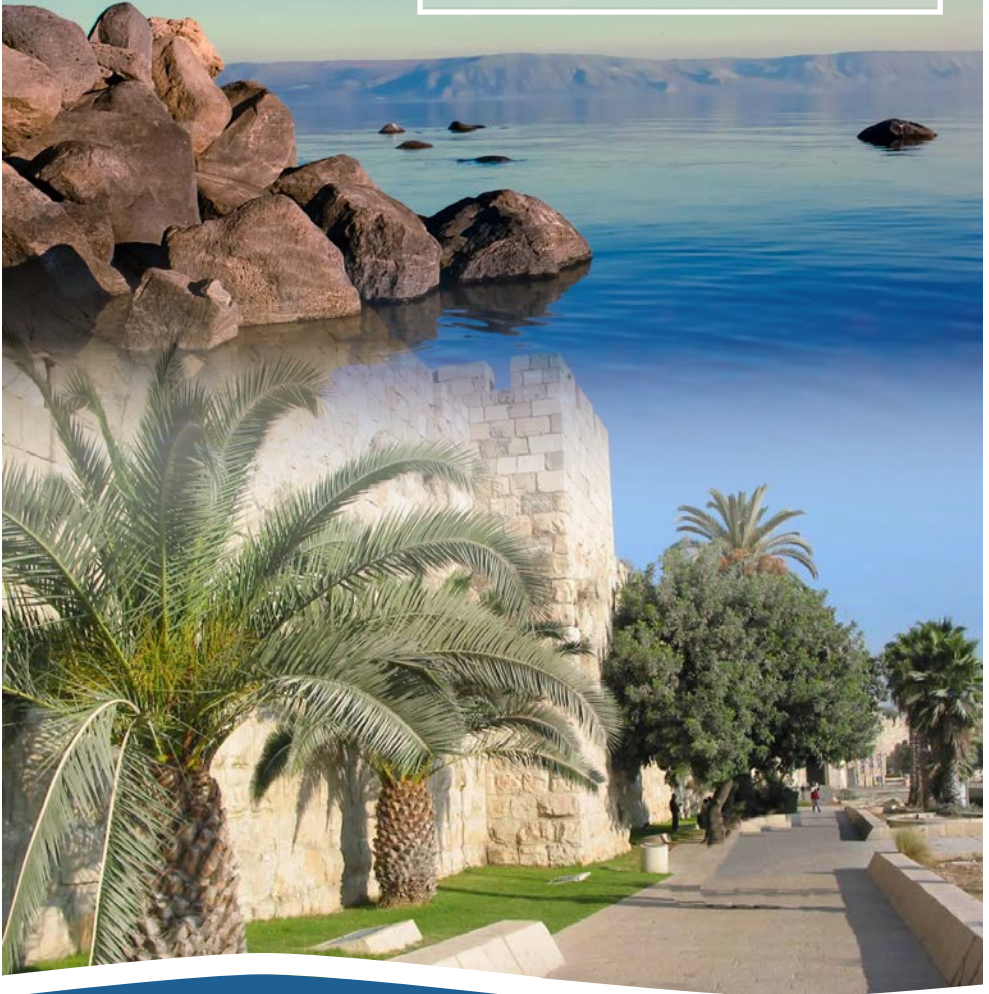


# Israel Off the Beaten Path

A unique Journey and Experience -  
Designed for 2nd/3rd timers -  
With Jim Fleming and Hannaniah Pinto.



From Hermon's Summit to Galilee's Shores -  
The Dead Sea and Samaria -  
Underground Jerusalem and regions.....

8 Nights/ 10 Days October 1-10 2021  
Under the auspices of  
*Encounters In Archaeology*



Operated by  
Biblical Resources LLC



# Israel 2021 Encounters In Archaeology

THE DATES.

Friday 1st to Sunday 10th October 2021

*Jim and Hannaniah will prepare a Study Booklet with detailed explanations of the site visits. The following is a summary but time permitting each day, other relative sites will be visited.*



Day 1 - October, Friday 1st

## **U.S.A. Flight Departures**

Depart from various airports on the night flights to Ben Gurion airport.

Day 2 - October, Saturday 2nd

## **Israel Arrival/s**

On arrival, transfer by private coach to the hotel with time to settle in before the evening meal.

Dinner & Overnight in NETANYA



Outward Journey

# Israel 2021

## Encounters In Archaeology

Day 3 - October, Sunday 3rd  
**The Via Maris to Galilee**

### Day Overview

*The day travelling the Mediterranean coast north to the suburbs of Haifa; Upper Galilee on the borders of ancient Phoenicia then to Galilee's shores.*

#### Highlights

##### **Caesarea Maritima**

Exploring Herod's massive sea-port and capital with reflections on the Acts account of Peter, Paul and Cornelius;

##### **Tel Shikmona** (Sycamine)

See the evidence of a an Iron Age sea snail-based dyeing industry, also known as Tyrian purple;

##### **Manara Cliff**

From the summit, stunning views of the Hula Valley, Mt. Hermon, the Golan Heights and descend by cable-car the 200 meter drop to Kyriat Shmona;

Dinner & Overnight by GALILEE



Tel Shikmona



Manara Cable Car



Manara Cliff



Caesarea Citadel



Caesarea Aqueduct

SITE VISITS: Caesarea Maritima / Tel Shikmona, / Manara Cliff.



# Israel 2021

## Encounters In Archaeology

Day 4 - October, Monday 4th  
**The Sea of Galilee**

### Day Overview

*A sail around the contours of the sea identifying locations of Gospel scenes and events, docking at harbors for site visits.*

### Highlights

#### **Sailing Galilee**

A morning private charter circumventing the sea following the shore-line with port stops and selected site visits;

#### **Magdala**

Explore the latest excavations of this sea-side fishing village and home of Mary Magdalene.

#### **Capernaum**

Ample time in Jesus' Galilean Ministry center and location of numerous Gospel events and stories.;

Dinner & Overnight by GALILEE



SITE VISITS: Magdala/ Ginosar Museum/ Capernaum

# Israel 2021

## Encounters In Archaeology

Day 5 - October, Tuesday 5th  
**The Golan & Mt. Hermon**

### Day Overview

*Ascending Hermon's summit by cable-car, stopping at an ancient Jewish village, visit the ancient hot springs in the Yarmuk Valley.*

### Highlights

#### **Mount Hermon**

Ascend the Golan heights and stop at the 'Peace View' where the full contours of the sea can be see. Then ascend Hermon for stunning views of the region.

#### **Talmudic Village of Katzrin**

Inhabited since the Middle Bronze age, today's excavations is an excellent example of an ancient Jewish village in Talmudic times.

#### **Hamat Gader**

A widely known health and recreation site in Roman times with several mineral springs having temperatures up to 50 °C.

Dinner & Overnight by GALILEE



#### **Mount Hermon**



SITE VISIT: Golan Peace View/ Mount Hermon via Cable-Car/ Katzrin/ Hamat Gader

# Israel 2021

## Encounters In Archaeology

Day 6 - October, Wednesday 6th

### Regions of Galilee

## Day Overview

*Visits west of the Sea of Galilee considering the early life of Jesus, 1st century locations and the terrain that Jesus and the disciples walked.*

### Highlights

#### **Tiberias**

Explore 'Roman Tiberias' to consider the influence that the city had on the culture and daily life of the Jewish community around the sea.;

#### **Valley of Doves**

A walk on the old Capernaum to Nazareth path that Jesus and the disciples took and where Jews hid from the Romans in the caves during the Revolt AD 67;

#### **Mount Arbel**

To the summit with its stunning view of the 'Plain of Gennesaret';

#### **Safed**

The Talmud mentions it as one of five elevated spots where fires were lit to announce the festivals during the Second Temple period and may have been the 'city on a hill' that Jesus referred to.

Dinner & Overnight by GALILEE



Old Tiberias



Valley of Doves



Safed



Sunrise on Mount Arbel

SITE VISIT: Tiberias Old Town/ Valley of Doves/ Mount Arbel/ Safed

# Israel 2021

## Encounters In Archaeology

Day 7 - October, Thursday 7th

### South to Jerusalem

## Day Overview

*Through the rolling hills of lower Galilee, crossing the great Jezreel plain, down the Rift Valley and into the Judean Wilderness to view the Dead Sea.*

### Highlights

#### **Mary of Nazareth International Center**

An important complex with a 1st century excavated house and very impressive media presentation - worth considering for the EIA;

#### **The Nazareth Village**

A visit to see authentic reconstructions of rural and village life in the Gospel period and perhaps some ideas for the development of the EIA;

#### **Mount Precipitation**

Just outside Nazareth, the summit gives a fine panorama of the Jezreel Valley.

#### **Judean Wilderness**

South and down the Rift Valley and into the Judean Wilderness to stop in the area of Nebi Musa for grand views of the Dead Sea.

#### Dinner & Overnight in JERUSALEM



SITE VISITS: Mary of Nazareth Center/ The Nazareth Village/ Mt. Precipitation



# Israel 2021

## Encounters In Archaeology

Day 8 - October, Friday 8th

### Samaria & Jerusalem

## Day Overview

*The day part by coach and part on foot:  
Into the hills of Samaria for a stop at Shiloh and  
Jacob's well, then return to Jerusalem for overviews.*

### Highlights

#### Shiloh

Travel to this ancient site where Eli the High Priest served and which once housed the Tabernacle - well presented and laid out;

#### Jacob's Well (Sychar)

A little further north to draw water from the original 135 foot well.

#### Jerusalem Overviews

Return to Jerusalem, stop on Mount Scopus to view the Old City from the north; on the Mount of Olives to view from the east, and on the The Tayelet Promenade to view from the south;

#### Mount of Olives

The unique view of the Old City from the east.

#### Dinner & Overnight in JERUSALEM



SITE VISITS: Shiloh/ Sychar/ Mt. Scopus/ Mt. of Olives/ The Tayelet Promenade



# Israel 2021

## Encounters In Archaeology

Day 9 - October, Saturday 9th  
**The Old City & Regions**

### Day Overview

*The best part of the day exploring underground Jerusalem; walking on the city walls; strolling through ancient Biblical Valleys; visiting a village of antiquity.*

### Highlights

#### **Solomon's Quarries**

A seldom visiting site but impressive deep under the Old City Walls.

#### **The City Walls**

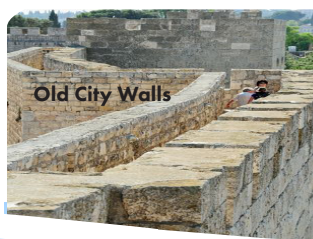
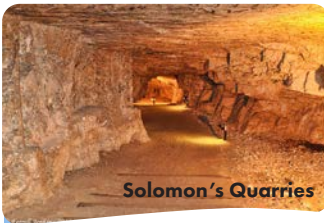
A walk on top of the walls from the Damascus Gate to Zion Gate..

#### **Gehenna & Kidron Valleys**

Strolling down the Gehenna valley east to the 'Potter's Field' and north in the Kedron valley by the City of David and ancient tombs.

#### **Battir Village**

Visit this second-century Jewish village just outside Bethlehem and probably what Bethlehem was in the Gospel period. A UNESCO World Heritage Site  
[Dinner & Overnight in JERUSALEM](#)



SITE VISITS: Solomon's Quarries/ City Wall Walk/ Battir Village

*Israel 2021*  
*Encounters In Archaeology*

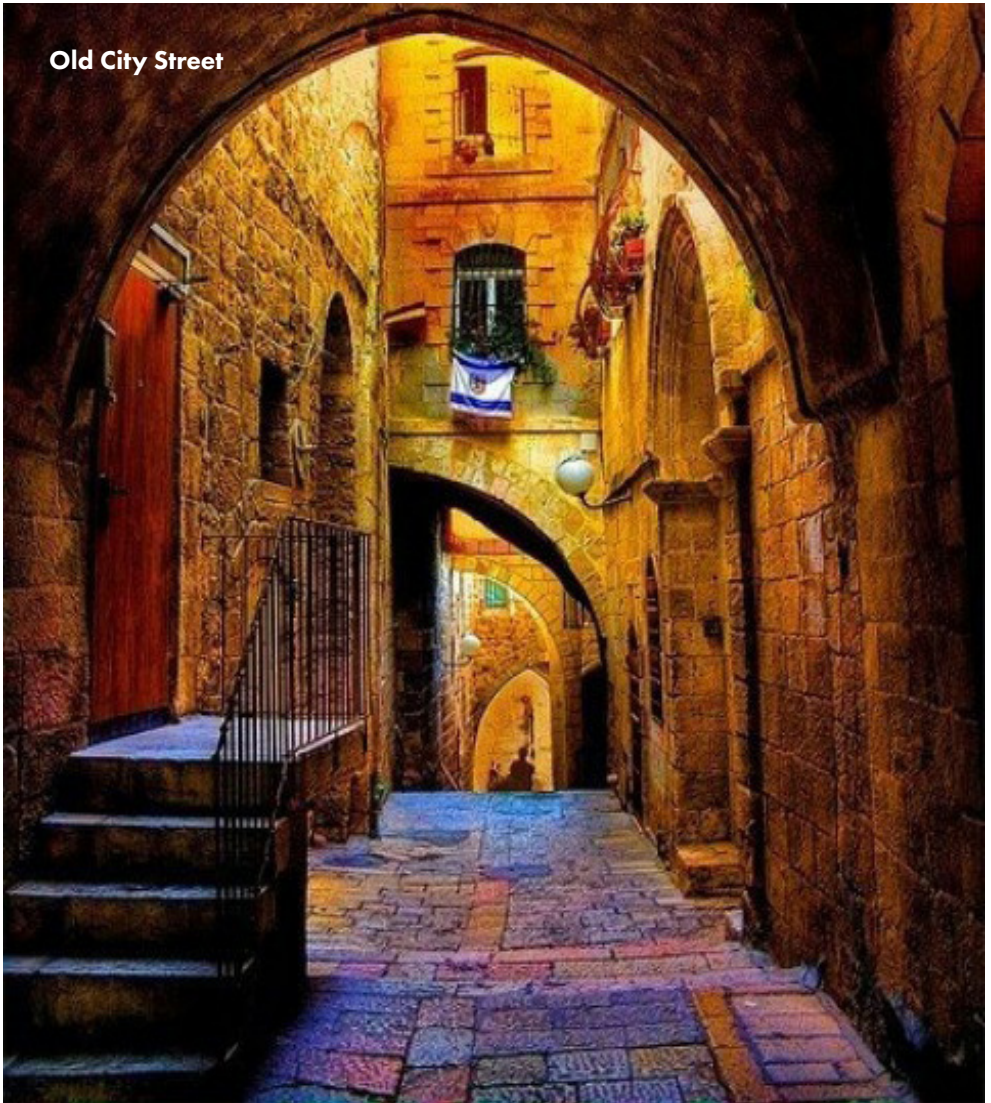
Day 10 - October, Sunday

**Return flight**

Travel to TLV airport for the return flight to the U.S.



**Old City Street**



*Israel 2021*  
*Encounters In Archaeology*

**Planned Hotels**

**TEL AVIV**

**The Grand Beach Hotel**

Off city centre and near to the Marina.



**GALILEE**

**Ein Gev Holiday Village**

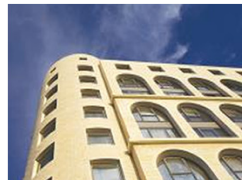
Lakeside setting in classy chalets with landscaped grounds.



**JERUSALEM**

**The Grand Court Hotel**

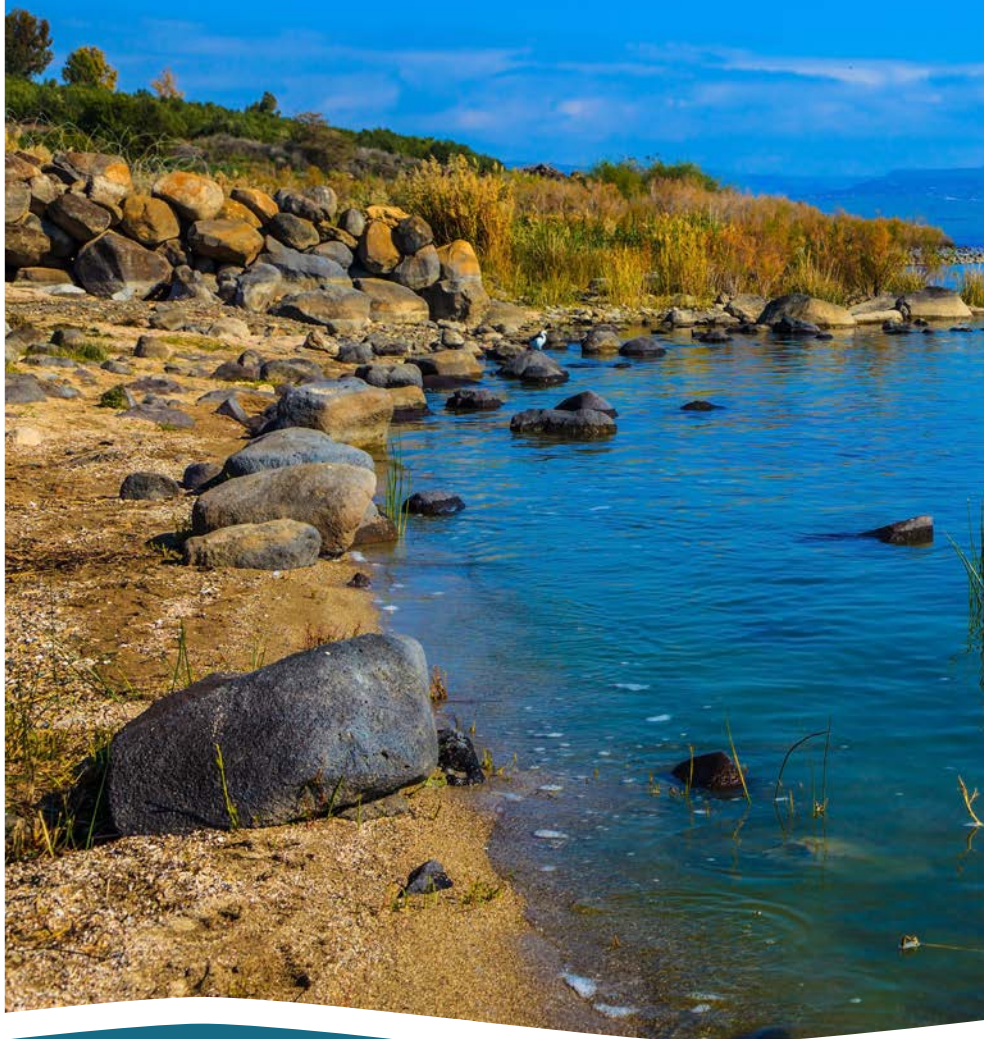
Within a short walk to the Old City and New City.



*Subject to final numbers and rooms required, hotels may change but if so,  
they would be of the same standard.*



Sea of Galilee Northern Shore



Discovering  
**Israel**