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## 14 Days Itinerary

# Israel - Adult Sample Itinerary

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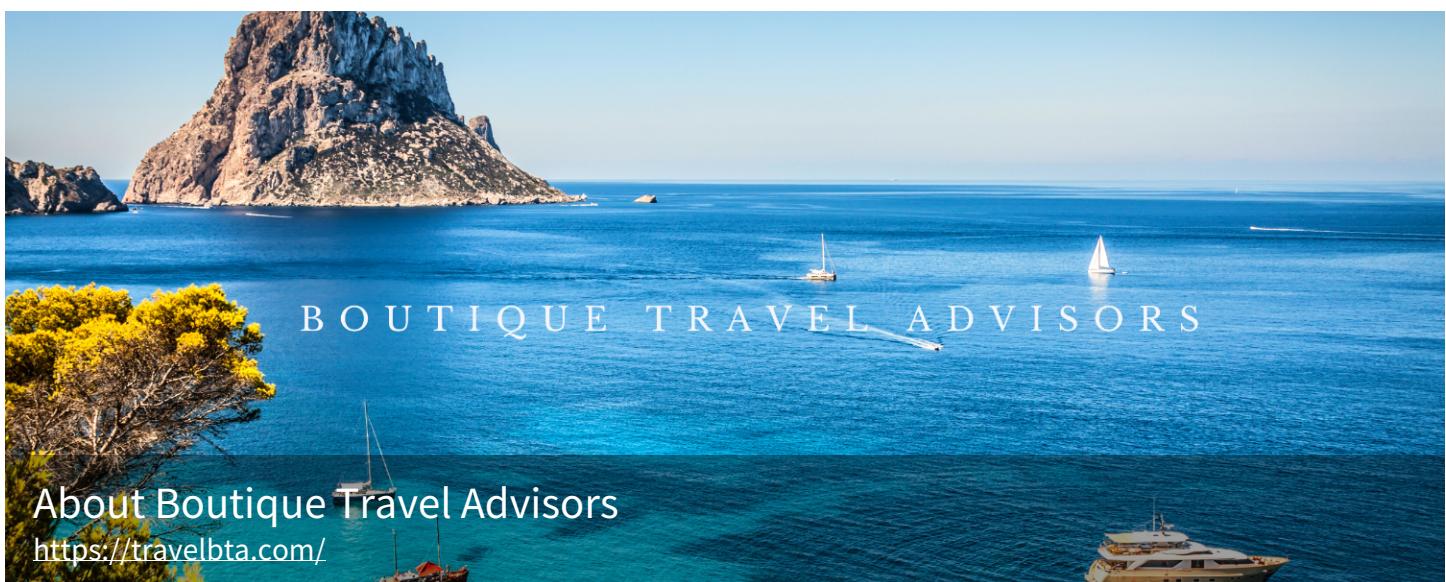
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## About Boutique Travel Advisors

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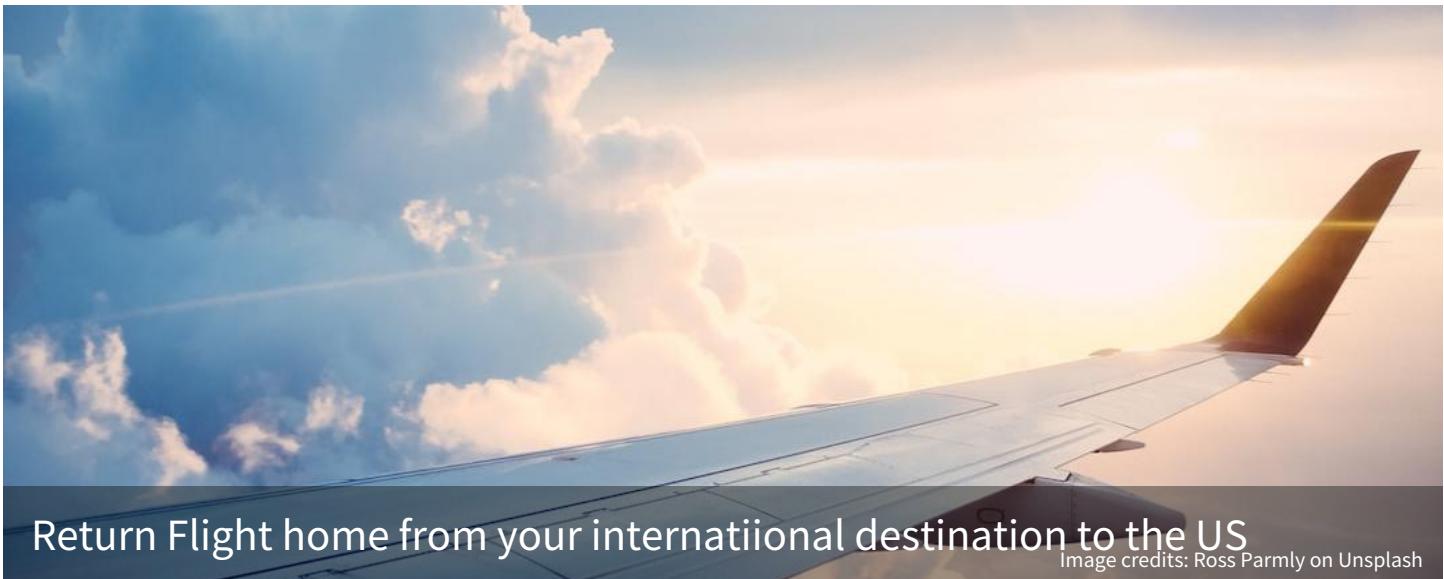
At Boutique Travel Advisors, we believe luxury travel goes beyond welcome chocolates on pillows & first-class seats. Luxury travel can be subjective. To us, the definition of luxury travel embodies having the privilege to explore & experience the infinitely possible wonderments the world has to offer when we decide to mindfully venture outside of our comfort zone in our home environment.

From booking bespoke safaris in South Africa, serenely scenic river cruises through France's waterways, to private wine (+ pasta) tastings on the Amalfi Coast... BTA strives to curate each personalized itinerary with credible expertise, dedicated service & the whole-hearted intention for each traveler to exceed their travel goals and expectations while on the adventure of a lifetime.

BTA is proudly a women-owned & run company. Co-owners and luxury travel curators, Janet Semenova and Angie Rice, use a thorough 5-step process to seamlessly design & tailor YOUR travel experience: explore, imagine, build, journey, reflect.

Your BTA travel itinerary is more than a document of scheduled flights, tours, and dinner reservations. It is the motherboard, the holy grail, the backbone of a transformational journey that turns your individual, subjective experiences into heart-warming, thought-provoking, jaw-dropping, life-changing memories that are worthy of being cherished for a lifetime.

Our purpose is to make your travel dreams come true... We are here to make your every step along the way uncomplicated, stress-free, and wildly exciting. All we ask is, **where will your journey take you?**



## Return Flight home from your international destination to the US

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### Tipping Recommendations Israel

Tipping in Israel is very common and on the higher side for its location in the world. Israel is home of rich culture and beautiful sights. There is a lot of history in Israel that is a must see for everyone. It has amazing landscapes and friendly people as well! Use our tipping guide below so you know when to tip and how much!

**Taxis:** It is not expected, but you can round up the fare to make it easier.

**Hotels:** Tipping in hotels is expected also. You should tip the bellboy a total of NIS 20 for all luggage. You should also tip the maid NIS 10-20 per night.

**Restaurants:** You are expected to tip between 10-15%. 12% is the average tip when eating out at restaurants.

**Bars:** Bars are similar to restaurants where you are expected to tip 10-15% of the total bill.

**Other:** Besides above you should tip any tour guide about 10% and the driver about 5%. Otherwise enjoy your time in Israel and take in the amazing sites it has to offer.

It is customary to tip waiters/waitresses about 12-15%. Tips in restaurants are left in cash and not added to the credit card bill. It is not customary here to tip taxi drivers or hotel receptionists. US dollars are widely accepted for tipping. Tips are usually \$80-100 for a private Israeli guide and car, per day.

Carry some Israeli shekels, which can be changed at the airport, for your personal expenses. The currency rate is \$1≈3.3 Shekels. All major credit cards are widely accepted. Cash can be exchanged for shekels. While dollars are also accepted in many places, stores often give a very poor exchange rate. Generally, cash is safe to carry and easy to use.



## Israel Packing List

Choose versatile, casual clothing that can be layered if the weather (or level of air-conditioning) requires it. Smart casual attire is appropriate for evenings. Formal clothing is not necessary.

Temples, mosques and other religious sites require conservative dress. Both sexes should cover their arms, legs and shoulders (women should pack a scarf for this purpose.) Wear or carry a pair of socks when sightseeing, since shoes must be removed when visiting certain religious sites.

Since Israel's dress code is extremely informal, we encourage you to bring casual clothing and outerwear that help you feel comfortable in this type of weather. For religious sites, women may need a scarf over their shoulders and a skirt to cover their knees.

Please ensure to pack an inexpensive swimsuit for bathing in the Dead Sea and comfortable walking shoes as most touring is by foot.

### Clothing

- Casual slacks
- Polo shirts, casual short-sleeve shirts or blouses
- Long comfortable skirts for women
- Sweater or lightweight jacket
- Brimmed hat for sun protection  Sleepwear
- Socks

### Other Recommended Items

- Sunglasses
- Simple first-aid kit
- Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses
- Charging cables for electronics

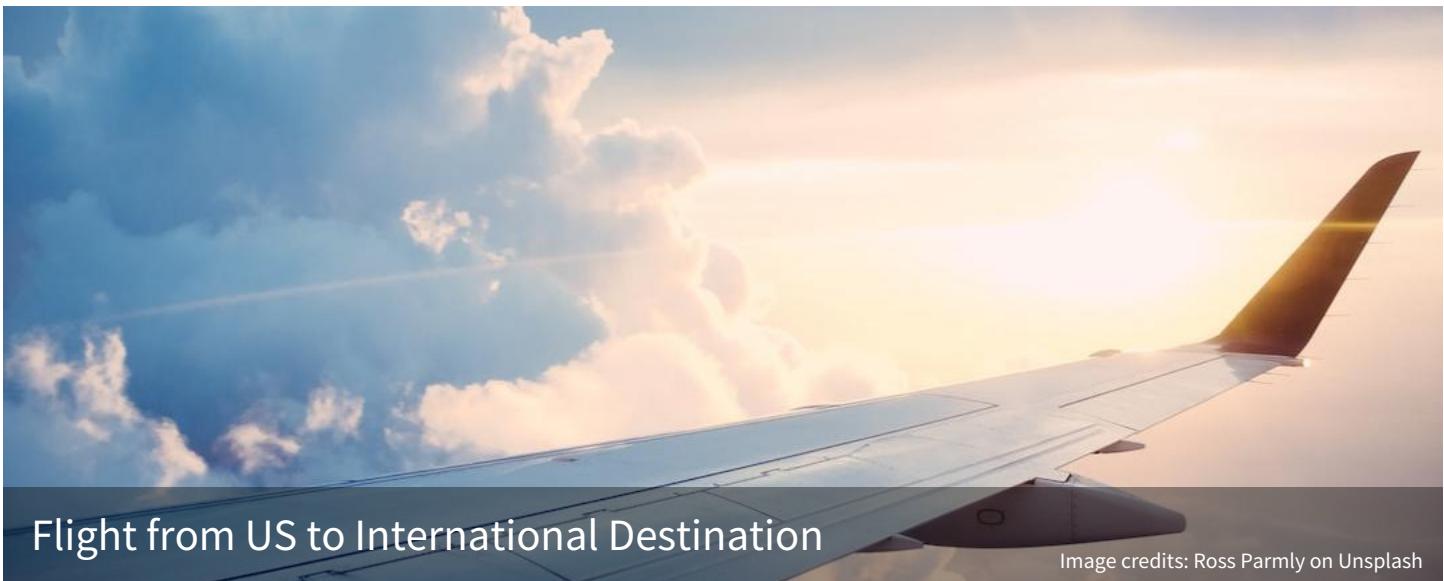
### Optional Items

- Small LED flashlight
- Small daypack or fanny pack
- Walking shorts
- Long sleeve shirts or blouses
- Scarf large enough to cover neck and shoulders for women
- Comfortable walking shoes with traction
- Foldable umbrella to use as sun shade
- Personal garments
- Swimwear/cover-up
- Sunblock / Insect repellent
- Prescriptions and medications (in their original bottles and/or packaging)
- Smartphone
- Global travel adapter

Foldable walking stick

Laundry service is available at most hotels and dry cleaning is available in larger cities. Check costs and return times before using these services.

## Day 1

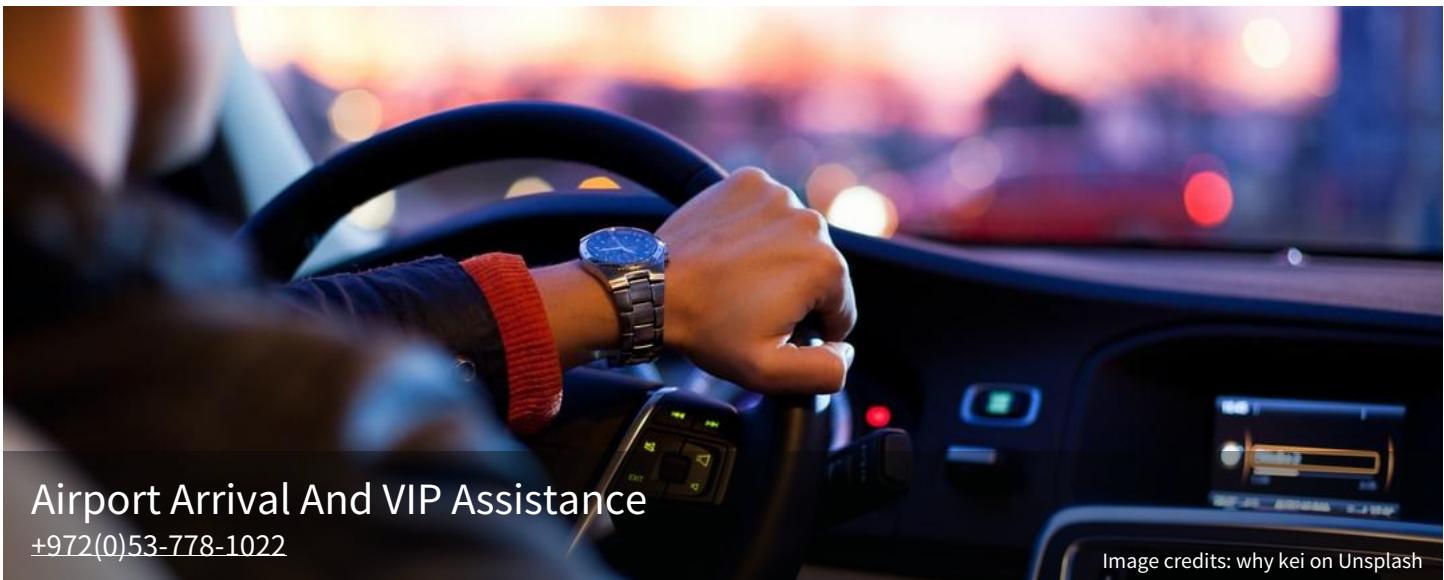


### Flight from US to International Destination

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Depart from the US on a overnight plan to your European destination

## Day 2



### Airport Arrival And VIP Assistance

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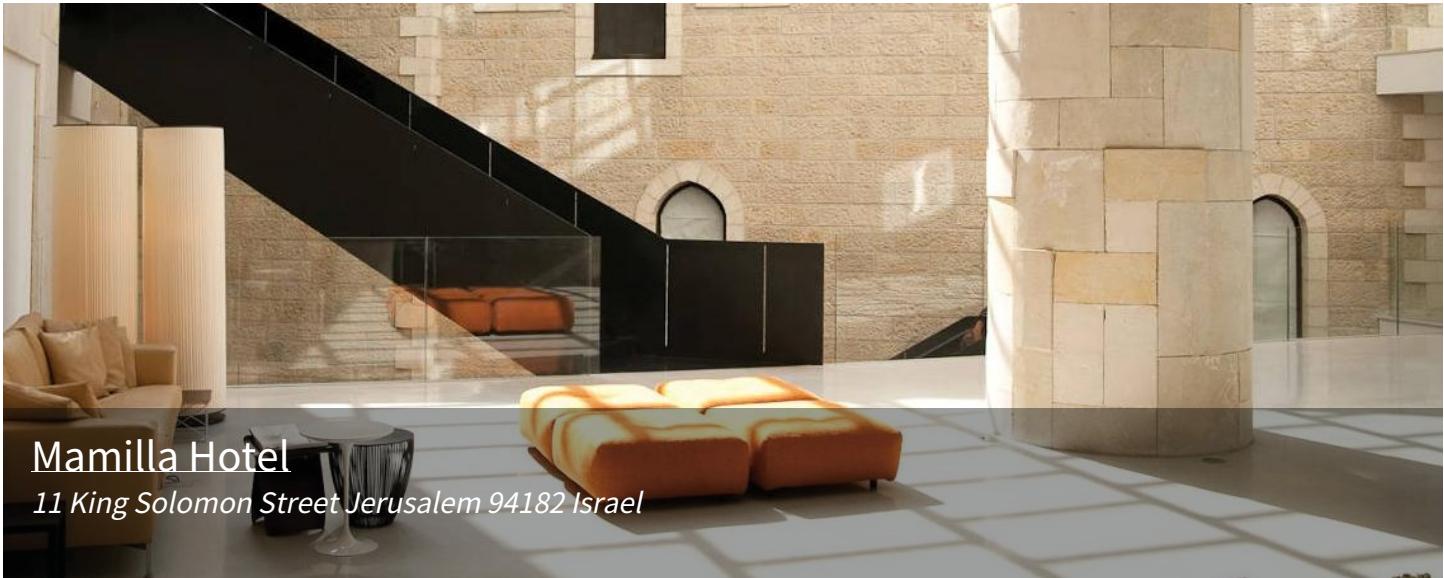
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Arrival to Israel, enjoy our VIP assistance at the airport, transfer to your hotel to rest and recover.

Arrive in Israel on flight BA 167 at 11:55pm. Welcome to Israel!

- Our VIP representative meets you at the door of the plane, holding a sign displaying your name. He assists you through all arrival procedures and brings you to your driver for transfer to Jerusalem. Airport representative's cell: +972(0)53-778-1022.
- Important: At passport control, you are given a blue slip with your photo. Please keep this slip with you at all times. It is proof of your status as a tourist and is required for check-in at all hotels. Without it, you may be subject to an extra 17% VAT payment on your rooms.

- OVERNIGHT: Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem. +972(0)2-548-2222



3:00 PM	12:00 PM	5 Nights
Check In	Check Out	Duration

Located in the heart of the city, alongside Jerusalem's new shopping and entertainment experience the Mamilla Avenue, with its magnificent views of the Old City walls, the Tower of David, and Jaffa Gate, the Mamilla Hotel is the very heart of Jerusalem's rich cultural heritage. Designed by world-renowned architects Moshe Safdie and Piero Lissoni, the hotel incorporates contemporary comforts and distinctive furnishings to create a unique ambiance to stimulates the senses and relaxes your body and soul.

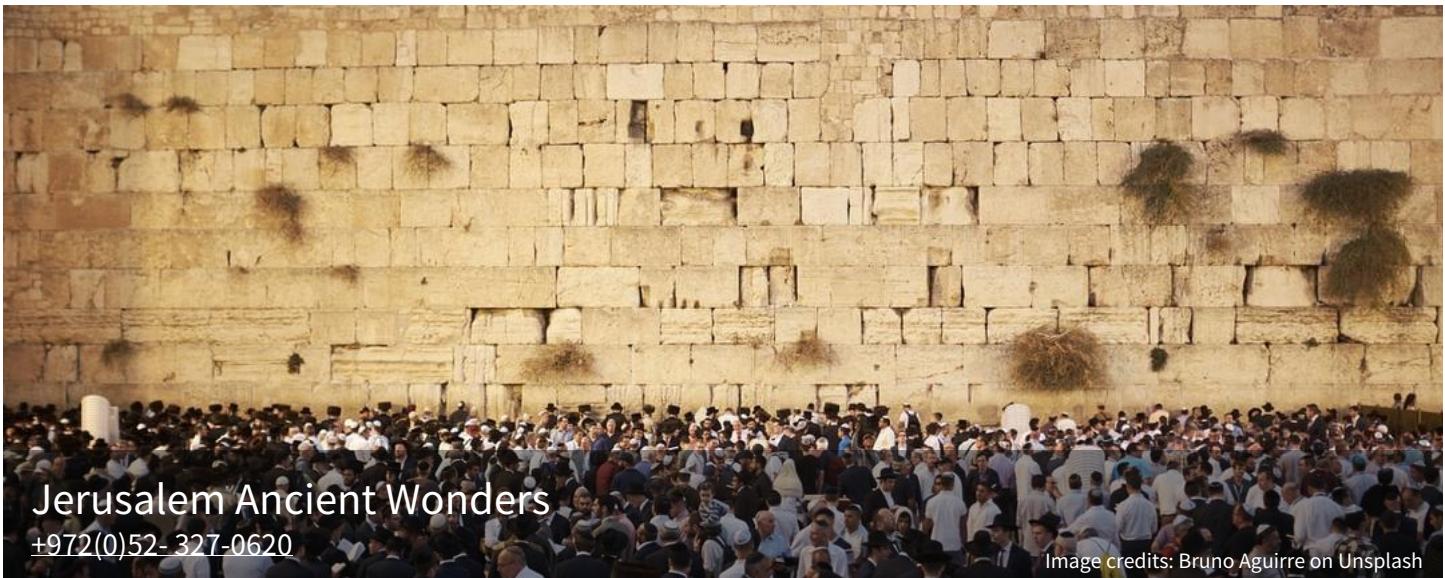
The Mamilla Hotel features exceptional rooms, exclusive restaurant and bar venues, and incomparable service. From the magnificent views of the Rooftop restaurant, through the shimmering ambiance of the Mirror Bar, to the award-winning Akasha Wellbeing Center, Mamilla Hotel ushers in a new era of luxury lifestyle hospitality. Providing a unique blend of personalized attention, knowledge, and impeccable service, Mamilla Hotel's team are committed to providing an exceptional visitor experience to each and every guest.

#### Room Selection

##### Room Description

The luxurious Mamilla Hotel is a short stroll from the Old City walls and Jaffa Gate, as well as the capital's newest gardens, galleries and theaters. Rooms create a feeling of home in Jerusalem, with natural materials of contrasting textures and splashes of color. With pristine elegance and attentive service, the Mamilla is the choice for a sophisticated stay.

## Day 3



### Jerusalem Ancient Wonders

+972(0)52- 327-0620

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9:00 AM

Start Time

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#### Meeting Point

Hotel Lobby

Meet your tour guide, take an orientation overlook from atop Mt. of Olives over the Old City

Visit the Temple Mount

Tour the Old City including all 4 quarters, the Western Wall including its underground tunnels, the Arab market and more as time permits.



### Dinner Reservations at Mona

+972 2-622-2283

12 Shmu'el ha-Nagid, Jerusalem 9459212 Israel

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## Day 4



### Jerusalem Day

Morning Recommendation:

Visit the National Holocaust museum at Yad Vashem

Treat your taste buds to a delicious Culinary tour of the Machane Yehuda Food Market (with 'bite cards')

## Day 5



### Dead Sea Visit

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10:00 AM

Start Time

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#### Meeting Point

Hotel Lobby

Descend to the Dead-Sea the lowest point on the earth's surface 1300 feet below sea level

Climb Masada by the cable car

Float on the salty waters of the Dead Sea, 9 times saltier than the ocean, return to Jerusalem



## Dinner Reservations at Chakra

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*King George Jerusalem*

<http://www.chakrarest.com>

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The chakra restaurant combines a meticulous hospitality experience and a naturally generated personal relationship between guests and the restaurant staff.

The restaurant menu changes daily taking into account the availability of raw materials and season. Alongside a carefully selected alcohol and wines menu, chakra produces an up-to-date and luxurious dining and hospitality experience.

[Menu](#)

## Day 6



## Jersualem Free Day and Shabbat Dinner

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Spend the day on your own at leisure

Recommended return to the Western Wall before Shabbat

**You will be hosted for traditional shabbat dinner in a private home of a local family (possibly with other people)**

- Spend the day at your leisure.
- Recommended activity: As the sun sets, welcome Shabbat together with the throngs at the Western Wall.
- Join a local family to savour a traditional Shabbat dinner, along with other guests.

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## Day 7



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**Meeting Point**  
Hotel Lobby

Leave Jerusalem and travel to the Galilee via the Elah Valley where biblical David confronted Goliath

Make a stop at Sephoris, a Mishnaic village with impressive mosaics and water supply system  
Check-in to your Galilee resort



3:00 PM

Check In

12:00 PM

Check Out

4 Nights

Duration

Secluded Hotel overlooking the Sea of Galilee.

The newly re-opened Mizpe Hayamim Resort is set against the rolling hills and

lush greenery of the Galilee. Enjoy the flourishing gardens and farm that surround the hotel and supplies the hotel's restaurant. The spacious room exudes a tranquil and warm essence. A tempting combination of nature, simplicity and a feeling that takes you back to basics, while being lush, luxurious and incredibly pampering.

## Day 8

### Kabbalah and Mysticism Day *mysticism*

**Meeting Point**  
Hotel Lobby

## Day 9



### Golan Heights

**Meeting Point**  
Hotel Lobby

Visit a fierce battle site from the 1973 Yom Kippur War near the Syrian border, listen to a security briefing on from a reservist IDF officer, meet with Israeli soldiers defending the border

Visit and have lunch in a kibbutz

Time permitting see an ancient synagogue from the 4th century, completely restored using cutting-edge techniques

## Day 10



Galilee

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### Meeting Point

Hotel Lobby

Visit the Hula Nature reserve one of the world's largest hub for migrating birds

Easy hike at the Banias nature reserve and waterfalls

## Day 11



Galilee to Tel Aviv

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11:00 AM

Start Time

### Meeting Point

Hotel Lobby

Attend one of the Memorial services in a military cemetery (*a siren goes off at 11am*)

Visit Rosh Hanikra, a beautiful complex of above and underwater grottos

Visit Haifa, to see the magnificent Bahai gardens

Arrive in Tel Aviv  
(Eve of Independence Day)



## The Norman - Tel Aviv, Israel

972 3-543-5555

23-25 Nachmani St, Tel Aviv, Israel 6579441

4 Nights

Duration

Boutique hotel in the heart of Tel Aviv; suitable for business and leisure; A citrus garden separates the two hotel buildings.

A tribute to style, sophistication, and service, The Norman brings unprecedented prestige to Israel's center. This hotel luxuriously combines the timeless elegance of the 1920s, with the superb comforts of a world class hotel. Delight in your own dreamy sanctuary, brimming with comfort and contemporary glamour.

### Room Selection

#### Room Description

A stunning new addition to central Tel Aviv surrounded by Bauhaus architecture

The Norman Tel Aviv comprises two splendid 1920's residences, set on prominent King Albert Square, both of which have been painstakingly restored to retain the buildings' rich heritage. An impressive modern art collection, a gorgeous rooftop with panoramic city views, an infinity pool, two non-kosher gourmet restaurants and relaxed, professional service add the wow factor to this delightful city retreat.

The 50 rooms and suites at The Norman Tel Aviv feature beautiful hardwood floors and soft colour tones that incorporate smart, contemporary design. Choose from two expansive penthouse suites with fabulous terraces. Have lunch al fresco in the leafy garden before heading out into the city.



## Tel Aviv Free Day

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Spend the day on your own at leisure.

Tel Aviv is one of the most vibrant cities in the world. Titled the ‘Mediterranean Capital of Cool’ by the New York Times, this is a 24 hour city with a unique pulse, combining sandy Mediterranean beaches with a world-class nightlife, a buzzing cultural scene, incredible food, UNESCO recognized architecture and an international outlook. Don’t miss it!

- Today is a public holiday.
- Enjoy the day on your own.
- OVERNIGHT: The Norman, Tel Aviv. +972(0)3-543-5555



## Dinner Reservation at North Abraxas

+972 3-516-6660

Lilinblum 40, Rothschild Qtr Tel Aviv-Yafo

<https://northabraxas.com/en/>

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**NORTH ABRAXAS** is made entirely of fresh ingredients, quality raw materials, our staff, you guests become our family and the wonderful creations that the land has given us, and for all these we have won, in one small restaurant, to come together into one work that is full of joy, beauty and love.

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## Day 12



Wander through the old area of Jaffa, including its port  
The Nachalat Binyamin arts and crafts street fair  
Walking tour through the neighborhoods of Tel Aviv, including the Rothschild Boulevard, the quaint Neveh Tzedek and more



Pastel is located right in the heart of Tel Aviv's bustling cultural Mecca known as the Tel Aviv Museum of Art, adjacent to the Opera House and Cameri Theater.

We love hospitality. It is our true passion and the drive behind everything we do.

The strong bond the restaurant has with its guests is evident in the unique creations that elegantly combine gourmet cuisine with simplicity and sensitivity, modern cooking techniques and classic dishes.

The restaurant first opened its doors in 2013 and was designed by architects Alon Baranowitz and Irena Kronenberg. Our request was simple: To be the most beautiful restaurant out there. Sure enough, in 2014, Pastel was crowned "Most Designed Restaurant" by Idea-Tops International Space Design Awards.

The captain of this grand ship is no other than restaurateur, Itzik Chengel.

The Chef

Chef Cobi Bahar has been orchestrating and leading the kitchen since 2019. He spent years working at the legendary high-end sea food restaurant “Mul Yam” in Tel Aviv and later led all culinary operations at the luxurious Mamilla complex in Jerusalem. Prior to that, Chef Bahar gained much experience, knowledge, and leadership skills working in Michelin star restaurants throughout Europe. For Pastel, Chef Bahar gracefully and intelligently composed a menu tiptoeing between bistro classics and his own interpretations, celebrating premium raw materials as the focal of his dishes.

“My food is both meticulous and feral. Each dish is a playground of textures and flavors. The fine dining experience Pastel provides is not necessarily cold or conventional. To me, fine dining is a culinary standard rather than a systemic dictation of a first, main and last course. One can simply enjoy oysters and champaign by the bar or a meal based on a few starters. Our guests’ experience is comprised of many elements. Naturally, my food is the focus. However, service and hospitality must keep up with the same high standards. We are judged by our meticulous attention to detail in our dishes as well as the service we provide and care of our guests”.

## [Menu](#)



Spend the day on your own at leisure

Our Graffiti expert will take you on an eye-opening walking tour of the lesser-known areas of Tel-Aviv, focused on this unique street-art language

- Enjoy the day.
- View urban art pieces during a fascinating graffiti walking tour, hearing about the artists' experiences, stories, and secrets as told by a local expert.
- OVERNIGHT: The Norman, Tel Aviv. +972(0)3-543-5555

## Day 14



**Transfer to Tel Aviv Airport**

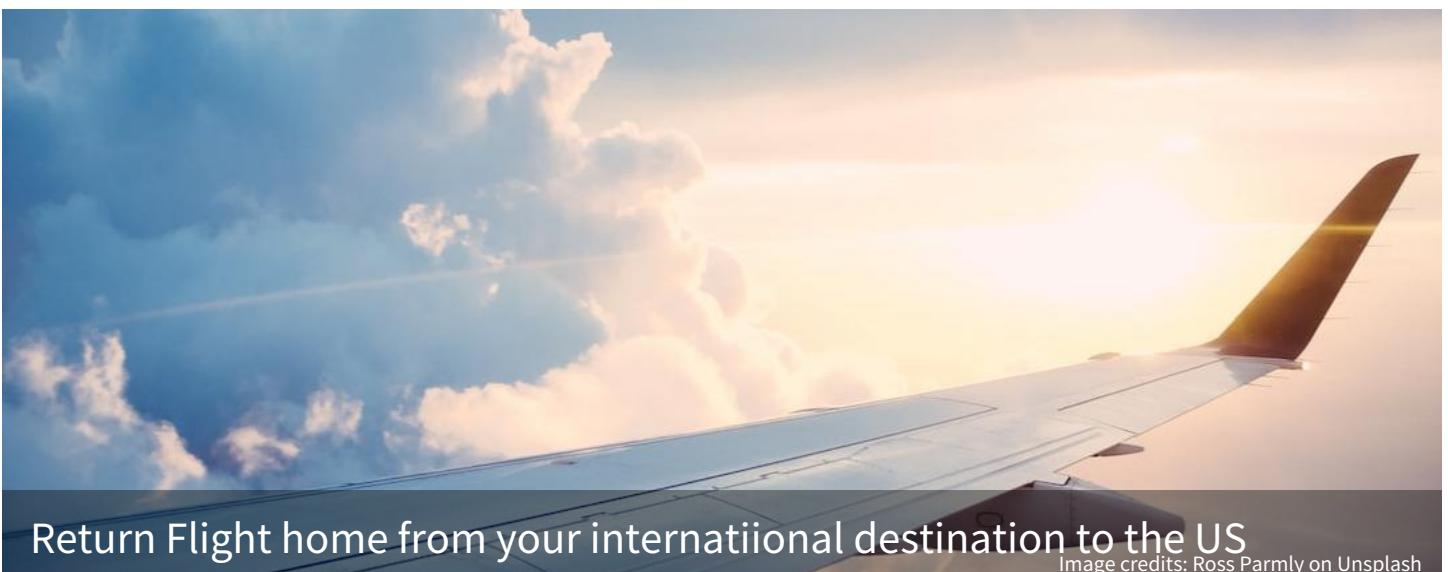
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Transfer to the airport for departure, with VIP assistance

- Enjoy the morning in leisure
- Your driver collects you from your hotel lobby at 5:00pm, in readiness for departure on flight A3 925 at 7:40pm. At the airport, our VIP representative escorts you through to your departure gate. Airport representative's cell: +972(0)53-778-1022.

Shalom from Israel!



**Return Flight home from your international destination to the US**

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