



MEJDI TOURS

Photography tour

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Day 1: 10.6.14 Tuesday Jerusalem

- MEJDI Guides will welcome you at the airport
- Transport to restaurant in Bethlehem
- Meeting staff and orientation
- Free time
- Spread out to different homestay families
- Dinner with homestay families
- Included meals: D

Day 2: 11.6.14 Wednesday Jerusalem

- Meeting Point in Bethlehem drive together in bus provided by MEJDI to Jerusalem
- Drop off at Old City Damascus gate
- Free time to explore and take pictures / Optional guest National Geographic photographer to give a photography tour/ Optional tour to the holy sites
- Lunch on your own
- Geo Political Photography tour of East and West Jerusalem in Bus, descend from bus in major political locations: Abu dis, City of David, The wall. These are additional places that the group can take pictures and hear explanations
- Return to Home stays
- Dinner with homestay families
- Included meals: B, D

Day 3:12.6.14 Thursday Hebron

- Meeting Point in Bethlehem drive together in MEJDI Bus to Hebron

- Tour Jewish and Palestinian sides of Hebron
- Tomb of the Patriarchs
- Lunch with a local Palestinian family
- Free time/photography time
- Return to Home stays
- Included meals: B, L, D

Day 4: 13.6.14 Friday: Jerusalem

- Meeting Point in Bethlehem drive together in MEJDI Bus to Jerusalem Visit available art or photography exhibitions in Jerusalem/ Israel museum
- Tour of the colorful food market and Lunch
- Free time in West Jerusalem
- Gather group in meeting point drive back to Bethlehem
- Return to Homestays
- Dinner with homestay
- Included meals: B, D

Day 5: 14.6.14 Saturday: Nablus

- Meeting Point in Bethlehem drive together in MEJDI Bus to Nablus
- Tour the city of Nablus
- Joseph's tomb
- Lunch
- Visit a Jewish settlement
- Meet with local Palestinian and Jewish speaker
- Free time
- Hotel: Tel Aviv Hotel
- Included meals: B, L

Day 6: 15.6. 14 Sunday Tel Aviv

- Drive to Tel Aviv
- Rothschild street and Independence hall
- Dual Narrative tour of Jaffa
- Lunch
- Free time
- Dinner
- Hotel: Tel Aviv TBA
- Included meals: B, L

Day 7: 16.6.14 Monday Lod: Get to know the unknown Israel

- South Tel Aviv: foreign worker tour, non-touristic sites. Get to know the Israel no one sees or visits.
- Drive to Lod
- Lunch
- Lod- an Arab Jewish city
- Meet a local or official explaining the hardships of the city
- Free time for photography and exploring
- Back to Tel Aviv
- Dinner
- Hotel: Tel Aviv TBA
- Included meals: B, L

Day 8: 17.6.14 Tuesday: North excursion

- Drive up North to the Galilee
- Haifa Bahai Gardens
- Nazareth
- Lunch
- Free time
- Hotel: Kibbutz Hotel, explain about life in the kibbutz
- Included meals: B, D

Day 9: 18.6.14 Wednesday: North excursion

- Capernaum
- Boat ride from Tiberias
- Lunch
- Jordan River
- Beit Shean Archeological tour / possible visit to Jericho
- Back to Bethlehem
- Arrive in Bethlehem free time
- Dinner
- Hotel: Bethlehem TBA
- Included meals: B, D

Day 10: 19.6.14 Thursday Festival Bethlehem (No Mejdī Guidance)

- Activities with the Holy Land Trust
- Activities with photographers from the Holy Land Trust
- Free time
- Home stay
- Included meals: B, D

Day 11: 20.6.14 Friday: Festival Bethlehem (No Mejdī Guidance)

- Activities photographers from the Holy land trust
- Free time
- Home stay
- Included meals: B, D

Day 12: 21.6.14 Saturday: Festival Bethlehem Free time/Ramallah tour with Mejdī

- Drive to Ramallah
- Mahmoud Darwish Poet museum
- Lunch with officials or local activists
- Tour of the city
- free time
- Back to Bethlehem
- Dinner
- Hotel :home stay
- Included meals: B, L, D

Day 13: 22.6.14 Sunday: Festival Bethlehem Free time/ West Bank tour with Mejdī

Optional west bank tour for people who are interested:

- Meet the settler community in Efrat
- Tent of all Nations organization
- Lunch
- Dehaisha refugee camp
- Dinner
- Hotel: home stay
- Included meals: B, D

Day 14: 23.6.14 Monday back to Tel Aviv

- On the way to Tel Aviv stop in Neve Shalom-Arab Jewish village meet with local
- Latrun monastery
- Lunch in Tel Aviv
- Tel Aviv Free time
- Meeting in cafe with Israeli Journalists: Open discussion (if larger group, meeting in hotel)
- Dinner
- Hotel: Tel Aviv TBA
- Included meals: B, L

Day 15: 24.6. 14 Tuesday: Departure

- After breakfast, check-out of hotel and transfer on your own to Ben Gurion for return flights home
- Included meals: B

Optional Petra Extension

Day 15: 24.6. 14 Tuesday –Petra Extension

- Check out of hotel
- Depart for Sde Dov Airport (Guide will escort the group)
- Flight departs for Eilat
- Arrive in Eilat (Mejdi representative will wait for you in airport)
- Drive to the Wadi Araba Border Crossing
- Exit Israel through customs and enter Jordan
- Lunch in Wadi Rum
- Take 4x4 Jeeps into the desert landscapes of Wadi Rum
- Check in to the Mövenpick Resort, Petra
- Dinner on your own
- Hotel: (Mövenpick Resort)

Day 16: Wednesday 25.6.14: Petra

- Breakfast at the Mövenpick Hotel
- A local Bedouin guide takes you through the first half of Petra, the legendary city of the Nabataeans
- Lunch in Petra
- Return to the hotel or continue exploring Petra on your own by hiking up to the Monastery, climbing up to High Place of Sacrifice, or discovering more of the rock-cut tombs
- Dinner on your own
- Hotel: (Mövenpick Resort)

Day 17: Thursday 26.6.14: Departure

- Check-out of hotel and drive back to Arava border
- Cross the border and take short flight from Eilat to Tel Aviv (Mejdi representative will wait for you at border and take you to the airport in Eilat)
- Depart from Ben Gurion Airport for return flights home (flights should depart from Ben Gurion in the late afternoon or evening)