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HOTEL INFORMATION

TEL AVIV

KARMIEL / MISGAV

Isrotel Royal Beach Tel Aviv Hayarkon 19 Tel Aviv-Yafo, Israel **Amirey Hagalil Boutique Hotel** Near Amirim Village Amirim, Israel

SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024 | TRANSITIONING TO ISRAEL

DAY 1

Arrival at Ben Gurion Airport

The Jewish Arrival at Ben Gurion airport. Your VIP agent will be waiting to greet you at the sleeve of the plane. After assisting with arrival procedures and collecting your baggage, you will be taken to meet your driver.

Head to Tel Aviv

Opening dinner

Overnight: ISROTEL ROYAL BEACH TEL AVIV

MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2024 | INNOVATION UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

DAY 2

Breakfast at the Royal Beach Hotel

Discussion on Clandestine Aliyah by Arielle di Porto with the Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI)

Meting with Jessica Steinberg the culture editor at the Times of Israel, covering Israeli life, culture, food, travel and business.

The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) 'Photography with Joy' Holocaust survivors present photographs that explore themes of courage during the Holocaust, love, Jewish existence, and life itself. The "Photography with Joy" program utilizes photography as a therapeutic tool for Holocaust survivors to cope with the traumas of their past and share their stories.

Entrepreneurs' Talk led by Gal Inbar Executive Director of 412×972 Pittsburgh Israel Innovation Inc. Gal designs services to connect Pittsburgh and Israeli businesses, assists these businesses in structuring ongoing business relations, and manages relationships with partner organizations and funders.

Lunch

Graffiti Tour Explore Florentine through an urban graffiti tour. What stories do these images and words tell us about the people living here? What is unique about graffiti in Israel and in Tel Aviv specifically? We will walk through Florentine, the neighborhood of Tel Aviv- best known for graffiti art, to answer these questions and many more during this dynamic and inquisitive tour.

Afternoon visit to JDC's Save a Child's Heart (SACH) SACH saves the lives of critically ill children suffering from heart disease in countries where access to pediatric heart care is limited or nonexistent. Through bringing children to Israel for medical care, performing missions abroad, and training medical personnel, they are bringing hope to families, communities, and countries. You will meet with the kids, play with them and hear about the organization. A donation has been included as well.

Dinner accompanied by Adeena Sussman the author of Sababa. She is the co-author of fourteen cookbooks, including three New York Times bestselling collaborations with Chrissy Teigen. She cooks and writes from her kitchen in Tel Aviv, where she lives in the shadow of the city's Carmel Market with her husband, Jay Shofet.

Overnight: ISROTEL ROYAL BEACH TEL AVIV

Breakfast at the Royal Beach Hotel & check out

American-German Colony walking tour In 1866, a group of 150 Christian Americans from Maine and the New England region, led by the eccentric (some say charlatan) preacher George Adams, left the United States, where the Civil War had just ended. They carried with them their faith, and the materials to rebuild their houses in the Holy Land, sailing 42 days to the disease-ridden Middle East. Join a fascinating journey that weaves its way through religious fervor, nationalistic jingoism, renewal and modern speculation to create a uniquely Tel Aviv neighborhood. Today, the neighborhood has both crumbling ruins and new villas- meticulously preserved 150 year old homes next to four-story buildings with luxury apartments. Visit the Maine Friendship House and Immanuel Church, walk through the surprising streets, and learn the stories of the place.

Meeting and Discussion with Danny Dannon an Israeli Member of Knesset (MK) from the Likud party and former Ambassador to the United Nations.

Succulent Sessions Meet Israeli musicians at Succulent Sessions, the juiciest live sessions format fresh out of Tel Aviv, based in Maze 4, the social entrepreneurship center of Tel Aviv.

Depart Tel Aviv for Karmiel/Misgav

Tour Atlit Immigration Camp A visit to Atlit takes you back in time to the harrowing experiences of clandestine immigrants to Palestine, many of them Holocaust survivors, who were incarcerated during the British Mandate at the Atlit detention camp. The camp was reconstructed based on reports of those who were held there.

Dinner at Kishor Winery a unique boutique winery with a vineyard, new visitor center, and unique activity incorporating people with special needs.

Check in to the Amirey Hagalil Boutique Hotel

Overnight: AMIREY HAGALIL HOTEL

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024 | A MOSAIC OF CREATIVITY AND CULTURE

DAY 4

Breakfast at Amirey Hagalil

Visit Partnership2Gether region of Karmiel and Misgav

Cooking workshop with a local Druze family Together with your hosts in their private home, prepare traditional Druze Galilean dishes and then enjoy a lunch of the foods you create. Learn about Druze culture and history from your hosts and from the food you eat.

Kibbutz Contemporary Dance Company (KCDC) connect with authentic kibbutz life, including kibbutz tours in Israel, unique attractions, stores, museums, workshops, dining, nightlife and kibbutz hosts – real people living on kibbutzim, eager to share with you a part of their special lives in a community unlike any other in the world. Prepare for a special kibbutz tour to experience the real Israel.

Sunset tour of Shfar'am synagogue and the Old City along the Sanhedrin Trail led by Dr. Hagi Amitzur - walk in the path of Shvil HaSanhedrin. The Sanhedrin trail, which at c. 70 kilometers is slated to be among the longest trails in Israel, will be divided into five segments that can be covered during the course of five days of walking. It will be suitable for families and will also include circular routes. The "smart" trail will communicate with the hikers using an innovative, augmented reality-based application that will create an extraordinary and first of its kind travel experience on the trail

Dinner at Havat Rom A visit to a magical organic farm, located on a mountain with a beautiful view of Meron Mountain. This is an agricultural organic farm, where they use ancient knowledge along with modern tools. Enjoy a farm to table meal.

Overnight: AMIREY HAGALIL HOTEL

THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2024 | ENSURING THE FUTURE

DAY 5

Breakfast at leisure at Amirey Hagalil with late check out

Visit our Partnership2Gether region of Karmiel and Misgav

Lunch on route

Mehva Alon Army Base (Pending approval) Michve Allon is a training base of the IDF Education and Youth Corps. It is named for Yigal Allon. The base operates an ulpan (Hebrew language school) for soldiers whose Hebrew is deemed insufficient by the IDF. It accepts new immigrants, Druze and Bedouin soldiers, who study Hebrew together with basic training.

Ghetto Fighters House

Farewell early dinner at Harduf Organic Vegetarian Restaurant Lunch at Harduf's organic vegetarian restaurant. Kibbutz Harduf specializes in education, social therapy and rehabilitation, medicine, arts, agriculture and organic food. Harduf's current population consists of 600 people, of which about 150 are people and children with special needs, who live in the four rehabilitative homes.

Drive south towards the airport for departures

^{*}Please note that the itinerary is subject to change based on timing, weather and security considerations.