



# Israel

## Land of Cultural Treasures

### Inspiring Moments

- Experience the diversity of **Israel's religious heritage** at historical sites steeped in Christianity, Judaism and Islam.
- Tour cosmopolitan **Tel Aviv and Old Jaffa** on the Mediterranean coast.
- Dig into an authentic **Druze lunch**, prepared with local and seasonal ingredients.
- Take a sensory journey in Jerusalem's **Machane Yehuda market**.
- Discover the stark beauty of the **Dead Sea**, a unique, natural phenomenon.
- Savor **crisp falafels, refreshing wines** and more of Israel's delectable flavors.
- Join a local family for a traditional **Shabbat observance**.
- Experience six **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.



Bahai Gardens, Haifa

Join us for an eight-night journey that explores Israel's multicultural traditions, the ruins of ancient civilizations and the natural beauty of a land steeped in history. This tiny nation exudes spirituality and brims with religious milestones. Marvel at Tel Aviv's White City, and visit historic Jaffa, Roman Caesarea and Akko's Crusader fort. Stroll along Jerusalem's Via Dolorosa, see the Temple Mount and Western Wall, and experience the poignant sites of Yad Vashem and Masada. Along the way, taste local wines and regional cuisine, and engage with the people of Israel, including winemakers and a Holocaust survivor.

### Day-by-Day Itinerary

#### Day 1 | In Transit

Depart for Tel Aviv, Israel. 🌐

#### Day 2 | Tel Aviv, Israel

Transfer 🚗 to the Carlton Tel Aviv.

Tonight, meet your fellow travelers at an exclusive Welcome Reception at the hotel.

#### Day 3 | Tel Aviv

**Discovery: Ancient Jaffa.** Located just a few miles up the coast from Tel Aviv, Jaffa is one of Israel's most enchanting old-world highlights. Soak up the enticing atmosphere as you stroll alleyways, discover courtyards, browse a bustling flea market and chat with friendly, local artisans.

**Discovery: Neve Tzedek and ANU - Museum of the Jewish People.** Tour the Neve Tzedek neighborhood, known for its avant-garde stores, fashion boutiques and handicraft shops. Visit the ANU - Museum of the Jewish People, the world's largest and most comprehensive Jewish museum.

**Free Time:** Encounter Israel's diverse culinary scene during lunch at leisure.

#### Day 4 | Tel Aviv | Caesarea | Akko | Tiberias

**Enrichment: Contemporary Israel.** Learn about events that shaped modern Israel.

**Discovery: The White City.** Admire Tel Aviv's Bauhaus-style architecture on a panoramic tour.

**Discovery: Mediterranean Coast.** In Caesarea, view Herod's grand Roman theater and the hippodrome, which once hosted gladiator games and chariot racing. Gaze at Herod's imposing aqueduct and view the Crusader Wall and fortifications.

**Discovery: Ancient Akko.** This ancient port city features magnificent stone buildings, churches and mosques. Explore the old city, admiring the thick fortifications, towers and 18th-century ramparts.

### EXTEND YOUR STAY

Jordan | 3 Nights | Pre-Trip

{See website for details.}





Continue your journey and check in to the U Boutique Kinneret Hotel by the Sea of Galilee.

Day 5 | **Tabgha | Capernum | Golan Heights**

**Discovery: Upper Galilee and Capernaum.** Sail the Sea of Galilee (weather permitting). Visit Tabgha, the Mount of Beatitudes and an ancient synagogue in Capernaum. See the House of Peter, a home where Jesus is believed to have lodged.

**Discovery: Golan Heights Winery.** From cabernet sauvignon to chardonnay, your taste buds will relish the flavors of local vintages during a wine tasting.

Day 6 | **Tiberias | Megiddo | Haifa | Jerusalem**

**Discovery: Tel Megiddo.** Megiddo's impressive ruins have more than 25 layers of settlements! See the fortified cities and walk through an underground tunnel. This Iron Age structure once supplied the city's residents with water from a nearby spring.

**AHI Connects: Druze Culture.** Enjoy an authentic Druze lunch. The Druze cuisine is often characterized by special blends of spices such as turmeric, cumin and cinnamon.

**Discovery: Mount Carmel.** Haifa is Israel's third-largest city and a renowned high-technology industrial center. From a terrace on Mount Carmel, revel in vistas featuring the pretty Bahá'í Gardens.

Check in to the King David Jerusalem Hotel.

**Enrichment: Is it Finally Time for a Peace Deal?**

A local expert presents an assessment of Israeli-Palestinian relations during a compelling lecture.

Day 7 | **Jerusalem**

**Discovery: In-depth Jerusalem.** The ancient walled city of Jerusalem is the spiritual heart of three world faiths — Judaism, Islam and Christianity. Today, discover Jerusalem's interesting architecture, Temple Mount and the Western Wall. Walk along the Via Dolorosa, enjoy views from the Mount of Olives and explore the interpretive Davidson Center.



Dig into a lunch of delectable falafels in the Arab Quarter.

**Free Time:** Explore Jerusalem's many wonders.

**AHI Connects: Shabbat.** Experience an authentic Shabbat dinner with a family in their home.

Day 8 | **Masada | Ein Bokek | Jerusalem**

**Discovery: Symbolic Ancient Masada and a Sea of Salt.** Spend a poignant morning at Masada. Then discover Ein Bokek on the shores of the Dead Sea. Pause to savor lunch with a view near the Dead Sea.

Day 9 | **Jerusalem**

**Discovery: A Poignant Monument.** Tour the exhibits of Yad Vashem and see the Hall of Names.

**Discovery: A Survivor Speaks.** A Yad Vashem guide shares personal experiences and insights.

**Free Time:** Spend leisure time at a local market. Gather for a Farewell Dinner with fellow travelers.

Day 10 | **In Transit**

Transfer to the airport in Jerusalem for the return flight to your gateway city.

Included Features

**Accommodations** {with baggage handling}

- **2 nights** in Tel Aviv, Israel, at the first-class Carlton Tel Aviv.
- **2 nights** in Tiberias at the first-class U Boutique Kinneret Hotel by the Sea of Galilee.
- **4 nights** in Jerusalem at the deluxe King David Jerusalem Hotel.

**Transfers** {with baggage handling}

- Deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land Program.

**Extensive Meal Program**

- 8 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 4 dinners, including a Farewell Dinner; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Opportunities to sample authentic, local cuisine.

**Your One-of-a-Kind Journey**

- **Small group:** Sized just right at 24 guests.
- **AHI Travel Assurance** plan covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- **Electives** to pursue your individual interests.
- Free time to pursue your individual interests.
- Welcome Reception to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.



2023 Departures & Pricing

March 18-27, 2023

Full Price	\$5,245
Special Savings	\$250
<b>Special Price</b>	<b>\$4,995*</b>

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Single accommodations are an additional \$1,345 (limited availability).  
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**Note:** Itinerary sequence and/or scheduled events may change. Walking is required on many excursions.  
Flights and transfers provided for AHI FlexAir participants.

Above: Old City of Jerusalem | Above right: Dead Sea