

Scopus Travel • Itinerary

8 Nights~9 Days : Jordan(2N), Israel(5N), Jordan(1N) [ET] [C/O]

A biblical pilgrimage though Jordan & Israel

PRICING	TOTAL TOUR DAYS	ARRIVAL PORT	DEPARTURE PORT
—	9	Amman	Amman

Countries Covered: **Jordan & Israel**

Tour Overview

8 Days of pilgrimage through Jordan & Israel

Pilgrimage | Catholic / Orthodox

- This is a compact program of 8 nights, that functions as a basic biblical journey covering Jordan & Israel.
- Accommodation plan: 2N Amman, 3N Bethlehem, 2N Galilee & 1N Amman.
- The first Jordan leg of the tour is based in Amman. [2 nights]
- In Jordan the tour will visit Mt Nebo, Mukawir & Madaba.
- The tour then enters Israel via the Allenby bridge and arrives to Bethlehem. [3 nights]
- Most holy sites in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Jericho and Dead Sea are visited from Bethlehem.
- The tour then moves via Haifa, Mt Carmel to the Galilee. [2 nights]
- In the Galilee, the tour covers Sea of the Galilee, Galilee churches, Nazareth, Cana & Mt Tabor.
- From the Galilee through the Jordan valley the tour enters back to Jordan for return journey. [1 night]

A short, concise package for the holyland

Day wise program structure

Day 01 — Arrival Amman.

Accommodation: Amman

- Early morning hour arrival to Amman.
- Transfer to Hotel in Amman. (1 hour)

Day 02 — Mt Nebo, Mukawir & Madaba

Accommodation: Amman | Meals Included: Break fast, Lunch & Dinner

- Late rise, late breakfast.
- Transfer to Mt Nebo. (45 minutes)
- Tour of the memorial of Moses.
- Transfer to Mukawir. (1 hour)
- Visit the fort of Machaerus at Mukawir, the site of the beheading of John the Baptist.
- Transfer to Madaba. (45 minutes)
- Lunch. [South Asian Buffet]
- Visit the St George Church at Madaba to view the ancient mosaic of the map of Jerusalem.
- Transfer to hotel in Amman. (45 minutes)
- *Mass location for Catholic pilgrimage: Mt Nebo*



Panoramic view of Mount Nebo. Memorial of Moses could be seen on top of the hill. Mount Nebo, Jordan



Panoramic view of hill and the fort of Machaerus, widely believed to be the site of the beheading of John the baptist. Mukawir, Jordan



Basilica of visitations, Ein Karem, Israel



Original Madaba Mosaic Map. It is the oldest surviving original cartographic depiction of the Holy Land. Saint George Orthodox Church, Madaba, Jordan



Full moon rise over Amman city, Amman, Jordan

Day 03 — Entry to Israel, Jericho, Baptism site & Dead Sea

Accommodation: Bethlehem | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- 07.30 AM - Transfer to Allenby bridge border crossing. [**King Hussein** Bridge]. (1 hour)
- 10.30 Enter Israel from Jordan through the Allenby bridge border crossing. [**King Hussein** Bridge]
- Transfer to Qasr Al Yahud - The Baptism site at Jordan river. It is widely believed that Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist at this site on the eastern bank.
- Jericho, the lowest city on earth, is also considered to be the oldest city of human civilization - visit the Sycamore tree & Zacheus house.
- Ascend Mt Temptation [2 way cable car].
- Lunch. [Open buffet]
- Transfer to Dead Sea.
- Dead Sea, soak in the mineral rich waters and experience the Dead sea float.
- Transfer to hotel in Bethlehem. (1 hour 15 minutes, requires check point crossing)
- *Mass location for Catholic pilgrimage: Jericho.*



Girl relaxing in the water of Dead Sea



Salt deposits, Dead Sea Israel



Qasr Al Yahud, The site of baptism in the Jordan river, widely believed to be the place of baptism of Jesus Christ. Salt Valley, Israel



Mount Temptation, view from Jericho city, Jericho, West Bank



Ascending Mount Temptation by cable car, Jericho, West Bank

Day 04 — Mt Olives, Gethsamane, Mt Zion & Bethlehem

Accommodation: Bethlehem | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- Transfer to Jerusalem. (1 hour, requires check point crossing)
- Tour of Mt Olives. View the iconic Dome of the Rock from Mt Olives.
- Short visit to the chapel of Ascension.
- Tour the sanctuary of Pater Noster where The Lord's Prayer is embedded in the walls in numerous languages.
- Palm Sunday Road - view from below only, the steep decent being perilous.
- Visit the Basilica at Gethsemane - Church of All Nations and the ancient Olive Garden.
- Mt. Zion. David’s Tomb & Upper room.
- Walk to St. Peter in Gallicantu.
- Transfer to Bethlehem. (30 minutes)
- Lunch. [Open buffet]
- Shepherd's Field.
- Shopping for Religious Articles.
- Visit the church at the Milk grotto.
- Nativity Church & the grotto of Nativity.
- *Mass location for Catholic pilgrimage: Basilica of Nativity / Shepherd's field.*



Panoramic view of the Old city of Jerusalem and the Dome of the Rock from Mount of Olives, Jerusalem, Israel



Frontal view of the Gethsemane Basilica from Kidron Valley, Jerusalem, Israel



Pater Noster Church Mount Olives - Jerusalem - Fr. Biju Michael SDB



Church at the Shepherd's Field in Biet Sahour, Bethlehem, West Bank - Fr. Biju Michael SDB



Basilica of Nativity, interior; Bethlehem, West Bank - Fr. Biju Michael SDB

Day 05 — Old city of Jerusalem, Viadolorosa, Western Wall & Ein Karem

Accommodation: Bethlehem | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- Transfer to Jerusalem. (1 hour, requires check point crossing)
- Walking tour of the Old city of Jerusalem.
- Via Dolorosa starting at the Bethesda Pools - St Anne's, Chapel of Flagellation. Chapel of Condemnation, to Calvary at the Holy Sepulcher Church complex.
- Wailing Wall & view of Dome of the Rock.
- Lunch. [Open buffet]
- Transfer to Ein Karem. [25 minutes].
- Visit the church of John the Baptist.
- Tour of the spectacular Basilica of Visitation.
- At the Visitations Basilica view the Magnificat in numerous languages on the walls.
- Church of John the Baptist.
- Transfer to hotel in Bethlehem. (1 hour 15 minutes, requires check point crossing)
- *Mass location for Catholic pilgrimage: Via Dolorosa / Calvary - Basilica of Holy Sepulcher*
- *Mass location for Orthodox pilgrimage*: St Mark's convent. [Conditions apply]



Way of the cross, Old city of Jerusalem, Israel



Pool of Bethesda



Dome of the Rock and the Old city of Jerusalem at dusk - Fr. Biju Michael SDB



Ein Karem, Birth place of John the Baptist, Ein Karem, Israel



Basilica of visitations, Ein Karem, Israel

Day 06 — Haifa, Mt Carmel, Nazareth & Cana

Accommodation: Galilee | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- Transfer to Haifa. (2 hours, require check point crossing)
- View the magnificent Bahai Gardens and temple, considered as one of the modern wonders of Architecture.
- Tour of Elijah's Cave and Stella Marris Chapel.
- Transfer to Nazareth (1 hour).
- Tour of Nazareth Village - replica of a first century Nazarene village.
- Visit Basilica of Annunciation, Joseph’s workshop & Jesus’ synagogue.
- Buffet lunch at Nazareth.
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- Transfer to Cana.
- Tour of the Church of the wedding miracle.
- Transfer to the hotel in Galilee (30 minutes).
- *Mass location for Catholic pilgrimage: Cana / Basilica of Annunciation.*
- *Option for renewal of wedding vows at Cana.*



Stella Marris convent & chapel at Mount Carmel, Haifa, Israel



View of the Bahai Temple and gardens from the German Colony, down town, Haifa, Israel



Saint Josephs Cathedral - Annunciation complex - Nazareth - Fr. Biju Michael SDB



Interior of the Church of the wedding miracle at Cana - Fr. Biju Michael SDB



Interior of the Basilica of Annunciation, Nazareth, Galilee Israel

Day 07 — Galilee churches, Sea of the Galilee, Boat ride

Accommodation: Galilee | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- Tour of the Galilee Churches:
- Mt of Beatitudes, the site of Jesus's sermon on the mount.
- Proceed to visit Capernaum (Kfar Nahum) the city of Jesus and the site of Jesus's ministry. The place of origin of healing and deliverance, the secrets of which were taught by Jesus.
- Visit Tabga, the site of the Jesus's miracle of the multiplication of bread loaves and fish to feed 5000 people.
- Short visit to Peter's house (Primacy of Peter).
- St Peter's fish lunch at the shores of the Sea of the Galilee.
- Visit the exquisite Boat Chapel complex, a marvel of modern architecture.
- Slow, short boat ride in the Galilee on a replica of ancient Galilean boats.
- *Mass location for Catholic pilgrimage: Mt Beatitudes / Boat Chapel at Magdala.*



Church at Mount Beatitudes, site of the 'sermon on the mount', Galilee, Israel



Archeological site of Capernaum, the city of Jesus and the site of Jesus' ministry.



Mensa Christi stone at the church of Pirmacy of Peter on the northern shores of the Sea of the Galilee, Israel



Interior of the church of multiplication at Tabgha, Galilee, Israel

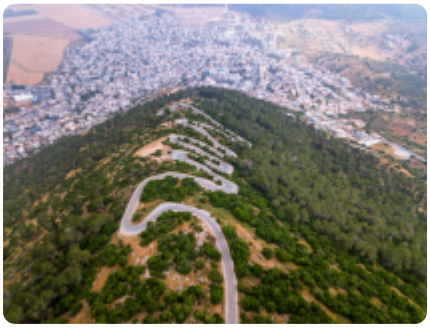


Boat ride on a replica of an ancient Galilean wooden boat, Sea of the Galilee, Israel

Day 08 — Mt Tabor, Transfer to Jordan

Accommodation: Amman | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- Transfer to the sanctuary of Tabor. (30 minutes)
- Ride up the Tabor hill in a mini van to visit the magnificent Basilica of Transfiguration.
- Transfer to Allenby border crossing. (2 hours)
- Enter Jordan & Transfer to Amman.
- Farewell lunch at Amman.
- Transfer to Hotel.
- *Mass location for Catholic pilgrimage: Basilica of Transfiguration.*



Winding snake road to ascend Mount Tabor, Galilee, Israel



Mount Tabor across a field of Red Anemones in early spring, Jezreel Valley, Israel



Road 90 along the Jordan - Arava valleys runs the entire length of Israel from north to south along the border with Jordan and connects Galilee with the Red Sea



Overview of the white Dead Sea shore from Jordan side

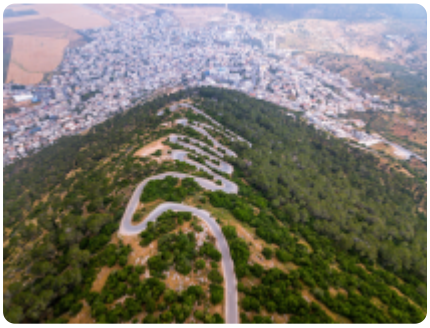


Panoramic view of Amman city at sunset. Amman, Jordan

Day 09 — Departure

Accommodation: Amman

- Early morning transfer to Airport.



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Mt Temptation by Cable Car

"Welcome to the Jericho Cable Car, an extraordinary attraction that promises an unforgettable experience! Soar above the ancient Jericho to the Mount of Temptation and take in breathtaking views of the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea. Our car system ensures a safe and comfortable ride for visitors of all ages. Enjoy the cultural and historical significance of the region, with easy access to the Monastery of Temptation and the interesting Temptation Caves. Whether you seek adventure, spirituality, or simply wish to marvel at nature's beauty, the Jericho Cable Car is your gateway to an extraordinary journey."

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Nazareth Village

"Set on the outskirts of old Nazareth, the Nazareth Village is built on ancient agricultural land that boasts the area’s last remaining first-century wine press. The original farm has been restored with its ancient wine press, terraces, irrigation system and stone quarry, and exact replicas of first-century houses, a synagogue, a watchtower, mikveh and olive presses have been carefully constructed using the original building methods and materials."

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Know more about this tour

What are the travel requirements?

- Passport valid for at least 6 months from the start date of the tour.
- Entry permit as required for various Nationalities: Jordan's visa policy, Israel's visa policy.
- Health insurance valid for the duration of the journey, preferably "cash free" policies.

Who can travel?

- Adult passengers from most countries.
- Minors must be accompanied by an immediate relative/guardian.

Is it safe to travel to Israel?

- Israel is safer than most places in the world.
- Stop watching the TV.

Are credit cards accepted in Jordan & Israel?

- Yes, all credit cards are accepted in Jordan & Israel.
- Please check with your service provider too.

Can an insurance policy be purchased in Jordan & Israel?

- Technically, yes, but not recommended because of the cumbersome process, and will require 2 different policies for each country.
- It will be cheaper and faster to get a single insurance policy for all 3 destinations from your country.

Are foreign insurance policies accepted in Jordan, Israel & Egypt?

- Yes, they are, and it is preferred, because your insurance company is liable to the laws of your country, while local insurers are not.

Can cash be carried?

- Jordan:
- Cash could be carried, limited to JOD 10,000 which is about $14,000 at an exchange rate of US$ 1= JOD 0.7
- *Passengers carrying currencies whose total value exceeds the above amount are required by Jordanian law to make a declaration with the customs at the port of entry.*
- Israel:
- Cash could be carried, limited to NIS 12,000 which is about $3250 at an exchange rate of US$ 1= NIS 3.6.
- *Passengers carrying currencies whose total value exceeds the above amount are required by Israeli law to make a declaration with the customs at the port of entry.*

How much does this package cost?

- The cost of a tour package is a function of various parameters; viz, class of accommodation, period of travel, meal plan etc.
- Please make a booking and we will send a price offer for your consideration.

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