

GLOBALGETAWAY

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CLASSIC TOUR 2009/ 2010 - 8 nights

Weekly Saturday departures

Saturday - Ben Gurion Airport / Tel Aviv

You will be met by our representative at Ben Gurion Airport and transferred to your hotel. Overnight in Tel Aviv.

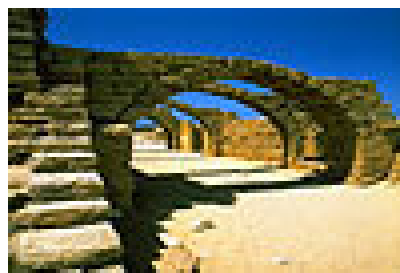
Sunday – Sunday - Diaspora Museum / Caesarea / Druze villages

Our day begins with a visit to the Diaspora Museum. We travel along the coastal plain to Caesarea; capital of Judea under the Romans, to see the excavations of the Crusader city and the Roman port, aqueduct and the amphitheatre that has been restored to its former glory as a concert venue. We travel via the Druze villages before ending our day in Haifa. Overnight in Haifa.



Monday - Haifa / Safed / Golan Heights

Today our tour of Haifa will begin at the summit of Mount Carmel where you will take in a breathtaking panoramic view of the Haifa Bay and Western Galilee. We then continue on to the golden domed Bahai Shrine to visit the exotic Persian Gardens and then to Safed, the center of Jewish mysticism, where you will visit the ancient synagogues and the artists' colony. We conclude our day travelling to the Golan Heights to see the former Syrian bunkers, Kuneitra and the new Israeli town of Katzrin. Overnight in Kibbutz. Dinner included.



Tuesday - Sea of Galilee / Nazareth

We begin the day with a visit to Tiberias and drive to Capernaum to see the ruins of the synagogue and octagonal church of St. Peter and then proceed to Nazareth; here you will visit the church of the Annunciation. We conclude our day by driving via Beit Shean to Beit Alpha to see the remains of the mosaic floor of an ancient synagogue depicting the zodiac. Overnight in Jerusalem.

Wednesday - Jerusalem: The Old City

Our tour of the Old City begins with a visit to the tomb of King David and the room of the Last Supper on Mt. Zion. We will then enter the walled city and walk through the newly restored Jewish Quarter, visit the Roman Cardo, the Herodian Quarter and continue to the Western Wall. We walk along the Via Dolorosa to the church of the Holy Sepulchre, and then proceed to Mount Scopus and then to the Mount of Olives for a magnificent panoramic view of the Old City. Continue to Bethlehem*, stopping at Rachel's Tomb and to visit the Church of the Nativity. Overnight in Jerusalem.

Thursday - Jerusalem: The New City

The New City tour today begins with a drive to the Hadassah Medical Center in Ein Kerem to see the Chagall stained glass windows, and then a visit to Yad Vashem, the memorial to the Holocaust and then to the Israel Museum. Afterwards we visit the Shrine of the Book where the Dead Sea Scrolls are housed and the miniature model of Jerusalem as it was during the Second Temple period. Our day concludes with views of the Knesset; Israel's Parliament and the Givat Ram Campus of the Hebrew University. Overnight in Jerusalem.



Friday - Qumran / Massada / Dead Sea

Today we travel to the Dead Sea; the lowest point on earth nearly 1300 feet (400 meters) below sea level via the Judean Desert. We stop at Qumran to visit the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found and then drive along the shores of the Dead Sea to Massada. Ascend and Descend Massada by cable car and tour the ancient fortress where the Zealots made their last stand against the Romans before committing mass suicide in 73 AD. Time and weather permitting, an opportunity will be provided to float on the Dead Sea. Overnight in Jerusalem.

Saturday - At leisure

Overnight in Jerusalem.

Sunday - Jerusalem / Ben Gurion Airport.

After breakfast, transfer to Ben Gurion Airport for departure.

From AU\$1870 per person in low season to \$2250 in peak season (valid to Feb 2010) (based on share twin in 3 star accommodation)
Upgrade available to 4 or 5 star hotels
Inclusions: Return Airport Transfers, Accommodation, Breakfast, 1 dinner, Sightseeing & Entrance Fees, English speaking guide.
(Conditions apply/seasonal surcharges apply)
Valid to 28 February 2010

* Visit subject to availability/ and security

The above program can be extended and tailor-made for groups

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