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JERUSALEM



Yad Vashem

Welcome to Israel! Upon individual arrivals, transfer to the **Dan Panorama Hotel** in Jerusalem.

An **optional day tour of Jerusalem** will be offered to participants arriving early. The day tour will depart from the Dan Panorama and will start the day at **Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum & Memorial**. A sprawling complex of tree-studded walkways leading to museums, exhibits, archives, monuments, and memorials, Yad Vashem tells the story of the Holocaust from a uniquely Jewish perspective, emphasizing the experiences of victims through original artifacts, survivor testimonies & personal possessions.



Mt. Herzl

The tour continues to **Mt. Herzl** to visit the gravesites of Theodore Herzl, Golda Meir, Yitzhak Rabin and other Israeli dignitaries and leaders. Afterward, proceed to the **Old City** of Jerusalem for lunch on own followed by a walking tour through both the Jewish and Christian Quarters. Begin at the **Southern Wall Excavations** to see the original steps that lead to the Temple Mount. Proceed to the **Western Wall** and listen to the soft sounds of prayer and contemplation.



Old City of Jerusalem

Continue to the Christian Quarter for a visit to the **Church of Holy Sepulchre**, believed to be the location of Christ's crucifixion, burial and resurrection. Continue with a stroll down the **Cardo**, Jerusalem's main street more than 2,000 years ago.



Church of Holy Sepulchre

Following the walking tour participants will have the option to attend two sessions with fascinating speakers at the hotel. The first speaker is **Professor Menachem Hofnung** who will be discussing Constitutional Politics without a Written Constitution. The second session speaker will be **Lt. Col. (Res.) David Benjamin** who will be talking about the Charge of the Lawyers' Brigade: Legal Advice in Israeli Military Operations.

The program will officially commence this evening with a **welcome dinner** at the **Gabriel restaurant**. Hear from **Eugene Kontorovich** who will give a talk on "Disputing Occupation: The International Legal Status of the West Bank."

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Jerusalem

MONDAY NOVEMBER 16 • JERUSALEM

Following a delicious Israeli breakfast, travel to the **Old City** to meet **Chief Inspector Micky Rosenfeld**, the foreign press spokesman for the Israel Police. Walk through the City of David and the Old City with Inspector Rosenfeld as he discusses Israeli land ownership laws and the current dispute over land rights.



City of David

Afterward, depart the old city for **Ammunition Hill**, site of the famous battle during the Six-Day War. During a tour, follow the footsteps of the soldiers who fought here and see the new “Seam-Line” multimedia show about the Six-Day War and the reunification of Jerusalem. Continue to JNF’s Wall of Honor which honors Jewish veterans from around the world. Meet group of Lone Soldiers and hear their stories.

Following the tour, meet **Colonel (res.) Bentzi Gruber**, Vice Commander (reserves) of Division 252, an armored division of 20,000 soldiers. He is founder of “Chesed-In-The Field,” a non-profit that brings together IDF reservists and chronically ill and disabled children for special events throughout the year instilling the values of community and social responsibility in the hearts of thousands of soldiers. Col. Gruber will speak about “Ethics in the Field” through a multi-media presentation that will discuss myths and present the facts missing in today’s discussion of Israeli counter terrorism.



Ammunition Hill

After hearing from Col. Gruber, the group will make its way to the Ammunition Hill exhibition hall for a catered **lunch** and to meet **Nitsana Darshan-Leitner** to learn about why she created Shurat HaDin. Shurat HaDin is a Jewish legal rights institute providing representation and resources for terror victims. **Nitsana** is an Israeli activist attorney who has become the undisputed leader of the fight against Palestinian and Islamic terrorist organizations in the courtroom, as well as a beacon of hope for terror victims throughout the world.



Supreme Court

This afternoon, gain exclusive access to the **Supreme Court** for a VIP tour and meeting with **Judge Paul Stark**, to discuss the differences and similarities of practicing law in the United States and Israel. Judge Stark will also speak about his current role handling municipal affairs for the City of Jerusalem.

This evening after a few hours of free time, enjoy **dinner** at **Canela Restaurant** and hear from **Dr. Anat Horwitz**, Deputy National Public Defender.

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TUESDAY NOVEMBER 16 • JERUSALEM / TEL AVIV



Special in Uniform

Following early morning breakfast and hotel check out, we will tour the **Palmachim Air Force Base**. This heavily guarded base, located near the cities of Rishon LeZion and Yavne on the Mediterranean Sea, is crucial for Israel's technological advancements in the field of air defense and to underscore the array of threats from rockets and missiles. **JNF's Special in Uniform** is an innovative program that aims to integrate youth with disabilities into the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) and assist in preparing them for careers following army service.



Neve Tzedek

Following the tour, the group will have the unique opportunity to visit an **IDF Military Court** to observe, first-hand, a trial of Hamas terrorists. Afterward, participate in a discussion about due process in the military court system in Israel.

A networking **lunch** will be held in a private room at a local restaurant with Israeli lawyers. During lunch, participants will have the opportunity to meet **Alain Avchalom**, an Israeli National Police Captain and members of **Greenberg Traurig's Tel Aviv** team.



Ayalon Institute

Afterwards, we will tour **Ayalon Institute**. This fascinating museum presents the story of a secret factory that manufactured ammunition, built underneath a limestone hill. On the surface, it was used for training groups of young people (*garinim*) for kibbutz life. Built and operated during the years 1946-1948, the Institute was established by the "Haganah," the largest Jewish underground movement during the British Mandate. This factory would develop into what is today called IMI (Israel Military Industries) or "TAAS". The Ayalon Institute was the largest IMI factory to operate underground and produced over 2,500,000 9mm bullets mostly for Sten guns during its two years of operation.



Na Laga'at Center

This evening, enjoy a very unique and interesting **dinner** at a local restaurant at the **Na Laga'at Center** called **BlackOut**. The restaurant offers visitors the experience of eating in complete darkness, awakening senses and providing patrons a temporary perspective on what it's like to live without sight. Each table has a blind or visually impaired waiter. Following dinner participants will have the option of watching a world renowned performance by the Na Laga'at Theater company.

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WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 18 • COASTAL ROUTE



Usafiya Fire Station

Following breakfast and hotel check out, drive along the coastal route and stop at the **Usafiya Fire Station** and meet with the fire department. The Usafiya Fire Station serves as a lifeline of aid for the Carmel area still recovering from devastating life and property loss as a result of the Carmel Forest fire.



Akko

Afterwards, we will meet with **Mayor Yona Yahav**, who currently serves at the Mayor of Haifa. Mayor Yahav is a lawyer who formerly served in the Knesset for the Labor Party.

Continue north to **Akko**, an underground crusader city and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Akko has a fascinating history, with a rare blend of influence from both the east and west and also serves as a unique meeting place of art and religion, as well as contemporary living cultures and communities. Take a tour through the Old City and explore the gates, towers, tunnels and secret passageways of this ancient city. Visit the famous **Akko Prison**, built by the Turks and later used by the British to imprison members of the underground.



Akko Prison

Visit the developing **JNF Western Galilee Visitors Center**, which will create a dynamic and sustainable method for delivering information to over 2.5 million tourists who walk through the streets of Akko. Its location in the historical section of the old city will showcase the wide variety of tourist opportunities in and around the Western Galilee.



Alto Dairy

Enjoy lunch at **Alto Dairy** with local business leaders and learn about JNF's partnership with **Western Galilee Now (WGN)**. Following lunch, visit a few other WGN businesses including a visit to Stern Winery and hear from **Executive Director Michal Shiloah Galnoor** of **Western Galilee Now**.

Later this afternoon, satisfy your sweet tooth at the **Bouza Ice Cream Parlor**. Founded by an Arab Muslim and a Jewish kibbutznik, this ice cream shop attracts a diverse clientele of Muslims, Christians, and Jews from Israel and abroad. During a conversation with the owners, understand how Bouza embodies peaceful coexistence and reflects the diverse and complex nature of Israeli society.



Bouza ice cream

This evening, enjoy a special **dinner** and hear from **Professor Charles Freilich**

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about how Israel makes national security policy that is based on Israel's constitutional system.

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THURSDAY NOVEMBER 19 • NEGEV



Halutza

This morning, depart the hotel and head south toward the Negev. For the first stop of the day, visit the community of **Halutza**, where several communities have been established for displaced persons from the Gaza community in Gush Katif after the Israeli withdraw from Gaza in 2005. Meet local residents, who will share their experiences living so close to the Gaza and Egypt borders during *Operation Protective Edge*. Afterward, meet with a security expert for a security briefing on the Gaza border. While in Halutza, all participants will have an opportunity to plant a tree.



Aleh Negev

Continue to **Aleh Negev**, a state-of-the-art residential facility that provides people with severe cognitive and developmental disabilities with high level medical and rehabilitative care. A revolutionary facility that has changed the face of rehabilitative care in Israel, Aleh Negev is home to over 500 residential adults with disabilities and serves more than 12,000 children and young adults with disabilities each year on an outpatient basis.



Be'er Sheva

After leaving Aleh Negev, the group will stop in **Be'er Sheva** for lunch and to witness the transformation of the capital of the Negev. An extensive water, environmental, and economic development project is transforming the riverfront into a 1,700-acre civic paradise, centerpiece of JNF's efforts to provide a renaissance for the city and turn the Negev into an attractive residential area for a new generation of Israelis, this innovative urban renewal project is becoming an anchor for tourism and commerce.



Sderot Indoor Recreation Center

Later this afternoon, visit Sderot for a visit to **JNF's Sderot Indoor Recreation Center**, the largest indoor playground in Israel. This fortified facility provides Sderot's youth with a safe, secure place to have fun and simply be children. Take a tour and meet several Sderot residents to learn how the recreation center has impacted their lives.

This evening, enjoy a **farewell dinner** at **Angus Restaurant** before transferring to the airport for return flights to the USA.

Overnight, En Route

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