

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LANDS

Excursion Program: 8 days / 7 nights

Cities to visit: Jerusalem » Bethlehem » Jordan River » Nazareth » Jericho » Baptism Site of Jesus Christ » Hebron » Tel-Aviv » Jaffa

DAY 1 / Jerusalem - Bethlehem

Arrival at Ben Gurion Airport. Meeting with the our representative in the passenger waiting room. Departure for Jerusalem. The tours starts with visits to Mount Zion, King David's Tomb, the Room of the Last Supper, old city of Jerusalem, wall of Tears, and the Temple Mount which is a shrine of 3 religions. You will also get the chance to see the entirety of Jerusalem with a panoramic scene. Then, we visit the Way of the Cross and Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Transfer to a hotel in Bethlehem. Dinner. overnight stay.

DAY 2/ Bethlehem - Beit Sahour - Beit Jala

Breakfast. A tour in Bethlehem: Trip to the Church of the Nativity. Visit to the cave of the Nativity of Christ. Visit to the cave of the Bethlehem babies. Then, Beit Sahour: Field of the Shepherds, where Angels appeared to the shepherds with the Good News of the Birth of the Savior of the World in Bethlehem. followed by a tour in Beit Jala: Visit to the Temple of Nicholas the Wonderworker - ending the tour in Bethlehem and heading to Nablus where you will be visiting the Temple of St. Photinia of the Samaritan Woman over Jacob's Well and Mountain monastery. Return to the hotel in Bethlehem. Dinner. Overnight stay.

DAY 3/ Jordan River - Tabgha - Nazareth - Galilee

Breakfast followed by crossing the Jordan Valley, visiting the Jordan River - where you can go into the sacred waters. then, a tour in the site of the Russian Ecclesiastical Mission in Magdala and Mount of Bliss. When done in Mount of Bliss, we head to Tabgha where it is possible to stop on the shore for swimming. Also, for anyone who'd like to have lunch, we will be stopping at of St. Peter's fish (\$ 20). After lunch, we visit the Bay of the Apostle Peter, Capernaum, Greek Monastery of the Twelve Apostles, Mount Tabor (the Orthodox Greek monastery of the Transfiguration of the Lord), and the Miraculous icon of the Mother of God "Fadeless Color". The last city we visit in this day is Nazareth.

We will visit the Church of the Annunciation, the Church of the Archangel Gabriel at the source of the Virgin Mary, Cana of Galilee, and Church of the First Wonderworking of the Savior. Return to the hotel in Bethlehem. Dinner. Stay overnight.

DAY 4/ Jericho

Breakfast. A visit to Jericho which is the most ancient city in the world. you will get to visit The Greek monastery of the Prophet Elisha and the holy spring, Mount of the Forty Day Temptation and the Forty Day Monastery, The site of the Baptism of the Savior in the Jordan River with a visit to the monastery of St. Gerasim of Jordan, Temple of the righteous Zacchaeus with a miraculous icon. Tree of righteous Zacchaeus (Sycamore), and Fortress "Massada" Return to the hotel in Bethlehem. Dinner.

DAY 5 / Jerusalem - Hebron

Breakfast followed by a tour in Russian Jerusalem: Russian monasteries on the Mount of Olives - Spaso-Voznesensky, Mary Magdalene, the Russian Compound (subject to availability). After the tour in Jeruslem. we head to Hebron, where we visit the Compound of the RDM in Hebron, and Oak of Mamre. Return to the hotel in Bethlehem. Dinner.

DAY 6 / Tel Aviv - Jaffa

Breakfast. Then we head for a Sightseeing tour of Tel Aviv, follwood by a walk through the quarters of Old Jaffa where we visit the Diamond Exchange. Return to the hotel in Bethlehem. Dinner.

DAY 7 / The Mediterranean

Breakfast Free holidays in the Mediterranean. Return to the hotel in Bethlehem. Dinner.

DAY 8 / Airport

Breakfast. Departure from the hotel to Ben Gurion Airport



Included in the price:

- Meeting at the airport and transfer to the hotel Breakfast, dinner according to the program Transport and excursion services in Israel
- Guide accompaniment (Russian, Ukrainian);
- Accommodation in hotels in double rooms in 3^* , 4^* , and 5^* hotels. (Discount for a child (2 adults + 1 child up to 12 years old) \$100

The price does $\underline{\text{not}}$ include:

- Air travel
- Additional costs for entrance fees, taxi to Tabor, tips for the guide and driver - \$45 Having medical insurance is a must.