



# GT Experiences

## Classic Israel Tour

### Day 1 – Welcome to Israel!

The above in accordance with government regulations at the time of travel.

Arrive at Ben Gurion International Airport where you will be met by an Gt Experiences representative, who will assist you through baggage claim and customs and escorted to your transfer vehicle.

Transfer to Tel Aviv and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Dinner & Overnight: Tel Aviv

### Day 2 – Along the Coastal Highway

After breakfast, drive north to see the impressive remains of **Caesarea**, built by Herod the Great and once the seat of Roman rule in the region. View the excavated Roman Theater. The visit includes a new audio-visual presentation which brings to life the times of the Romans who controlled these shores 2,000 years ago. Continue on to Haifa, the greatest harbor of Israel, for a breathtaking panoramic view of Haifa Bay and of the beautiful Baha'i Gardens with its impressive Temples. We then head northwest to **Acre**, for a visit to the Crusader Fortress and the Museum of the Underground Prisoner. Acre is a city of intrigue, where you can walk through labyrinthine alleys and streets. Explore the remnants of the Crusader, Muslim and Ottoman conquerors.

Dinner and Overnight: Tiberias region



### Day 3 – In the Footsteps of Jesus to the Golan Heights

After breakfast, enjoy a **Boat ride** on the Sea of Galilee. Visit **Capernaum** where a 2nd century synagogue was discovered which threw light on the life of the community of that era. According to the Christian tradition, Jesus served here as a local rabbi and performed miracles. Drive to the **Mount of Beatitudes**, north of the Sea of Galilee. Atop this Mount lies a beautiful church with an octagonal dome that represents the 8 “Beatitudes” in the sermon preached by Jesus Christ to his disciples 2,000 years ago. Continue on for a visit to the **Chateau Golan Winery**, one of the most advanced wineries in Israel. Chateau Golan combines traditional winemaking knowledge with cutting-edge wine related technologies.

Dinner & Overnight: Tiberias region



### Day 4 – Along the Jordan River Valley to Bethlehem

After breakfast, drive through the Jordan Valley to **Beit She'an** with its recently excavated amphitheater. Drive towards Jerusalem and stop for a breathtaking view of **Jericho** and the **St. George Monastery** Continue which is hidden in a deep canyon in Wadi

Kelt. on for a visit to **Bethlehem**. See the **Church of the Nativity** and the remains of ancient Bethlehem from the times of Christ (beneath the Greek Monastery).

Dinner & Overnight: Jerusalem

### Day 5 – The Mt. of Olives & Old City of Jerusalem



After breakfast, ascend the **Mount of Olives** for a spectacular view of Jerusalem. Overlooking the Old City, the mount is covered partly in olive trees, cemeteries and churches that commemorate the Christian events of Jesus. Enter the **Garden of Gethsemane**, with the ancient olive trees believed to date back to the times of Christ. Enter the ancient Jerusalem via the Zion Gate and continue by foot into the walled city. In the **Jewish Quarter** we will see the Cardo and the **Western Wall**, and also enjoy a panoramic view of the **Dome of the Rock** on the Temple Mount. Visit the

Archaeological Park at the Davidson Center, including a movie presentation.

Continue on to the **Via Dolorosa** and visit the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**. Optional on own in the evening: Visit the Mamilla Outdoor complex with a variety of high-end stores and delicious restaurants and cafes.

Dinner & Overnight: Jerusalem

### Day 6 – Masada & The Dead Sea

After breakfast, drive to the **Dead Sea** which is more than 400 meters below sea level; thereby making it the lowest point on the earth's land surface.

Visit **Qumran**, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Continue on to **Masada**. Ascend by cable car to the top of the mountain to marvel at King Herod's desert fortress-palace and last stronghold of the Jewish Zealots against Roman domination in 73 CE. Afternoon of leisure with time to float on the unsinkable waters of the **Dead Sea**.

Dinner & Overnight: Jerusalem



### Day 7 – The New City of Jerusalem



After breakfast, drive to see the **Israel Parliament (Knesset)** and the **Menorah** (the symbol of the Jewish State) which was donated by the British people to Israel in 1956, showing 29 icons of Jewish History. Continue on to visit **Yad VaShem** – the Holocaust Memorial Museum. This is the Jewish people's memorial to the Six Million murdered in the Holocaust. The museum contains the world's largest repository of information on the Holocaust. Proceed to visit the **Israel Museum** where you will see the Shrine of the Book housing the Dead Sea Scrolls found in Qumran, and a model of Jerusalem as it looked during the late Second Temple Period.

Dinner and Overnight: Jerusalem

### Day 8 – Shalom & Farewell!

After breakfast depart for the Ben Gurion Airport for our international flight with everlasting memories of Israel!!

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**Our rate includes:**

- ◇ Meeting & assistance on arrival and departure at Ben-Gurion Airport by Gt Experiences representative.
- ◇ Porterage at airport and hotels.
- ◇ 7 overnights at the above-mentioned hotels or similar
- ◇ 6 days sightseeing as per your program below
- ◇ English speaking tour guide throughout the entire tour
- ◇ Luxury air-conditioned vehicle as mentioned above with WiFi; 7/8-seater for 2-6 pax; minibus for 7- 10 pax.
- ◇ Headsets throughout the tour
- ◇ Meal arrangements: Half Board, including full Israeli buffet breakfast and dinners at hotels daily.
- ◇ Entrance fees: Caesarea National Park, Bahai Gardens Haifa, UNESCO World Heritage City of Acre, Boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Mt. Beatitudes, Chateau Golan Winery, Beit She'an National Park, Bethlehem – Church of Nativity, Mt. of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, The Western Wall, Davidson Center archeological park, Via Dolorosa, Church of the Holy Sepulcher, Qumran National Park, Masada National Park - ascent by cable car, Floating on the Dead Sea, Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial and Museum, the Israel Museum.
- ◇ Bottle of water daily
- ◇ St Peter Fish lunch
- ◇ Gt Experiences Welcome Kit
- ◇ Optionals:
  - ◇ Home Hospitality Shabbat dinner
  - ◇ Lunch & Swim in the Dead Sea



**Our rates exclude:**

- ◇ Expenses of a personal nature.
- ◇ Meals throughout the entire tour other than mentioned.
- ◇ Tips to driver, guide, hotel and restaurant staff; our suggestions:
  - For the guide \$6-\$10 per person, per day
  - For the driver \$4-\$7 per person, per day
  - For the hotel personnel \$3 per person per night
  - Service at restaurants – 12%-15%
- ◇ Any other item not mentioned above
- ◇ Flights
- ◇ Covid-19 insurance and testing of any sort – in accordance with government regulations and pricing at the time of travel.

**RATES: (starting from—depending on seasonality)**

Type of Accommodation	Rate per person	
	5*	4*
2-3 Passengers	\$ 8,749	\$ 7,057
4-5 Passengers	\$ 5,932	\$ 4,414
6 pax Passengers	\$ 4,988	\$ 3,529
7 -10 Passengers	\$ 4,713	\$ 3,240
Single supplement	\$ 2,600	\$ 1,164

**Hotels**

**4-STAR HOTELS:(or similar)**

Day 1-2 1 overnight @ Prima City, Tel Aviv city center

Day 2-4 2 overnight @ Nof Ginnosar, Deluxe Country Lodging on the Sea of Galilee

Day 4-8 4 overnights @ Grand Court, Jerusalem

**5-STAR HOTELS: (or similar)**

Day 1-2 1 overnight @ Carlton Tel Aviv, deluxe beach front hotel

Day 2-4 2 overnight @ Magdala, Tiberias, deluxe hotel

Day 4-8 4 overnights @ Mamilla, Jerusalem, deluxe city center hotel