

Iconic Israel

with optional Post Tour Extension

Highlights...

Tel Aviv • Jaffa • Carmel Market Food Tour • Caesarea • Druze Lunch • Golan Heights • Sea of Galilee • Nazareth • Mount of Olives • Jerusalem • Home-Hosted Dinner • The Western Wall • Yad Vashem • Holocaust Survivor Discussion • Masada • Dead Sea



10 Days • 16 Meals: 8 Breakfasts • 3 Lunches • 5 Dinners

Collette experiences

- Connect with the Orthodox Jewish community at a home-hosted dinner in Jerusalem.
- Engage in a conversation with a Holocaust survivor at Yad Vashem.
- Enjoy 2 nights in Tel Aviv, Israel's dynamic and thriving strip of metropolitan life.

Must-see inclusions

- Sail on the tranquil waters of the Sea of Galilee aboard a replica boat reminiscent of the 1st century.
- Explore the Old City of Jerusalem including the Western Wall and the Via Dolorosa – the Way of the Cross.
- Venture to the 2,000-year-old ancient Roman city of Caesarea.

Culinary inclusions

- Sample wines integral to Israeli traditions at a vineyard in Golan Heights.
- Enjoy a traditional Druze lunch and learn about this Arab-Israeli community.
- Get a taste for Israeli cuisine on a walking food tour in Carmel Market.

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Explore Israel, an ancient land rich in tradition. Step into a living history museum and discover some of the most celebrated treasures in the world.

Day 2: Tel Aviv, Israel - Tour Begins

Welcome to Tel Aviv, a thriving, reinvented city on the Mediterranean coast. Feel the bustling energy humming around you and jump right into this epicenter of Israeli-chic. The city cultivates an ever-evolving restaurant scene paired with sparkling coastlines, resulting in an irresistible hub of urban sophistication. This is Tel Aviv, a non-stop celebration of innovation and excitement. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome reception at your hotel.

Day 3: Tel Aviv

This morning, walk the narrow stone streets of Jaffa, an ancient port city. Then it's on to Carmel Market for a walking food tour.* Sample fresh hummus and savory street foods as you connect with the locals, getting a true taste of everyday life. This afternoon, perhaps you will relax on sandy beaches or opt to join your Tour Manager in the "White City" (UNESCO), highlighting famous Bauhaus architecture. Enjoy an evening at leisure to take in the city's captivating nightlife of rooftop lounges, sophisticated cocktail bars, and more. *Today breakfast and lunch will be included.*

Day 4: Tel Aviv - Caesarea - Haifa - Tiberias

Follow the coast to the ruins of the ancient city of Caesarea, built by Herod the Great in the 1st century BC. Chat with locals over a plate of enticing Arabic food as you bond with members of the Druze community at a home-hosted lunch. Afterward, in Haifa, take in the breathtaking panorama of the Baha'i Shrine and Gardens on Mount Carmel (UNESCO). Your day comes to a close in Tiberias, a sacred city overlooking the Sea of Galilee. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

Day 5: Tiberias - Korazim - Golan Heights - Sea of Galilee - Tiberias

Begin your day by exploring the excavated ruins of Korazim, a town believed to be cursed by Jesus because they did not heed his teachings. Korazim is in a relatively remote position, further up the hills overlooking the Sea of Galilee with gorgeous panoramic views. Enjoy lunch at a winery in the Golan Heights, a slice of fertile agriculture set on a rocky plateau. Set sail on the tranquil waters of the Sea of Galilee aboard a replica boat reminiscent of the 1st century. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

Day 6: Tiberias - Nazareth - Mount of Olives - Jerusalem

Depart Tiberias for the historic city of Nazareth. Visit the Church of the Annunciation and Mary's Well. Continue south to the Mount of Olives and marvel at the all-encompassing view of Jerusalem, including the shining Dome of the Rock. Housing layers of history and heritage, allow the resilient spirit of the city to capture your senses. Tonight, get to know a local family as you enjoy a traditional meal** in their home. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 7: Jerusalem

Walk in the footsteps of millions before you and discover the old walled city of Jerusalem (UNESCO). On this walking tour, see the Western (Wailing) Wall and the storied path of the Stations of the Cross. Immerse yourself in the everyday culture of Jerusalem's Shuk (the Bazaars of the Old City), with each narrow street dedicated to different trades passed down through generations. As you explore, breathe in the smell of freshly baked bread, roasting sesame seeds, and savory spices. The remainder of the day is yours. Perhaps you will join an optional tour of Jerusalem by night, which includes a sound and light show. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 8: Jerusalem

Begin your day with a poignant visit to Yad Vashem, the World Holocaust Remembrance Center. You won't just tour this powerful museum, but you'll get to have an open conversation with a Holocaust survivor.*** The rest of your day is at leisure to explore more of Jerusalem. Perhaps you'll visit the Israel Museum to view the Dead Sea scrolls or consider an optional trip to the city of Bethlehem, spread along the Judean Hills. Visit the Church of the Nativity**** – the birthplace of Jesus and the first church ever built. *Today breakfast will be included.*

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Day 9: Jerusalem - Masada - Dead Sea - Jerusalem

Travel to the desert fortress of Masada (UNESCO), situated on a cliff next to the Dead Sea. Ascend the ancient walls of Masada by cable car and explore Herod's Palaces, the Roman Camp, and the Synagogue. Float in the tranquil healing waters of the Dead Sea, experiencing its unique natural buoyancy. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner and toast the end to an incredible journey. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 10: Jerusalem - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Experience It! Jerusalem's Old City: A Confluence of Faiths

Enter through the sacred gates to a labyrinth of winding cobblestone streets, densely packed inside an area less than a single square mile. In spite of its diminutive size, the walled Old City is of great symbolic importance for Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Journey to venerable locations that have existed for 30 centuries. Stroll the Via Dolorosa, or the Way of the Cross, following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ's crucifixion, burial, and resurrection. Experience the solemnity of the Western Wall, the only surviving remnant of Judaism's most sacred shrine, the Temple Mount. Gaze in awe at the Dome of the Rock that Muslims believe is the site of the Prophet Muhammad's ascension to Heaven.

Your itinerary at a glance

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Isrotel Tower Hotel, Tel Aviv or Leonardo City Tower Hotel, Tel Aviv
Days 4, 5	Leonardo Plaza Hotel, Tiberias
Days 6 – 9	Dan Panorama, Jerusalem or Dan Boutique Jerusalem Hotel, Jerusalem
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.	

Collette's Flagship: Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.

Please Note:

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

Proper dress is required when visiting religious sites, sanctuaries, basilicas, etc.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

This itinerary is focused on culture, history and everyday life. While at some sites, there may be free time for individual reflection, this tour is not suitable for travelers or groups who wish to organize religious functions or utilize travel time on the coach for devotion and prayer.

*If the food market tour falls on a Saturday or a Jewish holiday, then your food tour will take place at the Mahane Yehuda Market while in Jerusalem.

***Due to fragile health conditions of Holocaust survivors, on occasion this interaction may be replaced with the screening of a poignant recorded testimony.

****Time will be allotted while in Bethlehem for entry into the Nativity Grotto. There is often a wait time that can exceed 2 - 3 hours; therefore, you must be prepared to stand in line for the entire time.

**If dinner falls on a Friday, you will attend the traditional Shabbat dinner. In such case use of any electronic device is prohibited due to religious beliefs (including mobile phones and cameras).

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

In addition to Israel, this tour travels through the occupied Palestinian territory of the West Bank.

Due to flight schedules, you may require a very early morning departure from the hotel on the last day (Day 10). Travel distance from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport is approximately 1.5 hours (depending upon traffic conditions). Due to security checkpoints, it is recommended that you arrive at Ben Gurion Airport 3 hours prior to departure.

Air passengers will depart from Tel Aviv airport and all transfers will depart from Jerusalem for Tel Aviv airport.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so to fully experience this itinerary, you must be able to walk unassisted for 2.5 miles and stand at least 15-60 minutes at a time with no opportunity to sit down. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. In particular, while touring in Jerusalem, you will be required to walk over cobblestones and up/down steep roads for an extended amount of time. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. In this destination, temperatures may exceed over 100° F (37° C) with high levels of humidity, especially while in Tel Aviv, Caesarea and Tiberias. You should bring adequate sun protection and be prepared to walk and stand in the heat with limited to no shade.

Extend your vacation with...

Optional 4 Days 3-Night Jordan: Petra & the Dead Sea Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$999.00 per person, double, land only

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5 Meals: 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 Dinner

Day 10: Jerusalem - Border Crossing - Madaba, Jordan - Mt. Nebo - Petra

This morning, travel to the Jordan Valley, crossing the border* into Jordan. Journey on the Desert Highway to the city of Madaba, the "City of Mosaics." Visit the Church of St. George to see the famous 6th-century Byzantine mosaic map of the region, one of the oldest in existence, and the museum where many other spectacular mosaic examples are on display. You will also visit Mt. Nebo, where Moses saw the Promised Land – present day Israel – and is believed to be laid to rest. Continue to the ancient city of Petra for a 2-night stay. This evening, experience the flavors of the region during dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 11: Petra

Enjoy a full day tour of the remarkable stone-carved city of Petra (UNESCO), one of the new Wonders of the World. A treasure of the ancient world, Petra was "hidden" behind rugged mountains prior to its discovery in 1812 after being lost for over 500 years. Explore this breathtaking city, carved from sandstone by the Nabataeans, with an expert guide and learn about the importance of Petra to the ancient trade routes, the history of its prominence and decline, its rediscovery, and efforts at preservation. (B)

Day 12: Petra - Wadi Rum - Dead Sea

This morning we depart for the immense desert of Wadi Rum, stunning in its natural beauty and home of the famous film, *Lawrence of Arabia*. Experience desert life and learn about the fascinating history of the Bedouin people who have lived for generations in the Wadi Rum's stark, fragile and unspoiled desert. Pause for lunch at a local campsite before relaxing on an afternoon-long transfer to the Jordanian shore of the Dead Sea. Arrive in the late afternoon and enjoy sunset overlooking the Promised Land. (B, L)

Day 13: Dead Sea - Depart for Home

Transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

Please Note:

*Israel exit fee is approximately 110 NIS (32 US Dollars) per person, paid in local currency when crossing the border into Jordan at the Allenby Bridge (King Hussein) border crossing. When using the shuttle buses at the border crossings, a 3 US Dollar fee per person, paid in local currency or US Dollars, is collected on the bus by each driver. A Jordanian entrance visa is arranged by our local Jordanian agent in advance. The Jordan exit fee is approximately 15 US Dollars per person, paid in local currency. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time without notice, based on governing authority. Money can be exchanged at the border crossing. The border crossing is mandated by the government and may have unpredictable wait times and longer lines. This process is similar to security and customs at an international airport. Due to security regulations, your guide cannot assist you in the border crossing. You will be responsible for handling your luggage from the bus drop-off point (on the Israeli side) to the bus pick-up point (on the Jordanian side). With your luggage, you will take the shuttle bus from the Israeli Terminal to the Jordanian Terminal located 3 miles away, where your Jordanian guide will meet you.

Fully-guided extensions are a great way to explore a new destination. Enjoy sightseeing and local experiences led by a Tour Manager or local expert.

Museum visits and shopping may be affected by observance of religious or local holidays. If traveling during the month of Ramadan, please note that the order of some features may vary and that some meal experiences may be replaced with meals in the hotel instead of local restaurants/venues. Ramadan observances are from March 23-April 24, 2023.

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We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

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***Airfare:** For your convenience, we offer airfare for purchase with all vacation packages. If you purchase an air inclusive program, your airfare will be quoted inclusive of all fuel, taxes and fees. Your rates are subject to change until paid in full. Preassigned seats are limited and may not be available on every flight or departure date.

Checked Baggage Charges: Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies.

Cancellation Charges for this tour: After your seat reduction date has passed, a non-refundable deposit will be retained. For Cancellation between 60-16 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 30% of total price. For cancellation between 15-1 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation on the day of departure and after: 100% of total price. For Ocean Cruises: For cancellation between 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 35% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: 60% of total price. 30 or fewer days prior to departure: 100% of total price. For River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China, 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 85% of total price. For cancellation 30 or fewer days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Galapagos and Antarctica: A cancellation fee of 60% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. Cancellation protection is highly recommended and must be purchased at time of deposit. Air rates are subject to change until tour is paid in full. If Travel Protection Plan has not been purchased and a reservation is cancelled for any reason prior to departure - Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full. Cancellation charges also apply to reservations made for "pre" and "post" night accommodations. Payment of a Per Person Travel Protection Plan Fee guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except the Travel Protection Plan Fee itself, made to Collette for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Travel Protection Plan Fee with Air only covers airline tickets you have purchased from Collette. Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, Part B of the Travel Protection Plan may provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes, or fees in the event of a cancellation for a covered reason (see Part B for more details). The Travel Protection Plan Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. However, the Part B travel insurance includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons as detailed in Part B. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the canceling client, the traveling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement. Cancellation waiver protects you from penalties in the event you have a need to cancel your entire inclusive tour package up to the day prior to departure. Cancellation waiver does not indemnify you from penalties if you chose to cancel partial tour components or air. If you chose to partially cancel your vacation, you will be responsible for a revision fee as well as any penalties that are incurred at the time of the cancellation. Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not canceled in violation of the terms and conditions above, you will be refunded 100%. Please see your sales agent for more information, or review our brochure for details.

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