

WEATHER: While there is no way to predict the weather, we can offer the following averages: Spring-70 degrees; Summer-85 degrees; Fall-70 degrees; and Winter-55 degrees. The desert regions will be at least 10 degrees warmer.

SUMMER PACKING SUGGESTIONS

MEN: Day – Shorts or light pants and “T” shirts or short sleeve polos and bathing suits; sneakers, thongs and/or old sneakers for water activities. Remember to pack swim shoes; do not forget sunscreen!

Evening – Pants, (light weight), jeans, shorts for casual nights, slacks, sport shirt. Sweaters for evenings in Jerusalem.

WOMEN: Day – Shorts, light pants, skirt and “T” shirts or short sleeve tops; wrap around skirt; bathing suits; sneakers and old sneakers for water activities. Remember to pack swim shoes; do not forget sunscreen!

Evening – Shorts, pants, skirt or dress for casual evenings. Sweaters for evenings in Jerusalem

WINTER PACKING SUGGESTIONS

MEN: Day – Sweats, jeans, warm-ups, heavy sweaters and winter jacket, “T” shirts, bathing suit, umbrella.

Evening – Jeans, slacks, sport shirts and sweaters. Sport coat optional.

WOMEN: Day – Sweats, jeans, warm-ups, heavy sweaters and winter jacket, “T” shirts, tops, bathing suit, umbrella.

Evening – Jeans, slacks and tops, sweater or blazer

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BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE:

Suitcases: 1 per person, not to exceed 50 lbs measuring up to 62 linear inches (length + height + width).

Carry On Luggage: 1 per person—not to exceed 17 lbs. for El Al and European Carriers and 40 lbs. for American Carriers. Can measure up to 45 linear inches (length + height + width).

CARRY ON LUGGAGE:

Liquids, aerosols and gels, in limited quantities, are safe to bring aboard an aircraft. Each traveler is allowed one bag in order to limit the total volume of liquids, aerosols and gels. Consolidating products into one bag and X-raying them separately from the carry-on bag enables security officers to quickly clear all items.

3-1-1 for carry-ons = 3.4 ounce (100ml) bottle or less (by volume); 1 quart-sized, clear plastic, zip-top bag; 1 bag per passenger placed in screening bin. One-quart bag per person limits the total liquid volume each traveler can bring. 3.4 ounce (100ml) container size is a security measure.

Be prepared. Each time TSA searches a carry-on it slows down the line. Practicing 3-1-1 will ensure a faster and easier checkpoint experience. If in doubt, put your liquids in checked luggage.

Declare larger liquids. Medications, baby formula and food, and breast milk are allowed in reasonable quantities exceeding 3.4 ounces and are not required to be in the zip-top bag. Declare these items for inspection at the checkpoint. Officers may need to open these items to conduct additional screening.

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Travel Tips

for your trip to

ISRAEL

GENERAL INFORMATION

Make two (2) copies of your passport. Leave one at home and pack the other in your suitcase. Be sure to have the original in hand.

**Please be at the airport at least
3 hours before departure.**

Please make sure all luggage, including carry-on and camera bags, are well identifiable with your tags as well as ours. It is a good idea to include your name, address and phone number inside your luggage. Passengers with domestic flights should reclaim their bags prior to check-in. At check-in, make sure that you have as many claim checks as bags checked.

**THERE IS NO SMOKING ON ANY
AIRLINE FLIGHT OR ON THE
TOUR BUS**

**NO SPECIAL VISA IS REQUIRED FOR
ADMISSION TO ISRAEL FOR CITIZENS FROM
THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA**

**NO SPECIAL SHOTS ARE REQUIRED FOR
ADMISSION TO ISRAEL FROM THE UNITED
STATES AND CANADA**

**PLEASE BE ADVISED, ISRAEL REQUIRES
THAT YOUR PASSPORT BE VALID FOR A
MINIMUM OF SIX MONTHS FROM DATE OF
ARRIVAL IN ISRAEL.**

UPON ARRIVAL IN ISRAEL

You will have filled out an immigration card on the plane for passport control. Have this card and your passport ready to be stamped. After passport control, get a luggage cart and claim your luggage. Your CORAL representative will be waiting to greet and assist you. Airport transfers are only provided when you are traveling with the group, unless it is required and paid separately for pre-arrivals or post departures. No refunds can be granted for any unused accommodations or services.

Sightseeing, schedules and hotels may be changed at any time due to reasons beyond our control. The final daily itinerary will be issued in Israel.

Don't pack your camera. Take it on board and buy more memory cards and batteries than you think you will need. If you are bringing video equipment with you, please keep your camera inside your camera case until you are on the tour bus. **DO NOT USE YOUR VIDEO CAMERA AT THE AIRPORT!**

DRINKS: Water is safe to drink in hotels and restaurants. Bottled water is easy to purchase along the way, as well as soda & other drinks. Remember to drink a lot of water, especially after a long flight and whenever it is very hot. Breakfasts and dinners includes coffee and tea. There will be a charge for all other beverages. Remember to charge them to your room to avoid vat tax.

HOTEL INFORMATION: Most hotels provide hair dryers in their rooms. Israel's voltage is 220. Converters and outlet adapters can be purchased from Radio Shack, AAA Travel, luggage stores and department stores. Look at your items which will use electricity. Some shavers, camera battery chargers, etc., already have converters. They may use either 110 or 220 volts. One adapter is all that you may need. It will have 2 round prongs that the hotel will have outlets to accommodate.

Dry cleaning and laundry service is available at the hotels at an extra charge. Laundromats are available nearby. Make use of the safe deposit boxes available at all hotels. Keep extra travelers checks, jewelry, tickets, etc. in the box and remember to empty it at checkout.

If possible, please check out of the hotel the night before departure, after you know that there will not be any more charges to your room(s). This will avoid long lines in the morning and you will not hold up the group. You must check out even if you did not make any charges to your room.

VAT: If you order extras at the hotel, (lunch, beverages, etc.), charge everything to your room to avoid the vat (value added tax). Tourists are exempt from the vat when paying in foreign currency (i.e. travelers checks, credit cards, cash, etc.). Purchases over \$100.00 in value are entitled to a refund of vat at departure. Remember to take a copy of your passport, or your passport number with you when making large purchases. The place of business will pack your merchandise properly and make sure you have the correct receipt. The purchase will be stapled shut and cannot be opened until you leave the country. Please check with your guide for detailed information on this procedure.

MONEY: All hotels, but not all businesses, accept American Express. Visa and MasterCard are the cards of choice in Israel. As the credit card companies have

instituted extensive fraud protections, it is a good idea to notify your credit card company that you will be overseas and that you may be using your credit card to avoid any chance they will think someone is fraudulently using your card. It is not necessary to exchange money before departure, as you can do this at the hotel at check-in or at any exchange point. We suggest you take enough money to pay for items that are not included such as: tips, lunches, snacks, beverages, postcards, stamps, room service, laundry, taxi, souvenirs, and other items. The average person spends about \$400 on a 10-12 Day tour in Israel. Lunches are purchased en route on your own; you may wish to plan \$8 - \$10 per day. Suggested tipping (if not included in the tour) is \$12 per person per day (\$6.00 for the guide, \$3.00 for the driver and \$3.00 for the hotel staff).

TRAVEL INSURANCE: We recommend that all passengers traveling abroad purchase travel insurance either through us or someone else. See Travel Insurance Certificate for complete details. Travel Insurance benefits are administered by: Trip Mate, Inc.(in CA, dba Trip Mate Insurance Agency), 9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO, 6411, 1-800-888-7292, To review full plan details online, go to: www.tripmate.com/wpF418C

COMPUTERS AND LAPTOPS: You can bring your own laptop or use the public computer in the lobbies of most hotels in Israel. There is usually a fee of about \$10 per day for access, and some areas are wireless – either complimentary or for a small fee. The new Ben Gurion Airport is free wireless. It is best to buy a small adapter plug (for the Middle East) to put on the end of your electrical cord, so it will fit into the sockets in Israel. This will save your battery life, either in the hotel or elsewhere and keep you online.

PRESCRIPTION MEDICINES: Pack your medicine in the original bottle and bring some in your carry-on bag. Be sure to pack enough of your prescription medications to last through the tour. If you have medications which need to be refrigerated, you must inform our office prior to departure so we can make the appropriate arrangements with the airlines and hotels.

RESTROOMS: In Israel the buses do not have restrooms, but sufficient stops will be made for the comfort of our passengers.