

Journey to Israel

10-day Holy Land Tour

With Tour Host

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November 3-12, 2016

"I will bless those who bless you..."

Genesis 12:3a



Terms and Conditions: Registration is made with a \$500 deposit per person. Registrations received within 90 days of departure will be assessed a \$100 late fee and must be accompanied by payments required by that date. Expenses incurred as a result of expediting documents or information are the responsibility of the passenger. Seats are limited and tour will be closed when filled. All rates are in US dollars, per person, double occupancy. Unless passenger has a preferred roommate, MTT will make every effort to assign a suitable roommate. MTT is not responsible for, nor does it guarantee the finding of a roommate. If no roommate is available for placement, the applicable single room supplement will apply. Tour price is based on a minimum number of passengers. Should the minimum number not be met, tour price would be subject to change. The tour price reflects a discount for purchases paid by cash or check. Visa, MasterCard and American Express are accepted as a convenience to our customers and are subjected to a 3% non-refundable convenience fee. **Travel Documents:** Passports and visas (if needed) are not included in the tour price. All travelers are required to have a passport for all trips outside of the United States which must be valid for at least six months beyond the completion date of the tour. Entry laws differ with respect to travelers' citizenship. You are responsible for any expenses incurred as a result of delays or itinerary changes related to your lack of appropriate travel documents and are therefore ineligible for any refund from MTT. Flight tickets must match passport name and verifying travel documents is the responsibility of the passenger. **Cancellations:** 100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Insurance Program provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is insurable. Those who do not take insurance should be aware of the following cancellation penalties: Full refund, less \$200 handling fee, will be made up to 120 days before departure; 119-60 days, \$500; 59-30 days, 50% of tour price; less than 29 days, non-refundable. All applicable airfare and overseas operation cancellation fees will be added to the above. All cancellations must be submitted in writing and will take effect upon date of receipt by MTT. Unused portions of the tour cost are not refundable.

Travel Insurance: We strongly advise cancellation insurance, which may grant full refund in case of illness or unforeseen events. Travel insurance also covers emergency medical expenses, trip interruption or missed connection and baggage delay. You will find policy details and coverage in the insurance brochure that will be sent to each passenger after the initial deposit and registration has been received, or you may visit www.madisontravel.com for more information. **Not included in tour price:** Travel insurance, excess baggage charges, meals other than those provided for, items from hotel room, mini-fridge, telephone calls, laundry, bottled water, liquors, after dinner coffee or tea, personal items, US Customs & Immigration fee, if any, anything not mentioned as included and anything of a personal nature. **Please note:** A \$100 charge per person, per change, will be assessed for any deviation from the prepared tour itinerary. No changes accepted within 90 days of departure. The fare is based on advance purchase excursion rates. The services of any IATA or ARC carrier may be used in conjunction with the tour. MTT acts only in the capacity of agents for all vendors. Your deposit confirms your tour membership and your acceptance of all tour terms and conditions. By acceptance of tour membership, the tour member agrees that neither the tour operator, nor any of its employees or affiliates shall be liable for any strikes, riots, terrorism, wars, epidemics, quarantines, medical or customs regulations, defaults, delays, loss, or damage resulting from negligence of any vendor. By embarking upon this tour, the traveler voluntarily assumes all risks of damage or loss involved, expected or unexpected. Tour operator reserves the right to refuse any person, before, or during the tour, and to make any changes to the tour should circumstances warrant.

Please print (copy for additional passengers)

Registration Form

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Name MUST be as it appears on Passport

Last _____

Middle _____ / _____

Name for Name Tag

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

(Registrations accepted without passport information. Please submit when available. Passport must be valid for 6 months after return.)

Passport # _____ Expires (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

Country of Citizenship _____

Male Female

Single Room (supplement \$895) Please assign roommate

Tour Roommate _____

Emergency Contact and Phone (not traveling with you)

\$500 deposit now to reserve your space
\$1000 due June 1, 2016
Balance due August 15, 2016

Cash or check payable to Madison Tours and Travel, Inc.

Credit Card # _____

Exp Date _____ CVS _____

Signature _____

Additional 3% convenience fee will apply. If name and billing address are different from tour member, please submit with registration.
 I have read the terms and conditions and agree to conform to them.

Date _____

Send completed registration form and payments to:
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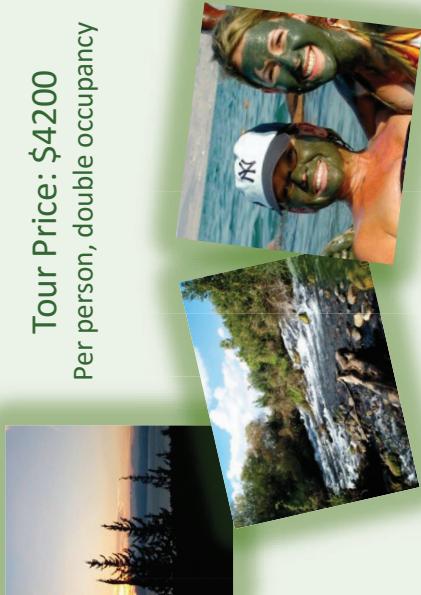
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Tour Price: \$4200

Per person, double occupancy



Price of Tour Includes: Round trip airfare on United Airlines from Orlando, breakfast and dinner daily, special St. Peter's Fish lunch, eight amazing days of sightseeing, all entrance fees on itinerary, English speaking guide, porters at hotels, deluxe motor coach and driver, seven nights hotel accommodation, airport transfers, tips to driver, guide and hotel staff, airline tax and fuel surcharge (subject to change).* Tour price is a cash/check discounted rate.

Not Included: Lunches, bottled water or beverages, single room, travel insurance, personal items, use of credit cards for tour payments.

Please Note: *Airline Taxes and Fuel Surcharge are included in the tour price. The current rate is \$700. This fee is set by the airline and Madison Tours and Travel has no control nor receives advance notice of changes. Due to fluctuating oil prices, the fee may change. The airline will only guarantee the fee at time of ticketing, about six weeks before departure. If the airline imposes an increase, the difference will be collected before departure.

Flight schedules can be changed by the airline.
Itinerary can be changed at the discretion of your leaders,
guide and tour operator.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1, Thurs, Nov 3—Depart Orlando on United Airlines for our flight to Newark, then overnight to Tel Aviv.

Day 2, Fri, Nov 4—We arrive at Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv in the morning and begin our journey through Israel. Our first stop is Joppa, one of the oldest cities in the world, the home of Simon the Tanner, and the port from which the prophet Jonah set sail for Tarshish. We travel north to Caesarea Maritima where we see a well-preserved Roman Theater, remains from Herod's Palace, a Hippodrome, and the aqueducts. We visit Mt. Carmel where Elijah challenged and defeated the 450 prophets of Baal. Continue to our hotel in Tiberius where we will spend 3 nights.

Day 3, Sat, Nov 5—We begin today sailing across the Sea of Galilee in a replica boat of 2,000 years ago. We visit the ancient boat discovered by two fishermen in 1986 during a time of drought. At Capernaum, the center of Jesus' activities in Galilee and home to Peter, Andrew, James and John, we see the house of Peter where Jesus healed Peter's mother in law, see the ancient synagogue where Jesus taught and explore the archeological gardens. Visit Tabgha where Jesus fed 5,000 on the shores of the Galilee. In Tiberius we stop for a delicious meal of the traditional St. Peter's Fish. This afternoon we drive to Nazareth, the boyhood home of Jesus, and visit a replica village built on remains from 2,000 years ago. A winding path will take us through a working farm, ancient winepress, and stone quarries. Olive trees and grapevines drape the hillside. We walk back in time to visit homes and see ancient crafts such as carpentry and yarn weaving, and a synagogue built to the scale of the ancient synagogue of Nazareth.

Day 4, Sun, Nov 6—Today we explore the northern part of Israel. We drive to Banias, one of the headwaters of the Jordan River and site of ancient Caesarea Philippi where Jesus asked His disciples, "Who do men say that I am?" Then walking through the beautiful nature reserve of Tel Dan we see remains from Jeroboam's Altar and an ancient Canaanite mud gate from the time of Abraham. We return to Galilee and visit the traditional site of the Sermon on the Mount, the Mount of Beatitudes. We visit Magdala, the home of Mary Magdalene, where an ancient synagogue and fishing village from the first century have been recently discovered. The city has been underground for over 2,000 years and left untouched. Many archaeologists believe the Magdala Stone found inside the synagogue to be the most significant archaeological find of the last 50 years. This discovery has helped scholars establish a more complete picture of first century Judaism. Time permitting, we stop at Mt. Arbel for an amazing panoramic view of the Galilee.

Day 5, Mon, Nov 7—We leave the Galilee area and drive down the Jordan Valley to explore the latest excavations at Beit Shean, revealing the remains of a Decapolis capital, Israel's largest excavation. Walk through this ancient city and see a gymnasium, bathhouse, theatre, public toilets, shops and temples. We drive by Mt. Gilboa, site of Saul's death, and visit the natural springs where Gideon brought ten thousand to be tested. Not far from Jericho, on the banks of the Jordan River, is Qasr el Yahud. This is believed to be the place where Jesus was baptized and also the place where the Children of Israel entered

the Promised Land after wandering in the desert for 40 years. We drive to Jerusalem and stop for a magnificent view of the city from Mt. Scopus. We arrive at our Jerusalem hotel where we stay for the remainder of our tour.

Day 6, Tues, Nov 8—We start today at the Mount of Olives, then walk down the Palm Sunday Road to the Garden of Gethsemane. We see the Pools of Bethesda, where Jesus healed the lame man, and enjoy a time of singing at the Church of St. Anne's with its amazing acoustics. We visit Antonia's Fortress and see the original paving believed to be where Christ stood before Pilate, and the markings of a cruel game used by the Roman soldiers. We continue through the Old City following the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, one of the sites believed to be the burial place of Jesus. We end the day in Bethlehem to see the Church of the Nativity, the traditional site of the birth of Jesus, and the Shepherds' Fields where the birth of Jesus was announced.

Day 7, Wed, Nov 9—We begin today at the Temple Mount, circumstances permitting, the home of the Jewish Temple and where the Dome of the Rock now stands. Next visit the Western Wall for a personal time of reflection and prayer, then walk through the Western Wall Tunnel. At the Davidson Center we enjoy a virtual tour of the Second Temple, then explore the Temple Southern Steps. These steps were the only entrance for all who visited the Temple during the time of Christ. Visit the new excavations of the City of David revealing some of the most exciting archeological finds of the ancient world. Archeologists have found what they believe is King David's Palace that has been undisturbed for over 3,000 years. Walk through a 1,700 foot tunnel dug during the reign of Hezekiah, and see the recently discovered Pools of Siloam.

Day 8, Thurs, Nov 10—Today we travel to the lowest spot on earth, the Dead Sea. We visit Qumran, site of the Dead Sea Scrolls discovery. Ascending by cable car, we tour the famous archaeological site of Masada, an ancient fortress where Jewish Zealots made their last stand against Rome in 73 AD. We stop at Ein Gedi to see the waterfalls where David hid from Saul. Before returning to Jerusalem, we take time to "float" in the therapeutic waters of the Dead Sea.

Day 9, Fri, Nov 11—On our final day in Jerusalem, we return to the Old City and enter the Jewish Quarter where we see the ancient Roman Cardo and remains from Hezekiah's Wall. At the Herodian Mansions, we see the archaeological remains of a six-house compound. We walk through Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Museum, in honor of the millions murdered by the Nazis, then continue to the Israel Museum to see the Holy Land Model, a 1:50 miniature replica of Jerusalem during the time of Christ. Many historical documents were used to recreate how Jerusalem looked in the first century. We also see the Dead Sea Scrolls found at Qumran. Enjoy a farewell dinner as we reflect on our time together in Israel and transfer to the airport for our late night departure.

Day 10, Sat, Nov 12—Arrive in Orlando via Newark in the morning with a lifetime of memories of our Journey to the Holy Land.