



## Land of Miracles and Battles

A Military History tour of the Holy Land  
with tour host & guide Mark Sugarman

9 Days/8 Nights on Land  
High 4-star Tour  
September 14<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014

### Price with Round-trip Airfare

| Land + Air Rates<br>Per person  | with airfare | <u>without</u><br>airfare |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| P.P in a<br>Double/Twin<br>Room | \$3589.00    | \$2189.00                 |
| Single Room                     | \$4189.00    | \$2789.00                 |

- ✓ Price is based on double-occupancy
- ✓ All major debit or credit card payments accepted (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, Amex)

### *What's included?*

- **Round-trip Airfare** from JFK (when selected upon checkout)
- Fuel surcharges or tax increases for flights (**currently \$700**)
- Transfers to and from Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion International Airport

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- Luggage & Airport services upon arrival/departure
- 9 days of new air-conditioned tour bus & driver
- 9 touring days
- 8 nights in High 4 Star Accommodations
- **Free WIFI** on the bus
- **Licensed** Ministry of Tourism guide throughout
- Full Buffet Breakfast & Dinner each day (soft drinks & alcohol not included), including Farewell Dinner in Jaffa on the final day.
- All park fees & scheduled activities and entertainment
- Internal Headset Whisper System for groups of 20 or more
- Gratuities for hotel staff
- Traveler’s Kit (hat, map, 2 starter water bottles)
- Bus Banners and Name Tags
- All Credit Card Fees
- All Visa & Border Fees (if needed)

### What’s not included?

- Lunches
- Personal expenses such as telephone calls from room, mini bar, room service, etc.
- Gratuities for guide & driver (recommended minimum: \$110)
- Optional Traveler’s Insurance
- Any *significant* additional fuel surcharges or taxes imposed by the airlines or governments.

### Optional Traveler Insurance

Samson Tours partners with **Travel Guard** to provide a customized optional travel insurance group package for our clients.

- Price is based on group of 10 or more who purchase traveler insurance.
  - **For ages 0-34 : \$127.00**
  - **For ages 0-59 : \$145.00**
  - **For ages 60+ : \$247.00**
- The tour leader has elected that travel insurance be required for this tour. If you wish to opt-out, you will have the option to do so at time of final payment.

**Coverage Benefit Amount**

|                         |                                   |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Trip Cancellation ..... | <b>100% of insured Trip Cost</b>  |
| Trip Interruption ..... | <b>150% of insured Trip Cost*</b> |

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|---|-----------|
| Trip Interruption- Return Air Only.....             | \$750*    |
| Trip Delay (\$150 max/day) .....                    | \$750     |
| Missed Connection.....                              | \$250     |
| Baggage & Personal Effects Loss (Secondary) .....   | \$1,500   |
| Baggage Delay.....                                  | \$250     |
| Medical Expense (Secondary).....                    | \$25,000  |
| Dental.....   | \$500     |
| Emergency Evacuation & Repatriation of Remains..... | \$250,000 |
| Accidental Death and Dismemberment .....            | \$25,000  |

\*Coverage for Trip Interruption and Trip Interruption-Return Air Only cannot be combined

For further details about coverage, request the **Group Protection Plan Description of Coverage**

## Itinerary

This itinerary is subject to minor changes. A final itinerary will be provided no later than 2 months before departure. Alternative hotels of similar or better class may be substituted. Final hotel arrangements will be posted no later than 4 months before departure.

### Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup> (B/D)

- Depart from your city of origin

### Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> (B/D) - Tour Day #1

- Afternoon arrival at Ben Gurion International Airport
- Meet & Greet with your guide, Mark Sugarman
- Overnight & Dinner: Mediterranean Sea, [Ramada Inn & Suites, Netanya](#)

### Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> (B/D) – Tour Day # 2

- Caesarea Maritima (Roman Rule, Crusader Rise, Muslim downfall)
- Lookout over Atlit Fortress and visit the Crusader cemetery
- Akko (Acre) – Hospitaller fortress, Templar Tunnel, port, with specific focus on the Crusader and Napoleonic eras
- Overnight & Dinner: [Carlton, Nahariya](#)

### Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> (B/D) – Tour Day # 3

- Drive along the Lebanese border to Adamit where the Second Lebanese War began in 2006
- Yodfat (Josephus & the Jewish war)
- Tel Hazor (Canaanites, Israelites)

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- Mitzpe Gadot (1948 and 1967)
- Overnight & Dinner: [Ramot Nofesh Resort \(Deluxe Rooms\)](#)

**Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup>** (B/D) – Tour Day # 4

- Kfar Giladi Slik
- Tel el Faher
- Nimrod's Castle
- Oz 77--Valley of Tears
- View of Quneitra
- Gamla
- View of Sea of Galilee from the Peace Vista
- Overnight & Dinner: [Ramot Nofesh Resort \(Deluxe Rooms\)](#)

**Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** (B/D) – Tour Day # 5

- See the infamous **Horns of Hattin**
- **Tel Megiddo**
- **View of Mt. Tabor (Barak & Napoleon)**
- **Gideon's Spring (Mayan Harod)**
- **Belvoir Castle**
- **Old Geshet (1948)**
- Overnight & Dinner: [Ramot Nofesh Resort \(Deluxe Rooms\)](#)

**Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** (B/D) – Tour Day # 6

- Drive down the Jordan Valley
- View of Tel Beth Shean & amphitheatre
- **Tel Jericho**
- **Masada**
- Enjoy the rest of the day in the **Dead Sea**
- Overnight & Dinner: [Crowne Plaza, Dead Sea](#)

**Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>** (B/D) – Tour Day # 7

- Beer Sheva
- Hazerim Airforce Museum
- Drive via the outskirts of Hebron through the Way of the Patriarchs & the Gush Etsion Block
- Herodium
- Lookout from Ramat Rachel
- Visit the Israel Museum
- Overnight & Dinner: [Dan Jerusalem, Mt. Scopus, Jerusalem](#)

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**Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>** (B/D) – Tour Day # 8

- Visit the Tower of David History of Jerusalem Museum
- Explore the **Jewish Quarter** and see the Broad Wall, the Roman Cardo and Zion Gate
- Explore the **City of David**, wade through Hezekiah's Tunnel or the Canaanite tunnel and climb up through the ancient sewage system
- Arrive at the **Southern Wall Excavations** of the Temple Mount, walking along the 1<sup>st</sup> century street and climbing up the 1<sup>st</sup> century steps.
- End the day at Nebi Samwil (Mont Joie)
- Overnight & Dinner: [Dan Jerusalem, Mt. Scopus, Jerusalem](#)

**Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** (B/D) – Tour Day # 9

- Ammunition Hill
- The Armored Corp Museum and Memorial at Latrun
- The Elah Valley & Tel Azekah
- Tel Lachish
- The Ayalon Institute in Rehovot (a secret, pre-war bullet factory)
- End the tour at Jaffa
- Farewell dinner in Jaffa
- Evening transfer to airport for flight home

## *Policies*

### Refund & Other Policies (Samson Tours)

- **Group Minimum:** Group Tours require a minimum of 15 passengers. Please refer your friends! If the minimum number is not met 4 months before departure, then Samson Tours reserves the right to cancel the tour with a full refund (including credit card fees).
- **Group Maximum:** Only 45 participants will be allowed to join this tour.
- **Your Health:** All participants must be in good health and walking condition. This program is active and involves a lot of walking over uneven surfaces and climbing stairs. All locations may not be accessible for the disabled. Any condition that may require special accommodation must be reported at the time of your reservation.
- **Group Airfare:** Samson Tours works alongside the tour leader to find the best airfare and best price for the group. In order to request a group airfare price, there must be at least 10 passengers on the group flight. The airfare will be paid to the airline in full upon their request and subject to their cancellation/refund policies.
- **Deposit & Payments for Land & Air:** To ensure your spot on the tour, we request a **\$200.00 deposit** be paid upon signup. The deposit and any payments made are refundable up to 90 days before departure (less any credit card and/or bank fees). After that, the deposit is non-refundable, but can be used as a future credit with Samson Tours. The deposit can be paid by cash, check, money order, bank transfer, debit or credit card.

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- **Budget your Trip:** You can make monthly payments from within your My Account to properly budget out your trip. If you would like an automatic recurring payment option, please contact us directly to set this up for you.
- **Final Payments:** The final payment will be made 90 days before departure. Payments made by check or cash will be made in US\$ to Samson Tours, Inc. Payments made by debit or credit card to Samson Tours, Inc. will be charged the full balance. If there are any unpaid fuel surcharges for the group flight, they will be billed to you at cost per the group airline contract either before or after the tour.
- **Diversions:** If you arrive either before or after the recommended group departure/arrival time, or if your flight is delayed beyond a reasonable waiting period, or if you elect to divert or add-on additional days to the trip, then it is understood that you will arrive at the hotel or to the airport at your own expense.
- **Refunds (Land):** The following refunds for the **land portion** of the price will apply: Full refund (less deposit, credit card and/or banking fees) if cancelled 90+ calendar days before departure. 75% refund if cancelled 89-60 days before departure. 50% refund if cancelled 59-30 days before departure. 0% refund if cancelled 29 or less days before departure.
- **Refunds (Air):** Per group contract with airline
- **Force Majeure:** If Samson Tours decides to postpone the tour do to political unrest, then your balance will carry over to the new tour dates. Depending on the new dates, there may be an increase in costs, for tours that are rescheduled within 1 year. If you are unable to join the new tour dates, then you will be entitled to a full refund, less the deposit, credit card and/or banking fees. The deposit amount can be applied to any future tour.
- **Travel Insurance** – Samson Tours does not require travel insurance. It is, however, strongly advised that **all travelers** equip themselves with a comprehensive travel insurance plan through a private carrier, like [Travel Guard](#) or through your credit card company. See the Group Leader for more details.
- **Single Supplement:** For single travelers, a single supplement fee for the hotels is required. This usually amounts to around 85% of the Double Room cost. If a person has ordered a double room and his or her roommate cancels his or her tour, then the individual holding a double room must find a new roommate or pay the single supplement.
- **Exchange Rate:** The current exchange rate is 3.6 shekels to the dollar. Samson Tours, Inc. reserves the right to charge a supplement to the price if the dollar falls below the 3.5 threshold. Note: Samson Tours will only do this if the hotels and other agents require it to do so. As of June 2013, we have never yet had to charge an exchange rate surcharge.
- **Government Imposed VAT or taxes:** Currently there are no VAT taxes on tour packages to Israel. Should such a tax be imposed before the start of the tour, even after 'final payment' has been made, Samson Tours will notify all of its participants in writing. In order to participate in the tour, you will be required to pay all such taxes before the start of the tour.
- **Responsibility** - Samson Tours, Inc. and or its agents and representatives shall be, in no way, liable or responsible for any personal or property loss, damage or injury howsoever caused.
- **Update** – These policies may be updated from time to time. Upon update, you will be notified by Samson Tours, Inc. or its group leader.

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