

\$4,900
PER PERSON



The **HOLY** **LAND**

Jordan, Egypt, & Dubai



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Departure: New York (JFK)

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The Holy Land



INCLUDED

- Round-trip airfare
- All airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- First-class hotels (prices based on double occupancy)
- Land transportation/transfers as per itinerary
- Bus from Eagle Pass to San Antonio airport
- Two meals per day (breakfast & dinner)
- Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- Daily Masses
- Professional local guides
- Medical Protection Plan that covers you for the duration of your trip.

NOT INCLUDED

- Trip cancellation insurance is not included but is strongly recommended.
- Nativity Pilgrimage offers a comprehensive policy for an additional cost.
- Passport & visa costs
- U.S. passports must be valid for at least six months after your return date.
- Gratuities to the tour manager, guides, and driver
- Items of a personal nature (hotel extras, laundry, phone calls, etc.)
- Lunch or any meals not specified in the program
- Items not specifically mentioned above

REGISTRATION

- A non-refundable, non-transferable deposit of \$300 is due at registration.
- Your registration form must include a copy of your passport and the names on both must match exactly.
- Passports must be current six months after your departure date.
- Full payment is due 04/22/24 (100 days before departure)



Mt. Of Olives



Church of the Annunciation



The Dead Sea



St. Peter in Gallicantu

DAY 1: DEPART FROM USA TO EGYPT

Your pilgrimage begins today by boarding your flight to Cairo. Rest assured, all necessary preparations for your journey have been taken. So sit back, relax, and enjoy your flight. Your spiritual journey awaits!

DAY 2: ARRIVAL IN CAIRO

Arrive in Cairo, Egypt, and travel through customs. You will meet your guide, board the tour bus, and transfer to your hotel in Cairo for dinner and overnight accommodations.

DAY 3: CAIRO: MUSEUM / PYRAMIDS / SPHINX / OLD CAIRO CHURCHES

We will begin our day at the Egyptian Museum. Next, we will see the great Pyramids - Cheops, Chephren & Mykerions. Cheops is the most colossal pyramid ever built. Next is a close-up look at the Sphinx - a massive funeral complex guarded by the legendary lion's body with the face of King Chephren. Afterward, we will visit Old Cairo Churches, including the hanging church, St. Sergio, and Ben Ezra Synagogue. Finally, we will gather for a Nile Cruise Dinner. Enjoy a dinner cruise featuring the folkloric show, then transfer to the hotel for your overnight stay.

DAY 4: CAIRO / ST. CATHERINE, SINAI

After breakfast, we will begin by visiting the Virgin Mary church in Zeiton, where hundreds of thousands witnessed the apparition of the Virgin in 1968. Later, we will drive to Sinai to visit St. Catherine Monastery. Set beneath the mountain where Moses received the Ten Commandments, Saint Catherine Monastery has been one of the world's great centers of religious pilgrimage for over fifteen centuries. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel in Sinai.

DAY 5: SINAI / BETHLEHEM

Optional: Climb Mt. Sinai in the early morning at daybreak. You may choose to rent a camel for assistance 2/3 of the way up to see the sunrise. Enjoy a time of praise and incredible views of the Sinai wilderness, wherein in the book of Genesis, God revealed himself to Moses and where he received the Ten Commandments. Later, we depart towards Eilat to cross the Egyptian-Israeli border and drive to Jericho, the world's oldest city. We will see the Mt. of Temptation, where Jesus fasted and was tempted by Satan, and then continue to Bethlehem for dinner and overnight accommodations at your hotel.

DAY 6: JORDAN RIVER / QUMRAN / DEAD SEA / BETHANY / BETHLEHEM

We go to the Jordan River to renew our baptismal vows. We will then visit the excavations of Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were uncovered. Finally, we will stop for a swim (or float) in the mineral-rich waters of the Dead Sea, renowned for its healing



properties. Afterward, we continue to Bethany, where Lazarus lived with his sisters Martha and Maria. After visiting the Lazarus church and tomb, we will continue to Bethlehem for dinner and overnight accommodations at your hotel.

DAY 7: BETHLEHEM: CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY / SHEPHERD'S FIELD / EIN KAREM

In Bethlehem, we first visit Shepherds' Field and celebrate Mass at the chapel. Next, we will visit the Church of the Nativity, where Jesus was born in Bethlehem, followed by Our Lady of Milk Grotto. This afternoon, we go to Ein Karem, the birthplace of St. John the Baptist. Here, we will see the Church of the Visitation, where the Virgin Mary visited her cousin, Elizabeth, and proclaimed the "Magnificat." Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel in Bethlehem.

DAY 8: JERUSALEM

We begin our day with a dramatic view of the Old City from the Mount of Olives, revealing a city with 4,000 years of history. Next, we visit the Pater Noster, where Jesus taught the Lord's Prayer to his disciples. We will then walk the Palm Sunday route stopping at Dominus Flevit, where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. Afterward, in the Garden of Gethsemane, we will see The Rock of Agony, where Jesus prayed before his arrest. We will celebrate Mass at the Church of all Nations, followed by a visit to the Chapel of the Ascension. After lunch, we will retrace the last steps of Jesus as we walk along the Via Dolorosa (Way of Sorrow). Walking through the Old City markets, we will pray at the Stations of the Cross, reflecting on the greatness of his sacrifice. We will then visit the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, followed by St. Anne's Church, the home of the Virgin Mary and her parents, Saints Joachim and Anne. Next, we pass the Ecce Homo, where Pilate proclaimed, "Behold the man," then on to the Wailing Wall, the holiest site of the Jewish faith. The rest of the day is free to visit other Holy Sites, shop, or rest at your hotel. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel in Bethlehem.

DAY 9: JERUSALEM / MT. ZION / UPPER ROOM / CHURCH OF ST. PETER GALlicantu / MT. CARMEL / HAIFA / TIBERIAS

This morning, we will drive to the hill of Mount Zion, the highest point in ancient Jerusalem. We will visit the Upper Room, where the Last Supper took place, followed by St. Peter in Gallicantu, where Peter denied Jesus three times. Afterward, we will drive to Haifa and celebrate Mass at Deir Al-Muhraqa Carmelite Monastery, where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal and Asheerah (I Kgs. 18). Our tour continues with visits to Stella Maris Monastery on Mt. Carmel, the Cave of Elijah, and Haifa City. Afterward, we will proceed towards Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee for dinner and overnight accommodations at your hotel.

DAY 10: CANA / NAZARETH / MT. TABOR / TIBERIAS

We start our day by celebrating Mass at Cana, the site of Jesus' first

miracle, where couples will be given the opportunity to renew their vows at the Wedding Church. Afterward, we will go to Nazareth and visit The Basilica of the Annunciation, St. Joseph's Church, Mary's Well, and the old market. Our last stop will be Mount Tabor, the scene of the Transfiguration. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel in Tiberias.

DAY 11: MT. OF BEATITUDES / TABGHA / CAPERNAUM / SEA OF GALILEE / PETRA, JORDAN

We begin our day after breakfast at the Mount of Beatitudes, where Jesus gave His Sermon on the Mount. Next is Tabgha, where the miracle of the multiplication of fish and bread took place. We then visit the Church of Peter's Primacy, where the Miraculous Fishing occurred. Next, we continue to Capernaum, where Jesus lived and started his ministry, followed by Mass onboard a boat on the Sea of Galilee. If time permits, we see the Valley of Doves before crossing the borders to enter Jordan, where we will drive to Petra, a city of carved and built structures, including the Treasury and the Monastery, both carved from a sandstone rock face. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel in Petra.

DAY 12: PETRA / MADABA / MT. NEBO / AMMAN

This morning, we will depart Petra for Madaba in central Jordan. First, we will go to Mt. Nebo, which is 2,680 ft. above sea level, with an incredible view of the Holy Land and Jordan River Valley. Afterward, we will drive north to the capital city of Amman, Jordan. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel in Amman.

DAY 13: AMMAN / DUBAI: BURJ KHALIFA / DUBAI MALL / SHOW CRUISE

This morning, we will transfer to the airport to catch our flight to Dubai. Upon arrival in Dubai, we will have an excellent opportunity to view the top of Burj Khalifa and shop at the Dubai Mall. The rest of the day is free for you to explore. Tonight, we will have a dinner cruise at Dubai Creek, one of the highlights of Dubai entertainment. Overnight accommodations will be at your hotel in Dubai.

DAY 14: DUBAI: CITY TOUR / DESERT SAFARI

This morning, we will go on a half-day city tour to see mind-blowing sights while absorbing the city's cosmopolitan atmosphere. The tour includes the world-famous Burj Al-Arab Hotel. This hotel, a major Dubai landmark, is sail-shaped and has been in the news since its opening. Also, riding a water taxi across Dubai Creek can be fun. Next, you'll be heading into the Al Bastakiya district, known for its traditional character. After lunch, we will go on a thrilling Desert Safari. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel in Dubai.

DAY 15: DUBAI / USA

We will transfer to the airport this morning for our return flight home.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Your Package Includes

Air Transportation: Economy class and round-trip airfares are based on the time of the reservation. Rates and times are subject to change without notice. Airfares, once issued, are non-refundable, non-transferable, and cannot be used towards future travel.

Land Transportation: All land transportation as described in the itinerary will be by Deluxe Motor Coach. Some may be equipped with Wi-Fi service.

Hotels: Your hotels will be first-class with double occupancy (2 people per room with a private bath). Neither Nativity Pilgrimage nor the trip coordinator are responsible for providing a roommate.

Single Room: There is an additional cost per person as specified on the registration form. Single rooms are limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Meal Plan: The meal plan offers two (2) meals per day: Breakfast & Dinner.

Baggage: Nativity Pilgrimage limits all passengers to one (1) piece of checked luggage and one (1) carry-on. All passengers should check with the airlines carriers for up to date baggage weight and dimensions.

Airport Fees: Airport Taxes, Portage, Fuel Surcharges and Security Fees

Medical Protection Plan During the Trip

Your Package Does Not Include

Cancellation Protection Plan: We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance upon registration.

Passport Expenses: Passports or any additional documents that may be required. Passports must be valid after 6 months of return date.

Personal Items: Laundry, other beverages (wines, liquors, mineral water, tea, coffee, etc.) and food that are not on the menus of your included meal package, and any additional luggage.

Non-itinerary fees: Any sightseeing, other services, or personal items that are not specifically mentioned as being included in the itinerary.

Lunch: Your meal plan offers two (2) meals per day: Breakfast & dinner. You are responsible for lunch or any other meals specified in your itinerary.

Tips for your tour guide & driver: The recommended amounts of tips per person are \$7.00 – \$9.00 per day for guide(s), \$5.00 – \$7.00 per day for driver(s), \$1.00 – \$2.00 per day for hotels, and \$1.00 – \$2.00 per day for restaurants.

General Travel Information

Group Air: Group Air differs from individually purchased airline tickets in that it is subject to the terms and conditions of the airlines. For this reason, we need to receive your registration and full payment by the payment deadline. After that date, registrations may be subject to a different air rate, ticketing method, or on a different airline. Additional fees and charges may apply. Group air flights are confirmed 60 - 90 days prior to departure.

Departure Cities: If your departure city is not listed on the brochure, indicate which airport you would like to depart from on the registration form. We will provide you with the best possible price and flight schedule in order to connect with the group. Additional fees and charges may apply.

Land-Only Option: If you would like to book your own air travel, indicate on your registration form that you want the "Land Only" option. By booking your own air, you may select your seat, airline, and travel schedule, use airline miles/points, provide airline reward program information, and make any special requests directly with the airline. No changes can be made after the final payment deadline. Land-only services begin and end at the hotels unless you are able to meet the group at the airport. Land-only travelers are responsible for their own airport transfers.

Important Nativity Pilgrimage Policies

The airline selects seat assignments for group air, not the tour operator. Seat upgrades are available for registered travelers, by request. Quoted rates for an upgrade are subject to change until payment is received. Some upgrades are not available until the group tickets are issued.

Seat Upgrades: Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives an upgrade request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee the acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily)

Seat Location Requests: Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a seat location request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

Other Special Requests: Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a special request, such as a wheelchair, food, etc., we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily)

Booking Conditions

Deposit: A non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person is required at the time of booking. No reservation will be processed without a deposit.

Payment Deadline: Full payment is due 04/22/24 (100 Days before departure). Late registrations received after the deadline require an additional \$100 (subject to availability). If payment is not made in full 50 days prior to departure, your payments are non-refundable.

You may use any major credit card to pay your deposit online. There is an additional 3% late fee for each credit card transaction. We also accept checks, money orders, Zelle payments, and ACH transactions.

Late Payment Policy

Customers will receive Late Fees if they are not paid in full:

100 days - 61 days prior to departure.....\$150

60 days - 30 days prior to departure.....\$300

30 days - day before departure.....**Subject to cancellation**

Customers are also responsible for any difference in fare due to late payment (subject to availability). Refusal to pay will be considered a cancellation.

Cancellation/Refund Policy

We hope that nothing will prevent you from taking your pilgrimage with Nativity Pilgrimage, however, should you need to cancel your cancellation must be in writing via email or letter. It will be effective on the date of receipt. The following cancellation fees will apply:

<u>DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE</u>	<u>CHARGE</u>
100 + Days	Lose Deposit
99-50 Days	50% of trip cost
49 Days	100% of trip cost

Insurance premiums are non-refundable. We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance to avoid these cancellation fees.

Protect Your Trip



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Responsibility

Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. and their agents assume no liability or responsibility in regards to travel in any form for any injuries or loss of property, accidents, delays, changes in schedule or itinerary, incidental damages or any irregular circumstances. This would include, but not limited to, default or omission by any third party providing services or facilities related to and/or included in the tour or any part thereof.

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