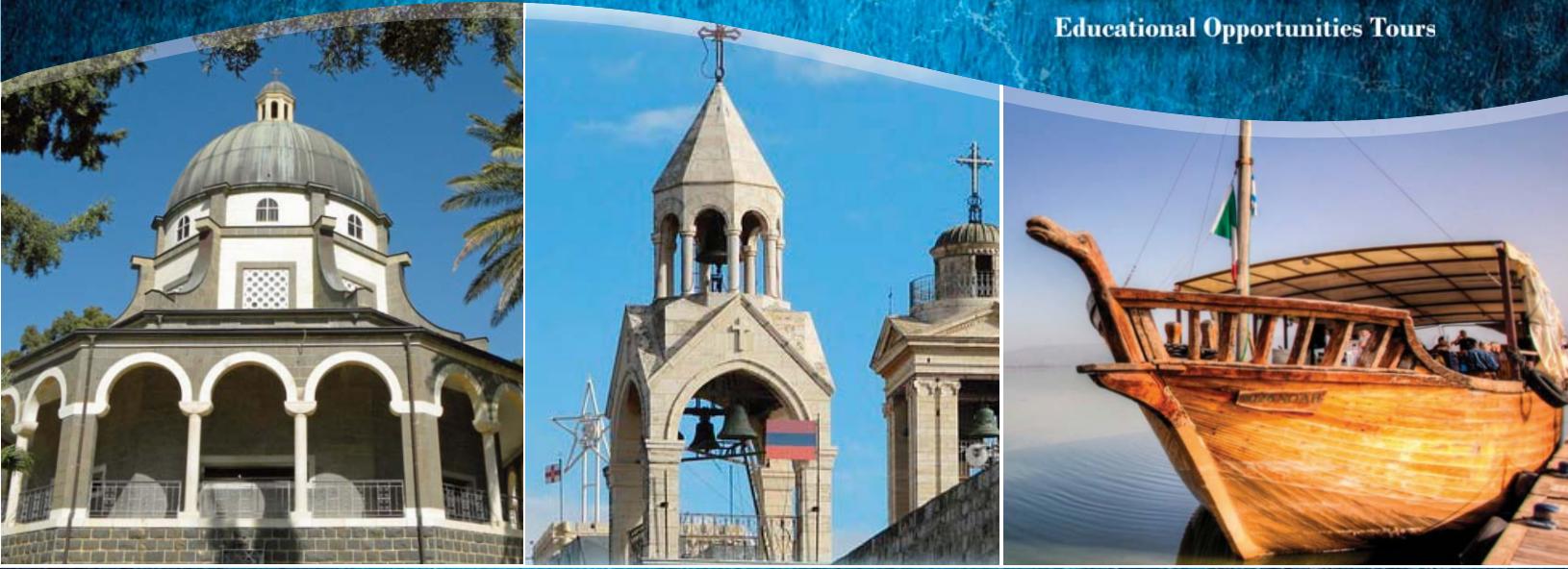




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Day 1 and 2 - USA to the Holy Land

Your pilgrimage begins as you depart the USA on an overnight flight. You will be welcomed at the Tel Aviv airport by our representative and transferred to your hotel to enjoy dinner before retiring for the night.

Day 3 - The Galilee

Worship as you sail across the **Sea of Galilee**. Visit **Capernaum**, center of Jesus' ministry in the Galilee, and visit the synagogue built on the site where Jesus taught (Matthew 4:13, 23). On the **Mount of Beatitudes**, contemplate the "Sermon on the Mount" (Matthew 5-7). Explore the **Church of the Fish and the Loaves at Tabgha**, traditional site of the feeding of the 5,000 (Luke 9:10-17). See the **Chapel of the Primacy**, where Peter professed his devotion three times to the risen Christ (John 21). In **Magdala**, once home to Mary Magdalene, visit a recently discovered first-century synagogue. Recall Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist at the **Jordan River**.

Day 4 - Cana, Nazareth, Tel Megiddo & Caesarea

Visit the **Franciscan Wedding Chapel in Cana**, site of Jesus' first miracle, before continuing on to **Nazareth**, Jesus' boyhood home (Matthew 2:23). Look out over **Tel Megiddo** (Armageddon) to view one of the most important archaeological sites in Israel. Today's last stop is **Caesarea**, a center of the early Christians where an angel visited Cornelius, the first Gentile believer (Acts 10), and where Paul was imprisoned for two years before appealing to Caesar.

Day 5 - Jericho, Qumran & Mount of Olives

As you stop in **Jericho** to view the ruins of the city conquered by Joshua (Joshua 6:1, 2, 20), in the distance you can also see the traditional site of the Temptation of Jesus (Matthew 4:1-11). Continue to **Qumran**, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947. End your day with a group picture taken from the **Mount of Olives**, where Jesus ascended into heaven (Acts 1:9-12).

Day 6 - Jerusalem & Bethlehem

In **Bethlehem**, visit the cave revered as Jesus' birthplace and see the **Church of the Nativity** constructed over the site (Matthew 1:18-25). Gaze out over **Shepherds' Field** before returning to Jerusalem. Pray in the **Garden of Gethsemane** and envision the scenes of the night before Jesus' crucifixion (Matthew 26:36 - 44). Continue to **Mount Zion** to visit the **House of the High Priest Caiaphas**, where Jesus was questioned the night of His betrayal (Matthew 26:57). Meditate on the events of the Last Supper as you visit the traditional location of the **Upper Room** (Mark 14:12-26).

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Day 7 - Jerusalem & the Old City

Walk the **Cardo**, the ancient main street of the Old City. Explore ancient Jerusalem at the **Teaching Steps** and the **Western Wall**. View the **Pool of Bethesda** where Jesus performed the Sabbath miracle (John 5:1-18). Sing a hymn in the **Church of St. Anne** and experience its rich acoustics. Visit **Herod's Antonia Fortress**, where Jesus appeared before Pontius Pilate (Luke 23:1), and follow in Christ's steps on the **Via Dolorosa** ("the Way of the Cross"). At the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**, take time to reflect on His sacrificial love.

Day 8 - Leisure Day (Masada/Dead Sea Option)

Today you have free time to explore on your own or you may choose to visit **Masada** and the **Dead Sea** (additional charge). Ascend by cable car to Masada, Herod's legendary mountaintop fortress which became the last desperate stronghold of the Jewish Zealots against the Romans. You can still look down on the remains of the Roman camps and the siege ramp below. End your day with a dip in the salt and mineral-laden waters of the Dead Sea.

Day 9 - Jerusalem

Travel to **Ein Karem**, birthplace of John the Baptist and where Mary visited Elisabeth (Luke 1:26-40). Explore the poignant exhibits of **Yad Vashem**, Israel's Holocaust Memorial. Visit the **Garden Tomb** for a time of reflection and communion.

Day 10 - Return to the USA or Enjoy an Extension.



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OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS



CAIRO & THE ROUTE OF THE EXODUS - \$848*

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- Day 10 Follow the Ancient Caravan Route to Mount Sinai.
- Day 11 Visit the Monastery of St. Catherine before continuing to Sharm el Sheik for dinner and overnight.
- Day 12 Stop at Wadi Feran, Elim and Marah by the Red Sea on your way to Cairo. Dinner and overnight in Cairo.
- Day 13 Visit Memphis & Saqqara. View the Step Pyramid, the Great Pyramids at Giza and the majestic Sphinx today. Dinner and overnight in Cairo.
- Day 14 See King Tut's Treasures and explore the Egyptian Museum. View the Citadel of Old Cairo and stop at the Coptic Church. This evening you will sail the Nile on an authentic Egyptian Felucca. Dinner and overnight in Cairo.
- Day 15 Return to USA.



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- Day 10 - 11 Same as Cairo & the Route of the Exodus.
- Day 12 Fly to Luxor and board your Nile cruise boat. You will visit Luxor and Karnak Temples late this afternoon.
- Day 13 Visit the Necropolis of Thebes before exploring the Valleys of the Kings & Queens. See the Temple of Hatshepsut and the Colossi of Memnon. Sail to Esna and cross through the Nile locks, before sailing to Edfu.
- Day 14 Explore the Temple of Horus in Edfu this morning. Sail to Kom Ombo and visit the Temple there shared by the gods Sobek & Haroeris this afternoon. Sail to Aswan this evening.
- Day 15 Disembark your Nile Cruise boat in Aswan this morning. Visit the High Dam of Aswan and the Granite Quarry nearby to see the unfinished obelisk. Explore the Temple of Philae before flying to Cairo for dinner and overnight.
- Day 16 See King Tut's Treasures and explore the Egyptian Museum. Visit Saqqara. View the Great Pyramids at Giza and the majestic Sphinx today. Dinner and overnight in Cairo.
- Day 17 Return to USA.



WONDERS OF PETRA AND THE DEAD SEA - \$798*

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- Day 10 Cross the Allenby Bridge into Jordan. Visit Mt. Nebo & Madaba. Overnight in Petra or at the Dead Sea.
- Day 11 Explore Petra. Travel to the Dead Sea area for a late dinner and overnight.
- Day 12 Journey through Jerash, and then recross the border into Israel. Enjoy dinner before transferring to the airport for your return flight home.
- Day 13 Return to USA.



HIKING IN THE HOLY LAND - \$898*

Offered on: 3/6, 4/17, 5/22, 10/30 & 11/27

- Day 10 Hike from Nazareth to Sepphoris (5 Miles). Travel to Kibbutz Lavi for dinner and overnight.
- Day 11 Hike from Kibbutz Lavi to Moshav Arbel (8-10 miles). See the Horns of Hittim & Nebi Shweib (sacred Druze site). Return to Kibbutz Lavi for dinner and overnight.
- Day 12 Hike from Mount Arbel to Capernaum (10 Miles). See stunning views of the Sea of Galilee, Wadi Hamam, Sapir, Tabgha, the Church of St. Peter's Primacy and Capernaum. Dip your feet in the Sea of Galilee and rest before returning to Kibbutz Lavi for dinner and overnight.
- Day 13 Enjoy a day of rest or join the optional Horseback Riding & Kayak trip (\$100 additional). Dinner at Kibbutz Lavi.
- Day 14 Return to USA.



JUDEA AND SAMARIA - \$598*

Offered on: 1/30, 3/20, 11/13 & 12/4

- Day 10 Journey to Taybeh in the West Bank. View Shilo and visit Nablus. See Mount Gerizim and Mount Ebal before visiting Jacob's Well and Tel Shechem. Overnight in Bethlehem.
- Day 11 Visit the Judean Wilderness and enjoy a traditional shepherd's meal. Overnight in Bethlehem.
- Day 12 Visit local ministries in Bethlehem. Visit Solomon's Pool and travel to the Herodion. After dinner, travel to the airport for your return flight home.
- Day 13 Return to USA.

JERUSALEM EXTENDED STAY - \$298*

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- Day 10 - 12 Extend your stay in the heart of Jerusalem. You are on-your-own to enjoy sightseeing, meditation, reflection and renewal. Hotel, buffet breakfasts & dinners are included.

