

TOUR ITINERARY**

DAY 1 - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Departure from Toronto approximately at 4:50 pm from Terminal 1 on Air Canada airlines for Tel Aviv. Check with Ari Bauer for connecting flights to Toronto.

DAY 2 - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Arrive in Tel Aviv at 10:15 am, where our tour guide will meet us. We begin our tour in Jaffa/Joppa, affording us a breathtaking view of the city of Tel Aviv. Jaffa is a picturesque port city of winding alleys, art galleries, and craft boutiques. King Solomon had the cedars of Lebanon rafted here for the building of the first Temple in Jerusalem. Jonah departed from Joppa (Jon. 1:3) to Tarshish. We'll visit the site of the house of Simon the Tanner and the Tabita School where Tabitha was raised from the dead (Acts 9:36–43). Transfer to our hotel for check-in. Balance of day at leisure. Dinner and overnight at the Herod Hotel, Tel Aviv.

DAY 3 - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

We'll drive along the Plains of Sharon; the Mediterranean; and the old coastal road, the Via Maris, the ancient trade route between Egypt and Babylon. We stop at Caesarea, the fortress city built by Herod the Great. Here Pontius Pilate had his base; Cornelius lived and was baptized (Acts 10); Paul embarked to Tarsus (Acts 9:30); and Philip preached (Acts 8:40). Visit the Roman theatre, hippodrome, Crusader City. We'll ascend Mt. Carmel, where the prophet Elijah challenged the 400 false prophets of Baal (1 Ki. 18:20–30). Megiddo, one of King Solomon's walled, fortified cities (1 Ki. 9:15), the book of Revelation will come alive about the final battle of Armageddon. Then we'll visit the Nazareth Village, a reconstruction of the first-century Nazareth; then stop at Mt. Precipice for a magnificent view of Jezreel Valley. We'll travel to Cana of Galilee where Jesus performed His first miracle, turning water into wine. Dinner and overnight at the Ein Gev Resort on the Sea of Galilee.



DAY 4 - THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

After breakfast, we begin our day with a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee to Kibbutz Ginosar, the museum housing an ancient boat from the time of Jesus. Continue to Capernaum, the centre of Jesus' Galilean ministry and the site of many of His miracles (Mt. 8:5–17; Mk. 2:4). We will see the remains of Peter's house and the synagogue site where Jesus taught and worshipped (Mk. 1:21; Lk. 4:31). Drive to the Sea of Galilee to the Primacy of St. Peter at Tabgha. Continue to the Mt. of Beatitudes where Jesus delivered what is perhaps the most famous sermon ever preached, the Sermon on the Mount (Mt. 5—7). We will then proceed to the site of the city of Korazim (Mt. 11:20–24). Dinner and overnight at the Ein Gev Resort on the Sea of Galilee.



DAY 5 - FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

We start the day at Hazor, a horse and chariot city from the time of King Solomon. Continue to Tel Dan to see the ruins from Abraham's time and the Dan Spring, a source of the Jordan River. Continue to Banias, one of the sources of the Jordan River and the site of ancient Caesarea Philippi, where Peter made the confession of faith in Christ (Mt. 16:16). Drive to the Golan Heights and the foot of Mt. Hermon, the highest mountain in Israel, for a panoramic view of the corner of Israel, Syria, and Jordan from Mt. Bental. Visit Kursi, where a man was healed from demons (Lk. 8:26–39). Dinner and overnight at the Ein Gev Resort on the Sea of Galilee.

DAY 6 - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Our day begins at Harod Springs, the site of the biblical battle from the time of Gideon. Driving southward to Beit She'an, we will walk through the extensive excavations of the largest ongoing archaeological dig in Israel with its Roman theatre, colonnaded Roman streets, mosaics, and Roman bathhouses. It is the city where the Philistines nailed the bodies of King Saul and his sons to the wall (1 Sam. 31:10–12). We will stop at Gilgal where Joshua set up 12 stones, for the Tribes of Israel (Joshua 4:10-24). Stop at the Jordan River where Elijah ascended in a fiery chariot (2 Ki 2:1-12 Tel Mar Elias). Now we will ascend Up To Jerusalem. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem at the Dan Panorama Hotel, Jerusalem.

DAY 7 - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

We will drive to the top of the Mount of Olives for a panoramic view of Jerusalem. Tracing the footsteps of Jesus, we'll descend down the Mount of Olives, to the Garden of Gethsemane. We will read Matthew 25:31-40 about the Kidron Valley, We will enter the old city of Jerusalem by Stephens gate as we continue along the Via Dolorosa, visit the Pools of Bethesda, St Anne's Church, Pilate's Judgment Hall. Now we will go to Mt. Zion to visit the traditional site of the Upper Room, King David's Tomb and then to visit the high priest Caiaphas' house. Drive to the Garden Tomb/Gordon's Calvary for a communion service. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem at the Dan Panorama Hotel.



DAY 8 - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Our day begins in the Old City going to the Temple Mount and Western Wall, including a tour of the Western Wall (if possible) (which is an extra cost). We will meet our guide and continue to the Davidson Center and the Archaeological Park around the southern wall excavations. At the City of David, we'll explore the excavations and learn about Jerusalem's water supply in ancient times, including the Pool of Siloam and the Pilgrimage Road. Now we'll go to the Temple Institute, an organization planning the rebuilding of the Temple. Then we'll drive to Yad Vashem, for an emotional visit to the national Holocaust Memorial and Museum. Dinner and overnight at the Dan Panorama Hotel, Jerusalem.



DAY 9 - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Today we drive to the Valley of Elah where the battle of David and Goliath took place. Continue to Beit Shemesh to read from 1 Samuel 6:1–21. Visit the Valley of Aijalon (Josh. 10:1–15). Continue to Neot Kedumim, the only Biblical Landscape Reserve in the world, to see and experience the Land of the Bible as it was during the time of the Bible. Drive to Modi'in, birthplace of the Maccabees. Dinner and overnight at the Dan Panorama Hotel, Jerusalem.

DAY 10 - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Drive to Qumran to see the caves where a young shepherd boy discovered the Dead Sea Scrolls in 1947. We stop at Ein Gedi oasis where David fled Saul. Continue south to Masada and ascend by cable car to the summit of this magnificent fortress built by Herod the Great and the last stronghold of the Jewish Zealots. We now drive to the Dead Sea for a chance to float in the saltiest body of water in the world. Dinner and overnight at the Dan Panorama Hotel, Jerusalem.



DAY 11 - THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Check out of Dan Panorama Hotel, arriving at the Ben Gurion Airport for our Air Canada flight to Toronto. Departing Tel Aviv at approximately 11:55 am, arriving in Toronto at approximately 5:00 pm at Terminal 1.

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

The travel agent and/or tour operator acts only as agent for the various companies, owners, or contractors providing the means of transportation, accommodation, and other services pertaining to the trip. All exchange orders, coupons and tickets are subject to the terms and conditions under which such means of transportation, accommodations, and other services are offered or provided. The issuance and acceptance of such tickets shall be deemed as consent to the future conditions. The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry–Canada shall not be in any way liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or any irregularity in any vehicle or through the act of default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passengers or any hotel proprietor, personnel, or servant of any other person, resulting loss or additional expenses due to delay or changes in connection herewith. The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry–Canada cannot accept the responsibility for changes in transportation schedule or other causes. The right is reserved to accept or retain any person as a member of any tour, or to change or withdraw the tour as circumstances demand. Each exchange coupon, order, or ticket is to be regarded as one contracted by or on behalf of the particular company or person named on it.

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**The tour director may change the itinerary along the way, subject to conditions and scheduling considerations.

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WHAT THE PRICE INCLUDES



AIR TRANSPORTATION/TAXES/ TRANSFERS

Round-trip airfare on Air Canada Airlines flying non-stop from Toronto to Tel Aviv. Return transfers to/from the airport. Porterage at airport. Airport taxes and fuel surcharges of Air Canada.



ACCOMMODATIONS

10 nights at selected hotels in four-star hotels. Porterage at hotels. All hotel taxes and service charges.



BAGGAGE

One checked bag (50 lbs), one carry-on, and one personal item.



MEAL PLAN

Breakfast and dinners daily in the hotels.



SIGHTSEEING

9 days of sightseeing in Israel including all entrance fees to all selected places of interest on the itinerary.



SURFACE TRANSPORTATION

Modern, comfortable, air-conditioned motor coach throughout the tour.



PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Good health and basic fitness level. You should be able to climb three flights of stairs without rest and walk at least three miles. Tour includes uneven, unpaved, and rocky surfaces; places without railings; and sites that are not handicap-accessible. This tour is not recommended for those with mobility issues.



TOUR GUIDE

English-speaking licensed tour guide throughout. Headset provided for each participant.

WHAT THE PRICE EXCLUDES

Comprehensive & cancellation insurance. Tips to driver, guide, & restaurant staff of \$150 USD per person paid directly to John Plantz during the tour & flights to Toronto.

THE COST*

\$4,479 \$5,699

Double Occupancy Single Occupancy

Based on a minimum of 30 paying passengers. If the group drops to a minimum of 20 paying passengers there will be an additional \$180 per person to the above rates.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

\$300 per person deposit due to International Heritage Tours immediately.
Balance due to International Heritage Tours, December 5, 2023.

REFUND CANCELLATION POLICY

Deposit refund less \$150 administration fee through November 5, 2023. No refund for cancellations received after November 5, 2023.

TO REGISTER



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DOCUMENTATION

Please ensure that you're in possession of a Canadian passport valid for at least six months after your arrival in Israel. If you have a passport from another country, it is your responsibility to inquire at the Israeli Consulate if a visa is required.