

CHABAD OF THE TRI VALLEY COMMUNITY TRIP - JUNE 2025

Please note: This general itinerary is subject to change based on weather, security, & other considerations

DAY 1 - ARRIVAL / NORTH

MONDAY, JUNE 9TH

- **Welcome to Israel!**
- Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport where you will be met by our VIP service representative once you exit the plane & be escorted through passport control, baggage claim & customs.
- Depart for the north & check into hotel
- *Opening Dinner & Welcome at hotel*

OVERNIGHT: KIBBUTZ LAVI HOTEL - GALILEE

DAY 2 - THE GOLAN HEIGHTS

TUESDAY, JUNE 10TH

- *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
- *Packed lunch (included)*
- Visit the **ancient city of Gamla** - “Masada of the North” & site of a unique nature conservation project to reintroduce the Griffon Vulture to the wild
- Time for reflection at the **Tomb of Maimonides in the holy city of Tiberias**
- Boat ride with music & dancing on the **Kinneret**
- *Dinner in Tiberias at Decks Restaurant on the banks of the Sea of Galilee*

Overnight: KIBBUTZ LAVI HOTEL - GALILEE



DAY 3 - TZFAT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11TH

- *Full Israeli breakfast at hotel*
- Experience Otzar HaStam's multimedia center for the **writing of Torahs, Tefillin, & Mezuzot**
- Discover the **Mystical City of Tzfat**, including the beautiful synagogues, artists' colony, candle factory & more
- *Enjoy lunch in Tzfat (on own)*
- Explore the impressive **Crusader City of Akko** including the Knights' Halls, Templar Tunnels, Lighthouse & more
- **Welcome to Jerusalem!** Enjoy a spectacular lookout over Jerusalem from the **Haas Promenade**
- *Check into hotel (dinner on own)*

OVERNIGHT: DAVID CITADEL HOTEL - JERUSALEM

DAY 4 - JERUSALEM

THURSDAY, JUNE 12TH

- *Full Israeli breakfast at hotel*
- Meet musical escort through the Dung Gate for **Eitan Jontof-Hutter's Bar Mitzvah at the Kotel**
- Explore the fascinating **Western Wall Tunnels** that unlock the secrets of Jerusalem's glorious past and experience the virtual reality taking you back 2000 years
- *Bar Mitzvah Brunch at local restaurant*
- Walk in the footsteps of the 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)
- *Evening & dinner (on own) at leisure*

OVERNIGHT: DAVID CITADEL HOTEL - JERUSALEM



DAY 5 – HEBRON

FRIDAY, JUNE 13TH

- *Full Israeli breakfast at hotel*
- Time for reflection at **Rachel's Tomb** on the outskirts of **Bethlehem**
- Experience the **Biblical City of Hevron**, including the **Cave of Machpela**, Avraham Avinu neighborhood, **Bet Hadassah** & more
- *Lunch at Gutnick Center*
- Departure for Jerusalem – Shabbat Shalom! (Candle Lighting: 7:19 PM)
- Join the global Jewish world for the joyous celebration of **Friday Night at the Western Wall**
- *Festive Shabbat Dinner at the hotel*

OVERNIGHT: DAVID CITADEL HOTEL - JERUSALEM

DAY 6 – SHABBAT IN JERUSALEM

SATURDAY, JUNE 14TH

- *Full Israeli breakfast at hotel*
- Shabbat Services led by Bar Mitzvah boy followed by kiddush
- *Festive Shabbat Lunch at hotel*
- Walking guided tour of the sites & sounds of the **historic Jewish Quarter** including the Cardo, Broad Wall, Batei Machase & more
- **Musical Havdallah**
- Watch the **Sound-&Light Spectacular** screened on the walls of the **Tower of David**.
- *Dinner at Jerusalem restaurant (on own)*

OVERNIGHT: DAVID CITADEL HOTEL - JERUSALEM



DAY 7 – JUDEAN DESERT

SUNDAY, JUNE 15TH

- *Full Israeli Breakfast at the hotel*
- Ascend the formidable **desert fortress of Masada** where the Zealots contested the might of the Roman Empire
- *Lunch (on own) at the Masada Food Court*
- Explore the beautiful **desert oasis of Ein Gedi** where David fled from King Saul and cool off under the waterfalls
- Experience the sensation of **floating in the Dead Sea** – the lowest place on Earth
- Transport yourselves to the Days of the Bible as you visit Abraham's Tent in **Genesis Land** - includes **camel rides**, pita-baking, and a *traditional desert hospitality & dinner*

OVERNIGHT: DAVID CITADEL HOTEL - JERUSALEM

DAY 8 – FINALE

MONDAY, JUNE 16TH

- *Full Israeli breakfast at hotel – check out*
- Pay tribute to the 6 million at the **Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum** & Children's Memorial. Special Bar Mitzvah Tour & Twinning Project (minimum age – 10, children to the Biblical Zoo)
- **Mount Herzl National Cemetery** - visit the new graves from the soldiers who fell on the 7th of October and during the Swords of Iron Operation
- Experience the vibe at the **Machane Yehudah Outdoor Market** and enjoy *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.
- Explore the **Old Port of Jaffa** with its charming alleyways, artists' galleries & stunning views over **Tel Aviv**
- *Farewell dinner at Regina Restaurant in the Old Train Station*