

# Tour ISRAEL via Egypt and Sinai led by RADIO PULPIT CEO Karel & Jonelda Verhoef

28 April – 10 May 2023  
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## ITINERARY – OUTLINED SCHEDULE

(B)-Breakfast (L)-Lunch (D)-Dinner (\*)-Meal on board the aircraft

### Day 1: Friday, 28 April JOHANNESBURG – CAIRO

Meet at the O.R Tambo International airport Egyptair check-in counter at 18:00. Depart Johannesburg at 21:45 for Cairo. Overnight **FLIGHT (D\*)**

### Day 2: Saturday, 29 April CAIRO

Early morning arrival at 05:35 in Cairo. Meet your tour guide and bus driver. Visits include the Church on the Rubbish Dump, Pyramids and Sphinx, Felukka sailing on the river Nile. Afternoon at leisure. Overnight **CAIRO (B\*)(D)**

### Day 3: Sunday, 30 April CAIRO – SINAI – ST CATHERINES

Transfer via Suez canal and the Sinai desert to Mount Sinai. Opportunity to hike up Mount Sinai to view and enjoy the sunset from the chapel on the summit. Overnight **ST CATHERINES (B)(D)**

### Day 4: Monday, 01 May ST CATHERINES – TABA

St Catherines Monastery visit. Transfer via Nuweiba to Taba. Overnight **TABA (B)(D)**

### Day 5: Tuesday, 02 May TABA

Boat cruise on the Red Sea. Opportunity to swim in the Red Sea. Balance of the day at leisure at your hotel on the Red Sea shore. Overnight **TABA (B)(D)**

### Day 6: Wednesday, 03 May TABA – DEAD SEA

Cross the border into Israel. Visits include the Timna park Tabernacle in the Wilderness, Masada cable-way. Overnight at the **DEAD SEA (B)(D)**

### Day 7: Thursday, 04 May DEAD SEA – GALILEE

Ein Gedi, Qumran, Betabara baptismal site, Nazareth Church of Annunciation, Joseph's grotto, Mary's well. Overnight **TIBERIAS (B)(D)**

### Day 8: Friday, 05 May GALILEE

Jesus Boat Museum, Cruise on the Sea of Galilee, Mount of the Beatitudes, Tabgha, Mensa Christi, Capernaum. Overnight **TIBERIAS (B)(D)**

### Day 9: Saturday, 06 May GALILEE – BETHLEHEM

Mount Carmel, Megiddo, Caesarea, Bethlehem birth church and Shepherds' fields. Overnight **BETHLEHEM (B)(D)**

### Day 10: Sunday, 07 May BETHLEHEM – JERUSALEM

Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Peter in Gallicantu known as Caiaphas' house, City of David, Wailing Wall. Overnight **JERUSALEM (B)(D)**

### Day 11: Monday, 08 May JERUSALEM

Pool of Bethesda, Via Dolorosa known as the way of the Cross ending at the traditional Golgotha, Upper room. Opportunity to visit the Yad Vashem Holocaust museum. Overnight **JERUSALEM (B)(D)**

### Day 12: Tuesday, 09 May JERUSALEM – BEN GURION AIRPORT

Garden Tomb communion, view of Golgotha hill, Ben Yehuda street leisure time. Transfer to the airport for the 19:50 flight for arrival in Cairo local time at 20:15. Connect to the 23:10 flight for Johannesburg. Overnight **FLIGHT (B)(D\*)**

### Day 13: Wednesday, 10 May JOHANNESBURG

Touch-down at the OR Tambo International Airport is at 07:10 **(B\*)**

**TOUR PRICE: R39,980 per person** (subject to the US Dollar exchange rate / airfare increases)

Tour price calculation - **Special group airfare: R8,870** (including check-in luggage, fuel surcharge and taxes)

**Land arrangements: R31,110 / US\$1,830**

Rates will be covered by the service providers up to a value of R17,00 to the US Dollar. The Rand value of our tour price will be adjusted when balance payment is due, in the unforeseen event of the Rand devaluating against the US Dollar. Please make provision and allow for a Rand value fluctuation in the tour price of approximately R1,830 for every R1,00 fluctuation to the US Dollar. Rates are based on a minimum of **48 passengers** travelling together

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Travel insurance is strongly recommended and can be purchased via our office. Due to the limited number of seats available on this tour, your reservation and deposit is required as soon as possible to secure your space. Tour price is based on a minimum of 48 passengers travelling together. Reservation will be handled strictly on a first-come first-served basis and all rates are subject to availability at the time of booking. All rates are subject to availability at the time of booking and currency fluctuations.

**MONEY MATTERS:** A non-refundable deposit of **R6,500 per person plus R1,230 travel insurance for passengers aged under 70, or R2,930 for under 80's** is required to confirm your reservation. Travel insurance needs to be paid together with your deposit in order to secure the maximum benefit the travel policy offers. The balance of the tour price is due **8 weeks** prior to departure, upon which the exchange rate of the day will apply. Please ensure that your funds are available at this time as balance payment is due 72 hours after invoicing due to the volatility of the Rand.

**RESERVATION PROCEDURES:** Please complete the reservation form and make your deposit payment together with your travel insurance payment in order to enjoy the maximum cover the travel policy offers. Note that your policy is an individual Leisure Comprehensive cover. We do not recommend the cheap Group policy due to too many exclusions. Please use your **SURNAME** followed by the code **28AprRP** as reference when making payment to our account.

**INCLUDED**

- Economy return flights ex Johannesburg
- Airline check-in luggage, airport tax and fuel surcharge
- Breakfast and dinner daily as per itinerary
- 4-star accommodation in Cairo and Taba and 3 star tourist class in Sinai and Israel on a twin share basis
- English speaking tour guides and luxury air-conditioned coaches
- Sightseeing tours and entrance fees as per itinerary

**NOT INCLUDED**

- Optional single room US\$85 per night
- Supplement cost for travel insurance R1,230 applicable to passengers aged under 70, and R2,930 for under 80's
- Egypt visa pre-arranged issued on arrival US\$25 (R425)
- Tipping to tour guides, bus drivers and hotel staff US\$90 (R1,530)

**Note: Itinerary subject to change. Sequence of daily visits will vary according to operational viability and security purposes at the discretion of the tour leaders and tour guides**



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**HIGHLIGHTS: YOUR ITINERARY FEATURES SOME OF THE FOLLOWING SITES**



**PYRAMIDS OF GIZA** The Great Pyramid of Giza is the oldest and largest of the three pyramids in the complex and the oldest of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, and the only one to remain largely intact.



**RUBBISH DUMP CHURCH** El Mokattam Mountain Cave Church, is located in the Mokattam mountain in southeast Cairo. The area is known as 'garbage city' due to the large number of garbage collectors sorting and recycling the city's waste.



**MOUNT SINAI**, also known as Mount Horeb, is a mountain in the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt that is a possible location of the biblical Mount Sinai, where Moses received the Ten Commandments.



**RED SEA CRUISE** Enjoy a leisurely cruise on the sparkling buoyant waters of the Red Sea boasting incredible marine life, and year-round fair water temperature



**ST CATHERINES MONASTERY** lies at the mouth of a gorge at the foot of Mount Sinai. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the oldest continuously inhabited Christian monastery in the world.



**TIMNA PARK TABERNACLE IN THE WILDERNESS** At Timna Park, north of Eilat in the Arabah, a life-size replica of the biblical tabernacle has been constructed. The model is accurate in every other way based upon the biblical description.



**MASADA** Ascend the mountain by cable-way to view the remains of the once luxury palace of Herod the Great. It is in this place that Eleazer Ben Yair and his 959 Jewish followers committed mass-suicide.



**DEAD SEA** where we have time to float on its salty waters. This sea is fed by the waters of the River Jordan and desert floods, containing billions of tons of valuable chemicals. Unique healing qualities are found in the mud.



**CAESAREA** Visit the impressive Roman amphitheatre and the ancient Crusader fortifications built in 1251AD. This was the home town of Cornelius and Philip. Paul was brought to Caesarea after his capture.



**MEGIDDO** (Armageddon) with its history of wars and bloodshed. Walk the water-tunnel. Excavations show 26 settlements on top of each other with the oldest dating back to 4000 BC.



**MOUNT CARMEL** The place where Elijah had the confrontation with the Baal-priests. There is a convent and statue of Elijah on the premises.



**MOUNT of the BEATITUDES** This is where the Sermon on the Mount was preached. Visit the Church of Beatitudes, overlooking the Sea of Galilee.



**TABGHA** This is the site where the multiplication of the bread and fish took place



**MENSA CHRISTI** where Jesus appeared to his disciples and they had a meal together. Located on the shore of the Sea of Galilee



**CAPERNAUM** where we see the ruins of a second-century Synagogue, as well as the excavations of St. Peter's house.



**BOAT MUSEUM** Visit the so called "Jesus boat" museum. This boat was recently discovered in some shallow water on the shore of the Sea of Galilee.



**BETABARA** Betabara, the site where Jesus was baptised in the river Jordan.



**SEA OF GALILEE CRUISE** Enjoy a cruise on the Sea of Galilee with time for reflection. It is on these waters where Jesus calmed the storm.



**EIN GEDI** where David sought refuge from Saul, literally means "spring of the kid (young goat)" - an oasis and a nature reserve, located west of the Dead Sea. It was listed as one of the most visited nature sites.



**MOUNT OF OLIVES** from where Christ sent his disciples to fetch the donkey on which He rode into Jerusalem. Enjoy a wonderful view of the old city and the temple area.



**GARDEN TOMB** Our guide will assist in a tour of the grounds which has a beautiful view of Golgotha, also known as Gordon's Calvary. Holy Communion will be served in the grounds of the Garden Tomb.



**WESTERN WALL** also known as the Wailing Wall, or Kotel, is an ancient limestone wall in the Old City of Jerusalem, considered holy due to its connection to the Temple Mount.



**GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE** Spend some time in the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus prayed and Judas betrayed Him. The Church of All Nations is in this garden and Olive trees still grow here.



**PETER IN GALLICANTU** also known as the house of Caiaphas, also known as St. Peter in Gallicantu. It is here that Peter denied Christ three times. Gallicantu means "the crowing of the cock".



**SOUTHERN STEPS** The western flight of stairs leading to the main entrances of the Temple Mount was 200 feet wide.



**UPPER ROOM** The Cenacle, also known as the "Upper Room", is a room in the David's Tomb Compound in Jerusalem, traditionally held to be the site of the Last Supper.



**POOL OF BETHESDA** Visit the pool of Bethesda located next to the church of St Anne



**VIA DOLOROSA** Follow the stations of the "Via Dolorosa", a street within the Old City of Jerusalem, believed to be the path that Jesus walked on the way to his crucifixion.