

EGYPT, ISRAEL, PALESTINE & JORDAN

The Holy Land



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

NAZARETH | TIBERIAS | SEA OF GALILEE | TABOR | CAPERNAUM
JORDAN RIVER | CANA | JERICHO | BETHANY | DEAD SEA
BETHLEHEM | JERUSALEM | HAIFA | NAZARETH
NILE DINNER CRUISE | THE GREAT PYRAMIDS OF GIZA PYRAMIDS
THE SPHINX | EGYPTIAN MUSEUM | ST CATHERINE'S MONASTERY
SINAI | TABA MOUNT NEBO | AMMAN | PETRA

FULL DAYS OF EXTENSIVE SITE-SEEING IN ISRAEL, EGYPT AND JORDAN

A SPECIAL BUFFET LUNCH AT GALILEE TO PARTAKE OF THE FAMOUS 'ST PETER'S FISH'.

EXPERIENCE FLOATING IN THE DEAD SEA, THE LOWEST POINT ON EARTH

TOUR THE ANCIENT CITY OF PETRA

RENEW YOUR WEDDING VOWS AND PLACE PETITIONS AT CANA

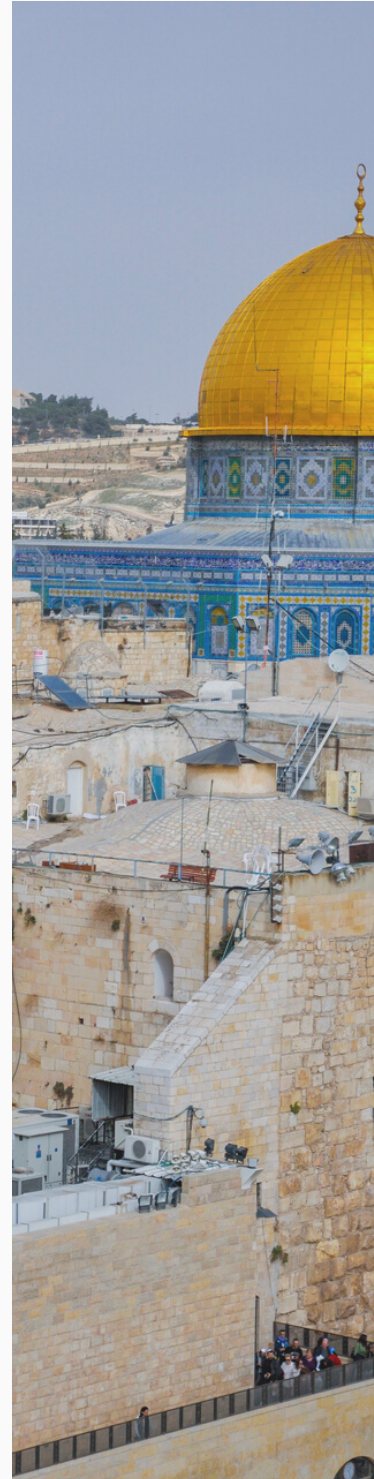
RENEW YOUR BAPTISMAL PROMISES IN THE JORDAN RIVER

ALL MEALS INCLUDED BREAKFASTS, LUNCHESES AND DINNERS

TRANSPORTATION IN SUPER DELUXE AC COACHES

DAILY MASS AT UNFORGETTABLE PLACES.

A SPECIAL PRE-DEPARTURE DINNER GET TOGETHER FOR YOU TO MEET YOUR FELLOW TRAVELERS BEFORE WE LEAVE.



DETAILED ITINERARY



DAY 1

BEGIN YOUR HOLY LAND TOUR...

Meet at the Airport for the flight: All information will be provided a week before at the pre-departure meeting to begin your Divine Tour of the Holy Land with Israel, Palestine, Jordan and Egypt.

DAY 2

WELCOME TO CAIRO - CAPITAL OF EGYPT

We arrive at Cairo airport and after all formalities are completed, board our coach to our hotel (Our Flight from Canada lands very late in the night). We check in to our hotel and retire for the night.

DAY 3

RIVER NILE CRUISE

Today after lunch we visit the world-famous Egyptian Museum.. We have lunch then later this evening we proceed for a River Nile Cruise with Buffet Dinner, Sufi Music, Floor shows and Entertainment before returning to our Hotel for a delicious dinner. Overnight at your First Class Deluxe Hotel in Egypt.



DAY 4

DISCOVER CAIRO AND THE SPHINX

After breakfast, we will proceed on a tour to discover the mysteries of Egypt. Starting with the spectacular Pyramids of Giza and the mysterious Sphinx, we continue on a Mother Mary Coptic Church tour. We will see the ancient art of making paper at the Papyrus Paper Making Gallery and test the various perfumes at the 1000 Perfume store. Dinner and Overnight at Your First-Class Deluxe Hotel, Egypt.



DAY 5

SINAI - TABA

Today after breakfast, we check out and proceed towards Sinai. Enroute we will have our lunch. Continue our journey towards Sinai, passing through the arid desert that Moses roamed to St. Catherine, Sinai. After a delicious dinner, overnight at your hotel.

DAY 6

ST. CATHERINE'S MONASTERY, THE BURNING BUSH.

After breakfast, we visit St. Catherine's Monastery. Set beneath the mountains where Moses is said to have received the Ten Commandments. St. Catherine's Monastery has been one of the world's great centers of religious pilgrimages for over fifteen centuries. Among its incredibly important religious and historical structures are treasures of ancient manuscripts and icons, second only to the Vatican itself, and a 6th century church reputed to lie directly on the site of the Burning Bush. The rest of the evening is free to relax at your hotel. Dinner and overnight at your First Class Deluxe Hotel, Egypt.



DAY 7

O HOLY TOWN OF BETHLEHEM.....

After breakfast, we cross the border via the Egyptian border at Taba and into Israel. After we complete all immigration and border crossing formalities, we cross over to Israel. We proceed to Bethlehem, the City of David. In Bethlehem we visit the Manager Square and the Church of Nativity, where the most precious moments for any pilgrim to the Holy Land are those spent in the Grotto of the Nativity, where Our Lord Jesus was born. Visit the Shepherds Field where the Angel appeared to the Shepherds to Announce the Birth of Jesus. After a sumptuous dinner we retire for the night at our First class Deluxe Hotel in Bethlehem.



DAY 8

JERUSALEM & BETHLEHEM

After Breakfast, we visit the Dead Sea, the lowest point on Earth. We will be hosted at a private beach, where we will float and relax in the Dead Sea. All entry fees and shower fees will be borne by us.



Continue... to then enter Jericho, the oldest city in the world, drink and splash our eyes with water at the Elisa's spring (if Open). See the Sycamore Tree, where Zacchaeus, the corrupt tax collector climbed to have a better view of Jesus. Jesus also cured the blind man here. Stop for a view of the Mount of Temptation. Mass at the Good Shepherd Church.

After Lunch we continue on to Jerusalem to visit the Church of St Peter of Gallicantu, which symbolizes Peter's denial of Jesus as he had prophesized at the Last Supper.

After a sumptuous dinner we retire for the night at our First-Class hotel in Bethlehem.

DAY 9

WALK IN THE WAY OF THE LORD.....

After breakfast, we leave on a Walking Pilgrimage of the Old City via the Dung Gate where the bustle, costumes, colors and aromas stimulate the imagination and one can imagine the atmosphere was not much different in ancient times. His Final path – the Via Dolorosa. The road is paved in cobblestones and paving stones from the Herodian Period, with special semicircular arrangements at each Station of the Cross. Thus, in following the footsteps of Jesus on His final way, one is walking on stones from the very age to the sites of the last stations and Golgotha, the place where Jesus was crucified. On the way you see and place your hand in the Rock, where Jesus placed his hand and the rock melted.

Enter the Holy Sepulcher Church and the Original Tomb, where Jesus was buried and rose again on the Third Day – a place of quiet devotion where the facts of Christ's crucifixion and resurrection are the central message, as they are the life and worship of those who visit it. See the Golden Dome of the Rock (Entrance to the mosque is restricted). We visit the Pater Noster Church where Jesus gave us the Lord's Prayer "Our Father". Around the church and gardens, we find the prayer in six-foot ceramics in every language under the sun.

After lunch, we proceed to Mount Zion. We see King David's Tomb and the Upper Room where we commemorate the Last Supper (Luke 22:7-13). We also visit the Garden of Gethsemane and to the Basilica of the Agony, also known as the Church of All Nations. A huge rock stands before the altar of the church – the Rock of Agony, at this rock, the Son of God knelt in the agony of death. Back to the hotel for a delicious dinner. Overnight at your First-Class hotel in Bethlehem. Mass at the Garden of Gethsemane or the Church of all Nations.

DAY 10

THE SEA OF GALILEE CHURCH OF THE MULTIPLICATION OF LOAVES AND FISHES, THE HOUSE OF PETER

After breakfast, we then drive through the countryside of Galilee to the Sea of Galilee, where Jesus calmed the storm and walked on the waters. Our boat ride across the Sea of Galilee is made in a replica of the Galilean Fishing Boat of Jesus's time (Luke 8,22:25) but with an engine. We will stop for a special Buffet lunch of the most famous St. Peter's Fish. Then on to Jordan River to see the traditional Baptismal Site of Jesus. Visit the beautiful and magnificent Italian church on the Mount of Beatitudes where Jesus gave the Sermon of the Mount.





We stop at Taghba to visit the Church of the Multiplication of Loaves and Fishes (Matt14:15-20). The famous 4th century mosaic has been incorporated in the reconstruction of the Byzantine Basilica. We will also visit The Church of Primacy of Peter, built over the rock at the sea edge. Later at Capernaum, we remember Christ's Galilean ministry for it was here that he called Peter, Mathew and Andrew. We see the House of Peter & the Old Broken Synagogue where he did most of his preaching's. If time permits you can visit the Church of Transfiguration by taxi. Overnight at your First-Class Hotel in Nazareth.



DAY 11

CHURCH OF CANA, MOUNT CARMEL & NAZARETH

After breakfast, we proceed to Nazareth the boyhood town of Jesus to visit the church of the Annunciation, built over the grotto where Archangel Gabriel appeared to Mary, and announced that she would bear a son, Jesus. Walk across the courtyard to St. Joseph's Workshop. Visit Mary's well and collect some water for your loved ones. Later we drive to the little Church of Cana, where we commemorate Jesus' first miracle when he turned water into wine. Continue on vi city of Caesarea to Haifa, a city located on the slope of Mount Carmel. We drive past the Stella Maris church and onwards to the famous Persian hanging gardens to view the Bahi'a's Founders Shrine. After a sumptuous dinner and overnight in your First Class Deluxe Hotel in Nazareth.



DAY 12

AMMAN

After Breakfast we board our coach to the border with Jordan. After completing all border formalities, we cross into Jordan. We proceed along the 5000 years old King's Highway to Madaba, the city of Mosaics. We continue on to Mt. Nebo (Deut 34:1-7) the most revered sites in Jordan. Mt. Nebo is presumed to be the site of Moses's death and burial place. From a platform in front of the church you can take in a breathtaking view like Moses, across the Jordan Valley, the Dead Sea and Jericho to the rooftops of Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Dinner and overnight stay in the hotel in Amman



DAY 13

AMMAN - PETRA

After breakfast, we depart for a tour of the ancient city Petra, deep within the deserts of Jordan. The lost City or ink city, Petra is also a UNESCO World Heritage Center. Walk about the majestic and mystical architecture of the 6th Century BC. This Rose Red City is literally carved into the sides of a deep gorge. The only entrance is through the Al Siq, a narrow slit in the rock enclosed by beautiful limestone cliffs. Spend the day in Petra and then head back to Amman for overnight in Amman.

DAY 14

DEPART FOR CANADA



After breakfast (depending on your flight) the morning is free, for shopping. After lunch you will be transferred to the airport to board your flight. Arrive home with wonderful memories of the tour and all the new friends and families that you met. We thank you for choosing us and welcome you into our ever-growing family.
Overnight at the hotel

INCLUSIONS

what your tour price \$4900 CAD includes



01

AIRFARE- Return Economy Class Group Airfare as per the Itinerary

02

ACCOMMODATION In 3* Hotels (Twin Bedded Room, 2 people sharing) (Ask price for single supplement)

03

MEALS - Continental Buffet Breakfast, Packed/ Buffet Lunches & Dinners as Mentioned.

04

Services of Royale Orchid Tour Manager or/ and Local Guides in Select Cities.

05

SIGHTSEEING & ENTRANCE Fees, Transfers, Surface Transportation As Mentioned By A Deluxe AC/ Air Cool Coach.

06

Special Buffet Lunch at Galilee



EXCLUSIONS

- Any increase in Airfare, Visa Fees, Airport & Govt Taxes and the rate of exchange leading to an increase in surface transportation and land arrangements, which may come into effect prior to departure. The tour price is subject to increase, without notice.
- Any expenses such as Tourist Tax and of personal nature such as portage, laundry expenses, wines, mineral water, food and drink not in the regular menus provided by us, mini-bar, telephone calls, tips to the drivers, hotel waiters, local guides etc. are to be borne by the passengers. Meals are pre-set and a choice of menu is not available.
- Anything not mentioned in “What your Tour Price Includes box”
- Any change in date of travel/ deviation from original group travel dates that will result in an increase in airfare and applicable taxes.
- Personal Insurance.
- Tips for Guides Drivers \$110 USD



BOOKINGS AND DEPOSITS

You must complete and sign the official Royale Orchid Booking form given below and read terms and conditions of the tour below. Please enclose an initial non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person (adult / child) towards the cost of the tour. All cheques must be payable to Royale Orchid Tours and Holidays upon which you will receive an official receipt. Your receipt is written confirmation of your tour. However, it is not valid for travel on tour.

BALANCE PAYMENTS

Balance payments towards the costs of the tour must reach us at least 90 days prior to departure of the tour Date.

AMENDMENTS

A transfer from one tour to another will be treated as a cancellation from a tour and a fresh booking of another. Therefore, cancellation rules will apply. Tour Itinerary/ Hotel/ Airlines/ Flights/ routes are subject to change without prior information.

CANCELLATION

All services such as airline seats / hotel accommodation / ground transportation are pre-booked well in advance. We are liable to pay penalties to all our suppliers/ vendors if these services are released within the mentioned period.

If cancellation is made:

90 – 61 days prior to departure – 25% of tour package price less Deposit
60 – 46 days prior to departure – 50% of tour package price less Deposit
45 days or less prior to departure – 100% of tour package price



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