



LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Ancient Wonders: Jordan & Israel 2019

13 days from \$8,495

Limited to 18 guests

Behold magnificent Petra in Jordan; roam through Wadi Rum; float in the Dead Sea; privately cruise the Sea of Galilee; and discover ancient and modern Israel, from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv.

### A&K Advantages

Journey through two ancient lands, visiting historic sites and cities and privately cruise on the Sea of Galilee

Explore Petra and take a four-wheel-drive excursion through Jordan's Wadi Rum, a desert of otherworldly proportions

Bathe in the buoyant, mineral-rich Dead Sea

Prepare local Jordanian dishes, led by an experienced chef

Experience the contrasts of ancient and modern Israel with visits to Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jaffa and Tel Aviv

# Itinerary

## DAY 1 ARRIVE AMMAN, JORDAN

Arrive in Amman, transfer to your hotel and enjoy the rest of your day at leisure.

Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea

## DAY 2 AMMAN/JERASH | ANCIENT ROMAN STREETS

Begin with a visit to Jerash, a city founded by Alexander the Great, to marvel at its Greco-Roman ruins. Walk the Roman Cardo, viewing grooves made by chariot wheels. Continue to Amman and, after lunch at a local restaurant, explore the city and its Citadel and Roman Theatre. Tonight, gather for a festive welcome dinner.

Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 3 MOUNT NEBO/MADABA | MIRACULOUS VIEWS

Travel to Mount Nebo, in the footsteps of Moses, for expansive views of the Holy Land. Proceed to Madaba, the famed "City of Mosaics." Stop for lunch at a local restaurant before continuing to your hotel in Petra.

Mövenpick Resort Petra | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## DAY 4 PETRA | FASCINATING ROSE-RED CITY

Spend a full day exploring Petra, passing through the Siq to the majestic Treasury, the Temple of the Winged Lions and the Palace Tomb. Prepare an evening meal with a local chef during a Chef's Table experience.

Mövenpick Resort Petra | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 5 WADI RUM | VALLEY OF THE MOON

Travel to Wadi Rum — the Valley of the Moon — and explore where Lawrence of Arabia lived with his Bedouin allies. At the Dead Sea, take a dip in the mineral-rich waters, enjoying their increased buoyancy.

Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## DAY 6 JERUSALEM, ISRAEL | THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

Cross into Israel and drive to the Mount of Olives for a view over Temple Mount (Al Haram el-Sharif). Visit the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus prayed before his crucifixion. Tour Mahna Yahuda market, enjoying food tastings as lunch. Visit the Israel Museum's Shrine of the Book and Second Temple Model to view a portion of the Dead Sea Scrolls. Check in and dine at your hotel's restaurant.

The King David | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 7 JERUSALEM | EPICENTER OF FAITHS

Tour the Old City, first stopping at the Western Wall, one of Judaism's most sacred sites. View the Temple Mount area with its Dome of the Rock. After lunch at a local café, stroll the Via Dolorosa, where Jesus carried the cross, arriving at the recently renovated Church of the Holy Sepulchre, traditional site of Jesus' crucifixion, burial and resurrection. As your day ends, view the city's skyline with a Scenic Sundowner.

The King David | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## DAY 8 JERUSALEM/BETHLEHEM | YAD VASHEM MEMORIAL

Visit Yad Vashem, Israel's memorial to Holocaust victims. Drive to Bethlehem, located in the West Bank, to visit the Church of the Nativity. Dine tonight at a top restaurant in Jerusalem.

The King David | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 9 MASADA | ZEALOT STRONGHOLD & THE QUMRAN CAVES

Visit Masada, taking a cable car up to the final stronghold, where Jewish Zealots made their last stand against the Romans. Later, stop at the Qumran Caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found in 1947. Return to Jerusalem.

The King David | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## DAY 10 ACRE/NAZARETH | JESUS' BOYHOOD TOWN

Drive to Acre to see the Crusader Halls, markets and old town. Journey to Jesus' boyhood town of Nazareth. After lunch, visit the Church of the Annunciation. Continue to Tiberias and your hotel. Prior to dinner, experience an artisanal wine talk organized by a professional sommelier.

Scots Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 11 SEA OF GALILEE | IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS

Enjoy a private boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, stopping at Capernaum to view St. Peter's house and the synagogue where Jesus taught. Visit the Mount of Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount. After lunch, drive to the Golan Heights to learn about the rich history and strategic importance of this rugged landscape, before continuing to Banias. Gather tonight for a special farewell dinner.

Scots Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAYS 12–13 CAESAREA/JAFFA/TEL AVIV | ARTIST QUARTER

Visit Caesarea, where St. Paul was taken prisoner. Tour Tel Aviv, and stop at the vibrant artist colony of Jaffa. The next day, transfer to the Tel Aviv airport for your



departing flight.

Dan Tel Aviv Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (Day 12), Breakfast (Day 13)

## Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Availability
Dec 12 - Dec 24, 2019	\$8,495	\$3,695	Waitlist - Call A&K

### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2.

Last group event: arrival in Tel Aviv at 5:30 p.m on Day 12.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).