



The Land & The Spirit

JLI Mission

Rabbi Chaim Lazaroff

Chabad of Uptown

March 24th – 31st, 2008

Day 1 - Monday March 24th

- **WELCOME TO ISRAEL**
- Touchdown at **Ben Gurion International Airport**.
A VIPIsrael representative will be waiting to welcome and escort your group through the airport, and a private passport control counter and to facilitate luggage identification and handling.
- **Travel to Northern Israel** along the scenic coast to arrive at your hotel to check in and relax.
- **Welcome Dinner & Orientation** with VIPIsrael Guide & Shliach.
- **Overnight Accommodations:** Kibbutz Lavi Hotel, Hills of Galilee

Day 2 - Tuesday March 25th

- **Full Breakfast Buffet**
- **City of Katzrin**, tour the ancient reconstructed **Talmudic Village** and a partially restored 1,500-year-old synagogue in the Golan Heights.
- **Mount Bental** an abandoned Israeli bunker overlooking the entire Golan Heights, the mountains of the Galilee, as well as, Lebanon and Syria.
- **Jeeping in the Golan Heights!**
- **Tsfat** Visit the restored Old City including the artists' colony among the winding, cobblestone streets and take a dip in the famous **Mikveh of the Ari z"l** in the mystical city. See the **unique synagogues** such as the Ari Sephardi, Ari Ashkenazi, Ari Beit Midrash, Cairo Synagogue, Abuhav synagogue (built in 1490), Chabad Shul and other Chassidim.
- **Dinner, Farbrengen, Live Klezmer Music** Inspiring speakers on Jewish Mysticism and entertainment by the "Simply Tsfat" Klezmer Band overlooking stunning sunset views at Ascent of Tsfat.
- **Overnight Accommodations:** Kibbutz Lavi Hotel, Hills of Galilee

Day 3 - Wednesday March 26th

- **Full Breakfast Buffet**
- **Tel Dan** a nature reserve which includes archeological remains from the ancient city of Laish, which members of the tribe Dan captured for their homeland.
- Enjoy a tour and tasting at one of the famous **Galilee Wineries**.
- **Tiberias** afternoon **cruise on the Sea of Galilee**.
- Optional visit to the holy resting places of Jewish Sages including, **Miamonidies, Rabbi Akiba, Rabbi Meir Baal Haness** and others such as Rabbi M.M. Horodoker.
- **Mount Meron**, visit the second highest mountain in Israel and the resting place of **Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai** author of the Zohar, a fundamental kabalistic work.
- **Bonfire & 'Kumzitz'** with stories and thoughts shared from your Rabbi & Guide.
- **Dinner & Overnight Accommodations:** Kibbutz Lavi Hotel, Hills of Galilee

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Day 4 - Thursday March 27th

- **Full Breakfast Buffet**
- Travel south toward Jerusalem.
- **Jerusalem** tour the amazing **City of King David**. Begin with a breathtaking observation overlooking Biblical Jerusalem and observe 3,800 years of history dating back in time to the days of Abraham, when the first foundations of the city were laid. The journey quickly heads underground to some of the newest archaeological excavations at the site.
- Enter the Old City walls and start at the **Davidson Center** – Tour the **Southern Wall Excavations** where some of the most important archaeological discoveries have been unearthed.
- Visit the **Jewish Quarter** with its unique Gift Shops and Falafel Eateries (Extensive tour of Shuls and Sites to be provided on Shabbat).
- Descend to tour of the archaeological discoveries excavated in the **Western Wall Tunnels** and stand at the spot believed to be the nearest spot to the "Holy of Holies".
- **Yad Vashem Museum**, Optional visit to new Museum completed in the spring of 2005, a memorial to the six million innocent victims of the Holocaust
- Enjoy your evening at leisure in Jerusalem.
- **Overnight Accommodations:** Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem

Day 5 - Friday March 28th

- **Full Breakfast Buffet**
- Travel in a secured vehicle to the holy city of **Hebron** to the **Cave of Machpelah** where our patriarchs and matriarchs are buried:
- Meet the **Chabad Rabbi of Chevron**, Rabbi Danny Cohen and tour the Avraham Avinu Neighborhood including Beit Schneerson and the Avraham Avinu Synagogue. Learn the history of hundreds of years of Chabad presence in this holy city.
- Optional visits to the burial sites of **Yishai** father of King David and **Ruth**, and **Menucha Rochel Schneerson**.
- Pray at the very special site of **Rachel's Tomb** (dependant on IDF approval)
- Return to **Jerusalem** and enjoy the special Eve of Shabbat atmosphere in the **Machne Yehuda Market** or **Meah Shearim** neighborhood as local Jerusalemites procure fresh produce and fish for Shabbat. Enjoy an array of Jerusalem's unique shops, or just enjoy a Falafel or Shawarma and local artist's display.
- Welcome Shabbat at the **Kotel (Western Wall)** as the sun sets. Upon reaching the steps leading down to the Kotel, you will see people from all corners of the world converging together to welcome Shabbat at the holiest place on earth. Prayers, singing and dancing with true **Chabad JLI** spirit.
- Enjoy a **Shabbat Dinner** at the **Great Synagogue**.
- **Overnight Accommodations:** Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem



Day 6 - Saturday March 29th

- **Full Breakfast Buffet**
- Join a Jerusalem Congregation for Shabbat morning services. Walk to the **Mayanot Shul**, or the **Great Synagogue**, for davening or to any community synagogue of your choice.
- **Shabbat Lunch:** Prima Kings or Sheraton Hotel
- In the afternoon we'll explore the **Old City's Jewish Quarter**. Discover each stone's remarkable story, climb over rooftops for enchanting overlooks of the Western Wall.
- As Shabbat end, participate in a moving **Havdallah** service.
- Take a stroll to Jerusalem's **Ben Yehuda Pedestrian Mall**, full of shops and cafes; where young Jerusalem comes to life.
- **Overnight Accommodations:** Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem

Day 7 - Sunday March 30th

- **Full Breakfast Buffet**
- Depart to the **Dead Sea Area** traveling south through the Judean Wilderness.
- Take in the beauty of the natural **Ein Gedi Nature Reserve**; take a light hike along a waterfall oasis, a small slice of heaven. Visit a Byzantine period, ornate **Synagogue** in Ein Gedi.
- **Masada** - Ascend the cliff top fortress by cable car to explore the historic remains of the fortifications of King Herod's palace, storerooms and baths used as a refuge after the Holy Temple's destruction, ending in tragedy.
- **The Dead Sea** the lowest point on earth, to swim or 'float' in the famous mineral salt waters.
- **Packed Lunch** by the Dead Sea Shore.
- Return to Jerusalem for a **JLI Evening Event**. With addresses by Rabbi Moshe Kotlarsky and noted Israeli public figures.
- **Overnight Accommodations:** Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem

Day 8 - Monday, March 31st

- **Full Breakfast Buffet**
- Check out of your hotel and head toward Ashkelon to volunteer at a **Colel Chabad Food Kitchen** or visit the food packing facility which provides food and packages to over 5,000 people each month.
- **Farewell BBQ** Reunited as a group we will join IDF soldiers for a unique program with addresses from JLI trip leaders and participants
- **Ben Gurion Airport** Departure from Israel.



LAND PACKAGE CONTRACT/QUOTE

Sites as per Itinerary:

- Katzrin Talmudic Village
- Mount Bental IDF Bunker & Lookout
- Jeeping in Golan Heights
- Tzfat's restored Old City
- Tel Dan National Reserve - Ancient Town of Dan
- Visit & Tastings at select Galilee Wineries
- Resting places of Sages: Rambam & Rabbi Akiva
- Cruise on the Sea of Galilee
- Bonfire & 'kumzitz'
- City of King David
- Davidson Center - Southern Wall Excavations
- Western Wall Tunnels
- Yad Vashem Museum
- City of Hebron Tour
- Rachel's Tomb Visit
- Machne Yehuda Jerusalem Market
- Old City Shabbat Walking Tour
- Dead Sea Float Visit
- Ein Gedi Waterfall
- Masada National Park & Cable Car
- Option of: Ayalon Institute, Latrun Police Station & Tank Museum, Colel Chabad Food Kitchen visit/ Volunteering, Kfar Chabad visit, or Tel Aviv visit.
- BBQ & Farewell event with IDF soldiers.

Meals Included:

- Welcome dinner & orientation March 24th
- Dinner & Klezmer Concert at Ascent of Tzfat March 25th
- Dinners at your Galilee hotel March 26th
- JLI group Shabbat dinner at Great Synagogue March 28th
- Shabbat lunch at the Jerusalem hotels March 29th
- Packed lunch on Masada/ Dead Sea Day March 30th
- BBQ Lunch/Dinner with IDF soldiers at farewell event March 31st
- Buffet breakfast daily at each hotel

Services Included:

- VIP airport Welcome & Airport Transfers- one each provided for main group traveling.
- Touring Vehicle for all Transportation as per itinerary
- Licensed English Speak Tour Guide every day



Hotels

- 3 nights hotel accommodation in the Galilee: Kibbutz Lavi Hotel, Hills of Galilee
- 4 nights hotel accommodation in Jerusalem: Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem

Per Adult (Using Double Occupancy Hotel Rooms)	\$1,299.00
Per Child (as Third Guest with Parents)	\$920.00
Per Child (Two Children in a Separate Room)	\$1,060.00
Per Adult (as a Single Occupant in Hotels)	\$1,449.00

Upgrading Rooming Options:

- Kibbutz Lavi Hotel upgrade to Deluxe 'Hod' Room: \$140/ room for all 3 nights.



OTHER TERMS:

- Above prices are based on a pre-agreed itinerary/ touring program which corresponds to configured mileage, hours traveled, and other touring variables. Any variations to the approved program will result in charges beyond the original quote.
- Touring pace each day is ultimately set by the customer. If the customer is unable to reach any site or destination because of time restrictions, weather, or any other variable, the customer forfeits the right to refunds for sites unseen.
- The above quoted rate does not include gratuities. The accepted manner of tipping your guide in Israel is \$50-\$80/day for passengers in a four-nine seat private vehicle, or \$6-\$7/day/person travelling in an 18 passenger minibus or larger. Bus drivers tipping rates are 50% that of those recommended for a guide.
- By agreeing to these terms and other conditions of this contract you also take responsibility and give VIPIsrael LLC authorization to charge your credit card for any and all additional costs which may occur for your family or tour group. This includes costs for all the above mentioned variable as well as unpaid funds from other trip participants such as unpaid room service, etc. (you accept this responsibility as the trip leader for your tour group/ community).

TERMS OF PAYMENT & CANCELLATION:

1. 20% non-refundable deposit must be received by December 31st 2007.
2. Payment in Full received by February 1st 2008.
3. Cancellations within 8 weeks of scheduled arrival in Israel, the full amount is non-refundable.

RESPONSIBILITY:

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Please Sign Agreeing to Contract Terms _____

Please Date Here _____



Tour Participants

Please register each family/congregation member separately.
If you are the tour/ family leader, you must also register here.
Please note that children under 24 months are free, but must be registered.

Last Name	First Name	Age at Time of Tour
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Name of Chabad House/ Rabbi/ Community tour you are joining

Phone	Cell	E-mail
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Please Mark Room Preference:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Sharing Double Occupancy | <input type="checkbox"/> Child as 3rd Guest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Single Occupancy | <input type="checkbox"/> Double Child Occupancy |

Please Circle Bed Preference: Double / Queen

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