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# Sunshine Tour May 3-12, 2020



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# **SUNDAY 5.3 – Arrival / Tel Aviv**

#### WELCOME TO ISRAEL!

Our journey will commence with an Opening Dinner at the hotel this evening.

**OVERNIGHT:** Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv

## **MONDAY 5.4 – Tel Aviv**

- BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL
- BEN GURION HOUSE

Served as the residence of Israel's first Prime Minister David Ben Gurion until he settled in the Negev with his wife.

#### PALMACH MUSEUM

Learn about the strike-force arm of the Haganah, Israel's pre-State underground defense organization, through a multimedia experience.

#### SARONA MARKET

This trendy neighborhood is now home to a contemporary urban market where Israel's thriving culinary scene is on display.

### OLD JAFFA WALKING TOUR

One of the world's oldest seaports now home to ancient ruins, a restored artists' quarter, and a multiethnic community of Muslims, Christians, and Jews.

- DINNER IN TEL AVIV WITH A SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER
- **OVERNIGHT:** Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv

## **TUESDAY 5.5 – Center / Tel Aviv**

### BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL

#### SPECIAL IN UNIFORM

An innovative program that integrates youth with special needs into the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) and assists in preparing them for career placement after army service.

#### AYALON INSTITUTE

A clandestine bullet factory established by the Haganah in 1945. As the largest bullet factory during that time, it produced 2.25 million bullets from 1946-1948, in complete secrecy.

#### LUNCH IN THE AREA

#### OPTIONAL VISIT TO CARMEL MARKET AND NACHALAT BINYAMIN

A vibrant outdoor market with various vendors selling original, handmade items of art, ceramics, jewelry, and more.

#### DINNER AND EVENING ON OWN

**OVERNIGHT:** Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv

## WEDNESDAY 5.6 - Coastal Route / North

#### BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL AND CHECKOUT

#### CAESAREA

A former Roman capital of the region, this ancient city boasts archaeological excavations and ruins from the Crusader period, the historic aqueduct, and is the site of an old amphitheater, which has been restored and converted to a concert venue.

#### TISHBI WINERY

Offers stunning views of the lush surrounding vineyard. Enjoy a wine tasting and guided tour of the facilities as well as a light lunch.

#### ATLIT DETENTION CAMP

Where thousands of Jewish immigrants were imprisoned during the British Mandate upon arriving into Israel.

#### KFAR MASARYK

An authentic Kibbutz experience in the Western Galilee with local Israelis, Enjoy dinner together and an interactive activity.

**OVERNIGHT:** Galilion Hotel, Upper Galilee



## **THURSDAY 5.7 – Golan Heights**

#### BREAKFAST AT HOTEL

#### GOLAN HEIGHTS JEEP TOUR

Home to Israel's most spectacular landscapes, the Golan Heights is a land of beauty, far removed from the cities of the center of the country. Explore this area of Israel off-road on this adventure.

#### GOLAN HEIGHTS DISTILLERY

Taste the first whiskey from the Golan Heights and tour the facilities.

#### LEISURE TIME TO ENJOY HOTEL AMENITIES

- DINNER AT THE HOTEL
- **OVERNIGHT:** Galilion Hotel, Upper Galilee

## FRIDAY 5.8 - North / Jerusalem

#### BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL AND CHECKOUT

#### LOTEM – MAKING NATURE ACCESSIBLE

A one-of-a-kind organization that enables youth with special needs and at-risk women to maximize their enjoyment of nature by offering special outdoor activities and field trips.

#### LUNCH IN THE AREA

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Take in the sweeping views of the city, and join a ceremony of Shehecheyanu, a blessing celebrating special occasions in thanks for new and special experiences and events.

## KABBALAT SHABBAT AT THE KOTEL

#### SHABBAT DINNER

At the hotel joined by Nefesh B'Nefesh Lone Soldiers, young Olim who volunteered to move to Israel and join the Israel Defense Forces (IDF).





## **SATURDAY 5.9 – Shabbat**

- DAY AT LEISURE IN HONOR OF SHABBAT
- OPTIONAL SHABBAT SERVICES

Offered in the morning at the hotel.

#### OPTIONAL MASADA/DEAD SEA DAY TOUR\*

Take a cable car up to Masada, the mountain fortress built by King Herod where religious zealots made their final stand against the Romans. Descend the mountain to the Dead Sea, the lowest place on Earth, to float in the buoyant waters and relax at the beach.

- LUNCH AND DINNER ON OWN
- **OVERNIGHT:** David Citadel Hotel, Jerusalem

## **SUNDAY 5.10 – Jerusalem**

- BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL
- AMMUNITION HILL

Site of the pivotal battle of the Six-Day War that led to the reunification of Jerusalem.

AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE PARK

Recognizes the support of generous JNF donors to the land and people of Israel.

YAD VASHEM

A Sprawling complex of various exhibits, archives, monuments, and memorials which tell the story of the Holocaust from a unique, first-hand perspective through the eyes of the victims and survivors.





<sup>\*</sup>Additional Cost - not included in tour price and operated by a third-party provider.

## **MONDAY 5.11 – Northern Negev**

#### BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL

#### BE'ER SHEVA RIVER PARK

The centerpiece of JNF's efforts to create a renaissance for the city. See how this urban renewal project has served as an anchor of tourism and recreation. Plant a tree in the soil with your own hands and contribute to JNF's ongoing afforestation efforts in Israel.

#### HALUTZA

Located in the Northwest Negev less than a mile away from the Gaza border, Halutza was founded in 2005 by a group of families that left their homes during Israel's disengagement from Gaza. In partnership with JNF, Halutza's pioneers laid roads, created infrastructure and housing sites, planted crops, built fields of solar energy panels, and more.

#### LUNCH IN THE AREA

### JNF SDEROT INDOOR RECREATION CENTER

A signature project that has provided a much-needed sense of normalcy for residents living in the hard-hit town of Sderot, located less than one mile from Gaza.

#### DINNER AND EVENING ON OWN

#### OPTIONAL OUTING TO BEN YEHUDA STREET

Jerusalem's most centralized open-air pedestrian mall. Enjoy free time to shop and explore the various boutique stores.

**OVERNIGHT:** David Citadel Hotel, Jerusalem

# **TUESDAY 5.12 – Jerusalem / Departure**

## BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL AND CHECKOUT

#### OLD CITY WALKING TOUR

Embark on a comprehensive walking tour including the historic Jewish & Christian Quarters; the Western Wall (known as the Kotel), and other fascinating sites. Enjoy free time to explore and shop on own.

#### MACHANE YEHUDA MARKET

Immerse yourself in the bustling energy of Jerusalem's "shuk" (Hebrew for "market"). Taste delicious cheeses, pastries, spices, and more. Have lunch on own at the market from one of the various local vendors.

#### ISRAEL MUSEUM

The largest cultural institution in the country ranked among the world's leading art and archeology museums.

#### FAREWELL DINNER

#### BUS TRANSFER TO BEN GURION AIRPORT FOR RETURN FLIGHTS



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