



CENTER FOR JEWISH LIFE
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**DISCOVER
ISRAEL**

LUXURY ISRAEL TRIP

Chabad of Charleston Center for Jewish Life is excited to invite you to join us on a luxury VIP trip to Israel. This finely orchestrated trip will allow you to experience the historical, spiritual and cultural sites in a deluxe and exhilarating fashion.

*Please peruse the itinerary to get a taste of this special trip!
For more info please contact Sarah @ info@jewishchs.org*

Trip Date June 4 - 13 2018



DAY ONE - ARRIVAL
MONDAY JUNE 4TH

- ✧ **Welcome to Israel!!!** Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport where you will be greeted by our tour representatives and escorted through passport control, baggage claim and customs
- ✧ Tour the magnificent port city of Caesarea including the Roman Theater, Hippodrome, Palace, multi-media exhibition and more. (Option to use Virtual Reality glasses & see the site come to life)
- ✧ Lunch at Aresto Restaurant in the port
- ✧ Transfer to Jerusalem & check-in to your hotel - unpack, rest & relax
- ✧ Enjoy a spectacular lookout over the city from the Haas Promenade with musical accompaniment
- ✧ Time for reflection at the Western Wall
- ✧ Discover the splendor of the Second Temple as you navigate the fascinating Western Wall Tunnels
- ✧ Dinner at Joy Restaurant with Gil Hoffmann, Senior Political Correspondent at the Jerusalem Post
- ✧ **Overnight: Waldorf Astoria Hotel - Jerusalem**



DAY TWO – **JERUSALEM**
TUESDAY JUNE 5TH

- ✧ Full Israeli breakfast at the hotel
- ✧ Walk in the footsteps of Prophets & Kings in the City of David
- ✧ Wade through Hezekiah's Water Tunnels dug some 2700 years ago
- ✧ Explore the Southern Excavations & Davidson Center with renowned archeologist *Dr. Gabi Barkai*
- ✧ Lunch on own in the Jewish Quarter
- ✧ Tour the Security Barrier with its chief Architect - Dr. Danny Tirzah
- ✧ Discover the impressive Israel Museum including the Shrine of the Book, Model of Jerusalem, Archeology Wing, Sculpture Garden & Wing of Jewish Life **OR** Go caving in the Zedekiah's Caves
- ✧ Enjoy a culinary tour at the bustling Machane Yehudah Outdoor Market
- ✧ Evening at leisure & dinner on own - suggested *Mamilla-Alrov Promenade*
- ✧ **Overnight: Waldorf Astoria Hotel - Jerusalem**



DAY THREE – **JUDEAN DESERT**
WEDNESDAY JUNE 6TH

- ✧ Full Israeli breakfast at the hotel
- ✧ Departure for the Judean Desert
- ✧ Ascend the desert fortress of Masada where the Zealots contested the might of the Roman Empire following the destruction of the Second Temple
- ✧ Float in the Dead Sea at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Ein Bokek
- ✧ Discover the Ein Gedi Oasis where David fled from King Saul & cool off under a waterfall **OR** Kayak on the Dead Sea & view the intricate crystal formations as never before
- ✧ Transport yourselves back in time as you visit Abraham's Tent in Genesis Land including camel rides & traditional desert hospitality
- ✧ Return to Jerusalem
- ✧ **Overnight: Waldorf Astoria Hotel - Jerusalem**



DAY FOUR – **GUSH ETZION
& HEVRON**
THURSDAY JUNE 7TH

- ⌘ Full Israeli breakfast at the hotel
- ⌘ Explore the Path of the Patriarchs off-road by ATV
- ⌘ Meet with grassroots activists from the Shorashim Organization - aimed at promoting understanding between Palestinians & Israelis
- ⌘ Lunch at the award-winning Gush Etzion Winery with *Amos Harel - Senior Defense Correspondent for Ha'aretz*
- ⌘ Tour the Jewish neighborhoods of Hevron including Avraham Avinu, Bet Hadassah & Tel Romeida and meet with local residents - Rabbi Danny & Batsheva Cohen
- ⌘ Host IDF combat troops for a BBQ at their base - *pending military confirmation*
- ⌘ Return to Jerusalem
- ⌘ **Overnight: Waldorf Astoria Hotel - Jerusalem**



DAY FIVE - **JERUSALEM**
FRIDAY JUNE 8TH

- ⌘ Full Israeli breakfast at the hotel
- ⌘ Pay tribute the memory of the Six Million at Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum & Children's Memorial
- ⌘ Visit the Sha'arei Tzedek Hospital - one of Jerusalem's flagship institutions - and gain a deeper understanding of the complexities of providing healthcare in the city **OR** Segway tour of the city.
- ⌘ Afternoon at leisure
- ⌘ Join thousands of people from around the globe in joyous celebration of Shabbat at the Western Wall
- ⌘ Friday night dinner rooftop old city or at hotel
- ⌘ **Overnight: Waldorf Astoria Hotel - Jerusalem**



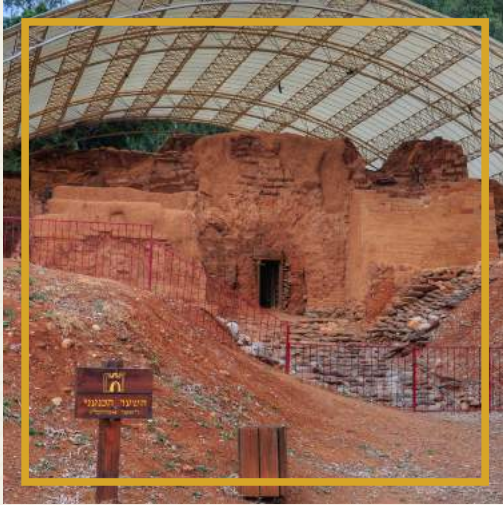
DAY SIX – AT LEISURE
SHABBAT JUNE 9TH

- ⌘ Breakfast at the hotel
- ⌘ Morning at leisure
- ⌘ Lunch at the hotel
- ⌘ Optional walking tour of the Garden of Gethsemane, Via Dolorosa, Christian Quarter & Church of the Holy Sepulcher
- ⌘ Musical havdalla
- ⌘ Watch the Sound-and-Light Spectacular at the Tower of David **OR** Lantern walk along the Ramparts of the Old City Walls
- ⌘ Evening at leisure & dinner on own
- ⌘ **Overnight: Waldorf Astoria Hotel - Jerusalem**



DAY SEVEN – JORDAN VALLEY
& GOLAN HEIGHTS
SUNDAY JUNE 10TH

- ✎ Full Israeli breakfast at the hotel
- ✎ Checkout & departure for the North via the Jordan Valley
- ✎ Visit Bio-Bee in Kibbutz Sde Eliyahu providing biological solutions to pest control that are helping to feed millions around the globe
- ✎ Lunch on own at the Aniam Artists' Village - not included
- ✎ Sample the local fare at the organic, boutique Bashan Winery in Avnei Eitan **OR** Visit the Golan Heights Brewery
- ✎ Explore the Golan heights "off road" by jeep
- ✎ Lookout over the border with Syria from Tel Saki & hear the story of the Yom Kippur War
- ✎ Transfer to hotel, check-in, unpack, rest & relax
- ✎ Dinner at the hotel
- ✎ **Overnight: Setai Hotel Kinneret - Villa with a Private Pool**



DAY EIGHT – **UPPER GALILEE**
MONDAY JUNE 11TH

- ✧ Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- ✧ Experience the Mystical City of Tzfat including the artists galleries, beautiful synagogues, candle factory & more
- ✧ Watch a live demonstration by Kabbalistic glass-blower Sheva Chaya
- ✧ Lunch on own on the promenade
- ✧ Enjoy a beautiful nature walk in the Tel Dan Reserve where history, archeology, spirituality & hydro-politics come together
- ✧ Meet with local residents & IDF combat troops at Kibbutz Malkiya on the border with Lebanon
- ✧ Dinner in Tiberias at Decks Restaurant overlooking the Sea of Galilee
- ✧ **Overnight: Setai Hotel Kinneret - Villa with a Private Pool**



DAY NINE – **WESTERN GALILEE**
TUESDAY JUNE 12TH

- ✪ Full Israeli breakfast at the hotel
- ✪ Checkout & departure
- ✪ Discover the stunning Rosh Hanikra Grottoes
- ✪ Lunch en-route in Nahariya
- ✪ Explore the Crusader City of Akko including the Knights' Halls, Templar Tunnel, City Walls & more
- ✪ Lookout over the beautiful Bahai Gardens & Bay of Haifa - time permitting
- ✪ Transfer to hotel, check-in, unpack, rest & relax
- ✪ **Overnight: The Setai Hotel - Tel Aviv**



DAY TEN – TEL AVIV
WEDNESDAY JUNE 13TH

- ⌘ Full Israeli breakfast at the hotel
- ⌘ Morning at leisure to relax at the beach or by the pool
- ⌘ Checkout & departure
- ⌘ Tour the state-of-the art Palmach Museum and learn about the “striking force” that formed the backbone of the IDF **OR** Learn about the Start-up Nation as you meet with high-tech entrepreneurs who are changing the world we live in
- ⌘ Experience the Old Port of Jaffa with its artists’ galleries, charming alleyways & views of Tel Aviv **OR** Bike-ride along the Herbert Samuel Promenade
- ⌘ Visit the Save a Child’s Heart Foundation in Holon & meet with patients from around the world who are being treated free-of-charge in Israel
- ⌘ Farewell dinner at local restaurant
- ⌘ Depart for Ben Gurion Airport & fly back to USA

NEXT YEAR IN JERUSALEM!!!

Please note that the itinerary is not final and is subject to change based on time, weather, security and other considerations.