SUTTON PLACE SYNAGOGUE - ISRAEL FAMILY TRIP

August 2027 - September 2027

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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 - WELCOME TO ISRAEL!!! TRAVEL TO THE GALILEE (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) — Monday, August 23 2027

- **Welcome to Israel**!! Arrive at Ben Gurion where you will be met by our guide and bus.
  10:00am - People meeting at the airport will meet at arriavl hall. This may be adjusted based on people's arrival time
- Travel North
- Opening to the trip as we discover the magnificent port city of **Caesarea** including the Roman Theater, Hippodrome, Palace of King Herod & more...
- Transport yourself back to the days of the Mishna & Talmud at **Kfar Kedem** - including donkey rides and pita-baking
- Travel to hotel - settle into hotel
- Dinner at hotel (included)

Overnight: Isrotel Gomeh Hotel

DAY 2 - UPPER GALILEE (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) — Tuesday, August 24 2027

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Explore the gorgeous **Banias Reserve** & gushing waterfall where history, nature & hydro-politics come together
- Picnic lunch (included)
- Enjoy an off-road **ATV ride** on the slopes of the Golan Heights and relive the drama of the battle during the Six Day War
- Raft down the gentle waters of the **Jordan River** from Kfar Blum
- Delicious Israeli **cooking workshop** for the whole family (dinner included)

Overnight: Isrotel Gomeh Hotel

DAY 3 - GOLAN HEIGHTS- TO JERUSALEM (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) — Wednesday, August 25 2027

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Check out and depart
- 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
- **Adults**: Wine tasting at the **Bahat winery**
- **Children**: Participate in a fun **chocolate-making workshop** at De Karina in Ein Zivan
- Lunch on own
- Swim in the crystal-clear waters of the **Sachne - Gan HaShlosha** that are warm all-year round
- Travel to Jerusalem via the **Jordan Valley**
- **Welcome to Jerusalem**! Enjoy a spectacular lookout over Jerusalem from **Mt Scopus**
- Dinner at the hotel (included)

Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem

DAY 4 - BNEI MITZVAH CEREMONY - OLD CITY OF JERUSALEM (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) — Thursday, August 26 2027

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- **Bar and Bat Mitzvah Ceremony** at Ezrat Yisrael! Mazal Tov!
- Walk in the footsteps of Prophets & Kings in the **City of David** & feel the Bible come to life. Wade through **Hezekiah's Water Tunnel** dug some 2700 years ago (prepare to get wet; maximum height of water is around 30 inches; bring flashlight & water-shoes)
- Lunch in the Jewish Quarter (on own)
- Participate in a fun and interactive **scavenger hunt** in the **Jewish Quarter** with maps & mission packs in-hand
- Volunteer at **Pantry Packers** packaging food for the needy
- Dinner on own in Jerusalem

Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem

DAY 5 - JERUSALEM (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) — Friday, August 27 2027

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Re-enact the dramatic battle at **Ammunition Hill** that led to the liberation of the Old City of Jerusalem in 1967
- Take part in the fascinating **Emek Zurim Sifting Project** searching for artifacts & hidden treasures from Jerusalem's past
- Enjoy an amazing view as we **Zipline over Yaar Hashalom**- the longest zipline in the Middle East
- Picnic Lunch (included)
- Free time before Shabbat - option to go to Machane Yehuda Market
- **Kabbalat Shabbat** at **Yemin Moshe** with Rabbi Ain and Rabbi Levy
- Shabbat dinner at hotel (included)

Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem

DAY 6 - SHABBAT IN JERUSALEM (GUIDE, NO TRANSPORTATION) — Saturday, August 28 2027

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- **Morning at leisure** on own in Jerusalem. **Options include**:
- Join morning services at **one of Jerusalem many synagogues**
- Morning at leisure to relax by the hotel pool
- Lunch at the hotel (included)
- Afternoon walking tour in the beautiful **Yemin Moshe neighborhood** & Montefiore's Windmill. Option to go to **Liberty Bell Park** for games and sports
- Musical Havdalla
- Dinner on own

Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem

DAY 7 - JUDEAN DESERT (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) — Sunday, August 29 2027

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Don't forget towels, bathing suit, water, hats and sun screen
- Ascend the formidable **desert fortress of Masada** where the Zealots contested the might of the Roman Empire
- Lunch at Ein Bokek restaurant (included)
- Explore the beautiful **desert oasis of Ein Bokek** and cool off under a waterfall
- Experience the sensation of **floating in the Dead Sea** – the lowest place on Earth - at **Bokek Beach**
- Transport yourselves to the Days of the Bible as you visit Abraham's Tent in **Genesis Land** - includes camel rides, pita-baking, traditional desert hospitality & dinner (included)
- Return to Jerusalem

Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem

DAY 8 - NEW JERUSALEM (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) — Monday, August 30 2027

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Pay tribute to the Memory of Six Million at the **Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum** & Children's Memorial. **Children under the age of 10** will go to the **Biblical Zoo or the Aquarium**
- Lunch on own
- Pay tribute to the IDF heroes who are interred at the **Mt. Herzl Military Cemetery**
- Enjoy a delicious **culinary tour** in the colorful **Machane Yehudah Outdoor Market**
- Dinner on own (if still hungry)

Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem

DAY 9 - GAZA ENVELOPE (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) Tuesday, August 31 2027

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Check out and depart
- Depart from hotel to the **Gaza Envelope**
- Introduction to the events of October 7th as we overlook Gaza from **Mitzpe Kobi** in the **City of Sderot**
- Delve into the complex reality of Sderot as you visit the **JNF 21,000-square-foot secure indoor playground** and community center, Israel's largest such facility. Play areas double as bomb shelters, ensuring that all occupants can quickly reach safety in the event of a "Code Red" rocket alert
- Lunch with **Achim Shuva** together with soldiers
- Visit the site of the **Nova Music Festival** in the Re'im Forest and pay respect to the memory of those who were killed by the Hamas terrorists
- Find out how blue-&-white agro-tech is helping feed millions of people around the globe at the hands-on **Salad Trail** Experience
- Continue to Tel Aviv
- Dinner on own in Tel Aviv

Overnight: Dan Panorama Hotel - Tel Aviv

DAY 10 - TEL AVIV - DEPARTURE (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION) Wednesday, September 01 2027

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Check out and depart
- Participate in a **Street Art Graffiti Tour** in downtown Tel Aviv commemorating the heroes of **October 7th** followed by a graffiti workshop where you get to leave your own mark on the urban landscape
- Experience the vibe at the historic **Sarona Market** with its trendy restaurants & eye-catching displays of fresh produce. Lunch on own
- Visit the **Underground Bullet Factory** at Machon Ayalon where the Haganah secretly manufactured ammunition under the noses of the British prior to Independence.
- Summary of the trip as we explore the vibrancy of Jewish Life & peoplehood at the ultra-modern, interactive **ANU Museum**
- Final banquet at a Tel Aviv Restaurant (included)
- Travel to **Ben Gurion Aripport** for return flight to the US.
  PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE BOOKING FLIGHTS THAT DEPART ANY TIME AFTER 11:00PM
- **NEXT YEAR IN JERUSALEM**!

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