* This trip is open to all, member or not of Temple Emanu-El, Jewish or non-Jewish

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Temple Emanu-El Edison Israel and Petra Tour June 2014 Led By Rabbi David Z. Vaisberg

Sunday, June 22: Depart USA with El Al, from Newark.

Monday, June 23: Welcome to Israel!

Arrival at Ben Gurion International airport.

Meeting and assistance through customs. Transfer to Tel Aviv. Visit the Palmach museum, displaying the legacy of the Elite striking force of the Haganah and Israel battle for Independence.

Time permitting we will visit Hall of Independence.

Tour of Tel Aviv port, Tel Aviv 'in' place.

Dinner: Maganda restaurant, Tel Aviv. Overnight: Dan Panorama Hotel, Tel Aviv

Tuesday, June 24: Breakfast at Hotel.

Depart Tel Aviv via the Coastal highway. Visit Atlit new Boat Museum and British Detention camp where clandestine immigrants, survivors of the Holocaust, were incarcerated by the British.

Drive to Ussfya Druze village; meet this unique ethnic group that tied its fate with the

fate of Israel. Home hospitality followed by traditional lunch.

View the world famous Bahai Gardens in Haifa.

Dinner followed by Home hospitality at Kehilat Or Hadash, Haifa.

Overnight: Dan Panorama hotel, Haifa

Wednesday, June 25: Breakfast at hotel.

Visit Beit Hagefen the center for Arab-Jews coexistence, meet the residents. Tour of Wadi Nisnas. Drive to Acre; visit the Crusaders Halls and underground city. Ascend by cable to Rosh Hanikra to visit the beautiful White Grottos.

Dinner and overnight: Kibbutz Ginosar Guesthouse, Galilee

Thursday, June 26: Breakfast at hotel.

Early tour of the Kibbutz.



Through the rolling hills of the Upper Galilee to Sefad; city of Kabbalah and Jewish Mysticism, walk through its cobbled street and famous artist's colony. Visit the Kabbalah center.

Drive to the Golan, Hike Banyas nature reserve to the waterfalls.

Wine tasting at the famous Golan winery followed by an insight into the strategic complexity of the Golan Heights with one of the Golan residents.

Dinner and overnight: Kibbutz Ginosar Guesthouse, Galilee

Friday, June 27: Breakfast at Guesthouse.

Depart Ginosar to Beit She'an; visit the newly excavated Roman city with its famous Roman baths, streets and impressive theatre. Drive via the Jordan Valley to Jerusalem; Shehecheyanu ceremony on Mount Scopus overlooking the Temple Mount.

Afternoon: Time to Prepare for Shabbat.

Kabbalat Shabbat at Western Wall followed by festive Shabbat dinner at hotel.

Overnight: Dan Panorama hotel, Jerusalem

Saturday, June 28: Breakfast at hotel.

Free at leisure.

Optional: Shabbat services.

Overnight: Dan Panorama hotel, Jerusalem



Sunday, June 29: Breakfast at hotel.

Today we experience the thrill of entering the Old City via Zion Gate, starting with an audio visual visit to Beit Hamikdash at Davidson center. View the Southern Wall excavations. Walk to the Western Wall, guided tour of the Kotel Tunnels; the underground continuation of the Western Wall, along the Temple Mount. Walk through the Cardo – the ancient "shopping mall" of the Old City. Visit Jewish Quarter, Herodian mansions and King David tomb on Mount Zion.

Afternoon: Visit the City of David followed by walking Hezekiah water Tunnel.

Overnight: Dan Panorama hotel, Jerusalem

Monday, June 30: Breakfast at hotel.

New city of Jerusalem; Visit Yad Vashem the Holocaust Memorial including the children pavilion. New Herzl Museum, national leaders section. Unique culinary tour and food tasting at Machane Yehuda market; enjoy the foods, colors and special atmosphere of this famous Jerusalemite market.

Evening: Sound and light show at David's Tower.

Overnight: Dan Panorama hotel, Jerusalem



Tuesday, July 1: Breakfast at hotel.

Drive through the Ellah valley where David fought Goliath to Tel Maresha, for a most fascinating experience; digging our roots with the guidance of the Archeological

Seminars experts. Crawl through Beit Guvrin caves and visit the Roman Columbarium.

Tree planting at JNF forest. Return to Jerusalem.

Visit the newly renovated Israel Museum.

Overnight: Dan Panorama, Jerusalem

Wednesday, July 2: Breakfast at hotel

Depart Jerusalem via the Judean Desert, driving along the Dead Sea shores to Massada. Ascend by cable car to King Herod's fortress and the Jewish zealots' last stronghold.

Freshen up at Mineral Beach, Dead Sea.

Hike Ein Gedi nature reserve; enjoy the unique desert fauna and flora. Return to Jerusalem viewing on the way the Qumran caves where the Dead Sea scrolls lay hidden.

Farewell Dinner at Anna Ticho Garden. Transfer to Ben Gurion airport. Meeting and assistance through customs.



RATES AND INFORMATION

Following please find the tour details and rates for Israel Tour June 22-July 3, 2014.

- 1. **Flights**: We have requested El AL flights. At the moment the airfare is \$1883.80. We have some seats locked in at this rate until February 15.
- **2.** Land Arrangements: We are holding 10 rooms confirmed at the following hotels:

June 23-24: Dan Panorama hotel, Tel Aviv

June 24-25: Dan Panorama hotel, Haifa

June 25-27: Nof Ginosar

June 27-July 2: Dan Panorama, Jerusalem

3. Rates:

Airfare: see above

Land Basic Itinerary, Israel tour June 22-July 3: Land: \$ 3186 per person, sharing double room.

Single Supplement: \$ 850

Child sharing parent room as third: Deduct for child \$ 600

Rate includes:

9 nights at above mentioned hotels Arrival and departure transfers

Daily Israeli buffet breakfast

6 Dinners

2 lunches

9 full day sightseeing, deluxe air - conditioned bus

English speaking guide

Entrance fees to all visited sites; museums, cables cars, Druze Village, Jeep

tour, Dead Sea Spa, Machane Yehudah culinary tour, tree planting,

Hotels and airport porterage

Upgrade to suite for tour leader upon availability

Meeting and assistance throughout

1 tour leader free on every 10 full paying participants.

Rate does not include:

Travel Insurance: peace of mind- cancel for any reason, Dani Eisenstock our insurance agent will contact you once first deposit is paid.

Gratuities to guide and drivers.

Recommended tips:

Guides: 8-10 per person per day Drivers: 5-6 per person per day Hotel staff: \$ 1 per person, per day

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Rooms: All prices are based on double occupancy and minimum 10 full paying participants.

Taxes: Airport Tax and Fuel surcharge are included in tour price. Fuel surcharge subject to change. Israel exit tax included.

Tipping: Tips for guide and driver are not included. Recommended tip for guide: \$ 8-10 per person, per day of guiding.

Driver: \$ 5-6 per person, per day of driving

Insurance: Insurance is not included in tour price. Application will be sent upon receipt of deposit. We highly recommend purchasing the travel insurance package which is offered. Please note we cannot accept responsibility for any losses or expenses which you or your party may incur as a result of failing to secure adequate coverage.

Medical Condition: We are not responsible for any medical conditions

that may occur during or prior to the tour.

Land and air Deposit: To confirm your land and air arrangements, please forward \$ 200 per person deposit before February 15. This deposit is fully refundable less \$ 500 handling fees until March 31. Cancellation made from April 1to tour departure subject to the following cancellation policy.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be in writing, effective from the day received. No refunds are issued for cancellations received after the tour departs. Airline penalties could be equal to the total cost of the ticket.

Following cancellation fees will be deducted from your refund or deposit.

April 1-30: \$ 250 per person

May 1-31: airline penalty + \$ 350 per person

June 1- departure date: No refunds.

Baggage: Luggage is the responsibility of the passengers and that of the airlines. Lost luggage claims are the passenger's responsibility to notify the airlines directly.

Passports: Must be valid six months beyond trip return date.

Itinerary: The sequence of activities in the itinerary may change or be reversed and some may be omitted due to circumstances beyond our control.

Pricing is subject to change until the trip is paid in full.

Form of Payment: All prices reflect a 3% discount made for purchases with checks. Please add 3% (amex), 2% (visa,master) if using credit cards.