



STEPHEN  
**WISE TEMPLE**

***The Sites, Sounds and Tastes of Israel***  
***Led by Rabbi Yoshi Zweiback and Cantor Emma Lutz***

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**Monday, March 28: BRUCHIM HABAIM – WELCOME!**

- Arrival in Israel; VIP meet and greet service at the airport, which will whisk you through passport control and customs and over to your transfer to Tel Aviv
- Check into your hotel and freshen up
- Welcome dinner and orientation at the **Malka Restaurant**, owned by famous international chef Eyal Shani

**Overnight:** *Setai Hotel, Jaffa*

**Tuesday, March 29: THE FIRST HEBREW CITY**

- Take a **graffiti tour** of southern Tel Aviv to understand the “underground” culture of Israel
- Visit the newly open **Agam Museum** for a glimpse at the works of one of Israel’s best-known artists
- Peruse the crafts of local artisans and street performers at the **Nahalat Binyamin Arts and Crafts Fair** and have lunch at the adjacent **Carmel Market**
- Meet with the founders of **Koolulam**, a social musical initiative aimed at empowering communities and strengthening the fabric of society
- Dinner at Deca

**Overnight:** *Setai Hotel, Jaffa*

**Wednesday, March 30: MOSAIC OF CULTURE**

- Compare and contrast Jerusalem from Tel Aviv using modern Hebrew poetry with **Rachel Korazin**
- Visit the newly renovated **Anu Museum of the Jewish People**
- “**Wonderful World of Whiskey**” tour at the Milk & Honey Distillery
- After Israel’s great success at the Paralympic Games in Tokyo in the summer of 2021, visit the **Israel Sports Center for the Disabled** and meet the people that helped make that success
- See what makes Israel considered the vegan capital of the world over dinner at **Meshek Barzilai**
- Evening walk around **Neve Tzedek**, the first neighborhood of Tel Aviv

**Overnight:** *Setai Hotel, Jaffa*

**Thursday, March 31: NORTHERN EXPOSURE**

- Travel north to one of the first Jewish towns in modern Israel, **Zichron Yaakov**; use all of your senses on a **scavenger hunt**, then enter the **First Aliya Museum** to learn about the pioneers who returned to Israel even before the official start of Zionism
- Traditional **Ethiopian lunch** with an immigrant and hear the story of how she came to Israel
- Walk around the **Ein Hod Artist Village**; then experience an “opera” at the **Nisco Museum of Mechanical Music**
- Return to Zichron Yaakov for a **concert with David’s Chords**, a local band which combines Sephardic liturgy with modern music
- Return to Tel Aviv

**Overnight:** *Setai Hotel, Jaffa*

**Friday, April 1: GOING UP!**

- Tour the **Tel Aviv Art Museum** with a docent
- Wine tasting at **Tasting Room Wine Bar** in the Sarona Market, one of the best wine cellars in the Middle East; choose some for kiddush tonight!
- Continue to Jerusalem and check into your hotel and prepare for Shabbat
- In the evening, join the thousands of Israelis and Jews from around the world as they bring in **Shabbat at the Western Wall**
- Shabbat dinner in the hotel

**Overnight:** *Inbal Hotel, Jerusalem*

**Saturday, April 2: SHABBAT SHALOM**

- Free morning to relax and/or explore Jerusalem on your own
- In the afternoon, tour the **Christian Quarter of the Old City**, including the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher** to experience their Saturday afternoon ceremonies
- Musical **Havdallah**
- In the evening, review the history of Jerusalem at the **Tower of David Nighttime Spectacular** as it is projected onto the walls of this ancient citadel

**Overnight:** *Inbal Hotel, Jerusalem*

**Sunday, April 3: SEE, HEAR AND TASTE JERUSALEM**

- Tour of **Yad Lakashish – Lifeline for the Elderly** – which allows senior citizens to contribute to society by using their artistic skills; then do perform everyone’s favorite mitzvah – shopping in their gift shop!
- At the **Maaleh Film School**, see some of Israel’s latest films and discuss them with the filmmakers
- **Musical walking tour** of Nahalaot and Machane Yehuda with **Rika Razel**, a local resident and member of the famous musical Razel siblings
- **Shuk and Cook tour** of the **Machane Yehuda Market** with **Tali Friedman**; learn how to shop in this Middle Eastern Market, then take the ingredients back to her place to prepare – and eat – dinner!

**Overnight:** *Inbal Hotel, Jerusalem*

**Monday, April 4: HASHOMER ACHI – MY BROTHER’S AND SISTER’S KEEPER**

- Take a tour of the **Shalva Center** - the Israel Association for the Care and Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities – and enjoy a performance by the renowned **Shalva Band!**
- Volunteer at the **Kaima Organic Farm**, which helps dropout Israeli youth return to a positive life path while contributing to Israel’s needy
- Taste some of Israel’s finest wines at the **Castel Winery**
- Visit the **Megameria** (Genesis in Amharic) **Craft Center** of the **Yvel Jewelry Design Center**, which provides professional training and employment opportunities to Ethiopian immigrants in order to facilitate their integration into Israeli society; meet the workers and hear their stories
- Free evening to explore Jerusalem on your own

**Overnight:** *Inbal Hotel, Jerusalem*

**Tuesday, April 5: LOVE THY NEIGHBOR**

- Meeting with Arab-Israeli journalist, **Khaled Abu Toameh**, an expert on Palestinian political culture
- Visit the new **Museum of Tolerance**, which celebrates the vibrancy of Israel’s democracy and promotes regional stability and global harmony

- Lunch and tasting at the **Gush Etzion Winery**
- Join **Palestinian and Jewish residents** of the West Bank in a **Cleaning the Hatred** project in the Palestinian town of Hussan; then discuss with the residents their vision of coexistence

**Overnight:** *Inbal Hotel, Jerusalem*

**Wednesday, April 6:            EXTEME DESERT!**

- Optional pre-dawn bike ride along the light rail tracks and into the Old City to see the sunrise with **Jerusalem Sunrise Cycling**
- In the Judean Desert overlooking the Dead Sea, **ride ATVs** to see some of the most beautiful monasteries in Israel, built into the cliffs
- **Boating on the Dead Sea** to see some incredible natural designs that only nature can provide
- Dinner at the Mamilla Rooftop Restaurant

**Overnight:** *Inbal Hotel, Jerusalem*

**Thursday, April 7:                NEXT YEAR IN JERUSALEM!**

- Take a tour of the special exhibition at the **Israel Museum** with a docent; then spend some time focusing on some of the permanent exhibitions that most interest you
- Encounter with “Jewish Jordan” – former basketball star **Tamir Goodman**, who – since making Aliya – has encouraged peace and sportsmanship through his basketball camps
- Free time for last minute shopping
- Farewell dinner at the O2 Restaurant in the Inbal Hotel, with chef Nimrod Norman
- Continue to the airport for your flight home
- Start planning your next trip to Israel!

- Listed activities and speakers are subject to confirmation
- Program will be staffed by a Keshet Israel Tour Educator
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