

Pilgrimage to the
Holy Land
and Cappadocia
with His Eminence
Archbishop Daniel

14 Days
November 8-21, 2020



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WHAT'S THE COST?

Land and Air from JFK

\$3995.00

Land Only

\$2895.00

Solo Traveler

(Additional Cost)

\$795.00

Prices are valid only if the deposit is received no later than July 31, 2020

Final payment due September 8, 2020



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This active program
covers a good amount
of ground each day.

You need to be able to
walk for 60 minutes
straight and on
uneven surfaces.

Some stairs will be
encountered.

ITINERARY

✝ Sunday, November 8, Day 1: DEPART USA

Depart on an overnight flight to Tel Aviv from JFK airport.

✝ Monday, November 9, Day 2: ARRIVAL TEL AVIV – TRANSFER TO NAZARETH

Upon arrival in Tel Aviv, the group is met by our English speaking, Orthodox Christian tour escort who will accompany the group for the entire trip in the Holy Land. We are transferred to Nazareth for an overnight. Open buffet dinner at the hotel. (D)

✝ Tuesday, November 10, Day 3: NAZARETH – CANA – MT. TABOR

Open buffet breakfast. We proceed to Nazareth, visiting the Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation and Gabriel's Well. Next, we visit Cana of Galilee, including the Greek Orthodox Church, where we see two of the six jars that Jesus used in the first miracle of turning water into wine for the wedding feast. Our final stop is Mt. Tabor to pray at the Greek Orthodox Monastery of Transfiguration. Dinner and overnight Nazareth. (B, D)

✝ Wednesday, November 11, Day 4: MINISTRY ON THE SEA OF GALILEE

Open buffet breakfast. We start the day early with a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. We then visit the Greek Orthodox Church at Capernaum, followed by a visit of the ancient Synagogue where Jesus preached. Our next visit is to the Mt. of Beatitudes and the Church of the Multiplication of Fish and Loaves, where we see the fabulous Byzantine Mosaic showing the five loaves and the two fishes, the same caught in the Galilee and partaken of by Our Lord and the Holy Apostles. We enjoy lunch of St. Peter's fish in a local restaurant. Dinner and overnight in Nazareth. (B, L, D)

✝ Thursday, November 12, Day 5: CAESAREA – LOD – EIN KAREM – BETHLEHEM

Open buffet breakfast. This morning early, depart for Caesarea traveling along the Plains of Sharon. We have a guided tour that includes the Theatre, Herod's Palace, Hippodrome Port, and Aqueducts. Enjoy a coffee stop in a café on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. We visit the Monastery of St. George in Lod to pray at the tomb of the Saint. Our last stop is Ein Karem to see St John Ba Harim "birthplace of John the Baptist," Mary's Spring, where Mary came to share the good news announced to her by the Archangel Gabriel with Elizabeth, her cousin, the mother of John the Baptist. Arrive in Bethlehem for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

✝ Friday, November 13, Day 6: JERICHO – MT OF TEMPTATION – DEAD SEA – JORDAN RIVER

Open buffet breakfast. After buffet breakfast, we take a full-day excursion to the city of Jericho, the oldest continuously inhabited city in the world. We take a cable car to the Greek Orthodox Monastery at Mt. of Temptation for a visit of the Monastery – from here you will have a great view over Jericho, the Dead Sea, Mt. Moab and Mt. Nebo in Jordan. We drive to the Jordan River Baptismal site. Then we take a swim in the mineral-rich waters of the Dead Sea (don't forget to bring your bathing suit. Return to Bethlehem for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

✝ Saturday, November 14, Day 7: BETHLEHEM – ST. SABAS – SHEPHERD FIELD

Open buffet breakfast. We have the day in Bethlehem to visit the Church of Nativity and serve Divine Liturgy. We visit the Shepherd field (Orthodox church), followed by lunch on your own. Men will visit the Monastery of St. Sabas in the desert (TBC), while women have shopping time in Bethlehem at the Kando family store and also the Palestinian Heritage Center where we see the traditional crafts made by local women. Dinner and overnight in Bethlehem. (B, D)

✝ Sunday, November 15, Day 8: JERUSALEM – BETHANY – MT OLIVES – MT ZION

Our morning starts with Divine Liturgy followed by a visit to the Greek Orthodox Church at Bethany marking the place where Jesus met the Sisters, at the entrance of the town, followed by a visit to the Greek Orthodox Church built over Lazarus' tomb. Ascend Mt of Olives visiting the Ascension Chapel, then walk down the Palm (Willow) Sunday road to the Garden of Gethsemane and the Grotto of Gethsemane built in the Church of All Nations. In Kidron Valley, we pray at the Church of the Sepulchre of Saint Mary, also named the Tomb of the Virgin Mary. On route to Mt Zion, we stop at St. Stephen Church, marking the area where the first Christian Martyr was stoned to death. Lunch is on your own, after which we visit St. Peter in Gallicantu and the Upper Room. Overnight and dinner in Jerusalem. (B, D)

✚ Monday, November 16, Day 9: PATRIARCHATE – HOLY SEPULCHRE – WAILING WALL – TEMPLE MOUNT – ST ANN'S CHURCH – MONASTERY OF THE CROSS

Open buffet breakfast. We participate in the Divine Liturgy at the Patriarchate of Jerusalem (TBC). Today we visit the Old City, including Ecce Homo, a church and convent along the path (Via Dolorosa), where Pontius Pilate presented the tortured Christ to the masses and washed his hands of him. We will see the prison where Christ, our Lord, was tortured and humiliated with a crown of thorns before being forced to carry his cross along the Via Dolorosa-the Path of Suffering. We enter the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, which is so large that both the Golgotha (the site of Crucifixion) and the Holy Tomb of Christ are located here. Continue to the Pools of Bethesda and the Wailing Wall. The remainder of the day is at leisure in the Old City for shopping. Tonight, we have a farewell dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Jerusalem. (B, Special Dinner.)

✚ Tuesday, November 17, Day 10: JERUSALEM – TEL AVIV – CONSTANTINOPLE – CAPPADOCIA

Early this morning, we are transferred to Tel Aviv airport for a short flight to Constantinople, where we change planes for an even shorter flight to Cappadocia. Arriving in Kayseri, we transfer to our lodging for the next two evenings, where the remainder of the day is free for you to relax and enjoy a leisurely dinner. Overnight Kayseri. (B, D)

✚ Wednesday, November 18, Day 11: CAPPADOCIA

We spend all day exploring the history and scenery of Cappadocia. We journey back into Christian times with a visit to the Zelve Open Air Museum, an important settlement, and one of the best examples of early Christian Monasteries. Zelve is home to one of the oldest Early Byzantine churches known as "Grape Church." The monastery is also home to many rock-hewn settlements, living quarters, churches, chapels, and pigeonholes. Other important churches include Cross Church and Fish Church. After our visit, drive to Monks Valley, where we see the densely shaped 'Fairy Chimneys' found only in Cappadocia. Also important is the Chapel of St. Simon, known as the first monk cells carved into the soft tufa rock. In the afternoon, we visit the Goreme Open Air Museum. Our visit includes Apple Church, Dark Church, Buckle Church, St. Onuphrius Church, St. Barbara Chapel, and St. Basil Chapel. Many early Christian communities lived and worshipped deep in the rocks and crags, leaving their frescoes and paintings to be marveled at centuries later. Other sites include the Natural Citadel of Uchisar and the small, picturesque village of Avanos – famous for their red clay pottery, where we may do some shopping. Overnight Kayseri. (B, D)

✚ Thursday, November 19, Day 12: CAPPADOCIA – CARAVANSERAI – LYSTRA – KONYA

Our first stop of the day is Mustafapasa – former Sinasos – a village of Orthodox Christians and Muslim Turks till the 1920's. This visit allows us to observe both the art and religion of two different cultures. We will visit a 13th-century Theological school of the Seljukian period and a mosque dating back to the 14th century. The visits include St. Basil Chapel, St. Nicholas Church & Monastery, and Eleni & Constantine Church. After, we drive through southern Cappadocia, enjoying a scenic drive through vineyards, villages, and fascinating landscapes of the region. We will stop by Sahinefendi Village to visit Forty Martyrs Church. Drive to Soganli Valley afterward, once occupied by Christians to see Tahtali Church and the Domed Church, without any doubt the most interesting churches of this site. Another fascinating church is the Serpent Church, with its depiction of Jesus as an old man with grey hair. After lunch, we will drive to Derinkuyu Underground City. The city carved below the earth to create a safe subterranean living area provided shelter against Arab invasions. Underground cities of Cappadocia are the rare samples of early ingenious engineering, just like the Pyramids were. Dinner and overnight, Konya. (B, D)

✚ Friday, November 20, Day 13: MEVLANA MAUSOLEUM – CONSTANTINOPLE

Konya is also the home of the Mystic sect of the spectral, Whirling Dervishes. We'll have an opportunity to learn more about this mysterious order when we visit the museum of its founder, Mevlana, who is also known as the poet Rumi. We transfer to the airport for our flight to Constantinople and our overnight hotel. Overnight Constantinople. (B, D)

✚ Saturday, November 21, Day 14: CONSTANTINOPLE – USA

This morning we are transferred to the airport for our non-stop flight home. (B)

YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Round trip airfare From New York/JFK to Tel Aviv- Tel Aviv to Istanbul- Istanbul to New York/JFK
- Air Istanbul to Cappadocia round trip
- Airport Taxes and fuel surcharges (Subject to change at the time of final payment)
- Accommodation at a First-Class hotels for 8 nights in the Holy Land and 4 nights in Turkey
- Buffet breakfast at the hotels
- Dinner daily (beverages may be purchased separately)
- Lunch of St. Peter's Fish at the Sea of Galilee
- One restaurant dinner in Jerusalem
- Air-conditioned deluxe motor coach
- English speaking guides
- All admission charges as per the itinerary
- Baggage handling for one suitcase per person only included at the hotels
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- Personal expenses
- Travel protection - optional and highly encouraged
- Medical insurance
- Any items not specifically mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Gratuities for the guide(s), driver and hotel staff (please refer to the suggestions we will make available to you). For restaurant meals, we recommend a tip of \$2.00 per person per day. For extra luggage, please tip \$1.00 per person per bag.
- Church donations

BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Any airline baggage charges.
- Baggage handling at train stations, airports, and hotels in excess of one suitcase per person.
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges.

Deposits and final payment: A **deposit of \$500.00** per person by check should accompany the enrollment form along with your optional travel protection payment and a copy of your passport picture page by **July 31, 2020. Final payment is due by September 8, 2020. A late payment fee of \$100 will be charged per person for all payments received after the final payment date.** Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822 Attn: Evelyn Wavrek, 800-842-4842, evelyn@select-intl.com.

Your passport must be valid through May 21, 2021. Reservations will not be processed until we have passport copies. Prices quoted are based on payments by check. Prices: \$3,995.00 for the complete package; \$2,895.00 land only (air not included), additional \$795.00 solo traveler, additional cost, (in room by yourself). Credit card payments are: \$4,195.00 for the complete package; \$3,040.00 for land only, \$835.00, solo traveler, additional cost, (in room by yourself).

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Walking: Our trips require daily walking, sometimes up or down slopes, steps, and uneven terrain. We recommend preparing oneself, by walking before the trip. Anyone needing assistance is required to be accompanied by a qualified and physically-able travel companion. We are not responsible for any medical condition that occurs prior, during or after the trip.

Baggage: Each participant is permitted to check (1) suitcase weighing no more than 50 lbs., and one small "carry-on" bag on the plane. Airline baggage fees are not included. Please check the websites of your air carrier for specific size and weight restrictions and baggage fees.

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Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell/Home Phone: _____ Contact Cell for Airline While Traveling _____

Email Address: _____ Land only : _____ ☐ Need help with flights from _____
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Room: (check one) Single (1 Bed) _____ Double (1 Bed, 2 People) _____ Twin (2 Beds, 2 People) _____ Triple (3 Beds) _____

Name of Roomate(s): _____ If single: ☐ Match me with a roommate ☐ Solo (in room by myself)

Emergency Contact (Name and Phone): _____

Enclosed is a check/money order in the amount of \$ _____ for my initial deposit.

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