

12 DAYS SINGLES TOUR TO ISRAEL

Nov 17-28, 2010

Day 1: Wednesday, Nov 17 **Departure**

Departure from North America gate ways

Day 2: Thursday, Nov 18 **Arrival**

Welcome to Israel! You will be met and assisted through Airport formalities and transferred to your Jerusalem hotel. At the gates of Jerusalem we will participate in “**Shecheyanu**” Ceremony. A **welcome get-together reception / cocktail** await you! Overnight in Jerusalem



Day 3: Friday, Nov 19 **Old City of Jerusalem**

After Breakfast, enter the **Old City** through the **Dung Gate**. Visit the **Davidson Center** and the **Southern Wall Excavations**. Experience the “**virtual tour**” of the **Second Temple**. Visit the **Western Wall** and the **Wall Tunnel** and have the opportunity to place your notes and special prayers at the site most Holy to Jews. Explore the **Herodian Mansions**, ruins from the Second Temple period. Walk and shop along the **Cardo**, a Roman /Byzantine Street that today serves as the street mall of the **Old City Jewish Quarter**. Drive to the colorful **Machane Yehuda Shuk** and experience the tastes and smells of Israel. See the locals doing their last minute shopping prior to Shabbat. Return to hotel and prepare for Shabbat. Tonight, we will enjoy a **Shabbat Dinner** at our hotel. Overnight in Jerusalem (**B, D**)



Day 4: Saturday, Nov 20 **Shabbat**

Free day in Jerusalem to worship, relax, visit friends or family, overnight Jerusalem (**B**)

Suggestions for dinner followed by night free style Tel Aviv single bars scene all within walking distance from the hotel's neighborhood (Dinner and drinks not included in the package price)

Day 5: Sunday, Nov 21 **New City of Jerusalem**

We begin our day with a visit to **Yad Vashem**, Israel's Memorial and museum of the Holocaust. Visit the **Children's Memorial** and walk the **Path of the Righteous Gentiles**. Follow with a visit to **Har Herzl**, our State and Military cemetery. Experience the new **multi-media presentation** on Theodore Herzl, modern Israel's founding father. Drive past the Governmental Center of Jerusalem, viewing the **Knesset** and the **Supreme Court**. Stop for a visit to the **Knesset Menorah**. Visit the **Israel Museum** and the spectacular **Scale Model of Second Temple**. Overnight in Jerusalem (**B**)



Day 6: Monday, Nov 22 The Dead Sea

This morning after Breakfast, we drive to the lowest spot on earth, the **Dead Sea**! Stop for a view of **David's Waterfall** at **Ein Gedi**, an oasis in the **Judean Wilderness**. Visit **Masada** and explore the Herodian ruins while we discuss the dramatic events that took place there during the Jewish Revolt. Masada has had a lasting, if changing impact on Israeli attitudes and is one of one hundred **World Heritage Sites**. Drive to **Ein Bokek**, the **Dead Sea Resort** area, and enjoy a delicious lunch (included) at a Spa Resort hotel. After lunch, enjoy the spa facilities at our hotel, including indoor and outdoor pools, Jacuzzi, and the Dead Sea Beach. We'll provide the towels and changing facilities. Cover yourselves with natural mineral **black mud** and come out looking and feeling twelve years younger. Youngsters, beware! Time permitting, on the way back to Jerusalem we will stop for an overview of **Qumran**, where the **Dead Sea Scrolls** were discovered. Overnight in Jerusalem (**B, L**)



Day 7: Tuesday, Nov 23 En route to the Galilee

We check out of our hotel and make our way to **Beit Alfa** the home of the synagogue constructed in the 5th century. Continue to **Beit Shean** the site of spectacular archeological excavations and rich history dating back to the biblical times. We will continue to Sachne or in Hebrew Gan Hashlosha, here we will make use of the swim suits you brought along, we will jump into the pools created by the hot springs here, fun swim in the early Israeli winter days. Continuing to Mount Arbel an amazing view point of the entire northern Sea Of Galilee and an ancient Jewish Town, we will see the ruins of the 5th century Synagogue and enjoy a nice hike along the cliffs of Arbel. Arrive at **Hagoshrim Kibbutz hotel** our home for the next two nights. (**B, D**)



Day 8: Wednesday, Nov 24 The Golan

After breakfast we will drive to Metulla the most northern town of Israel, here at the **Dado view point** our guide will talk about the current political situation in the northern region of Israel. From here we will drive via **the town of Kiryat Shemona** to Tel Dan. We will visit Tel Dan and take a short hike in the wild nature here also here is an amazing Archaeological site going back to the days of the Kingdom of Israel almost 3000 years ago !! From here we will ascend the **Golan Heights**. Continue through the **Druze** villages to **Kibbutz El Rom**, by the **Valley of Tears**, on the present Syrian border. We will visit the battle field, the monument and view an authentic movie presentation of the critical battle during the Yom Kippur War, where the Syrian advance into Israel was stopped. Ascend **Mount Ben Tal**, an IDF post overlooking the Syrian border, the ghost-town of **Kuneitra** and the Road to Damascus. Drive to **Katzrin**, the "Capital" of the Golan Heights, for a visit to the ancient **Talmudic Village** including a multi-media Talmudic experience. Not far from here are the **Golan Wineries**, we will be invited to some wine tasting of some of the best wines of Israel! Overnight Kibbutz hotel Hagoshrim (**B, D**)



Day 9: Thursday, Nov 25 Safed /Haifa/Caesarea / to Tel Aviv

Check out from Hagoshrim and drive to the Hulla Valley here we will visit one of the JNF lovely projects in the Galilee – Agamon (small lake) Hachula , we will rent bikes or Golf carts (included) and do some amazing bird watching , the is heaven for thousands of migrating birds traveling from cold Europe to Africa using Israel and this valley as the main route on their seasonal migration . Continue to the Holy city of Safed , here we will visit the old city being a center of the ancient Kabala Jewish learning, we will stroll along the narrow lanes and artist colony. Continue on to **Haifa**; view the **Baha'i Shrine** and Persian Gardens from the “German Colony”. Drive through the **Technion** , this university for higher technological studies is famous for achievements and the home of 2 recent Nobel Prize winners. Visit **Caesarea**, otherwise known as **Herod’s Masterpiece** this Roman/Byzantine city comes alive with a new hi-tech multi-media presentation. Tonight we will have our **farewell dinner** in a private room at a nice Yemenite restaurant and enjoy the local special cuisine. Overnight in Tel Aviv (**B, D**)



Day 10: Friday, Nov 26 Tel Aviv

We begin our day in Ramat Aviv at the Tel Aviv University Campus and visit the **Palmach Museum, one of the most emotional visits on our tour!** We will immerse into the critical days leading to the establishment of the Jewish State. We will drive by Rabin square and stop for few moments to commemorate this great leader of Israel. Drive down the famous Rothschild Boulevard. To the place where it all began – the **Independence Hall!** Hear the stories of the many miracles that gave birth to the modern State of Israel in the very spot where the State was declared 60 years ago! Continue for a short visit to the **Old City of Jaffa** one of the oldest ports in the world. From here to Nachlat Binyamin street fair and arts and crafts Friday afternoon event, we will have some free time to walk around and buy cute presents to our love ones at home. Not far from here is the Carmel open market another experience you would not want to miss. Return to our hotel. Suggestions for dinner followed by night free style Tel Aviv single bars scene all within walking distance from the hotel’s neighborhood (Dinner and drinks not included in the package price) Overnight Tel Aviv (**B**)



Day 11: Saturday, Nov 27

Free day in Tel Aviv, overnight Tel Aviv (**B**)

Day 12: Sunday, Nov 28 Departure

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your return flight

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

