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11 Nights ~ 12 Days: Jordan(3N), Israel(5N), Egypt(3N) [ZION AUS] [C/O]

12 Days - premium holy land package - Jordan, Israel & Egypt

PRICING	TOTAL TOUR DAYS	ARRIVAL PORT	DEPARTURE PORT
—	12	Amman	Cairo

Countries Covered: **Jordan, Israel & Egypt**

Tour Overview

11 Nights & 12 Days from Amman to Cairo

Pilgrimage | Church Groups

- A 12 days premium holy land program covering Jordan, Israel and Egypt.
- Accommodation plan: 3N Amman, 2N Galilee, 3N Bethlehem, 1N Sinai & 2N Cairo.
- The program covers all of the holy land circuit in Jordan, Israel & Egypt.
- The Jordan leg of the tour is based in Amman. [3nights]
- In Jordan the tour will visit Mt Nebo, Mukawir, Madaba & Petra.
- The tour then cross over to the Galilee in Israel via the Jordan river border crossing.
- In the Galilee area, the tour covers Galilee churches, Nazareth, Cana, Tabor & Mt Carmel-Haifa. [2 nights]
- The tour then moves to Bethlehem from where sites in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Jericho and Dead Sea are visited. [3 nights]
- Entering Egypt via the Taba border in Sinai, the gorp moves to Cairo via St Catherine, to visit Giza Plateau and Old Cairo. [3 nights]
- Daily mass at significant shrines for Catholic parish groups.

Premium pilgrimage - Jordan, Israel & Egypt

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

Day 01 — Arrival in Amman

Accommodation: Amman | Meals Included: Lunch & Dinner

- Late forenoon/mid day arrival to Amman.
- Transfer to Amman. (1 hour)
- Lunch. [Open buffet]
- Transfer to hotel in Amman.

Arrival hall at Queen Aliya international Airport, Amman, Jordan

Amman city center and Jordanian flag in the middle, Jordan

Panoramic view of Amman city at sunset. Amman, Jordan

Night lights of Amman, Jordan

Full moon rise over Amman city, Amman, Jordan

Day 02 — Mt Nebo, Mukawir & Madaba

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

- Transfer to Mt Nebo. (45 minutes)
- Tour of the memorial of Moses.

- Transfer to Madaba. (45 minutes)
- Visit the St George Church at Madaba to view the ancient mosaic of the map of Jerusalem.
- Lunch. [South Asian Buffet]
- Transfer to Mukawir. (1 hour)
- Transfer to hotel in Amman. (1 hour, 45 minutes)
- Mass location(c): Mt Nebo

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

The Brazen Serpent sculpture at the memorial of Moses by Italian artist Giovanni Fantoni. Mount Nebo, Jordan

Orientation plaque in marble showing directions and distances from Mount Nebo, Jordan

Interior of the Church of Saint George, Madaba, 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

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Day 03 — Petra day tour

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

- 07.00 AM - Transfer to Petra. (3 hours)
- Tour of Petra.
- Lunch. [Traditional open buffet]
- 16.00 - Transfer to hotel in Amman. (3 hours)

Facade of the 'Treasury' at Petra, Wadi Musa, Jordan

A recent image of the Treasury at Petra, Jordan

Breathtaking canyon popularly known as the Siq, leading to the Treasury at Petra, Wadi Musa, Jordan

Ancient tombs carved into the massive red-sandstone facades at Petra, Jordan

The Kings highway en route Petra, Jordan

Day 04 — Entry to Israel, Nazareth & Cana

Accommodation: Galilee

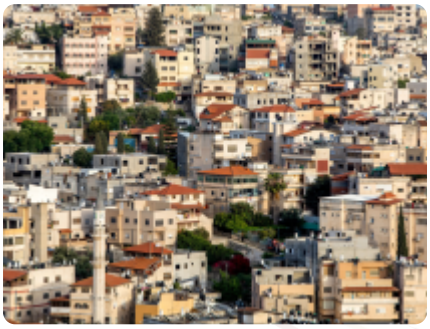
Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- 07.00 AM - Transfer to Jordan river border crossing.[Sheikh Hussein Bridge].(2 hours)
- 10.30 Enter Israel from Jordan through the Jordan river border crossing (Sheikh Hussein Bridge).
- Transfer to Nazareth. (1 hour)
- Nazareth - Church of the Annunciation & Josef's workshop.
- Visit Mary's Well
- Lunch. [Continental+Mediterranean Buffet]
- Transfer to Cana. (30 minutes)
- Cana - Church of the wedding miracle.
- Mass location(c): Cana [Renewal of wedding vows]

Grotto of Annunciation interior of the Basilica of Annunciation, Nazareth, Galilee, Israel - Fr. Biju Michael SDB

Eucharist at St Joseph's Cathedral in the Annunciation Church complex, Nazareth, Galilee, Israel - Fr. Biju Michael SDB

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



City of Nazareth, Galilee, Israel

Interior of the Basilica of Annunciation, Nazareth, Galilee Israel

Day 05 — Galilee churches, Stpeters fish lunch, Boat Ride & Mt Tabor

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

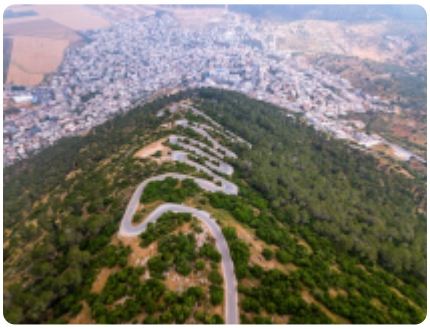
- Mt Beatitudes - site of Jesus's sermon on the mount.
- Visit Kfar Nahum or Capernaum, the city of Jesus and the site of Jesus’s ministry.
- Tabga - site of the multiplication miracle.
- Peter's House & Mensa Christy.
- Boat Ride in the Sea of Galilee on a replica of ancient Galilean boats.
- Lunch. [St Peter’s Fish lunch]
- Yardenit - Baptism site at Jordan river.
- 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 hotel in Bethlehem. (2 hours, 30 minutes)
- Mass location(c): Mt Beatitudes

White Synagogue Capernaum northern shores of the Sea of the Galilee, Israel - Fr. Biju Michael SDB

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

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

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



Winding snake road to ascend Mount Tabor, Galilee, Israel

Day 06 — Haifa, Mt Carmel & Bethlehem

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

- Transfer to Haifa. (1 hour)
- Mt Carmel. Visit Elijah’s Cave at the Stella Marris chapel.
- View of Bahai Gardens and Temple.
- Transfer to Bethlehem. (1 hour 45 minutes)
- Lunch. [Traditional Palestinian / Open buffet]
- Shepherd's Field.
- Shopping for Religious Articles.
- Nativity Church & the grotto of Nativity.
- Mass location(c): Mt Carmel - Haifa

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

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

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

Grotto of Nativity inside the Basilica of Nativity, Bethlehem, West Bank - Fr. Biju Michael SDB

Interior of the Basilica of Nativity, Bethlehem, West Bank

Day 07 — Mt Olives, Mt Zion, Old City & Western Wall

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.
- Lunch. [Open buffet]
- 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 & Dome of the Rock.
- Transfer to hotel in Bethlehem. (30 minutes)
- Mass location(c): Mt Olives.

Our Lord's prayer in various languages on the walls of the church of Pater Noster, Mount of Olives, Jerusalem, Israel

Way of the cross, Old city of Jerusalem, Israel

Dome over the tomb of Jesus, interior of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Old city of Jerusalem, Israel

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

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

Day 08 — Ein Karem, Bethany, Jericho & Dead Sea

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

- Transfer to Ein Karem. (45 minutes, requires check point crossing)
- Visit the Church of John the Baptist.
- Basilica of Visitations where 'The Magnificat" is embedded in the walls in numerous languages.
- Transfer to Eizariya(Bethany) (40 minutes)*[Depending on the existing security situation]*
- Visit the Tomb of Lazarus and the house of Mary, Martha & Lazarus.
- Transfer to Jericho. (35 minutes)
- Visit Sycamore Tree & Zachaeus' house.
- 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(c): Ein Karem - Basilica of Visitations.

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

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

Girl relaxing in the water of Dead Sea

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

Day 09 — Taba transfer, Red sea

Accommodation: Taba

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- Transfer to Taba border with Egypt. (4 hours 30 minutes)
- Enter Egypt.
- Transfer to hotel in Taba. (30 minutes)
- Lunch. [Traditional buffet]
- Free time at Red Sea.

Dead Sea, Salt valley, Israel

Wind surfing at Dahab beach, Dahab, Sinai, Egypt

Salah El Din Castle on Farun island in the Gulf of Aqaba, Red Sea, Taba. Sinai, Egypt

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

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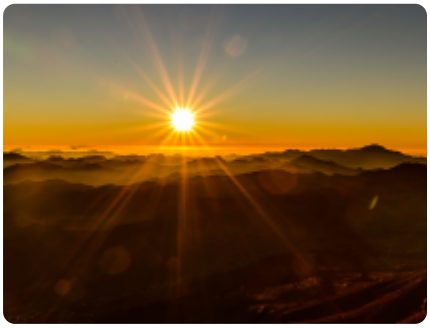
Day 10 — Sinai, St Catherine, Transfer to Cairo

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

- Transfer to St Catherine *[Sundays closed]*. (2 hours)
- Visit St Catherine monastery & the "burning bush". View of Mt Sinai.
- Early lunch.
- Transfer to hotel in Cairo (5 hours 30 minutes).



Sunrise over Mount Sinai, Sinai, Egypt

Saint Catherine monastery at the foothill of Mount Sinai, St Catherine, Sinai, Egypt

The Suez canal, Egypt

Panorama of Cairo cityscape taken during the sunset from the famous Cairo tower, Cairo, Egypt

Mountain road in Sinai, Egypt

Day 11 — Giza plateau, Old Cairo, Egyptian Heritage Center & Nile cruise

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

- Fore noon tour of the Giza plateau visiting the Pyramids & the Sphinx.
- Brief visit to "Abu Serge" Holy family home in Old Cairo.
- Lunch. (Traditional)
- Afternoon tour of Egyptian Heritage Center & Museum.
- Evening Nile Cruise with dinner.

Great Sphinx of ancient Egypt, Giza Plateau, Cairo, Egypt

Sarcophagus in the Egyptian National Heritage Center, Cairo, Egypt

Nile Cruise, Cairo, Egypt

Panorama of Cairo and Nile at sunrise, Egypt

Cave where Holy Family stayed for three months after fleeing to Egypt (Cavern Church or Abu Serge Church), Cairo, Egypt

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Day 12 — Departure from Cairo

Meals Included: Breakfast

- Transfer to Cairo International Airport.

Obelisk of Ramses II at Cairo International Airport, Egypt

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

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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. Please refer Egypt's visa policy; Israel's visa policy; Jordan'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?

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

Are credit cards accepted in Jordan, Israel & Egypt?

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

Can an insurance policy be purchased in Jordan, Israel and Egypt?

- Yes, it could be done separately for each country; please write to us to know more.
- It will be cheaper and easier to purchase it from your country as a single policy.
- Always choose "cash free" policies.

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.*
- Egypt:
- Cash could be carried, limited to US$ 10,000.
- *Passengers carrying currencies whose total value exceeds the above amount are required by Egyptian 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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