



Sample Itinerary: **SLC Summer 2027 Trip to Israel**

Day 1	TAKING FLIGHT	Depart from NYC with an overnight flight to Israel
Day 2	WELCOME TO THE LAND OF ISRAEL	Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport in Israel in the late afternoon • Check in at the hotel • Dinner at the hotel OVERNIGHT: Jerusalem
Day 3	THE BIBLICAL LAND OF ISRAEL	Welcome to Israel! • View the Ella Valley from Tel Azeka - The famous site of David's battle with Goliath • Archeologist at the Dig-for-a-Day • Old City - Kabalat Shabbat at the Kotel • Shabbat dinner at the hotel • Dinner at the hotel OVERNIGHT: Jerusalem
Day 4	FIRST SHABBAT IN ISRAEL	Late wake-up,--Shabbat programming--Shabbat lunch • The Israel Museum – The Dead Sea Scrolls • Relaxing together at Jerusalem's Saker Park • Dinner at the hotel and Havdalla • Evening: Tower of David Night Spectacular sound and light show in the Old City OVERNIGHT: Jerusalem
Day 5	FOUNDATIONS OF JEWISH HISTORY	Old City at Zion Gate and the Jewish Quarter • Shopping and lunch • Reflections at the Kotel - The Western Wall • The City of David Excavations • Hezekiah's Tunnel • Encounter with Women of the Wall • Evening: Group night out at Ben Yehuda Street OVERNIGHT: Jerusalem
Day 6	REMEMBERING OCTOBER 7	Sderot, visit the police station memorial • Lunch in Sderot • Travel to Kibbutz Re'im to visit the grounds of the doomed Nova Music Festival • Salad Trail – Experience the wonders of Israeli • Prepare for a night under the desert stars OVERNIGHT: OUTDOORS

Day 7	JEWELS OF THE DESERT	Hike to the hidden desert pools at Ein Avdat • Sde Boker – Israel's first Prime Minister's home • Lunch Mitzpe Ramon • Ramon Crater Visitor Center • Desert mocktail workshop at Mitzpe Ramon • Arava Valley and check-in to our desert kibbutz accommodations • Pool and BBQ Dinner at the kibbutz OVERNIGHT: Arava Valley
Day 8	EILAT AND ISRAEL'S SOUTHERN BORDERS	Hiking the Red Canyon trail in the Arava Valley • View Israel's Red Sea neighbors en route to Eilat • Red Sea – Discover underwater treasures snorkeling at Coral Beach • Beach time and Red Sea banana boating adventures • Stop for ice cream at Yotvata, Israel's famous desert dairy farm • Dinner at our accommodations • Evening: Night out at Ice Mall Eilat OVERNIGHT: Arava Valley
Day 9	THE DESERT BLOOM	Desert tour and seminar at Kibbutz Keturah • Pool time and lunch at Kibbutz Keturah • Dead Sea at Ein Bokek Beach • Evening: Camel riding and desert tent feast OVERNIGHT: KFAR HANOKDIM ENCAMPMENT, JUDEAN DESERT
Day 10	MASADA: JEWISH HEROISM, DILEMMAS & LEADERSHIP	Hike to the summit of Masada • Masada – Tour • Ein Gedi National Park and Lunch • Drive to the north and prepare for Shabbat • Experience Camp Style Kabbalat Shabbat OVERNIGHT: North
Day 11	SHABBAT IN THE NORTH	Shabbat programming • Shabbat lunch at the hotel • Swimming and sports at the kibbutz • Dinner at the hotel and Havdalla • Evening: Cruise on the Sea of Galilee OVERNIGHT: North
Day 12	PERSPECTIVES FROM THE GOLAN HEIGHTS	Chocolate-making at De Karina • Share a traditional meal in the Golan village of Ein Kinva with Druze • Return to our hotel OVERNIGHT: North

Day 13	MYSTICS OF THE GALILEE	Aqua Kef – Israel's floating water park on the Sea of Galilee • Ancient city of Tsfat • Free time for shopping in the Tsfat artists' colony • Rosh Hanikrah - Descend into the ocean-swept caves on Israel's far northern border • Check in and dinner at the hotel OVERNIGHT: North
Day 14	NATURAL WONDERS OF THE WESTERN GALILEE	Rappelling down Keshet Arch - The soaring natural geological wonder in the Western Galilee • Explore Haifa, view of the Bahai Temple Gardens • Check in and dinner at the hotel OVERNIGHT: Jerusalem
Day 15	MODERN POLITICS IN ISRAEL	Geopolitical tour of Jerusalem • Mahane Yehuda – Experience this colorful open-air marketplace • Menachem Begin Heritage Center and participate in a Junior Knesset program • Dinner at the hotel • Evening: Workshop about fighting antisemitism with Stand With Us OVERNIGHT: Jerusalem
Day 16	LOSS & RENEWAL	Yad VaShem World Holocaust Remembrance Center • Mt. Herzl National Cemetery – Israel's national leaders and fallen soldiers • Volunteering in Jerusalem • Drive to Tel Aviv • Evening: Night out in Sarona Market OVERNIGHT: Tel Aviv
Day 17	CELEBRATE THE SPIRIT OF TEL AVIV	• Museum of the Jewish People (ANU Museum) • Tel Aviv- The Nahalat Binyamin street festival • Kabbalat Shabbat on the Tel Aviv beach • Shabbat Dinner at the hotel OVERNIGHT: Tel Aviv
Day 18	SHABBAT IN TEL AVIV	• Late wake-up, Shabbat programming • Shabbat lunch at the hotel • Tel Aviv's beaches • Dinner followed by a havdalah ceremony • Evening: Movie night at Cinema City complex in Rishon LeZion OVERNIGHT: Tel Aviv

Day 19	OUTSKIRTS OF TEL AVIV	Save a Child's Heart - Volunteering • Dialogue in the Dark - Holon Children's Museum • Gan HaMada in Weizmann Institute of Science interactive exhibition • Afternoon: Israeli martial arts workshop on the beach with Budokan • Dinner at the hotel OVERNIGHT: Tel Aviv
Day 20	THE FIRST HEBREW CITY	Tel Aviv neighborhood of Neve Tzedek, and Israel's Independence Hall • Volunteer at the Jaffa Institute – A charity dedicated to combating poverty • Afternoon: Surfing Class with HaGal Sheli • Dinner at the hotel • Evening: Modern Israeli dance class activity OVERNIGHT: Tel Aviv
Day 21	LOOKING FOR THE FUTURE	• Workshop: How to tell your Israel story • Visit the Perez Center for Peace & Innovation in Jaffa • Final "shopportunity" • Final wrap-up session, pool time, and Dinner at Dekel Country Club • Return to Ben Gurion airport for your return flight to NYC
DAY 22	SHALOM U'LIHITRAOT	• Arrive back in NYC early morning • Drive up to Surprise Lake Camp