

## ***Bar / Bat Mitzvah program for families***

*The program is designed for an extended family that's planning to come to Israel for a bar mitzvah trip.*

*We assume that your family group will contain children and adults, and that maybe all or some of you have visited Israel already.*

*Our program provides ideas for all ages. And in each site we always provide various options for choice, that cover a range of interests and physical ability. Some of the changes you decide to make could entail extra, while others will not.*

*You can extend or shorten your stay in the country at any stage, according to your budget and the time at your disposal*

*A guide accompanies the program, and you'll enjoy the office's services through your entire stay in the country.*

### ***Bar / Bat Mitzvah Program - Basic Package For families with a minimum of 20 participants***

#### ***Day 1 - Jerusalem***

***Welcome to Israel - a day that focuses on the major heritage sites in Jerusalem.***

Arrival

Opening - the Armon Hanatziv Promenade

Observation of the Jerusalem landscape

Tour of the City of David + entrance to the reservoir (separate visits for kids and adults can be arranged).

Sandwich breakfast in the "King's Garden"

<http://www.cityofdavid.org.il/>

Visit to the Western Wall

Free evening

## **Day 2 - Jerusalem**

***Laying tefillin*** ceremony in the Ohel Yitzchak synagogue (near the tunnels)

Visit to the Western Wall Tunnels - Bar Mitzvah Program

<http://www.thekotel.org/>

Tour in the Jewish Quarter

Lunch in the Quarter - choose your eatery

Afternoon - The Israel Museum: Visiting the model of the Second Temple + the Shrine of the Book

<http://www.imjnet.org.il/htmls/Home.aspx>

Free evening - at the museum

## **Day 3 - Judean Desert**

*Discover that the desert is much more than sand .....*

Visit to Qumran / Einot Tzukim, the Secret Reserve

Ein Gedi - along the path of Nahal David

<http://www.parks.org.il/parks/ParksAndReserves/Pages/default.aspx>

Drive to the western campground / Kfar Hanokdim

<http://www.kfarhanokdim.co.il/>

Overnight in a Bedouin tent or under the stars

## **Day 4 - Judean / Jerusalem**

Climbing up Masada at sunrise

Descent by cable car

Ein Gedi Hot Springs / Dead Sea shore

<http://www.eingediseaofspa.co.il/>

Rappelling in Hyena Valley

Poyka (?) breakfast outside

Overnight in Jerusalem

## **Day 5 - Jerusalem**

### ***The Bar Mitzvah Day***

Calling to the Torah ceremony / at the Wall / the Hurva Synagogue / the Sephardic Synagogue in Yemin Moshe, or another.

Festive brunch at the ceremony location

Rest / *Tikkun Olam* activity

Afternoon - Mahaneh Yehuda Market and tour of Nachlaot / Yad Vashem

Travel to Tel Aviv

Overnight in Tel Aviv

## **Day 6 - Tel Aviv**

### ***We learn about Tel Aviv's history and prepare for Shabbat***

Jaffa

The Visitors Center

<http://www.oldjaffa.co.il/?CategoryID=212>

The Flea Market

Neveh Tzedek

At the beach or free time / the "neighborhoods game" on the streets of Tel Aviv.

Israeli Beit Tefilla in the port or at Beit Daniel

Shabbat dinner

### **Day 7 - Shabbat**

Studies with the advisor at "Alma Beit Midrash"

<http://alma.org.il/?lang=en>

### **Day 8 - Tel Aviv / Northern Israel**

***We turn to the north .... to the Kinneret***

Beth Hatfutsot / visit to Caesarea / *Tikkun Olam Activity*

<http://bh.org.il/he/default.aspx>

Park Alona - Mei Kedem, walk through the aqueduct built by Herod, that conducts water to Caesarea.

Carmel Druze Hospitality + lunch

<http://el-carmel.com/English.aspx>

Drive north

Free time at the hotel

Sail on the Kinneret + dinner / *darbukas*

Accommodation around the Kinneret.

### **Day 9 - North**

***Fun in Water Parks and boutique***

Walking in the Majarsa stream - great fun for the whole family.

Water sports / kayaks in the Kinneret

BBQ dinner on the beach / breakfast pastries outside

<http://dugal.co.il/>

Mount Bental - observation point

Visit to ani Am artists' village / Chocolate workshop at Ein Zivan / Visit to the Basalt vineyards in the Golan Heights.

<http://www.koa.co.il/>

<http://www.de-karina.co.il/>

Accommodation in the Kinneret area / Tel Aviv

**Day 10 - Tel Aviv**

Free day - and flight home.

Estimated costs \$ 215\* per person per day, with a 20% discount for children up to 13

The base is adults 2 in \ Children 3 room.

\* This is the base package, and the price may vary according to changes and adjustments.