

Israel Symphony

Sunday Departures

15 Days • 13 Nights

*An Isram Israel Exclusive Tour
Limited to 28 participants*

Tour Includes:

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

19 Meals:

- Daily Israeli Buffet Breakfast
- Light Meal Market Tastings
- 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

- "Shuk Bites" at Levinsky Market
- Tour the underground Ammunitions Factory at Machon Ayalon
- Visit the Peres Center and the ANU Museum
- Tour the Israeli Museum at the Rabin Center
- Visit the beautifully restored former Templar settlement—Saron
- 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
(LM) Light Meal



Jerusalem Neighborhood

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Sunday: En Route

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

Monday: 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 and evening at leisure in the "city that never sleeps".

Tuesday: Tel Aviv

Begin the day with a visit to the **ANU Museum** where you will be presented with the unique and ongoing story of the Jewish People, using murals, dioramas, 3-dimensional reconstructions, films and interactive multi-media presentations. Drive on to the charming town of **Zichron Yaacov** visiting the magnificent gardens dedicated to Baron Rothschild, one of Israel's great benefactors. Drive to **Atlit**, the detention camp where the "illegal" Jewish immigrants fleeing from Nazi persecution in Europe were incarcerated during the British Mandate. See the replica of a ship (when available for visits) illustrating the conditions that the thousands of survivors endured during their transport to Israel. Return to Tel Aviv for overnight. (B)

Wednesday: Tel Aviv

Today, we visit the **Peres Center for Peace and Innovation** (subject to confirmation), an inspiring waterfront venue dedicated to dialogue, coexistence, and Israeli innovation. Through engaging exhibits and stories, the center highlights Israel's social and technological achievements while honoring the legacy of Shimon Peres. We'll then have a great discovery of Tel Aviv as we drive through the main streets of this city known as the "White City". Tel Aviv has been proclaimed

as a UNESCO World Heritage site for its splendid Bauhaus Architecture and has the largest number of buildings in this unique style of any city in the world. Continue passing through known landmarks including **Yitzhak Rabin Square**, dedicated to the late Prime Minister and "**Hostage Square**" once the epicenter of massive weekly protests and vigils for those held captive following the atrocities of Oct 7, 2023. On to the vibrant **Levinsky Market** for a "**Shuk Bites**" experience; you'll delight in the wide array of unique flavors and culinary history. End the day with a stroll through charming and quaint **Neve Tzedek** (Tel Aviv's "Soho"); the old, colorful buildings are amazing and the vibe is unique. Return to your hotel for overnight. (B,LM)

Thursday: Tel Aviv

Begin the day with a visit to **Weizmann House**, the recently restored unique and grand home of Chaim Weizmann, first President of Israel and founder of the Weizmann Institute of Science. The house is presented in a living way, as if its residents are still living on the premises. Continue to the memorial site of **Khan Sha'ar Hagai** where the story unfolds of the fierce battles in this area during the War of Independence. Through emotional testimonies, you meet the fighters who broke through the road to Jerusalem; see a moving presentation of the struggle endured to keep open the lifeline to Jerusalem. On to the military junction at **Latrun**, once the border with Jordan; visit the **Tank Division Memorial**. Continue to **Saron**, a former Templar settlement restored to perfection with beautifully landscaped gardens and upscale restaurants. You may wish to return in the evening when Saron looks and feels magical. On to your hotel in Tel Aviv. (B)

Friday: Tel Aviv

A fascinating day as we visit **Machon Ayalon** (Ayalon Institute); hear the riveting story of this pre-state underground Ammunitions Factory that functioned as a secret bullet factory making ammunition used in the struggle for Israeli independence. Under the disguise of a kibbutz above, the bullet manufacturing below was concealed from the British with the factory's openings covered by a 10-ton oven and a large washing machine camouflaging the noise of manufacturing bullets. Afterwards, continue to the 4,000-year-old port city of **Jaffa**. Explore the magnificently reconstructed **Artists' Quarter** with its galleries and boutiques. On to **Tel Aviv's** bustling **Carmel Market** and lively **Nachlat Benjamin Street** with its delightful craft stalls. Adjacent is **Sheinkin Street**, a popular street in Tel Aviv, for the trendiest boutiques, cafes and people watching—definitely the place to be on Friday afternoon! Tonight, **Get Together Dinner**. (B.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)



Unique Bauhaus Architecture, Tel-Aviv

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. 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) – SYMPHONY – SUNDAY 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 24	\$7630	\$10360	\$7885	\$10905	\$8130	\$11420	\$8245	\$11655	\$8335	\$11925	\$9430	\$14145	\$9695	\$14425	\$11010	\$16805
May 31	7630	10360	8110	11310	8330	11755	8320	11730	8430	12070	9505	14295	9695	14425	11010	16805
Jun 7	7630	10360	8300	11695	8525	12140	8320	11730	8430	12070	N/A	N/A	9695	14425	11010	16805
Jun 14, 21	7630	10360	8300	11695	8525	12140	8320	11730	8430	12070	9505	14295	9695	14425	11010	16805
Jun 28	7445	9990	7920	10935	8145	11380	8200	11495	8430	12070	10050	15360	9205	13495	10495	15815
Jul 5	7445	9990	7920	10935	8145	11380	8200	11495	8225	11655	9850	14945	9205	13495	10495	15815
Jul 12, 19 & Aug 2, 16, 23	7480	10050	7980	11050	8200	11495	8200	11495	8225	11655	9385	14035	9020	13140	10345	15530
Oct 4, 11	7630	10360	8125	11345	8350	11790	8320	11730	8430	12070	9355	14000	9295	13635	10565	15960
Oct 18, 25, Nov 1	7630	10360	8095	11285	8320	11730	8320	11730	8430	12070	9355	14000	9695	14425	11010	16805
Nov 8	7630	10360	7980	11050	8200	11495	8320	11730	8225	11655	9155	13580	9695	14425	11010	16805
Nov 15	7440	9970	7875	10860	8160	11415	8275	11650	8125	11460	9110	13500	9650	14340	10950	16685
Dec 6	7135	9365	7805	10740	8210	11520	8120	11335	7840	10920	8620	12510	8400	11950	9650	14210
Dec 13	7570	10240	8035	11200	8440	11980	8500	12095	8105	11455	8990	13270	9335	13720	10665	16140
Dec 20	7570	10240	7955	11045	8365	11825	8500	12095	8105	11455	9240	13765	9145	13370	10465	15755
Dec 27	7135	9365	7650	10440	8060	11215	8120	11335	7840	10920	8940	13150	8290	11735	9505	13930
2027 Departure Dates																
Feb 21	7405	9905	7755	10635	7790	10675	7905	10910	8000	11240	8780	12830	8120	11385	9270	13490
Feb 28	7480	10050	7980	11050	8200	11495	8320	11730	8225	11655	8820	12915	8160	11470	9330	13605
Mar 7	7480	10050	7980	11050	8200	11495	8320	11730	8225	11655	8895	13060	8480	12115	9770	14440
Mar 14, 21	7480	10050	7980	11050	8200	11495	8320	11730	8350	11905	9050	13385	8930	12960	10270	15385
Mar 28, Apr 4	7480	10050	7980	11050	8200	11495	8320	11730	8430	12070	9355	14000	8930	12960	10270	15385
May 16	7630	10360	8125	11345	8350	11790	8320	11730	8430	12070	9505	14295	9695	14425	11010	16805

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

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 THE ABOVE HOTELS. FOR TOURING BY PRIVATE CAR, SEE PAGE 30.



Floating on the Waters of the Dead Sea