

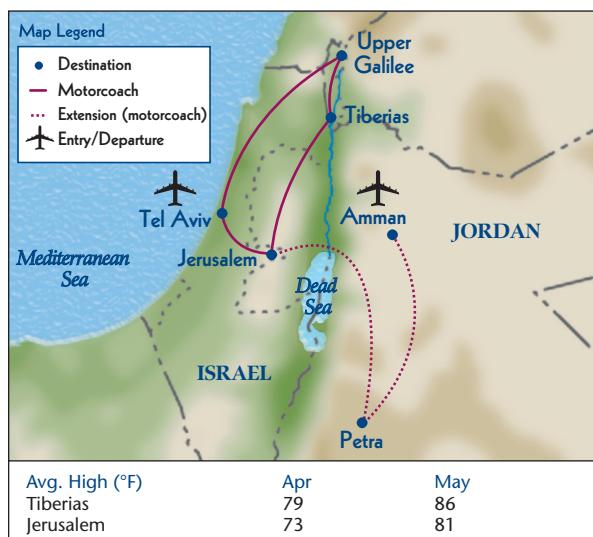
# Israel: Timeless Wonders

**12 days from \$6,784 total price**

**from Boston, New York**

**(\$5,995 air & land inclusive plus \$789 airline taxes and fees)**

Encounter a land of extraordinary beauty and belief, of spirit and story, history and hospitality. From modern Tel Aviv to scenic Upper Galilee, ancient Tiberias and storied Nazareth to Jerusalem, “City of Gold,” we engage all our senses in a small group encounter with this extraordinary and holy land, with a five-night stay in Jerusalem at the legendary King David hotel.



## Your Small Group Tour Highlights

Tel Aviv touring, including “White City” of Bauhaus architecture • Jaffa’s ancient port • Overnight stay on a working *kibbutz* • Visit to Mary Magdalene’s hometown • Biblical sites of Tiberias, Nazareth, Mount of Beatitudes, Sea of Galilee • Visit to Ruins of Sepphoris • Winery visit • Five-night Jerusalem stay at legendary King David hotel • Jerusalem touring, including Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial, Old City, Western Wall, Church of the Holy Sepulcher, Israel Museum • Qumran site • Fortress ruins of Masada

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Tel Aviv		
2-3	Tel Aviv	Hotel Dan Tel Aviv	Deluxe
4	Upper Galilee	Hagoshirim Hotel & Nature	First Class
5-6	Tiberias	The Scots Hotel	Sup. First Class
7-11	Jerusalem	King David Jerusalem	Deluxe
12	Depart Tel Aviv for U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.



We enjoy guided touring and ample time to explore on our own in Jerusalem, one of the world's oldest and most treasured cities.

### Day 1: Depart U.S. for Tel Aviv, Israel

**Day 2: Arrive Tel Aviv** We arrive today and transfer to our hotel. As guests' arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities or meals planned and are at leisure to explore or relax as we wish. Dinner tonight is on our own in this cosmopolitan city with more than 400 restaurants.

**Day 3: Tel Aviv** Today we encounter the vibrant modern city of Tel Aviv, Israel's arts and culture capital. Our tour features Independence Hall, where the state of Israel was declared in 1948; the “White City” district of distinctive Bauhaus architecture, a UNESCO World Heritage site; and the recently renovated neighborhood of Neve Tzedek. We end the day visiting the nearby ancient port of Jaffa. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner at our hotel. *B,L,D*

**Day 4: Tel Aviv/Upper Galilee** We travel north along the Mediterranean coast today to Caesarea to see the ruins of an ancient Roman amphitheater and harbor. We continue on to Beth Shearim, an ancient Hellenistic and Roman city famous for its remarkable necropolis, with catacombs dating to the 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> centuries CE. Then we travel through the hills of Galilee to our hotel on the grounds of a *kibbutz*, founded in 1948, adjacent to a national park. Later we visit a working farm. *B,D*

**Day 5: Mount Bental/Tiberias** Today begins with a special tour of the *kibbutz*, followed by a visit to a local winery. We continue on to Mount Bental in the Golan Heights for a panoramic view of Israel, Lebanon, Syria, and Jordan. Next: the ruins of Capernaum, where Jesus taught in the synagogue on the Sabbath, and the Mount of Beatitudes, where Jesus preached the Sermon on the Mount. We continue on to Tabgha, site of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes; and Migdal/Magdala, home of Mary Magdalene and site of an ancient synagogue. We travel on to Tiberias and our historic hotel on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. Important in both Judaism and Christianity, this ancient city has attracted visitors, settlers, and invaders for more than two millennia. *B,L,D*

**Day 6: Tiberias/Nazareth** This morning we visit the fascinating ruins of Sepphoris, a prosperous town in Jesus' time known as the jewel of the Galilee. Then the New Testament comes to life as we travel to Jesus' boyhood home of Nazareth, now a center of Christian pilgrimage. Here we visit the Church of the Annunciation, the largest church in the Middle East and where the archangel Gabriel told the Virgin Mary that she would give birth to Jesus. We enjoy lunch and return to our hotel, where we dine tonight. *B,L,D*

Tour limited to 24 UNC alumni and friends

**Day 7: Tiberias/Jerusalem** En route to Jerusalem today, we stop to tour the archaeological site of Beit Shean, where ongoing excavations have revealed the ruins of numerous cities dating as far back as the 4<sup>th</sup> century BCE. Then we travel on to Jerusalem, the 3,000-year-old “City of Gold,” sacred to the world’s three major monotheist religions. We get our first look at this holiest of places from a panoramic lookout on Mt. Scopus. After lunch at a local restaurant, we get acquainted with the New City, dating from the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. We absorb some of the flavor of this multi-cultural enclave at the bustling outdoor market of Machane Yehuda (“Shuk”), encountering local residents as they shop for fruit, vegetables, meat, and more. We dine tonight at our hotel. *B,L,D*

**Day 8: Jerusalem** We start today’s touring with a visit to the Haas Promenade for panoramic views of the city. We continue our tour with a visit to the Old City and the original settlement of the City of David, dating at least 1800 to 1550 BCE. We devote the afternoon to the Israel Museum, the nation’s leading cultural institution, whose treasures include the Dead Sea Scrolls, the Shrine of the Book, and a scale model of Jerusalem from the Second Temple era. Dinner tonight is on our own. *B,L*



Sophisticated seaside Tel Aviv

**Day 9: Jerusalem** Our day begins with a tour of haunting Yad Vashem, Israel’s living memorial to the Holocaust set on a 45-acre site on the Mount of Remembrance. Through exhibits



THIS IS A TRIP I WILL REVISIT IN MY MIND FOR YEARS TO COME.”

– TAR HEEL TRAVELER

featuring artifacts, photos, videos, documents, and more, the museum traces the history and chronology of the Holocaust. This afternoon we visit the Jaffa Gate and embark on a walking tour through the Old City: David’s Citadel; the Armenian Quarter; the ancient Cardo marketplace; the Jewish Quarter; and the Western Wall, sacred to Jews as the last trace of the Second Temple’s wall. *B*

**Day 10: Jerusalem/Masada/Dead Sea** Today we travel to the ruins at Masada, the celebrated mountain stronghold (and UNESCO site) where outnumbered Jews held out against a three-year Roman siege in the first century CE then committed suicide rather than surrender. We ascend the mountain fortress by cable car to tour the ruins, which overlook the desert and the Dead Sea. Leaving Masada we have the opportunity to float in the Dead Sea – at a hotel beach with indoor and outdoor pools before lunch together at the hotel. We then travel to the shores of the Dead Sea to explore the Qumran site, adjacent to where the momentous Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in caves between 1947 and 1956. We return to Jerusalem late this afternoon. *B,L*

**Day 11: Jerusalem/Old City** This morning we visit Jerusalem’s W.F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research, from which we walk into the Old City via the Damascus Gate. Walking along the Via



We explore the ruins at legendary Masada on Day 8.

Dolorosa, we visit the Covent of the Sisters of Zion then move on to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, traditional site of Golgotha where Jesus is believed to have been crucified and buried. Tonight, we celebrate our Israel adventure over a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. *B,L,D*

**Day 12: Depart Tel Aviv for U.S.** Very early this morning we transfer by motorcoach to Tel Aviv for our connecting flights to the United States. *B*

### Tour Departs: April 22, 2021

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees

Boston, New York	\$6,784
Miami, Washington, DC	\$7,084
Atlanta, Baltimore, Charlotte, Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles, Orlando, Philadelphia, Raleigh-Durham, Tampa	\$7,184
Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Houston, Minneapolis, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle	\$7,284
<b>Land Only (transfers not included)</b>	<b>\$5,795</b>

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$789, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$1,995. Your \$500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All 2021 tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight:

Business Class – \$3,995 per person; Premium Economy – \$1,495 per person in addition to the above costs (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

**Please note:** This trip involves considerable walking – between 2-4 miles per day, unassisted – on uneven or cobblestone streets and at sites of ancient ruins. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to the fullest.

### Meet Your Faculty Lecturer



Jodi Magness holds a senior endowed chair in the Department of Religious Studies at UNC, is the Kenan Distinguished Professor for Teaching Excellence in Early Judaism and is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Jodi has participated on 20 different excavations in Israel and Greece, including co-directing the 1995 excavations in the Roman siege works at Masada. From 2003-2007 she co-directed excavations in the late Roman fort at Yotvata, Israel. Since 2011, Magness has directed excavations at Huqoq in Galilee ([www.huqoq.org](http://www.huqoq.org)). She received her B.A. in Archaeology and History from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (1977), and her Ph.D. in Classical Archaeology from the University of Pennsylvania (1989).

### Your Tour Price Includes

- Private motorcoach transportation Jerusalem/Petra/Amman
- 4 nights’ accommodations: 2 nights in Petra at Movenpick Resort Petra (Superior First Class); 2 nights in Amman at Grand Hyatt Amman (Deluxe)
- 9 meals: 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners
- Extensive included sightseeing of Petra and Amman
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Gratuities for the Tour Director, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

### Post-Tour Extension

May 3-7, 2021

#### Jordan: Petra & Amman

5 days/4 nights for \$1,695 total price

Single Supplement: \$395

Discover the “rose-red city, half as old as time” on this exciting exploration.

Plus: the capital of Amman.

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THE SMALL GROUP TRAVEL EXPERIENCE

## *Important Information About Your Tour*

# General Terms and Conditions

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a deposit represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

### Tour Prices

Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2021, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, surcharges, and fees, and port charges and cruise line fees (where applicable), which are subject to change until final payment has been made; internal air, rail, and motorcoach transportation; meals, sightseeing, and transfers as described; hotel taxes; entrance fees for included sightseeing; the services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director; luggage handling for one bag per person; and all gratuities as described below. Please note that the cost of air upgrades is subject to change.

laundry, room service, and meals not specified; immunizations and inoculations; communications charges; airport transfers when purchasing a land-only package; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) unless otherwise specified, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per guest, per day); and a Travel Protection Plan. Please contact the UNC General Alumni Association (UNC GAA), for travel insurance information. Additional baggage fees levied directly by the airline(s) may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

### Gratuities

Tour prices include all gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers on base tours and on optional extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) are not included unless otherwise noted. These tips are optional and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Gratuities are not included on "On Your Own" optional extensions.

### Registration and Payment

A deposit of \$500 per person confirms your reservation and is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. Full payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full at any time after final payment is due. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

### Cancellations and Refunds

If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:

### Not Included in Your Tour Price

Airfare from your hometown to your departure city; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages,

**For all tours in this catalog (except as noted)**

Prior to departure	Charge
95 days or more:	Full refund
94-65 days:	25% of tour price
64-45 days:	50% of tour price
44-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

**For Machu Picchu to the Galapagos**

Prior to departure	Charge
95 days or more:	Full refund
94-65 days:	50% of tour price
64-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

Please note that we will not refund the cost of any unused portion of your tour package, should you or your travel companion cancel your participation during the tour. If due to unforeseen circumstances Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. cancels your tour, you will receive a complete refund of all payments you have made to us.

### **Pre-Departure**

After reserving your tour, you will receive pre-departure mailings that include a detailed itinerary, visa requirements, and reading list. We will send your final tour documents, including airline itineraries (with e-ticket numbers) two to three weeks before departure.

### **Single Travelers**

We welcome single travelers, and offer a limited number of single accommodations on each tour. Because hotel and cruise rates are priced by the room or cabin, the per person cost for accommodations occupied by one person is higher than that shared by two people. We endeavor to keep single supplements at a reasonable cost. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

### **Changes to Your Reservation**

We will not charge a fee for any changes made to your reservation outside of 95 days before departure. From 94 to 30 days before

departure, if you make any changes to your reservation, a \$100 per person administrative fee will apply, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by airlines, hotels, or other third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason or at any time, you will be charged the single supplement. Please note that no changes to your reservation can be made within 30 days of departure.

### **Required Information**

Upon reservation, we will need to obtain from you the following, in accordance with the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Secure Flight program (for details, please visit [www.tsa.gov](http://www.tsa.gov)), as well as for our travel partners: for international tours – your full name as it appears on your passport, date of birth, and gender; for domestic tours – your full name as it appears on the accepted form of government-issued photo identification that you plan to use, date of birth, and gender. In addition, airlines may require that we provide them with your contact information prior to departure. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, or if you use a different passport (international tours) or other form of government issued photo identification (domestic tours) than originally cited, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.

### **Travel Documents**

A passport valid for at least six months after the completion of your tour is required for U.S. citizens on all international tours in this catalog. If your tour requires a visa(s), we strongly recommend that you have at least six blank visa pages available; for tours not requiring a visa(s), we recommend that your passport have at least three blank visa pages. We will send you specific visa and entry requirements after you make a reservation. You are responsible for obtaining these documents. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please contact your embassy

or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.

## **Smoking**

For the convenience of the majority of our travelers, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. has a No Smoking policy (including e-cigarettes and vaping) on all tour buses. We will arrange sufficient rest stops so those who wish to smoke may do so.

## **Health and Medical Issues**

We welcome all travelers, but request that you be in good health to participate in an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. All of our tours involve a reasonable amount of walking (typically two to three miles per day, unassisted), often uphill or on uneven or cobblestone streets. **You must be able to get on and off motorcoaches on your own.** We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire, and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, the UNC GAA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour. While we do our best to accommodate food allergy concerns, we cannot guarantee zero cross-contamination.

## **Air Transportation**

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown and contracts with those airlines they feel provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer more direct service, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates that enable us to offer you the best possible travel value. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignment on your flight is usually done at airport check-in.** Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of

tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, booking the tour "Land Only" is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. In addition, we recommend that you not purchase your tickets until final payment is due. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.

## **Responsibility**

The liability of the UNC GAA as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. The UNC GAA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers.

We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality. Cruise itineraries may change due to factors such as government regulations, water levels, or weather conditions.

## THE UNC RESERVATION FORM

Enclosed is my/our deposit for \$\_\_\_\_\_ (\$500 per person) for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) on the tour listed below. I/we understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA or by personal check. Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and mail deposit check to: General Alumni Association, University of North Carolina, PO Box 660, Chapel Hill, NC 27514-0660. For more information, please call UNC GAA toll-free at 1-877-962-3980, or call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 1-888-370-6765.

Tour Name \_\_\_\_\_

Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_

Pre- or Post-Tour Extension (as described on tour page): Please sign me/us up

Full Passport Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Full Passport Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Ph. (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Ph. (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Badge name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ UNC Class Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please book my/our air from \_\_\_\_\_ I/We request an air upgrade to \_\_\_\_\_

I will share a room with \_\_\_\_\_ I request a single room (limited availability)

I/We request an upgrade to a Highland Villa (*Machu Picchu to the Galapagos* only)

**Please Note:** The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for the above-referenced tour, and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### METHOD OF PAYMENT

Check

American Express

Discover

MasterCard

VISA

Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Cardholder \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure and can be paid by check or credit card.

### UNC GAA MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT

Tour participants who are not members of the General Alumni Association must join the Association (\$50 for singles; \$60 for couples). Please pay by separate check made payable to the General Alumni Association and mail with this reservation form.