

Leadership Initiative "Explore and Live Palestine"



KTH/ Family Visit and Explore Palestine

Journey of a lifetime to Palestine, the Holy Land!

July 27th -August 9th, 2023

14 Days/13 Nights

Land Cost USD\$ 2300.00

Homecoming Journey

Through this Homecoming Journey, you will reconnect with your past and rediscover your heritage. This journey is about you and your history. It is about coming home that you belong to. Join us as we explore the land of our ancestors and the spiritual and historic sites, but more importantly, you will connect with the people—your Palestinian family.

Through this Journey, you will:

- Explore your Palestinian heritage, culture and history
- Experience the beauty and diversity of Palestine's landscape
- Gain access to exclusive sites not offered anywhere else
- Participate in social and cultural events with local families
- Hear from inspiring local and global leaders
- This is your opportunity to come home in a life-changing way

Your trip includes:

- 1. Double-occupancy accommodation in a 4 stars hotel.
- 2. Breakfast and dinner.
- 3. English-Arabic speaking tour guides.
- 4. Entrance fees and parking to Festivals, Holy places, and conferences.
- 5. Transportation in deluxe motor coach with Wi-Fi.

Your trip does not include:

- 1. Air ticket.
- 2. Lunch, beverages and drinks.
- 3. Tips to driver(s), tour guide(s), restaurant and hotel staff, etc.
- 4. Any services not mentioned in the program.
- 5. Travel insurance.



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Itinerary

Day 1 - Thursday, July 27 - Arrival in Amman

Our program will begin at our hotel in Amman for our meet and greet. **Dinner and overnight** in **Amman.**

Day 2 - Friday, July 28 - Jordan

After breakfast in our hotel, we will have our orientation meeting to preview the activities of our trip. Today, we will have time to explore Amman, visit other nearby places of interest in Jordan, and meet with local institutions and people. **Dinner and overnight in Amman.**



Day 3 - Saturday, July 29 - Jericho and Bethlehem

After an early breakfast, we will proceed to the King Hussein border crossing to enter Palestine. After passing immigration and meeting our new guide and driver, we will head to **Jericho** to see the excavations of the oldest city in the world, learn more about the history of the city, and meet with local officials. Then we will continue, climbing into the hills of Palestine. **Dinner and overnight in Bethlehem.**

Day 4 - Sunday, July 30 - Bethlehem



After early breakfast, we will have a tour of **Nativity Church** and free time in Bethlehem's Old City. We will stop by Khirbet Al Najjar in the **Cremisan Valley**, where we will see the expansion of the settlement and its effect on Bethlehem. Continue to **Beir Onah** where landowners have lost their lands behind the annexation wall. After a visit to **Bethlehem University**, **dinner and Overnight in Bethlehem**.

Day 5 - Monday, July 31 - Hebron



This morning after breakfast, we will drive to **Hebron** to visit the **Abraham Mosque**. Then we will have a tour in the **Old City of Hebron** and also visit some of the factories in the city, including the well-known ceramic and glass factories. **Dinner and overnight in Bethlehem.**



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Day 6 - Tuesday, August 1 - Jerusalem

After breakfast, we go in to Jerusalem for a visit to the Dome of the Rock, Al Aqsa, and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. We will then walk through the narrow alleys and bazaars of the Old City to enjoy and tour the old city of Jerusalem, where will meet with some of the local citizens. **Dinner and overnight in Bethlehem.**

Day 7 - Wednesday, August 2 - Ramallah



After Breakfast, we will drive to Ramallah and visit the Memorial of Palestinian President Yasser Arafat, then proceed to the **National Museum** and meet with local officials. After lunch in Birzeit, we will have a tour of the Rawabi planned community. **Dinner and Overnight in Ramallah.**

Day 8 - Thursday, August 3 - Nablus



After breakfast, we will drive to the town of **Nablus** (Neapolis) which was founded in 72 AD by the Flavian Emperors as part of the Roman dynasty, built on the northern slope of **Mount Gerizim**. We will visit Samaritans/السامريون, and take a tour through **Nablus' Old City**, then visit **Bullata Refugee camp.** In Nablus we will also taste amazing Kanafeh and learn how to make it, visit soap a factory exhibition, the clock tower, Manara Clock, and then travel to Jenin. **Dinner and overnight in**

Ramallah.

Day 9 - Friday, August 4 - Free day

Return By 8:00pm for debriefing and briefing about the next segment of the Journey. **Dinner and overnight in Ramallah.**

Day 10- Saturday, August 5 - 10th International Diaspora Conference



After Breakfast we will drive to the Arab American University, Ramallah Campus, to attend the 10th KTH International Diaspora Conference. Drive back for **dinner and overnight in Ramallah.**



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Day 11 - Sunday, August 6 - Haifa/Acre/Jaffa



After breakfast we will visit Haifa, **Baha'i Gardens**, and the slopes of **Mount Carmel**, then continue our travel to Acre where we will visit the **Al Jazzar Mosque** and the **Old City**. Finally, we will visit **Jaffa**. **Dinner and overnight in Nazareth**.

Day 12 - Monday, August 7 - Iqrit/Nazareth/Ramallah



After breakfast we will drive to Iqrit, a Palestinian village destroyed in 1948, to meet with some of the citizens working to preserve the village and its heritage. After lunch will go to Nazareth where we will visit the Basilica of the Annunciation, and the White Mosque near the old market. Dinner and Overnight in Ramallah.

Day 13 - Tuesday, August 8 - Free Day/Dead Sea



After Breakfast, it is free day. For the people who wish to go to the Dead Sea, the bus will leave at 3:30pm.

Dinner and overnight in Ramallah.



Day 14 - Wednesday, August 9 - Return to Amman, Jordan

Free time in the morning. After Lunch, we will proceed to the **King Hussein Bridge Border Crossing** and return to Jordan. Arrival to Amman is the end of our journey.

We can also arrange for you to extend your stay beyond the organized journey to personally explore your roots!

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