

Temple Beth Shalom Palm Coast

Israel Trip



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Itinerary

Please note that the itinerary is not final and is subject to change based on time, weather, security and other considerations.

DAY 1 - ARRIVAL (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Monday, February 09 2026

- Welcome to Israel!!! Land at **Ben Gurion Airport** on Flight # where you will meet your guide & driver after going through passport control, baggage claim & customs. Please keep your blue slip from Passport Control throughout the trip
- Meet your guide & driver and start your adventure together!
- Depart from the airport together for the north (central meeting point for those who choose to arrive early)
- Unpack, rest & relax
- Dinner at hotel (included)

Overnight: Pastoral Hotel - Kibbutz Kfar Blum

DAY 2 - GOLAN HEIGHTS (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Tuesday, February 10 2026

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Lookout over the border with Syria from atop the former Israeli forward post of **Mt. Bental** & gain a deeper understanding of the complex & changing realities on the ground
- Explore the Golan Heights by **jeep** in an off-road adventure
- **Druze Experience** - Meet **Nasiba**, a Druze woman who is breaking through the glass ceiling in her community to raise awareness and share the history of her religion. Enjoy a mouth watering culinary lunch in Nasiba's home in Buq'ata and hear how she became a game changer in the Druze Community
- Participate in a fun **chocolate-making workshop** at De Karina in Ein Zivan
- Return to hotel
- Dinner at hotel (included)

Overnight: Pastoral Hotel - Kibbutz Kfar Blum

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Check out of hotel & depart
- Experience the **Mystical City of Tzfat** including beautiful synagogues, artists' colony, candle factory and ancient cemetery
- Lunch at Hanita (included)
- Visit **Hanita**, pre-State symbol of Jewish settlement right on the border with Lebanon, and meet with residents about life on the border
- Travel to Jerusalem
- **Welcome to Jerusalem!** Enjoy a spectacular lookout over Jerusalem from the **Haas Promenade**
- Check in to hotel
- Dinner on own

Overnight: Inbal Hotel - Jerusalem

DAY 4 - OLD CITY OF JERUSALEM (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) Thursday, February 12 2026

- Full Israel breakfast at hotel
- Introduction to the Old City of Jerusalem at the impressive **Jaffa Gate**
- Experience the sites & sounds of the historic **Jewish Quarter** including the Cardo, Broad Wall, Batei Machase & more
- Lunch in Jewish Quarter on own
- Time for reflection at the Western Wall
- Explore the fascinating **Western Wall Tunnels** that unlock the secrets of Jerusalem's glorious past
- Return to hotel
- At the **Friends of Zion Museum** enter a whole new world, where you meet the biblical figures, academics, businessmen, and military officials who, through their faith, have forged an everlasting bond between the Jewish and Christian peoples
- Dinner at **Piccolino Restaurant**

Overnight: Inbal Hotel - Jerusalem

DAY 5 - YAD VASHEM & MACHANE YEHUDAH MARKET (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)**Friday, February 13 2026**

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Pay tribute to the Memory of Six Million at the **Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum** & Children's Memorial
- Experience the pre-Shabbat vibe at the **Machane Yehudah Outdoor Market**
- Lunch on own at market
- Free time for shopping
- Return to the hotel to prepare for Shabbat
- Optional: **Kabbalat Shabbat** at a local synagogue
- Shabbat dinner at hotel (included)

Overnight: Inbal Hotel - Jerusalem

DAY 6 - SHABBAT IN JERUSALEM AT LEISURE (NO GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Saturday, February 14 2026

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Day at leisure on own in Jerusalem. Options include:
- Morning at leisure to relax by the pool
- Join morning services at a local synagogue
- Enjoy walking through the beautiful **Yemin Moshe** neighborhood & **Montefiore's Windmill**
- Explore the **Christian Quarter** including the **Via Dolorosa** & **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**
- Walk along the **Ramparts of the Old City Walls** from Jaffa Gate to Zion Gate
- Shabbat lunch at hotel (included)
- Via bus, explore the impressive **Israel Museum** including the Shrine of the Book, Model of Jerusalem, Archeology Wing, Sculpture Garden & Wing of Jewish Life.
- Evening - time for shopping and exploring on own

Overnight: Inbal Hotel - Jerusalem

DAY 7 - JUDEAN DESERT (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Sunday, February 15 2026

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Don't forget towels, bathing suit, water, hats and sun screen
- Explore the beautiful **desert oasis of Ein Gedi** on a relaxing nature walk where David fled from King Saul and cool off under a waterfall
- Ascend via cable car the formidable **desert fortress of Masada** where the Zealots contested the might of the Roman Empire
- **Lunch & swim** at the Herods Hotel in Ein Bokek, a chance to swim in the **Dead Sea**
- Return to Jerusalem
- Dinner on own

Overnight: Inbal Hotel - Jerusalem

DAY 8 - GAZA ENVELOPE (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Monday, February 16 2026

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Check out of hotel & depart for the south
- Start the day with an **introduction & overlook** next to the Gaza border to better understand the terrain & situation
- Bear witness at one of the **communities** that was brutally attacked by Hamas terrorists on October 7th
- Enjoy lunch at **Hummus Shel Tehina** in **Sderot**, a bastion of delicious homestyle cooking and warm service that'll make you feel right at home
- Meet with a survivor from the **Nova Music Festival** in the Re'im Forest
- Continue to Tel Aviv & check in to hotel
- Dinner on own

Overnight: Dan Panorama Hotel - Tel Aviv

DAY 9 - JAFFA & TEL AVIV (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Tuesday, February 17 2026

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Explore the **Old Port of Jaffa** with its charming alleyways, artists' galleries & stunning views over Tel Aviv
- Experience the vibe at the **Nachalat Binyamin arts-&-crafts fair** & open-air **Carmel Market** with its lively vendors & colorful displays of fresh produce
- Lunch on own in market
- Explore the vibrancy of Jewish Life & peoplehood at the ultra-modern, interactive **ANU Museum**
- Return to hotel
- Learn to appreciate your senses at the unique **Na Laga'at Center** in Jaffa, incorporating a **blackout dinner** experience and a show with solely blind actors

Overnight: Dan Panorama Hotel - Tel Aviv

DAY 10 - LEKET & DEPARTURE (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Wednesday, February 18
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- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Volunteer at **Leket** picking fruit and vegetables for the needy at their distribution center in Ra'anana
- Tour the state-of-the art **Palmach Museum** and learn about the "striking force" that formed the backbone of the IDF
- Lunch on own at the trendy **Sarona Market**
- Afternoon at leisure for last minute shopping
- Return to hotel to freshen up for your flight & collect your belongings (rooms reserved until the next morning)
- Closing dinner at **Florentina** Restaurant
- Transfer to Ben Gurion Airport for your flight home
- Depart on flight #____
- **NEXT YEAR IN JERUSALEM!! AM YISRAEL CHAI!!**

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