

HOLY LAND

DANNY TRAVEL

Israel & Sinai - from 01Jan 2008 to 14Jan 2008



ДОБРОЧИНСТВО
ПОКЛОНИЧКА АГЕНЦИЈА СРПСКЕ ПРАВОСЛАВНЕ ЦРКВЕ

Day 1, 01 Jan, USA - Tel Aviv: Overnight flight to Tel Aviv via Europe Vienna or Rome or Budapest

Day 2, 02 Jan, Tel Aviv - St. Catherine: Arrive Ben Gurion airport afternoon. Transfer to Tel Aviv: Sightseeing gorgeous strip of beach along the Mediterranean. Known locally as the Big Orange, Tel Aviv is a busy city that never sleeps. Refreshment at the Pita Bakery Abu Lafia near the Clock Tower: Old Yaffa and Port: late evening, drive to east to the highway along Dead Sea, then south to Eilat border crossing Israel/Egypt and 85mil to the Monastery St. Katherine.

Day 3, 03 Jan, St. Catherine: Arriving to the St. Catherine's Monastery early morning, located on the Sinai peninsula, at the foot of Mt. Sinai in Egypt It was built at the site where Moses is believed to have seen the Burning Bush, which is alive and on the grounds. Though it is commonly known as Saint Catherine's, the actual name of the monastery is the Monastery of the Transfiguration. It is sometimes also known as the Monastery of the Burning Bush. It is one of the oldest Christian monasteries in the world. After evening service, dinner and overnight at the Hotel Mogenland Village.

Day 4, 04 Jan, St. Catherine: Early morning climb up to Mt. Sinai the peak where Moses received Ten Commandments, Mt. Sinai also called Mt. Horeb and Jebel Musa. The Holy Trinity chapel is on the peak (8900 ft). Holy liturgy early morning and breakfast. Numerous ancient manuscripts have been preserved in the library, which is second only to the manuscript library of the Vatican. The collection consists of some 3,500 volumes in Greek, Coptic, Arabic, Armenian, Hebrew, Slavic, Syrian, Georgian and other languages. A number of ancient icons are also on the grounds, including the famous Pantokrator of Sinai .After evening service, dinner and overnight at the hotel Morgenland Village.

Day 5, 05 Jan, St. Catherine - Bethlehem: Breakfast at the Hotel: Drive to Israel, Bethlehem - 50 thousands people most Israeli Arabs belong to the Greek Orthodox Church. Holy site to Christians around the world, the city also is significant to Jews because it is the burial place of the matriarch Rachel and the birthplace of King David. Dinner and overnight at Hotel St. Ana.

Day 6, 06 Jan, Bethlehem Christmas Eve: Breakfast at the Hotel: For centuries, Christian pilgrims have made roughly 2 ½ hour walk from Jerusalem to Manager Square - The Church of the Nativity. His Beatitudes the Patriarch of Greek Orthodox Church celebrated liturgy at the Church of the Nativity. Next to the Church is the Chapel of the Innocents is devoted to the deaths of the babies killed by Herod. Milk Grotto - Shepherd's Fields. Dinner – back to the Church at the midnight traditional service.

Day 7, 07 Jan, Bethlehem - Jerusalem Christmas: After breakfast at the Hotel - transfer to Jerusalem visit Mt. Zion and Cenacle, Upper Room of the Last Supper; Grave of King of David and Wailing Wall. Afternoon visit St. Stephen's Gate or Lion's Gate in the east across the Mount of Olives. According to the tradition outside this gate St. Stephen was stoned to death. We retrace the Last steps of Jesus. After Pilate delivered Jesus to be crucified, Jesus began the walk to Calvary, the place of execution and Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Hotel Holy Land close to Via Dolorosa dinner and overnight.

Day 8, 08 Jan, Jerusalem: Breakfast at the hotel: Gethemane Garden; The Church of Tomb of the Virgin (Church of the Assumption) and Virgin's parents Joachim and Anne. Monastery of St. Magdalene (Russian) build in 1885 from the Russian emperor Alexander III; The Rock of Agony where Jesus prayed His last prayer before His arrest. The Cave of betrayal. Afternoon back on the Mt. of Olives; The Pater Noster with the Lords prayer in many languages and the Ascension from where ascended to Heaven. The Church of Viri Galilee is on the second peak of Mount of Olives - called Small Galilee. Monastery of Mount Olives (white Russian) Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

Day 9, 09 Jan, Jerusalem - Jericho: Breakfast at the Hotel - drive to Judeah desert - St. Savva Monastery (kelia of St. John Damascenes) and St. Theodossius Monastery, afternoon Mt. Temptation and Monastery Quruntul where Jesus fasted and meditated 40 days and was tempted by Satan - arrive evening to Jericho oldest continuously inhabited city in existence. Hotel Intercontinental dinner and overnight.

Day 10, 10 Jan, Jericho: Breakfast at the Hotel - Visit Monastery of Prophet Elisha: Monastery St. Gerassimos the Jordanite and Monastery St. George and John Hozevites. Dinner and overnight at the hotel Intercontinental.

Day 11, 11 Jan, Jericho - River Jordan - Tiberias: Breakfast at the Hotel: Drive to Jordan river Valley near the spot where Jesus was baptized by John. Capernaum, now in ruins but once a thriving town where Peter lived and where much of the public ministry of Christ took place. See the Church of the Primacy of Peter, where Christ confirmed Peter as Head of the Church and we visit the Mount of Beatitudes, where Christ taught the Eight Beatitudes to his Disciples. Mount of Beatitudes; proceed to Tabgha, the place of the Multiplication of Loaves and Fish. Continue to the ruins of Magdala where Mary Magdalen lived. At Cana, JESUS transformed water into wine. Monastery of St. Apostles on shore of Sea of Galilee. Hotel Golden Tulip, dinner and overnight.

Day 12, 12 Jan, Tiberias: Breakfast at the Hotel: Nazareth the boyhood home of JESUS where HE lived and worked during nine-tenths of HIS life: Church of St. Gabel: Mt. Tabor Monastery of the Transfiguration of CHRIST - visit the Basilica of the Annunciation enclosing the remains of the house of Joachim and Ann and the site where the Angel Gabriel appeared to the Virgin Mary to announce that she was to become the mother of God. Visit the home of the Holy Family. Dinner and overnight.

Day 13, 13 Jan, Tiberias - Tel Aviv: Breakfast at the hotel: Drive to Russian Convent of Apostle Peter in Jaffa and Monastery of St. George the Victorious in Lod. Dinner and overnight at the Hotel Tall in Tel Aviv.

Day 14, 14 Jan, Tel Aviv - USA: Breakfast at the Hotel - transfer to Ben Gurion airport - flight to USA.

More details:

14 Days Air & Land
Escorted Tour Depart on 01Jan 2008
Garanted departure
Scheduled transatlantic flights on Austrian Airlines or Alitalia
Entrance fees and visa & Airline fare and taxes
Transfers in Tel Aviv & sightseeing

Jerusalem Hotel Holy Land ***	2 nights
St. Catherine Hotel Morgenland Village ***	2 nights
Hotel Intercontinental Jericho *****	2 nights
Hotel St. Ana Bethlehem *****	2 nights
Hotel Mary's Well Nazareth *****	2 nights
Hotel Tal Tel Aviv ****	1 night

Breakfast & Dinner Daily
Twin bedded rooms in hotel listed or similar
Hotel taxes and service charges
Tips to drivers, guides and hotel staff
Service of a professional Tour Guide
Sightseeing by motor coach featuring air-conditioning

Land Rate \$ 1, 299.00 Air fare from New York (\$ 1200.00 - \$ 1400.00)
Single room surcharge \$ 360.00
Payment by check

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