



10-Day Easter Culture & Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2024

1 Kings 8: 41-43

'Following in the Steps of Jesus'

Price includes

- 6 nights in Jerusalem Hotel
- 2 nights in Galilee
- 1 night in Jaffa (Tel Aviv)
- Double room occupancy
- Breakfast and evening dinner at the hotel
- Entrance fees as per itinerary
- Transfers between airport and hotel
- Executive coach for touring
- Professional English-speaking local guide
- Airport taxes and Government charges

Not included

- Travel insurance (optional)
 - Flights (\$900 - \$1300) depending on departure city
 - Single room supplement \$700 for 9 nights
 - Cost and associated Covid requirements if any
 - Gratuities to guide, driver, hotel staff and restaurant
- It is customary to provide tips to guide, driver, hotels, and restaurants staff. Tips are usually provided in US dollars and given directly to the recipients by the Tour leader.

How to book

- TEXT Israel 2024 for booking link ([FOLA +17735409061](tel:+17735409061), [KIM +17088908169](tel:+17088908169))
- Deposit required to secure your place \$550 (by card or bank transfer.)
- Please be advised that any payment made by credit card will incur a 4% bank service fee
- Second payment due 5 months prior to travel
- Final balance to be paid 2 months prior to travel.
- Flexible monthly payments available. Contact us for details.

Price is based on 15 people minimum.

Cancellation policy

- Cancellation within three months of arrival may be subject to fees
- Cancellation within two months of arrival will incur fees

See the Gospel come to life by following the footsteps of Jesus in the Holy Land. From Galilee to Jerusalem, you will find yourself immersed in spirituality and culture. This beautiful, tried and tested itinerary promises to bring the faithful pilgrim an unforgettable experience, including a touring coach and professional local guide, as well as en-suite accommodation at the in Tiberias, Jerusalem and Jaffa

from **\$2,550**
per person, HB

March 22nd – 1st April 2024

10 Days / 9 Nights

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DAY 1

Saturday:

Arrival, Tel-Aviv tour and drive to hotel check in and dinner.

DAY 2

Sunday:

Start the day at the summit of the Mt of Olives (Bethphage) to join the Palm Sunday Procession led by the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem ending in St Anne's Church. Food tour Machane Yehuda Market. Finish the day with the Tower of David sound and light show. JLM

DAY 3

Monday:

Start the day at Bethany to visit the church of St Lazarus, where he was raised from the dead by Jesus. Proceed to Jericho to view the Mt of Temptation and Zacchaeus's Sycamore Tree. We will drive north along the Jordan Valley to Mt Tabor - the church of Transfiguration. We take taxis to the summit and visit this beautiful church. Proceed to the River Jordan - 'Yardinit' to renew our Baptismal Vows. Drive to our hotel. Tiberias

DAY 4

Tuesday:

We begin by visiting Mt. Arbel. Then drive to Magdala, and then to the Mt of Beatitudes located on top of the hill overlooking the Sea of Galilee, where the Sermon on the Mount took place; St Peter's Primacy, where Christ appeared to the Apostles after His Resurrection, and the Church of the Loaves and Fishes where Jesus fed the five thousand. We will have lunch here and enjoy the most famous St Peter's Fish by the Sea of Galilee.

Afterward, we will have a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee in an ancient reproduction boat, a replica of a boat from the time of Jesus. Afterward, visit Capernaum, the Town of Jesus; here, we visit the Church of St Peter and the remains of the ancient synagogue. Return to our hotel and have evening dinner here

DAY 5

Wednesday:

We begin with the serene town of Cana. Here, we will visit the site of Jesus' first miracle, where He turned water into wine at a wedding feast. Bask in the peaceful atmosphere as we explore the Church of the Wedding. Next, we head to Nazareth, the childhood home of Jesus. Discover the Basilica of the Annunciation, a beautiful church built over the location where the Angel Gabriel announced the birth of Jesus to Mary. Visit Mary's Well and the ancient synagogue where Jesus preached. Continuing our journey, we arrive at Megiddo, an archaeological site of great historical significance. As we proceed to Mount Carmel, immerse yourself in the natural beauty of this sacred mountain range. Learn about the prophet Elijah and his encounter with the prophets of Baal. Our next stop is the ancient port city of Caesarea, where we will explore the well-preserved Roman ruins, including the amphitheater, aqueduct, and the palace of Herod the Great. As the sun begins to set, we arrive at the picturesque old port of Jaffa. F

DAY 6

Thursday:

Today, we'll start our journey at the City of David, an ancient site rich with archaeological discoveries. Next, we'll venture through the Hezekiah Tunnel, an impressive water channel built over 2,700

years ago. Moving on, we'll visit St. Peter Gallicantu, a beautiful church built on the slopes of Mount Zion. This sacred site is believed to be where Jesus was imprisoned and denied by Peter. As we continue exploring Mount Zion, take in the panoramic views and significant landmarks that tell stories of Jerusalem's past. Our next site is the Ramparts Walk, where we'll stroll atop the ancient walls of Jerusalem. Experience a unique perspective of the city, taking in the stunning vistas and historic sites from above. Afterward, we'll visit the Friends of Zion Museum, and finally, we'll make our way to Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus.

DAY 7

Friday: Good Friday

Very early departure to Jerusalem and proceed to the Garden Tomb for our meditative service. This depends on the time of our arrival in Jerusalem. Afterward, we walk to the beautiful Church of St Anne's, where Mary was born. Here we also view the Pools of Bethesda before walking further down to the Basilica of Ecce Homo and Pilate's Court, where Jesus was tried. This is followed by the Cross along the Via Dolorosa and finishing inside the Holy Sepulchre. We may take turns carrying the cross, changing at each station. Return to our hotel in Jerusalem JLM

DAY 8

Saturday:

We begin today at the Mount of Olives Summit, taking in the stunning views and tracing Jesus' steps on Palm Sunday. Then, we visit Gethsemane, a site of deep significance in Christian history. Next, we embark on a hike at Ein Gedi, a desert oasis teeming with natural beauty. Afterward, we explore Qumran, the archaeological site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. Finally, we end

our day with a swim in the mineral-rich waters of the Dead Sea, a perfect way to unwind and reflect.

Day 9

Sunday:

Today, on Easter Sunday, we begin with an early departure to Jerusalem, where we'll attend the poignant Sunrise Resurrection Services at the Garden Tomb. As we celebrate Jesus' resurrection, please note that extended service times may impact our visits to other sites. Following the service, we'll explore the ancient ruins of Shiloh, a site deeply rooted in biblical history. Our next stop is the Ariel Tabernacle Model, where we can better understand the layout and significance of the ancient tabernacle. We then journey to Beth El, an important location in the stories of Abraham and Jacob. Afterward, we'll unwind at the Winery Psagot, savoring the local flavors and beautiful surroundings as we reflect on our Easter Sunday experiences.

DAY 10

Monday:

Visit St Peter's church and walk along the promenade of Jaffa's beautiful sandy beach.

Time permitting - Carmel Market Tour

Departure

Note: This itinerary is subject to change.

We are unable to guarantee the exact day to day order of the pilgrimage, and it may be possible (but this is unlikely) that one or two places may have to be cancelled or closed owing to local circumstances beyond our control. The guide may change the order to ensure the smooth running of the pilgrimage. Services will be arranged each day and venues will be confirmed according to availability.

