

Your Voice in Israel

## Itinerary Culinary, Wine, and Music Tour May 1–9, 2020



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## FRIDAY 5.1 – Arrival / North

#### ART ACTIVITY IN HERZLIYA

#### **SHABBAT DINNER**

At the hotel joined by Green Horizons Kids, Green Horizons. A JNF-partner organization that works with Israeli youth in grades 5–12 to create a meaningful connection to the land through hikes and camping, designed to promote self-confidence, independence, social responsibility, and an appreciation for Israel's history.

**OVERNIGHT:** Mizpe Hayamim, Rosh Pina

## SATURDAY 5.2 – Shabbat

- DAY AT LEISURE IN HONOR OF SHABBAT
- OPTIONAL SHABBAT SERVICES
- OPTIONAL SPA TREATMENTS AT HOTEL

#### DINNER AND COOKING WORKSHOP WITH CHEF TAL ZOHAR

Tal Zohar is a mobile chef, trained in restaurants around the world, who hosts unforgettable outdoor experiences.

**OVERNIGHT:** Mizpe Hayamim, Rosh Pina



## SUNDAY 5.3 – Western Galilee

#### BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL

#### NEW JNF CULINARY INSTITUTE

One of JNF's newest projects and part of the Go North Initiative, this will be the first culinary institute in the northern region of Israel.

#### TOSHA BAKERY WORKSHOP

Tosha Bakery at Kibbutz Hanikra – bake pastries that will be both beautiful and tasty.

#### **ROSH HANIKRA**

One of Israel's most incredible natural wonders. Tour the breathtaking cavernous tunnels and caves of the grottoes carved out by the pounding waves of the Mediterranean as a result of thousands of years of the power of the sea; take in the turquoise blue waters of the Mediterranean.

#### ALUMA INTERACTIVE COOKING WORKSHOP

Located within Tarshiha. Founded as a partnership between a Muslim and a Jewish kibbutznik couple, the restaurant attracts a diverse clientele of Muslims, Christians, and Jews from Israel and abroad.

#### AKKO AND A CHOCOLATE MAKING WORKSHOP

Meet with Michal Shiloah, CEO of Western Galilee Now (WGN), a consortium of artisanal businesses, local entrepreneurs, and tourism operators, who will discuss how the center serves as one of many JNF initiatives that aim to attract and retain 300,000 new residents in the thriving region.

#### **TAPAS DINNER**

Cocktails and tapas dinner on the rooftop of the Effendi Hotel in historic Akko. During dinner, oud player George Saman, a premiere Israeli-Arab musician born in the Galilean Arab village of Rameh, will serenade the group.

**OVERNIGHT:** Mizpe Hayamim, Rosh Pina



## MONDAY 5.4 – Jerusalem

#### BREAKFAST AT HOTEL AND CHECKOUT

#### USAFIYA FIRE STATION

Serving as a lifeline of aid for the Carmel area still recovering from the devastating life and property loss as result of the 2010 Carmel Forest Fires. Meet with firefighters and hear about how this JNF project has enhanced the safety and development of the community by lowering response time from 25 minutes to 4-6 minutes.

#### LOTEM-MAKING ISRAEL 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. Learn about JNF's connection and dedication to LOTEM as part of its commitment to ensure that no member of Israeli society is left behind.

#### TULIP WINERY

Unwind with samplings of delicious wines and learn how this boutique establishment contributes to the community in a unique way, empowering people with special needs by providing employment opportunities.

#### NEOT KEDUMIM

Israel's Biblical Landscape Reserve. Plant a tree in the soil with your own hands with the special guests at the Harvey Hertz-JNF Ceremonial Tree Planting Center and contribute to JNF's ongoing afforestation efforts in Israel.

#### **SHECHECHEYANU**

Upon arrival in Jerusalem, stop at a scenic overlook for a ceremony of Shechecheyanu, a blessing said to celebrate special occasions in thanks for new and special experiences and events, while taking in the sweeping views of the Old City.

#### DINNER AT JACKO STREET

Enjoy dinner and a wine session with sommelier Yair Haidu, one of Israel's highest profile wine personalities and former manager of Israel's first ever wine school.

#### **OVERNIGHT:** David Citadel, Jerusalem



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## TUESDAY 5.5 – Jerusalem

#### **BREAKFAST AT HOTEL**

#### OLD CITY – KOTEL

Visit the Western Wall (known as the Kotel), where Jews from around the world gather for prayer and silent contemplation.

#### MACHANE YEHUDA MARKET TOUR WITH CHEF URI NAVON

Immerse yourself in the bustling energy of Jerusalem's "shuk" (Hebrew for "market"). Wander around and taste from the many local vendors selling delicious cheeses, pastries, spices, and more.

#### VUDELE

Interactive cooking session with Chef Navon. Prepare a delicious lunch using locally-sourced ingredients while sipping on tasty wines and spirits.

#### DINNER ON OWN

**OVERNIGHT:** David Citadel Hotel, Jerusalem

## WEDNESDAY 5.6 – Negev / Tel Aviv

#### BREAKFAST AT HOTEL

#### ALEH NEGEV-NAHALAT ERAN

A one-of-a-kind rehabilitative village in Southern Israel that provides high-level medical services and unparalleled care to individuals with severe cognitive and physical disabilities.

#### HALUTZA

Located in the Northwest Negev, 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 has laid roads, created infrastructure and housing sites, planted crops, built fields of solar energy panels, and more. Help pick vegetables in the field and paint one of the much-needed bomb shelters.

#### JNF SEDEROT 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.

#### MALKA RESTAURANT

Hugely popular chef, Eyal Shani's restaurant in the Asia House in Tel Aviv.

**OVERNIGHT:** Royal Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv



## THURSDAY 5.7 – Tel Aviv

#### BREAKFAST AT HOTEL

#### LEVINSKY MARKET SPICE TOUR WITH CHEF GIL HOVAV AND LUNCH

See, smell, and learn about the many spices used in Israeli cuisine.

#### WORKSHOP WITH BARAK YECHEZKELI

Chef and TV personality will do a vegetarian cooking class.

#### DINNER AT WHISKY BAR AND MUSEUM

Includes over 1,000 brands of whisky from 13 different countries.

OVERNIGHT: Royal Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv

### FRIDAY 5.8 - Tel Aviv

#### **BREAKFAST AT HOTEL**

#### **Ø OPTIONAL EARLY MORNING YOGA ON THE BEACH**

#### ✓ INTERACTIVE DANCE CLASS AND WORKSHOP AT THE MAYUMANA CENTER AT THE TEL AVIV PORT

Take part in a dynamic dance class and workshop at the Mayumana Theater, home to the internationally known performing arts group of the same name.

#### SHABBAT DINNER WITH RENOWNED CHEF NIR ZUK AT HER HOME

**OVERNIGHT:** Royal Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv



## SATURDAY 5.9 – Tel Aviv / Departure

#### DAY AT LEISURE IN HONOR OF SHABBAT

#### OPTIONAL SHABBAT SERVICES

Offered in the morning at the hotel.

#### SPEND THE DAY AT THE BEACH OR HOTEL POOL

#### OPTIONAL VISIT TO AYALON INSTITUTE

A secret bullet factory established by the Haganah underground movement in 1945. The largest bullet factory during that time, the Ayalon institute produced 2.23 million bullets between 1946-1948, all while keeping the production secret from the ruling British military.

#### FAREWELL DINNER AT KALAMATA RESTAURANT IN OLD JAFFA

Highly regarded for its unique combination of modern and authentic Greek cuisine.

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



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