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# **Egypt, Holy Land & Jordan**

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Day 1

## Arrival Tel Aviv

Upon your arrival at Cairo airport, you will be met by your guide and transferred to your Hotel in Cairo for dinner and overnight.

Day 2

## CAIRO FULL DAY SIGHTSEEING

In the Morning, we will visit the Egyptian Museum to view many specimens of finest antiquities including precious collections from the tomb of Tut-Ankh-Amon. Then drive through the city past Cairo University to Giza. Visit Cheops Pyramid and the Sphinx. Camels or horses will be available to ride to the Pyramid Plateau. In the afternoon, we will drive along the Nile Cornice past East El Ainin Hospital to "Old Cairo" to visit the Coptic Churches of Abu Sarga associated with the Flight of the Christ Child to Egypt, Ben Ezra temple. Tonight, we enjoy a Nile River cruise with a folkloric show. Overnight in Cairo

Day 3

## CAIRO - ST. CATHERINE

After breakfast we start our bus ride across the Sinai Peninsula and by the Suez Canal to St. Catherine. The distance between Cairo and St Catherine is approximately 400 km and is about 7 hours drive. We check in at St. Catherine for dinner and overnight.

Day 4

## MOUNT SINAI, ST. CATHERINE'S MONASTERY, JERUSALEM

Today **we Walk in the footsteps of the prophet Moses**. an early dawn excursion takes us to Mount Sinai, where the Ten Commandments were given to Moses. It will be an ethereal feeling. Enjoy the breathtaking view of sunrise from the top of the Mount. Visit the Monastery then back to the hotel for some rest then transfer to Taba border. Your guide will meet you. **Welcome to the Holy Land!** Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 5

## JERUSALEM: BETHLEHEM- NATIVITY & EIN KAREM

We drive to Bethlehem, the town of Jesus' birth. Our first stop is at the Manger Square named after the manger Jesus was born in. Manger Square is home to the Church of the Nativity, one of the world's oldest-standing churches. We enter the church from a small door so as to bow low before entering the place where God humbled himself to become man. We will visit the Grotto of the Nativity, a cave located under the Church, which is the place where Jesus was born, the exact spot marked by a 14-pointed star of silver set into the floor. We will visit the main Basilica of the Nativity, designed in the typical Roman-style Basilica, and constructed on the ruins of its predecessor in 565 AD. In the afternoon, we will visit the special Church of the Shepherds' Fields and enjoy beautiful overview of the Shepherds' Fields. Caves where shepherds **"kept watch over their flock"** still abound in the area. Here, the Gospel of Luke tells us the place where the announcement of Jesus' birth to the shepherds by the angels took place. Returning to Jerusalem, we stop in Ein Karem where we visit the Church of St. John the Baptist and the Church of the Visitation. Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.

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## MOUNTAINS OF JERUSALEM: MT. OF OLIVES & MT. ZION

Today we enjoy a ride to the Mt. of Olives, the mountain provides breathtaking views of Jerusalem and beyond. We then visit the Pater Noster church recalling Christ's teaching of the Lord's Prayer to his disciples. We continue our walk to the tear-shaped Church of Dominus Flevit, where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. We follow the traditional road of triumphal entry of Jesus to Jerusalem eventually descending to the Church of All Nations and The Garden of Gethsemane at the foot of the mountain where Jesus prayed with his disciples on the night of his arrest.

We enjoy lunch on our own then we visit Mt Zion, also called Sion, in Old Testament. We visit the Upper Room commemorating the Last Supper of Jesus and his disciples, and the coming of the Holy Spirit on the disciples. We continue onto the Church of the Dormition of Our Lady The location is identified in Christian tradition as the place where the Virgin Mary died – or "fell asleep." Finally, we visit the Church of St Peter in Gallicantu, (Latin for 'cockcrow') depicting Peter's denial, his immediate repentance, and his later reconciliation with Jesus after the Resurrection. back to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 7

## JERUSALEM: THE OLD CITY & VIA DOLOROSA

We enter the Old City of Jerusalem through St. Stephen's Gate to visit the Crusader Church of St. Anne, the best-preserved Crusader church in Jerusalem, marking the traditional site of the home of Jesus' maternal grandparents, Anne and Joachim, and the birthplace of the Virgin Mary. We observe the nearby The Ecco Homo ("Behold the Man") Arch, located at the beginning of the Via Dolorosa. Tradition holds that this was where Pilate pronounced judgment on Jesus. Then we gather at the Antonia Palace to walk the Via Dolorosa, the Way of the Cross or the Way of Suffering, where nearly 2000 years ago Jesus of Nazareth carried his cross to his crucifixion. We conclude the Via Dolorosa at the site of Calvary for Mass at the Crusader's Chapel in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. We take a moment here to reflect about the sorrows of Jesus and to repent our own sins. **And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."** We enjoy a guided tour of the Holy Sepulcher and the Empty Tomb. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem



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## JERUSALEM: BETHANY, JERICHO, JORDAN RIVER, DEAD SEA

We stop at the little village of Bethany, on the eastern slope of the Mount of Olives about 3km from Jerusalem it was a favorite place of rest and refuge for Jesus. Here he knew the friendship of his friends Martha, Mary and Lazarus. And here, in the cemetery just below the village, he raised Lazarus from the dead. We leave Bethany and arrive in Jericho, being the normal route from Galilee to Jerusalem, Jesus passed through it several times. We will see the traditional sycamore tree of Zacchaeus & view the Mt Temptation. Thereafter we continue to the Baptism site beside the Jordan River. We will have an opportunity to float in the saline waters of the lowest Sea on earth.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem

Day 9

## JERUSALEM – CAESAREA- MT. CARMEL- TIBERIAS

Today drive up north via the costal shores of the Mediterranean to Caesarea, a port founded by Herod the Great, is one of the most important cities in the Roman World. Here, Peter baptized the first recorded gentile convert to Christianity – Cornelius. Here is also where St. Paul the apostle was jailed for two years, and from Caesarea, he made his way to Rome spreading the gospel to the heart of the Roman world. Afterward, we will make our way to Mount Carmel and the Chapel of Stella Maris. We then drive through Jezreel valley to Tiberias for dinner and overnight

Day 10

## SITES AROUND THE LAKE & MAGDALA

After an early breakfast, we will board a boat for a brief excursion on the Sea of Galilee. We will visit Tabgha where Jesus fed the crowd of 5,000. A short distance away is what is known as “Peter’s Primacy”, the site where, after His resurrection, Jesus met with his disciples and told Peter to **“feed my lambs; feed my sheep.”** [John 21:9] Here we celebrate Mass. From that place we will visit Capernaum where Jesus began his Galilean ministry, see the synagogue which dates to the time of Jesus and the site of Peter’s home. Our last stop of the day is at Magdala showing ruins of an Early Roman fisherman village, near the Arbel cliffs, on the shores of Sea of Galilee. Known as the home of Mary Magdalene. We return to Tiberias for dinner and an evening of relaxation.

Day 11

## NAZARETH CANA – MT. TABOR

After breakfast we leave for Nazareth, well-known for being the childhood home of Jesus, as well as the place of annunciation where Mary received the message that she would give birth to Jesus. We will have Mass in the Church of the Annunciation, and have an opportunity to visit sites in the city, we will then travel to Cana, where Jesus performed His first miracle at the request of his mother. There we will visit the Franciscan chapel for a renewal of wedding vows. Then on the way back to Tiberias we stop at Mt. Tabor, the mountain is located east of Nazareth and houses beautiful Franciscan church of the Transfiguration. Back to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

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Day 12

## ARRIVAL TO JORDAN, MADABA, MT. NEBO

After breakfast, we cross the border to Jordan. **Welcome to Jordan!** We visit Madaba, "The City of Mosaics," to see St. George Church where there is a clear map of the Holy Land. Later on, we drive to Mount Nebo, one of the most revered holy sites of Jordan. Here is where Moses was laid to rest, and where the late St. Pope John Paul II visited on his first pilgrimage of the millennium. We will explore the Sanctuary at Nebo: the memorial of Moses, the presumed site of his death and burial place, and a center for pilgrimages since early Christian times. Drive to Petra and check in to your hotel for dinner & overnight.

Day 13

## PETRA FULL DAY SIGHTSEEING

We enjoy a walking tour that begins with a visit to the Siq to the Treasury. Continue through the main street with magnificent structures on each side carved into the mountains, to the colonnaded street, ending at the Petra Museum. Lose yourself in the history of the Nabateans who meticulously carved Massive structures out of the rose-colored sandstone. See the influence of the people that followed, including the architecture of the mighty Romans and a beautiful Byzantine chapel decorated with ancient, stunning mosaics that have been carefully preserved. Enjoy a free afternoon to exploration, or rest, until dinner. Drive to Amman and check in to your hotel for dinner & overnight.

Day 14

## DEPARTURE

After an early breakfast, we proceed to Amman Airport for departure with unforgettable memories to cherish always. **Farewell**