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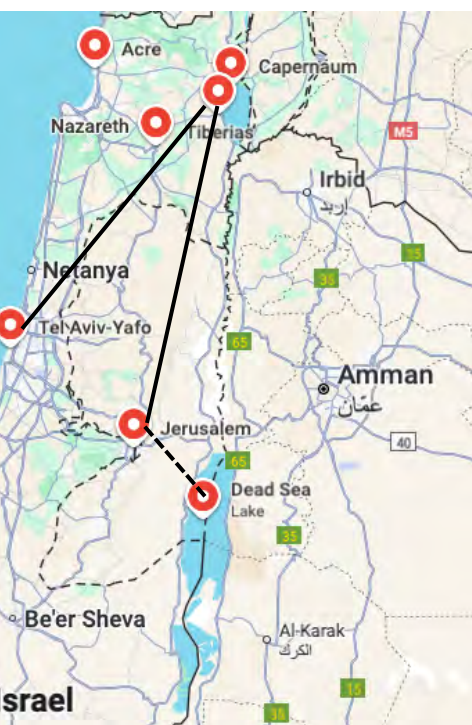
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8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

ISRAEL

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Discover the riches of this breathtaking country, so compact you can drive from one end to the other in just eight hours. Relax on the sun-drenched beaches of Tel Aviv, basking in sunshine all year round. Be inspired by the treasures of magnificent and sacred Jerusalem. Float in the mineral-rich waters of the Dead Sea, the lowest point on Earth, and soak in the stunning natural beauty of the North. This is a seat-in-bus tour with set departures. It can also be offered with a private guide with car (additional cost applies). Please contact your travel agent for details.



DAY 1 SUNDAY: TEL AVIV

Arrival at Ben Gurion Airport where you will be met by our local representative and transferred to your hotel.

Night in Tel Aviv

MONDAY: CAESAREA - MUHRKA - MEGIDDO - ACRE

Depart Tel Aviv and drive along the coastal plain to Caesarea, once the Roman capital of the region. Visit the excavations of the ancient city, the Roman Theater and aqueduct. Proceed to Muhraka, the site of confrontation between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. Enjoy the spectacular view of the Jezreel Valley and the lower Galilee. Continue to Megiddo, identified as the site of Armageddon and learn the impressive history of this battlefield as you visit the archaeological excavations, including the well-preserved water supply system. On to Acre to visit the remarkable underground Crusader City and crypt. Walk through the Old City, recognized by UNESCO as a world heritage site, and visit the local market and harbor.

Night in Galilee in a Kibbutz guesthouse



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DAY 3 TUESDAY: TIBERIAS - CAPERNAUM - BANIAS

After a short tour of Tiberias, enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. Visit the Yigal Allon Center where the "Jesus's boat," an ancient fishing boat from the 1st century, is displayed. Continue to Capernaum to visit the remains of the 2nd century synagogue. Stop at Tabgha, the site of the Miracle of Fish and Loaves, and visit the Church of Multiplication with its 4th century mosaic floor. Proceed to Mount of Beatitudes, the place where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount. Drive to the Banias springs and tour the Golan Heights.

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DAY 4 WEDNESDAY: CANA - NAZARETH - BEIT SHEEN

Drive to Cana to visit the Wedding Church, where Jesus performed his first miracle turning water into wine. Continue to Nazareth to visit the Church of Annunciation, Joseph's workshop, and Mary's well. Proceed to Yardenit, the baptismal site on the Jordan River, followed by a stop at Beit Shean to visit the newly excavated Roman city and amphitheater. Drive along the Jordan Valley to Jerusalem.

Night in Jerusalem

DAY 5 THURSDAY: JERUSALEM (OLD CITY)

Drive to Mount of Olives for a panoramic view of the city. Visit the Church of All Nations, King David's Tomb and Room of the Last Supper on Mt. Zion. Enter the Old City and walk through the Cardo, the ancient roman road. Visit the Jewish and Christian quarters and see the Jewish Wailing Wall, view the Temple Mount, walk along the Via Dolorosa and the oriental Bazaar to the Church of Holy Sepulcher. Next, drive to the Garden Tomb and enjoy the beautiful gardens and peaceful ambiance.

Night in Jerusalem

DAY 6 FRIDAY: JERUSALEM (NEW CITY) - BETHLEHEM*

Drive to Ein Karem to visit the Church of Visitation. Proceed to Yad Vashem, Israel's official memorial to the Holocaust. Visit the Israel Museum and the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea scrolls are housed, and the miniature model of Jerusalem as it was during the Second Temple period. Proceed to Bethlehem*, birthplace of Jesus and visit Shepherds' Field. Walk through Manger Square to visit the remarkable Church of Nativity. Return to Jerusalem.

Night in Jerusalem

DAY 7 SATURDAY: QUMRAN - MASADA - DEAD SEA

Drive through the Judean Hills to the Qumran Caves, where the Dead Sea scrolls were found. Continue along the shores of the Dead Sea to Masada, the last stronghold of the Jews after the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 AD. Ascend Masada by cable car and tour the mountain fortress built by King Herod. Visit the remains of the walls, the water cistern and Herod's Palace. Descend by cable car and continue to the Dead Sea, the lowest point on earth. Enjoy the opportunity to float in the unsinkable water and cover yourself with the mineral rich mud, believed to have therapeutic effects (weather permitting).

Night in Jerusalem

DAY 8 SUNDAY: JERUSALEM - BEN GURION AIRPORT

Transfer to Ben Gurion Airport for departure.



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HOTELS OR SIMILAR

CITY	PLAN A	PLAN B	PLAN C
Tel Aviv	Dan Panorama 4+*	Grand Beach Hotel 4*	Grand Beach Hotel 4*
Galilee	Kibbutz Lavi Hotel - Eden room		
Jerusalem	Dan Panorama 4*+	Grand Court 4*	Prima Park 3*

THE PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Transfer from Ben Gurion airport to Tel Aviv hotel, on shared basis
- 7 nights accommodation in double occupancy
- 14 meals: 7 breakfasts & 7 dinners at the hotels
- 6 touring days on a seat-in-bus basis, with an English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees to the sites visited
- Transfer from Jerusalem hotel to Ben Gurion airport, on shared basis

THE PACKAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Flights
- Meals not included, beverages
- Optional excursions
- Gratuities to hotel staff, driver-guide, etc.
- Personal expenses

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