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7 Nights ~ 8 Days in Israel [TLV-TLV: EXP-A/C/O/P]

8 Days in Israel experiencing the Bible

PRICING	TOTAL TOUR DAYS	ARRIVAL PORT	DEPARTURE PORT
—	8	Tel Aviv	Tel Aviv

Countries Covered: **Israel**

Tour Overview

8 Days of biblical experince in Israel

Pilgrimage | Church Groups

- 8 Days of biblical experience in Israel.
- Accommodation plan: 3N Bethlehem, 2N Jericho, 2N Galilee
- Arriving to Tel Aviv in the evening, the tour moves to Judah for overnight at Bethlehem. [3 nights]
- The tour continues to visit all holy sites in Jerusalem, Ein Karem, Jericho, Bethlehem & Dead Sea.
- The tour then moves to the Salt Valley to with overnight at Jericho. [2 nights]
- Masada, Qumran, Jericho and Jordan river baptism site are toured in this segment.
- From the salt valley through the Jordan valley to the shores of the Sea of the Galilee. [2 nights]
- At the Galilee area the tour will visit sites in Nazareth, Cana, Mt Tabor & churches around the Sea of the Galilee.
- Haifa, Mount Carmel and Caesarea are also covered in the last segment of the tour.
- The tour will culminate in Jaffa Tel Aviv from where they move to TLV airport for departure.

Cutomised program

Day wise program structure. Transfer times less than 20 minutes are not mentioned.

Day 01 — Transfer to Hotel

Accommodation: Bethlehem | Meals Included: Dinner

- Evening arrival to Tel Aviv.
- Transfer to hotel in Bethlehem.

Approach to Tel Aviv international airport from the Mediterranean sea, Tel Aviv, Israel

Terminal of Tel Aviv airport (TLV) in Israel.

El Al plane landing at Ben Gurion international airport, Tel Aviv, Israel

View of the city of Bethlehem city at dusk, Bethlehem, West Bank

The land of Judah at night. View of the Judean hills from Bethlehem, West Bank

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Day 02 — Mt Olives, Gethsemane, & 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.
- Transfer to Bethlehem. (30 minutes)
- Lunch. [Traditional Palestinian / Open buffet]
- Shepherd's Field.
- Shopping for Religious Articles.
- Basilica of Nativity & the grotto of Nativity.

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

Dominous Flevit Chapel, Mount of Olives, Jerusalem - Fr. Biju Michael SDB

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

Olive tree with view of Jerusalem

Mount of Olives facade with Gethsemane Basilica, view from Kidron valley, Jerusalem, Israel

Day 03 — Old City of Jerusalem, via dolorosa, Mt Zion & Western wall

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

- Transfer to Jerusalem. (1 hour, requires check point crossing)
- Tour of the Old City of Jerusalem via Lions' gate. Bethesda Pools - St Anne's, Chapel of Flagellation. Chapel of Condemnation, continuing Via Dolorosa to Calvary.
- Lunch. (Buffet)
- Mt. Zion. David’s Tomb & Upper room.
- Walk to St. Peter in Gallicantu.

- Western Wall.
- Dome of the Rock.
- Transfer to hotel in Bethlehem. (30 minutes)

Pool of Bethesda

Way of the cross, Old city of Jerusalem, Israel

Room of the Last Supper, Cenaclum, Mt Zion, Jerusalem

Panoramic view of Western Wall with cupolas of Dome of the Rock and Al-Aqsa Mosque. Jerusalem, Israel

Chapel of Flagellation, Way of the Cross, Old city of Jerusalem, Israel

Day 04 — Ein Karem, Baptism Site, Jericho

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

- Transfer to Ein Karem. (1 hour, requires check point crossing)
- Visit the Church of John the Baptist.
- Tour of the Basilica of visitations.
- Transfer to Qasr Al Yahud, baptism site at Jordan river. (45 minutes)
- 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.
- Lunch. [Open buffet]
- Transfer to Jericho. Visit Sycamore tree & Zachaeus' house.
- Ascend Mount Temptation by cable car.
- Transfer to hotel in Jericho.

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

Interior of Basilica of Visitations, Ein Karem, Israel

The wall embedded with the Magnificat in various languages at the Basilica of Visitations, Ein Karem, 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

Ascending Mount Temptation by cable car, Jericho, West Bank

Day 05 — Masada, Qumran & Dead Sea

Accommodation: Jericho

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- Early morning visit Masada national park [2 way cable car]. Masada tells the incredible story of the Jewish resistance to and martyrdom at the hands of the Roman legions.
- Transfer to Qumran. Tour Qumran Caves - The site of the discovery of the Dead Sea scrolls.
- Lunch (Buffet)
- Transfer to Dead Sea.
- Dead Sea, soak in the mineral rich waters and experience the Dead sea float.
- Transfer to hotel in Jericho.

Sunrise at Masada, ancient Jewish fortress, Masada, Israel

Qumran caves, Qumran, Israel - Fr. Biju Michael SDB

Salt deposits, Dead Sea Israel

Girl relaxing in the water of Dead Sea

Cable car ascend to Masada National park, Masada, Israel

Day 06 — Galilee Churches, St Peters fish lunch & Boat Ride

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

- Mt Beatitudes - site of Jesus's sermon on the mount.
- Tabga - site of the multiplication miracle.
- Visit Kfar Nahum or Capernaum, the city of Jesus and the site of Jesus’s ministry.
- Peter's House & Mensa Christy.
- Lunch. [St Peter’s Fish lunch]
- Afternoon Boat Ride in the Sea of Galilee on a replica of ancient Galilean boats.
- Transfer to hotel in Tiberias.

Replica of an ancient Galilean boat on the Sea of the Galilee, Israel

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

Day 07 — Tabor, Nazareth & Cana

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

- Transfer to Mt Tabor base station. (30 minutes)
- Drive up the Tabor hill in a mini van to visit the Basilica of Transfiguration.
- Transfer to Nazareth. (30 minutes)
- Tour of Nazareth village.
- Basilica of Annunciation & Josef's workshop.
- Lunch at Nazareth.
- Transfer to Cana. (30 minutes)
- Cana - Church of the wedding miracle.
- Transfer to hotel in Tiberias. (30 minutes)

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

Mount Tabor Basilica of Transfiguration interior with roof - Fr. Biju Michael SDB

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

Biblical village Cana of Galilee (Kafr Kanna) in morning fog, Nazareth in Israel

Interior of the Upper Basilica in the Annunciation church complex, Nazareth, Israel

Day 08 — Hiafa, Mt Carmel, Ceasarea & Jaffa

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

- Transfer to Haifa. (1 hour 30 minutes)
- View of Bahai Gardens and Temple.
- Transfer to Dalyat el Carmel. (45 minutes)
- Visit the Carmelite sanctuary of Muhrakha. View of the Jezreeel valley.
- Lunch at Dalyat El Carmel. (Traditional Druze Lunch)
- Transfer to Ceasarea. (45 minutes)
- Brief stop to view Mediterranean Sea & Roman aqueduct
- Transfer to Jaffa via Tel Aviv beachfront (1 hour)
- St Peters Church, the site of the healing of Tabitha.
- Short tour of the the old city of Jaffa.
- 18.00 Transfer to Airport.

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

Statue of Elijah at the Carmelite monastery at Muhrakha, Mount Caremel, Israel

Ruins of a Roman Aqueduct, Ceasarea, Israel

Jaffa fishing harbour at sunset, Jaffa, Israel

Beautiful panoramic view from Mount Carmel to cityscape and port in Haifa, Israel.

Masada

"Masada is a rugged natural fortress, of majestic beauty, in the Judaean Desert overlooking the Dead Sea. It is a symbol of the ancient kingdom of Israel, its violent destruction and the last stand of Jewish patriots in the face of the Roman army, in 73 A.D. It was built as a palace complex, in the classic style of the early Roman Empire, by Herod the Great, King of Judaea, (reigned 37 – 4 B.C.). The camps, fortifications and attack ramp that encircle the monument constitute the most complete Roman siege works surviving to the present day." https://whc.unesco.org/en/licenses/6

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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. 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 Israel?

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

Can an insurance policy be purchased in Israel?

- Yes, please write to us to know more.

Are foreign insurance policies accepted in Israel?

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

Can cash be carried?

- Cash could be carried, but currently it is 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 services; 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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