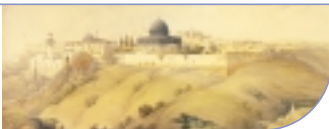


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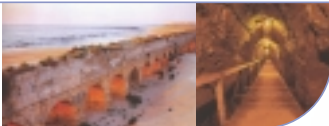
WELCOME TO ISRAEL !



Arrival in Ben Gurion Airport. Here you will be met by your guide and Immanuel Tours representatives who will assist with arrival formalities. We set off from the airport and drive to our hotel in Netanya or Tel Aviv. If early arrival, visit Jaffa before proceeding to hotel. If late arrival, drive directly to the hotel. Dinner and overnight.

Day 2

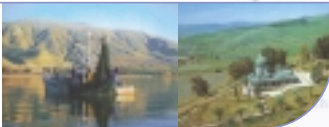
CAESAREA
MEGIDDO
BEIT SHEAN -
TIBERIAS



Start the tour with a visit to Caesarea Maritima, the site of the city where Pontius Pilate had his seat of government and where the Apostle Paul was imprisoned and was given a hearing by the Roman Governor, Festus before being sent to Rome. Next drive northward along the coastal plain to Israel's largest port city of Haifa. Then drive on over the crest of Mt. Carmel to the "Place of Sacrifice" at Mukraha. The next stop is at Megiddo, the Harmageddon of the Book of Revelation and one of the chariot cities of King Solomon. Continue the tour driving along the foothills of Mt. Gilboa, where the Israelites under King Saul suffered a crushing defeat at the hands of the Phillistines, to Beit Shean, an important city in the history of the Israelites inherited by the tribe of Menasseh. In the Roman era it was one of the cities of the Decapolis named Skythopolis. Arrive in the city of Tiberias by the Sea of Galilee in the late afternoon. Dinner and overnight.

Day 3

SEA OF GALILEE
GOLAN HEIGHTS



The Sea of Galilee is rich in memories of the three years of Jesus' Ministry around its shores. We begin this day with a boat ride to Ginosar to visit the so-called "Jesus Boat" a fishing boat of the kind used by the disciples of Jesus. We then drive to Capernaum, where Jesus dwelt after he left Nazareth and did many signs and wonders, to visit the ancient synagogue and the nearby House of Peter. We drive on around the shores of the Sea of Galilee to visit the Mt. of Beatitudes the site of the Sermon on the Mount, from the top of which there is a wonderful panoramic view over the Sea of Galilee. Next we drive up to the Golan Heights passing by Katzerin "the town of the Golan" which was established in 1974 and continue on to Mt. Bental from where there is an observation point over the whole region and onto the ghost town of Kuneitra. Next we stop at Baniyas, the location of Caesarea Philippi where the Apostle Peter made his great confession of faith in Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God. Then we drive on to Tel Dan, which was the northernmost town in biblical Israel (hence the saying "from Dan to Beersheba"). We drive back to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 4

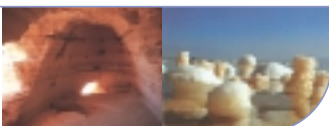
SAFED
SEPHORIS
NAZARETH



This day begins with a visit to the city of Zefat, one of the three sacred cities in Israel's history, the town of the Caballa and of mystic lore. Visit the Ha'ari Synagogue and the artists' colony before continuing the tour through the landscape of Upper Galilee to ancient Zippori or Sephoris the largest and most important city in Galilee in the first four centuries AD. A great spiritual center in the life of Israel it was the seat of renowned Hebrew academies and the home of eminent Talmudic scholars, the most eminent of whom was Rabbi Yehuda Hanassi who compiled and edited the Mishna. A visit to Kfar Kedem, a moshav nearby is next on the itinerary before driving on to Nazareth, a town in the hill country of Lower Galilee, where Jesus lived for the first 30 years of his life on Earth. Stop in Upper Nazareth for a glimpse of the city before driving on via Cana in Galilee and returning to our hotel in the late afternoon for dinner and overnight.

Day 5

RIVER JORDAN
QUMERAN
DEAD SEA

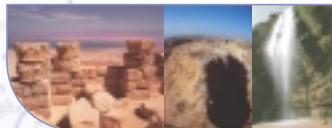


After breakfast departure from the Sea of Galilee, driving southwards making a first stop at a baptismal site on the banks of the River Jordan before continuing the drive through the Jordan Valley to the Dead Sea, the lowest spot on the face of the Earth. Here visit the remains of the

Qumran settlement where the Essenes, a Jewish religious sect, lived over 2000 years ago and wrote the Dead Sea scrolls. Next drive on to Mizpe Shalem for an opportunity to bathe in the mineral rich waters of the Dead Sea. Finally this day drive to our hotel by the Dead Sea for dinner and overnight.

Day 6

EIN GEDI
MASADA
JERUSALEM



This day begins with a drive along the shores of the Dead Sea to Ein Gedi which was one of the cities of Judah where David found shelter from Saul the King. The visit to Ein Gedi includes a walk through the Natural Park to Ein David and the Ein Gedi Spring. Next on the program for this day is a visit to the Mountain Fortress of Massada which rises to a height of 434m above the level of the Dead Sea. The ascent and descent is by cable car and the visit includes an extensive viewing of the site which was the scene of the last Jewish resistance against the Romans in the year 73AD at the conclusion of which the 900 defenders put themselves to death rather than fall into the hands of the enemy. Finally this day we begin our drive up to Jerusalem through the Judean desert, stopping for a visit at Genesis Land, where we experience a Hebrew reception at Abraham's Tent overlooking the Judean desert. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Jerusalem

Day 7

MT. OF OLIVES
OLD CITY



The tour this day begins on the Mt. of Olives from the top of which there is a magnificent panoramic view over all of ancient and modern Jerusalem, the center of the biblical world. The tour continues on foot down the Mount following the so-called "Palm Sunday Road" passing the Chapel of Dominus Flevit (Jesus wept) enroute to the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus prayed on the night of his betrayal. Next, we enter the old walled city of Jerusalem by way of the Lion Gate and visit the Pools of Bethesda before walking on through the narrow streets of the city following the Via Dolorosa to the traditional site of Christ's crucifixion and resurrection. Then drive on to the Kidron Valley to see the Pool of Siloam and Hezekiah's Tunnel. Continue the tour to Mt. Zion to visit the Upper Room, the Tomb of King David and the Roman steps by the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu. Finally return to the hotel for dinner and overnight..

Day 8

OLD CITY
NEW CITY



Begin this day of the tour with a visit to the Western (Wailing) Wall, the holiest shrine of the Jewish world. Then walk through the Western Wall Tunnel, an incredible labyrinth of tunnels, arches and passageways which have remained untouched for centuries. Next visit the Herodian Residential Quarter with the remains of a mansion which is built on the eastern slope of the Jewish Quarter of the Old City. Afternoon drive through the New City of Jerusalem via the Knesset (Israel's parliament building) to the Yad Vashem Memorial for a visit. Nearby is Mt. Herzl which is the final resting place of Dr. Theodor Benjamin Herzl, the modern prophet of the State of Israel. Finish the tour this day with a visit to the Garden Tomb & Gordon's Golgotha. Opportunity to celebrate the Lord's Supper. Dinner and overnight.

Day 9+10

VALLEY OF AYALON
BEIT GUVRIN



After breakfast we set off from our hotel, departing Jerusalem and driving Westward to the Tomb of the Prophet Samuel. From here we continue our drive and arrive at the Vally of Ayalon, known in history as one of the major battlefields of the Near East. Here Joshua, son of Nun, beat his enemies while the sun, obeying his bidding stood still (Josh 10.12). Next we drive past the ruins of Emmaus and arrive in Beit Shemesh, an important town in Biblical times where during one of the battles between Israel and the Phillistines, the latter captured the Holy Ark, which was later surrendered after causing havoc among them. We drive on through the Valley of Elah where David the Shepherd fought Goliath the Phillistine. We end this day with a visit to the Caves of Beit Guvrin and return to Jerusalem for a special farewell dinner

Day 10

After breakfast transfer to Ben Gurion Airport for the departure flight



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