

# (Re)Discover Israel 2026 Hosted by Rabbi Gary and Jocelyn Robuck



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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 & OLD CITY TOUR OF JERUSALEM (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)**

**Tuesday, November 03  
2026**

- Welcome to Israel!!! Land at **Ben Gurion Airport**, where you will be met by our **VIP service** representative once you exit the plane & escorted through passport control, baggage claim & customs. Please keep your blue slip from Passport Control throughout the trip.  
After exiting the airport, you'll be greeted by your guide, Shari Robins, at 10AM.
- Group transfer to Jerusalem
- 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
- Check into Hotel- settle in and relax
- **Welcome dinner** at Piccolino

**Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem**

### **DAY 2 - MOUNT HERZL & JERUSALEM MUSEUMS (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)**

**Wednesday, November 04  
2026**

- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Pay tribute to the Memory of Six Million at the **Yad Vashem Valley of Communities & Children's Memorial**
- Pay tribute to the IDF heroes who are interred at the **Mt. Herzl Military Cemetery**
- Visit the **Menorah** at the Knesset
- Explore the impressive **Israel Museum** including the Shrine of the Book, Model of Jerusalem, Archeology Wing, Sculpture Garden & Wing of Jewish Life.
- Lunch on own
- Volunteer at **Pantry Packers** packaging food for the needy
- Watch the **Sound-&-Light Spectacular** screened on the walls of the **Tower of David**. (Show is outdoors. Please dress warmly & ensure to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start.)
- Dinner on own

**Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem**

### DAY 3 - MASADA & THE DEAD SEA (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Thursday, November 05  
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- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Ascend 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
- Rest & relax back at hotel
- Dinner on own

**Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem**

### DAY 4 - AYALON MUSEUM, MAHANE YEHUDA & KABBALAT SHABBAT (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Friday, November 06 2026

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- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Visit the **Underground Bullet Factory** at Machon Ayalon where the Haganah secretly manufactured ammunition under the noses of the British prior to Independence.
- Experience the vibe at the **Machane Yehudah Outdoor Market**
- Lunch on own in Mahane Yehuda Market
- **Kabbalat Shabbat** Kol Haneshama
- **Shalom Aleichem Dinner** with congregants

**Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem**

### DAY 5 - RELAXING SHABBAT DAY WITH WALKING TOUR (GUIDE, NO TRANSPORTATION)

Saturday, November 07  
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- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Optional- **Shabbat morning services**
- Lunch on own
- **Walking tour** through the poetry of **Yehuda Amichai**
- **Havdalah**
- Dinner on own

**Overnight: Dan Panorama - Jerusalem**

## DAY 6 - THE GAZA ENVELOPE & INDEPENDENCE TRAIL (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Sunday, November 08  
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- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Check out of hotel
- Depart for the Western Negev- **Otef Aza**
- **Mitzpe Kobi**-a strategic viewpoint overlooking the northern Gaza Strip.
- **Israel-Is virtual movie**, where you'll see the events that conspired on October 7th and hear from actual survivors
- Lunch in Sderot on own
- 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
- View the burnt-out, bullet-ridden vehicles at the **Tkuma Car Graveyard** that bear silent witness to the horrors of October 7th
- Return to Tel Aviv & check in to accommodations
- Trace the **Independence Trail** along the trendy **Rothschild Boulevard** with its buzzing cafes, famous Bauhaus architecture, historic landmarks & Innovation hubs
- **Group dinner** at Goshen Restaurant

**Overnight: Dan Panorama Hotel - Tel Aviv**

## DAY 7 - RABIN CENTER, BEER SHEVA & TEL AVIV ART MUSEUM (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Monday, November 09  
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- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Visit the **Yitzchak Rabin Center** and live through the history of the State of Israel through the eyes of the late Prime Minister.
- Trace the Biblical origins of Be'er Sheva in the Book of Genesis at **Abraham's Well** - an innovative 3-D presentation
- Visit the **Be'er Sheva ANZAC Memorial Center**
- Lunch on own
- Tour the area of the **Tel Aviv Museum of Art**, which was known during the war as **Hostage Square**.
- Dinner on own

**Overnight: Dan Panorama Hotel - Tel Aviv**

## DAY 8 - DIASPORA MUSEUM, ZICHRON YAAKOV, DRUZE LUNCH & SINDYANNA (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)

Tuesday, November 10  
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- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Check out of hotel
- Explore the vibrancy of Jewish Life & peoplehood at the ultra-modern, interactive **ANU Museum**
- Drive past **Zichron Yakov** and learn about the first pioneers of Israel and the establishment of the first Jewish settlements in Israel
- Experience authentic **Druze hospitality** and lunch at the village of Dalyat-el-Carmel- Usafia
- **Sindyanna** of Galilee- a unique non-profit organization led by a team of Arab and Jewish women working to create social change from the ground up.
- Check in to Accomodations
- Dinner at hotel

**Overnight: Kibbutz Lavi Hotel - Galilee**

**DAY 9 - TZFAT, THE GOLAN & SEA OF GALILEE (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)****Wednesday, November 11  
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- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Discover the Mystical City of **Tzf**at, including the beautiful synagogues, artists' colony, candle factory & more
- Lunch on own
- 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
- Sites around the **Sea of Galilee**
- Dinner at hotel

**Overnight: Kibbutz Lavi Hotel - Galilee****DAY 10 - KINNERET CEMETARY, CAESARIA & DEPARTURE (GUIDE, TRANSPORTATION)****Thursday, November 12  
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- Full Israeli breakfast at hotel
- Check out of hotel
- Learn about the pioneers of the 2nd Aliyah and the establishment of the Kibbutz Movement at the **Kinneret Cemetery**
- Lunch on route on your own
- Discover the magnificent port city of **Caesarea** including the Roman Theater, Hippodrome, Palace of King Herod & more...
- For those departing Israel, they will travel to Ben Gurion airport  
**Next year in Jerusalem! Am Yisrael Chai!!!**

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