ITINERARY - JULY 2ND-23RD



<u>Day 1 - July 2nd -Departure from the U.S.</u>

Depart for Los Angeles

Check in with JSU, meet staff and fellow participants

Orientation and icebreakers at the airport



<u>Day 4 - Exploring the Golan Heights</u>

Hike across the Elal River

Rappelling adventure in the Golan Heights

Prepare for Shabbat



Day 2 - Arrival & first steps in Israel

Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport, Tel Aviv

Welcome Ceremony at the Western Wall, Jerusalem

Travel North



<u>Day 5 - Shabbat (rest & reflection)</u>

Shabbat meal

Educational program & discussion

Walking tour in the area

Evening service & havdalah



<u>Day 3 - Adventure & volunteering</u>

Build and race rafts on the Kinneret

Hike down the Arbel Cliff

Volunteer at a local kibbutz farm



Day 6 - Nature & reflection

Hike the famous Yehudiyah trek

Golan Heights experience & Kesem HaGolan

Visit an IDF base and prepare meals for soldiers



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<u>Day 7 - Golan Heights & giving back</u>

Water hike down the Jilabun Canyon

Lookout from the volcanic Mount Ben Tal and former Syrian bunker

Volunteering to help farms affected by October 7th



<u>Day 10 - Historical sites & volunteering</u>

Hike Kziv Crossing to Monfort Castle

Explore Rosh Hanikra grottoes via cable car

Volunteer in a kibbutz to help restore homes

Late afternoon tour of Akko, Tunisian synagogue, and seaport



<u>Day 8 - Biblical land & volunteering</u>

Mount Gilboa hike – Biblical reenactment of King Saul's battle

Nachal Hakibutzim water hike

Bike ride in the Gilboa

Visit displaced families from the Gaza border



Day 11 - Free Shabbat to visit friends/family

Drop-off at OU Israel Center or Tel Aviv train station



<u>Day 9 - Spiritual & cultural exploration</u>

Tour the mystical city of Tzfat & its artist colonies Visit the new STAM center, meet a Torah scribe

Panoramic view from Mount Meron



<u>Day 12 - Free Shabbat to visit friends/family</u>

Return to the group after Shabbat



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<u>Day 13 - Border visit & volunteer impact</u>

Tour the border with Lebanon – Meet the citizens and soldiers living and serving in Misgav Am

Volunteer at a Kibbutz near the border

Lunch with IDF Soldiers – Bring care packages

Unwind with an exciting water adventure



Day 16 - Remembrance & legacy

Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum

Mount Herzl – IDF cemetery and national leaders section



Day 14 - Strength & service

Visit Pki'in and cave of Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai

Volunteer in a hospital assisting patients and families

Swim in the Kinneret

Cruise on the Kinneret



<u>Day 17-19 - IDF Gadna Bootcamp</u>

Experience a realistic IDF training simulation

Physical training, group drills, leadership exercises

Learn discipline, teamwork, and military values

Meet IDF soldiers and hear about their experiences



<u>Day 15 - Explore Jerusalem & JSU mega event</u>

City of David tour - Biblical Jerusalem

Kotel Tunnel Tour

JSU Mega Event – Celebrate with teens from around the world



<u>Day 20 - Tel Aviv & social impact</u>

Guided tour of Independence Hall

Rabin Square – Israeli politics discussion

Modern Tel Aviv exploration

Visit kids awaiting heart surgery at Save a Child's Heart

Leket Israel – Pick vegetables for soup



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Day 21 - Judean Desert & Masada

Ein Gedi Oasis hike

Float in the Dead Sea

Tour Masada, Herod's fortress

Overnight in a Bedouin tent



Day 22 - Negev Desert

Camel trek in the Negev

Sde Boker – Home of David Ben Gurion

Machtesh Gadol crater tour



<u>July 23rd - Final reflections & departure</u>

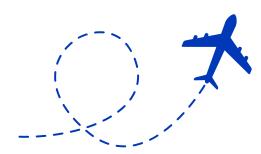
Final shopping & farewell banquet at OU Center

Travel to Ben Gurion Airport

Depart for Los Angeles



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