



Out-Of-The-Box Bar/Bat Mitzvah Experience

DAY 1

Depart USA

DAY 2

Arrive at **Ben Gurion International Airport (TLV)**.

DAY 3

AYALON INSTITUTE/CARMEL MARKET/NEW ZEDEK

Visit **Ayalon Institute**, the place that tells the struggle for the establishment of the State of Israel. Drive to **Tel Aviv** for an introduction to the city that never sleeps. Visit the **Nachalat Binyamin's pedestrian mall** and continue on to the colorful **Carmel Market**. Continue to the first Jewish neighborhood outside of Jaffa, **Neve Zedek**, then visit **HaTachana, the New Station Compound** in **Tel Aviv/Yaffo** then on to **Old Jaffa** for a spectacular view of the city. Overnight Tel-Aviv.

DAY 4

TEL AVIV/JAFFA PORT

Be captured by the lure of the excitement and pulse of the City of Tel Aviv by night and enjoy dinner in one of Tel Aviv's renowned eateries. Overnight Tel Aviv.

DAY 5

BEIT GUVRIN/JERUSALEM/MACHANE YEHUDA MARKET/ CITY OF DAVID

Drive to **Beit-Guvrin**. Proceed to **Latrun**, to visit **Israel's Tank Museum**, then continue to

Jerusalem. You will stop at **Mount Scopus** for an overview of Jerusalem and recite the traditional “**shehechyanu**” blessing upon entering **Jerusalem**, followed by an introduction to the **Holy and Magical City**. Drive to the **Machane Yehuda Market** for a vivid experience that makes this marketplace a sought-after memorable stop. Proceed to the **Old City of Jerusalem** to visit the **Western Wall Tunnels**, then the **City of David** and the **Jewish Quarter**. Overnight Jerusalem.

DAY 6

BAR/BAT MITZVAH DAY

Mazal Tov Day! After breakfast, head to a **JNF Forest** for a special **Tree Planting** and **Bar/Bat Mitzvah Ceremony**. Return to Jerusalem for a visit through the newly renovated **Yad Vashem complex**, the Jewish National Memorial to the six million Jews who perished in the Holocaust, including the new **Historical Museum** and the **Children's Memorial**. The tour will include a tour at **Yad Vashem**; and a visit to the **Biblical Zoo**. Drive to **Mt. Herzl** to visit the graves of Israel's past leaders. Participate in the **The Night Spectacular at the Tower of David**, a bedazzling celebration of sight and sound unfolding the story of Jerusalem through giant virtual reality images. Overnight Jerusalem.

DAY 7

CAESAREA/HERODIAN THEATER/CRUSADER CITY/ ZUK MANARA/GOLAN WINERY

Drive to **Caesarea**, one of the Land of Israel's most important cities during the Roman period. Visit the **Herodian Theater** and **new excavations** along the Mediterranean shore, concluding with a visit to the 900-year-old **Crusader** city built on the same site. Travel to **Zuk Manara** and enjoy several activities. Drive to **Safed**, a center of Jewish mysticism for hundreds of years, and a contemporary artists' colony. Visit the **Golan Winery**. Drive to **Tiberias**, specifically to the **Kinneret**, for an overnight at one of the **kibbutz guesthouses** in the area.

DAY 8

GOLAN HEIGHTS/FOOTSTEPS OF IDF SOLDIERS/JEEP TOUR

Drive to the **Golan Heights**. Along the way, stop at **Mitzpe Shalom** for a stunning view of the lake and an overview of the landscape of Israel. Take a **jeep tour** climbing to the **Golan Heights** in the **footsteps of IDF soldiers** and their battles in the Six-Day War. Visit a military base and continue to the **Tel Dan Nature Reserve**, located on the largest tributary of the Jordan River, and explore the ruins of the great biblical city of **Dan**. Drive to the **Kinneret**. Overnight at one of the kibbutz guesthouses.

DAY 9

BEIT SHE'AN/QUMRAN/MASADA/EIN GEDI/DEAD SEA

Travel to the Dead Sea. Drive from **Tiberias** through **Beit She'an** to **Qumran** and its **caves** where the **Dead Sea Scrolls** were found. Continue to **Massada**, the site of the last stronghold of Jewish zealots against the mighty Roman Empire. Continue to **Ein Gedi**, a natural desert oasis where King David, before becoming King, hid from King Saul. Overnight at the Dead Sea.

DAY 10

BEDOUIN EXPERIENCE

Head to **Kfar Hanokdim** to take part in a **Bedouin experience**. Overnight along the Dead Sea.

DAY 11

SHIVTA/RAMON CRATER/ILAN RAMON SPACE CENTER/EILAT

Drive south to **Eilat**. On the way, visit **Shivta**, with its impressive ruins in the Negev desert dating to the Nabatean, Roman, and Byzantine periods. Following your visit to Shivta, proceed to the **Ramon Crater** for an exquisite view of the world's largest erosion crater. Visit the **Ilan Ramon Space Center** nearby. Overnight in Eilat.

DAY 12

YITZHAK RABIN TERMINAL/WADI ARABA CROSSING/ RED ROCK CITY OF PETRA/AQABA

Depart for **Petra** through the **Yitzhak Rabin Terminal/Wadi Araba Crossing**. The visit begins with a short horseback ride to the entrance of the Siq, or rent a carriage to get around the inside the City of Petra. Drive back to the Jordanian border. On the way, time permitting, enjoy a short visit to **Aqaba** and stroll through the area while gaining a sense of this coastal city. Overnight in Eilat.

DAY 13

EILAT/TEL AVIV

Transfer to Eilat's airport for flight to Tel-Aviv. Remainder of day at leisure in Tel Aviv. Overnight in Tel-Aviv

DAY 14

Depart **Ben Gurion International Airport (TLV)** to return home.