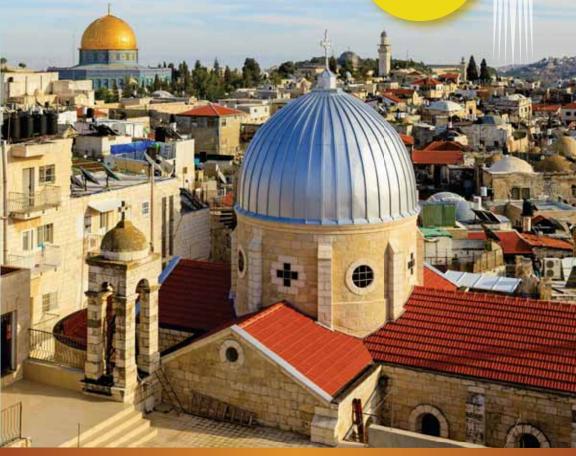
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Cover: Jerusalem | Above: Jaffa

- ► Experience Israel's diverse religious heritage as you visit sites steeped in Islam, Christianity and Judaism.
- ➤ Tour cosmopolitan **Tel Aviv** and **Old Jaffa** on the Mediterranean coast.
- ➤ Engage with a local Druze family while enjoying lunch in their home.
- ► Take a sensory journey through Jerusalem's Machane Yehuda market.
- ➤ Discover the stark beauty of the **Dead Sea**, a unique phenomenon.
- Savor crisp falafels and buttery olive oils, Israel's delectable flavors.
- ▶ Be dazzled by brilliant diamonds at Tel Aviv's Diamond Museum.



Dear Penn State Traveler,

Join us for an eight-night journey that explores the multicultural traditions of the Israeli people, the ruins of ancient civilizations, and Israel's natural beauty. This tiny nation — a fascinating focal point for three of the world's major religions — exudes spirituality while brimming with historic treasures and religious milestones.

Begin in Tel Aviv, a city rich with world-class museums and architectural wonders. Venture north to Caesarea, an ancient landscape that still echoes with the cries of victorious gladiators. Then embrace opportunities to cruise the Sea of Galilee, witness Capernaum's celebrated sites, and wend Jerusalem's symbolic, timeless ramparts. Plus, we'll experience one of Earth's most unique places, the hypersaline Dead Sea, and taste local wines, olive oils and regional cuisine. This enduring and evolving region awaits to bid you shalom!

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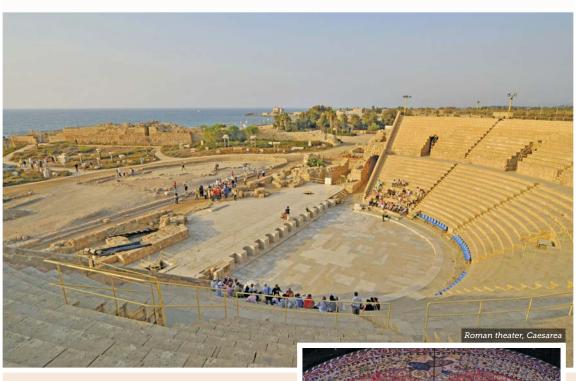
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Day One

In Transit

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Day Two

Tel Aviv, Israel

Upon arrival, transfer★ and check in to Carlton Tel Aviv.

Tonight, meet your fellow travelers at an exclusive Welcome Reception and Dinner at the hotel.

Day Three B

Tel Aviv

Discovery: Ancient Jaffa. Experience one of Israel's most enchanting places. Revel in the captivating Old Town atmosphere as you stroll cobbled alleyways, browse the bustling flea market and visit with local artists.

Discovery: *Dazzling Diamonds.* See displays and models of world-famous diamonds at the Harry Oppenheimer Diamond Museum. Learn how the gems are created, cut, and polished, and enjoy interactive presentations.

Free Time: During leisure time, seek a nearby restaurant for lunch or browse merchants' stalls for bargains and treasures.

Discovery: Museum of the Jewish Diaspora.

Beit Hatfutsot offers visitors a compelling historical account of the Jewish people. Learn about 2,500 years of history, from when the Jewish tribes were exiled from the land of Israel until current times.



Day Four

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Tel Aviv | Caesarea | Akko | Tiberias

Discovery: The White City. Tel Aviv boasts the world's largest collection of Bauhaus-style buildings with over 1,500 examples located throughout the city. Drive through this "White City," and admire the marvelous architecture.

Discovery: *Mediterranean Coast.* En route to Tiberias, visit Caesarea, an archeological park first settled in the fourth century B.C. View many of the city's highlights including Herod's grand Roman theater and the magnificent hippodrome, which once featured gladiator games and chariot racing. Gaze at Herod's spectacular aqueduct, and view the Crusader Wall and fortifications. During a multimedia presentation, learn about the region's fascinating history.

Delight in local flavors during a group lunch.



Discovery: Ancient Akko. Visit the wellpreserved, walled city of historic Acre. This old Arab locale near the Mediterranean Sea was a bustling port city for over 4,000 years. Today, the city's picturesque waterfront has magnificent stone buildings; beautiful archways; and a labyrinth of alleyways, churches and greenroofed mosques. While exploring the Old City, take note of its thick fortifications, imposing towers and splendid 18th-century ramparts. Arrive in Tiberias, and check in to Scots Hotel.

B|L|D

Day Five

Tabgha | Capernaum | Golan Heights

Discovery: Upper Galilee and Capernaum.

Embark on a scenic cruise on the Sea of Galilee (weather permitting), and visit Tabgha, a fishing village on the north-western shore. Continue to the Mount of Beatitudes, believed by many to be the site of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. In Capernaum, visit an ancient synagogue with

Jewish motifs, and see the House of Peter, a home where Jesus is believed to have lodged.

Discovery: A Taste of Olive Oil. Savor the buttery flavors of freshly pressed olive oil during a factory tour, and learn how the oils are made. Taste local wines, and enjoy lunch on the property.

Discovery: Golan Heights Winery. From cabernet sauvignon and merlot to chardonnay and sauvignon blanc, your taste buds will relish the flavors of local vintages during a wine tasting.

Day Six

Tiberias | Megiddo | Haifa | Jerusalem

Discovery: Tel Megiddo - A Focus on

Archeology. Explore the archaeological mound of Megiddo, a fascinating UNESCO World Heritage site. These impressive ruins have more than 25 layers of settlements! See the fortified cities, and walk through an underground tunnel. This Iron Age structure once supplied the city's residents with water from a nearby spring.







Top: The Dead Sea | Left: Friendly Druze man | Above: Interior of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Jerusalem

Enrichment: *Meet the People.* Enjoy an authentic Druze lunch in a family home. Druze cuisine is characterized by special blends of spices such as turmeric, cumin, cinnamon and paprika.

Discovery: *Mount Carmel.* Haifa is Israel's third largest city and a renowned high-technology industrial center. From a terrace on Mount Carmel, revel in sprawling vistas of the city beyond. The pretty Bahá'í Gardens, which are compromised of nineteen terraces, rest on the lower slopes of Mount Carmel.

Arrive in Jerusalem. After checking in to David Citadel Hotel, you may choose to relax for the evening or begin exploring Jerusalem.

Day Seven

B|L

Jerusalem

Discovery: In-depth Jerusalem. The ancient city of Jerusalem is the spiritual heart of three world faiths — Judaism, Islam and Christianity. Discover the many religious shrines, temples, churches and mosques housed in the Old City of Jerusalem. Visit Temple Mount, and pause at the Western Wall. Walk along a portion of the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. During your tour, enjoy stunning panoramic views from the Mount of Olives, and explore the interpretive Davidson Center.

Lunch on delectable falafels at a restaurant in the Arab Quarter. This neighborhood is filled with narrow alleys and bustling souks overflowing with spices, mint tea, aromatic coffees, textiles and leather goods.



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B|D

Enrichment: Is it Finally Time for a Peace

Deal? Tonight, listen as an expert presents an assessment of Israeli-Palestinian relations during a fascinating lecture and discussion.

Free Time: During time at leisure, explore Jerusalem's many wonders and sites.

Jerusalem's many wonders and sites.

Day Eight

Masada | Ein Bokek | Jerusalem

Discovery: Judean Desert Drama and a Sea

of Salt. Visit Masada, an isolated flattop rock overlooking the Dead Sea. After a tour, enjoy free time to explore. Then descend 1,378 feet below sea level to Ein Bokek on the shoreline of the Dead Sea, the deepest hypersaline lake in the world. Surrounded by a barren expanse of painted mountainous desert, the Dead Sea is fed by the River Jordan, which flows from the Sea of Galilee. Relax on the beach, or enjoy a refreshing swim in the salty sea.

Savor lunch with a view near the Dead Sea.

Day Nine

Jerusalem

Discovery: A Poignant Monument. Yad Vashem is Israel's memorial and place of commemoration for the millions who perished in the Holocaust. Tour the exhibition halls and galleries, and see the Hall of Names, a memorial to the lives taken during the Holocaust.

Enrichment: A Survivor Speaks. Join a question-and-answer session with a Yad Vashem guide, and hear a personal account



of his/her experiences during World War II.

Free Time: Craft your own itinerary at Machane Yehuda, a bustling local market. Shop at open-air stalls, sample local specialties, or browse the unique clothing and spices.

Gather with your fellow travelers this evening for a Farewell Dinner, and share your favorite stories and experiences from your Israel adventure.

Day Ten

In Transit

Following breakfast, transfer to the airport for the return flight to your gateway city. ★

Note: Itinerary sequence and/or scheduled events may change. Many excursions in this program involve an element of walking.

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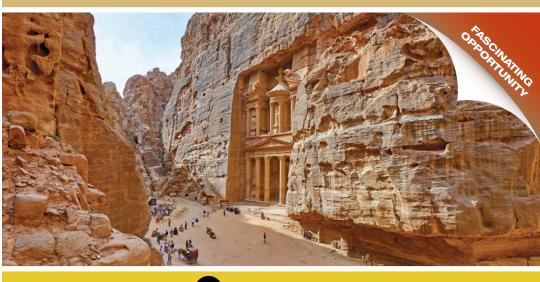
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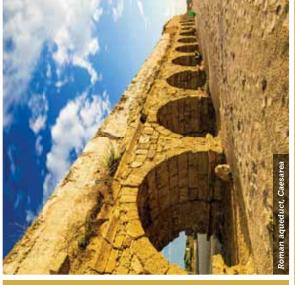
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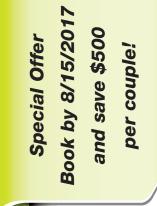
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