

ABCD Tour

The Palestine Marathon, Jerusalem & the West Bank
£825.00

20TH - 24TH MARCH 2019

ORGANISED BY 'ACTION AROUND BETHLEHEM CHILDREN WITH DISABILITY'



THE DEPOSITS AND FULLY COMPLETED BOOKINGS FOR THIS TOUR ARE DUE
BEFORE FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2018

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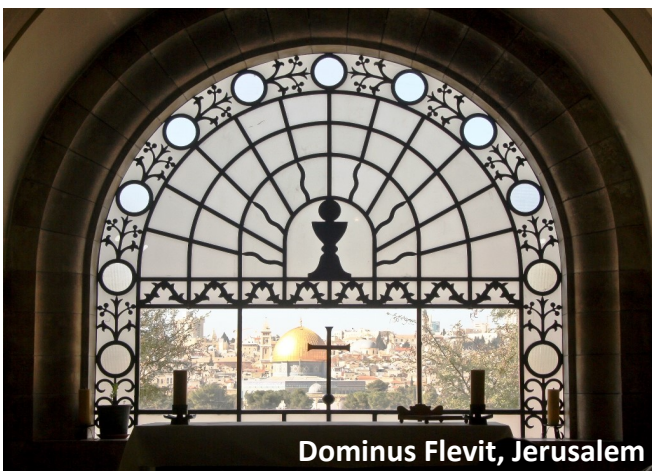


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Wednesday 20th March 2019

LONDON LUTON / TEL AVIV BEN GURION AIRPORT / BETHLEHEM

Fly from London Luton to Tel Aviv Ben Gurion on a direct scheduled Easy Jet service EZY2083 departing at 07:15 hours and arriving at 14:15 hours. You will have one hand luggage and one check in luggage per person. Please note that a meal is not included / served on the flight. However, refreshments can be purchased at the airport or on board the flight. Meeting and assistance upon arrival. Transfer to your hotel in Bethlehem for check in, dinner* and overnight stay. *Please note that a hot buffet is served until 21:00 hours. After this time a cold platter is provided.*



Dominus Flevit, Jerusalem

Thursday 21st March 2019

JERUSALEM

This morning, we drive to the top of the Mount of Olives. Here, we will have a panoramic view of Jerusalem and receive an explanation from our guide. We will visit the Place of the Ascension before we ascend the Mount of Olives by foot and visit the Pater Noster Church. Continue to the Gethsemane, where we visit the Basilica of the Agony. We then walk from the foot of the Mount of Olives to Mount Sion where we will visit the Cenacle, the site of the last supper and the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu where we remember Peter's denial of Jesus. **Lunch in Jerusalem at Petra**



The Old City, Jerusalem

Gardens at 12:30 hours (included). In the afternoon we will take a walking tour of the Old City of Jerusalem starting at the Pools of Bethesda and St. Anne's and walking the Stations of the Cross ending at the Holy Sepulchre. We will view the Holy Tomb of Jesus. **Time permitting** it may be possible to visit inside the Holy Tomb. We then return to Bethlehem for dinner and overnight stay.

Friday 22nd March 2019

THE PALESTINE MARATHON / BETHLEHEM, ARAB SOCIETY FOR REHABILITATION (BASR)

After breakfast we will head to Manger Square for the Palestine Marathon. The marathon is a fundraising event in conjunction with ABCD. For more information and if you are interested in taking part, please check the information on the website <http://abcdbethlehem.org/palestine-marathon-2019> and contact ABCD directly (*Please note participation fees are not included in the tour price*). We then return to the hotel in order to shower and refresh ourselves before we proceed to BASR, 'Bethlehem Arab Society for Rehabilitation, one of ABCD's West Bank partners' for a visit organised by ABCD. **We will have a late lunch at BASR (included by ABCD).** We then spend the afternoon at BASR, where we will be celebrating the opening of the sensory garden funded by ABCD. Dinner and overnight stay at our hotel in Bethlehem.

Saturday 23rd March 2019

BETHLEHEM / JALAZONE

After breakfast, we depart Bethlehem and drive to Jalazone refugee camp (this visit will be arranged by ABCD, please contact them directly for further details).

Lunch in Jalazone (included by ABCD). In the afternoon we will remain in Jalazone for our visits. Later in the afternoon, we return to Bethlehem for dinner and overnight stay.

Sunday 24th March

BETHLEHEM / TEL AVIV BEN GURION / LONDON LUTON

This morning you will be free for your own activities in Bethlehem. We will check out of our hotel (luggage to be stored at the hotel). We will then meet at the hotel reception at 13:00 hours and transfer to **the**

Tent restaurant in Bethlehem for our farewell lunch at 13:30 hours (included).

In the afternoon, we transfer to Tel Aviv Ben Gurion airport for our return flights to London Luton on E22086 departing at 19:35 hours and arriving at 23:10 hours.

Please note that the last days activities are subject to flight times permitting.

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Due to the considerable walking on uneven places and steps to climb during the tour, anyone applying must be reasonably fit to do so. The excursions in this pilgrimage are not suitable for people with walking difficulties. The tour may also involve walking on unpaved paths and trails. For further advice, please ask your guide or Tour Leader for advice.

EASYJET IS A LOW COST AIRLINE. THE AIRFARE THEY DEMAND ON LINE, AT THE TIME OF BOOKING, IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANCY AND PROXIMITY TO DEPARTURE DATE. TO GUARANTEE A PLACE ON THIS DEPARTURE, BASED ON THE TOUR PRICE ADVERTISED, WE STRONGLY ADVISE YOU TO BOOK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. LATE BOOKINGS MAY ATTRACT A FLIGHT SURCHARGE. ANY INCREASE IN AIRFARE ABOVE OUR BUDGET, WILL BE PASSED ON TO YOU. IN SUCH AN EVENT YOU WILL BE OFFERED A CHOICE EITHER TO PAY THE SURCHARGE AND PROCEED WITH YOUR BOOKING OR WITHDRAW.

The flights and accommodation information in this brochure are provisional and should be treated as such. Hotels, carriers, airports and flights schedule can change without prior notice. We cannot be held responsible for any travel or transportation arrangements you personally undertake with a third party in conjunction with the flights and accommodation information provided in this brochure. Final flight and accommodation details will be supplied three weeks before departure.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

THE TOUR PRICE OF £825 INCLUDES:

- ◇ Return direct flights from London Luton to Tel Aviv with Easy Jet. You will be allocated one 23kg check in luggage per person and one hand luggage per person. **A meal is not served inflight**
- ◇ Meeting & assistance on arrival at London Luton Airport and arrival and departure at Tel Aviv
- ◇ Hotel accommodation in excellent tourist class accommodation on half board basis for four nights at the Manger Square Hotel (<https://mangersquarehotel.business.site/>) or similar. Rates are based on sharing a double / twin room. All rooms will be with private facilities.
- ◇ 2 lunches as per your itinerary provided by Special Pilgrimages, 2 lunches provided by ABCD as per your itinerary
- ◇ The services of an official fully licensed local excellent English speaking guide for the duration of your tour (airport to airport)
- ◇ All transfers and transportation in deluxe and air-conditioned tourist motor coaches as per your itinerary.
- ◇ Porterage and tips for hotel staff, a nominal tip for your guide and driver in the Holy Land
- ◇ Entrance fees as outlined in your itinerary.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE:

- ◇ Single room supplement **£130** per person
- ◇ Insurance; **£48** per person for those under the age of 65 at the end of the tour and **£70** per person for those over the age of 65 at the end of the tour. Children under 16 will receive 50% discount on the paid adult insurance rate
- ◇ Inflight meals, lunches unless specified under 'included' beverages and refreshments
- ◇ Items of a personal nature, e.g. laundry, telephone, bar bills etc.
- ◇ Any Passport and Visa Costs



Bookings made within 12 weeks from departure may incur an extra administration charge of at least £50 per person

Children 0 – 2 years of age inclusive at the end of travel: - £50.00 administrative fee only payable. They will not have their own seat on the plane and subject to sharing a room with 2 adults.

Children 2 – 12 years of age inclusive at the end of travel: - 10% discount when sharing a room with 2 adults.

Please note that this tour will not be cancelled unless the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office bans all travel to / from Israel and / or BA, El Al Israel Airlines or other airlines stop flying to and from Tel Aviv to the United Kingdom for political or security reasons

Departure based on a minimum of 20 pilgrims
Exchange rate £1 = \$1.35

HOW TO BOOK

Please complete the enclosed booking form in full and in BLOCK CAPITALS, which should be returned together with the **non-refundable deposit of £375.00** per person made payable to Special Pilgrimages Ltd and the travel insurance premium of **£48.00 / £70.00** as applicable if our travel insurance is required. **We have no third party acting on our behalf as sub agent for this tour and we will not accept responsibility for any money paid to third parties.**

SINGLE ROOMS

Single rooms are available at an extra cost of **130.00** for the duration of your pilgrimage and are subject to availability and to our confirmation. **If you are booking on your own and request to share a twin room, we will do our best to find you a suitable person to share with. In the event that we fail to do so by 3 weeks before your departure, we will charge you the single room supplement and allocate you a single room.**

TRAVEL INSURANCE

You will find our travel insurance benefits, conditions and exclusions, together with our booking conditions and cancellation charges enclosed with this brochure. They are applicable to all our pilgrimages. **If you have your own travel insurance, we need sight of a copy of your valid policy showing the policy reference, the valid from date, expiry date, premium paid if applicable at the time of booking. We will also need the insurance company's emergency contact number. Please ensure that we are provided with all the required details in case there is an emergency and we need to call the insurance company on your behalf.**

If you are not taking our insurance you must please send in with your booking form and deposit a copy of your travel Insurance for our records. This is in line with the package travel regulations 1992. If you have bank / credit card insurance or annual travel insurance that expires before departure please fill in the travel insurance policy request form as directed.

PASSPORTS & VISAS

You will require a full ten-year international passport for your pilgrimage. **Your passport must be valid for a further 6 months at the date of travel.** If you do not hold a British passport you must inform us on your booking form under the relevant section. **Visas for entry to Israel may be required for non British / E.U. passport holders.**

FINAL BALANCE

Final payment is due **TWELVE weeks** before you travel. **If we do not receive your full payment by the date shown on your remittance slip we shall assume that you are no longer travelling and we shall cancel your place with loss of your deposit. A reminder will not be issued.**

All the flights and flight-inclusive holidays in this brochure are financially protected by the ATOL scheme. When you pay you will be supplied with an ATOL Certificate. Please ask for it and check to ensure that everything you booked (flights, hotels and other services) is listed on it. Please see our booking conditions for further information or for more information about financial protection and the ATOL Certificate go to:

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