Sea View.

Jerusalem: (D-E) Deluxe Room/Exec. Lounge Access (DNC) Deluxe New City View Room (OE) Orient Room/Exec. Lounge Access (DOC) Deluxe Old City View Room

UPGRADES IN JERUSALEM (Per Room, Total Stay):

- David Citadel: Upgrade from Superior Room to Deluxe Pool View/Partial Old City View Room \$390
- ▲ King David: On Opal Plan, upgrade from Standard Room to Deluxe New City View Room (Floors 1-4) \$300
- * Revised touring due to holiday. Please inquire for Special rates for child or adult as third in room.

Tour is guaranteed on a minimum of 4 passengers. Should the tour fall below 4 passengers, you'll be offered the option of touring by Share-a-car at a supplement of \$495 per person (3 persons minimum).

MIX & MATCH ABOVE HOTELS. CALL FOR DETAILS. FOR TOURING BY PRIVATE CAR, SEE PAGE 30.