



The Jewish Federation's

ISRAEL 75 MISSION

MAY 14 - 21, 2023



Israel 75

Israel 75 Mission FAQ Sheet

What are the trip dates?

May 14-21, 2023

How many participants do you expect on the trip?

We have reserved accommodations for 300 individuals and expect between six and seven buses to travel together in Israel.

Is there an option for the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia to make flight arrangements for participants?

Each participant is responsible for making their own flight arrangements. As it gets closer to the start of the mission, we will send out suggested flight times and provide you with contact information for a travel agent who you can book through if you so choose.

Is a donation to the Jewish Federation expected to participate?

We ask all Mission participants to consider making a capacity gift to support community needs with a suggested minimum gift to the Jewish Federation of \$540 per participant.

What is the cost of the trip?

Please see below for the land-only costs:

- \$5,499 per person in a double room
- \$2,080 additional for single supplement
- \$1,000 subsidy is available for participants 45 years of age and under.

What is the payment schedule?

- If you register before May 1, you will need to pay \$1,000 at the time of registration. Your credit card will be subsequently charged on two dates for the remaining balance due.
- If you register after May 1, you will need to pay a \$500 non-refundable deposit as well as a portion of the programming fee based on room selection. Your credit card will be subsequently charged on one date for the remaining balance due.

Early Bird Registration (Before May 1) Payment Schedule

Room Type	To be Paid at Registration	Credit Card to be Charged June 1, 2022	Credit Card to be Charged on January 3, 2023
Double Room (\$5,499 per person)	\$1,000	\$2,250	\$2,249
Double Room with Subsidy (\$4,499 per person)	\$1,000	\$1,750	\$1,749
Single Room (\$7,579 per person)	\$1,000	\$3,290	\$3,290
Single Room with Subsidy (\$6,579 per person)	\$1,000	\$2,790	\$2,789



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Registration (After May 1) Payment Schedule

Room Type	To be Paid at Registration	Credit Card to be Charged on January 3, 2023
Double Room (\$5,499 per person)	\$2,950	\$2,549
Double Room with Subsidy (\$4,499 per person)	\$2,500	\$1,999
Single Room (\$7,579 per person)	\$4,040	\$3,539
Single Room with Subsidy (\$6,579 per person)	\$3,540	\$3,039

What is the refund policy?

- By May 1, 2022: 100% refund
- Between May 2, 2022 and January 4, 2023: Amount paid refunded minus \$500 non-refundable deposit
- Between January 5, 2023 and March 20, 2023: 50% refund of amount paid minus the \$500 non-refundable deposit
- On or after March 20, 2023: No refunds

Cancellations must be submitted in writing by emailing Erica N. Miller at erica.miller@jewishphilly.org and Doreen Bason at dbason@jewishphilly.org.

What is the COVID policy that will be upheld on the trip?

We are closely monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and are working with our partners in Israel to ensure your safety. Your health and the health of others is our top priority. Proof of full vaccination (FDA or EMA approved vaccines) is required. Please visit the [Israel's Ministry of Health website](#), the [CDC website](#) and the [U.S. Department of State website](#) for their latest travel policies.

While trip insurance is not required, we strongly encourage mission participants to purchase, at their expense, the level of travel insurance they feel comfortable buying. Please refer to below to "Is trip insurance required?" for more information.

What is the COVID cancellation policy?

In the event of cancellation of the mission due to unforeseen circumstances as it relates to COVID-19, fees paid towards registration and prepaid other fees will be refunded to the extent we receive refunds from our vendors and suppliers.

What if Israel closes its borders due to COVID? Will I be refunded?

In the event that Israel closes its borders due to COVID, we will be working with our partners at Kenes Tours to issue refunds to our participants.

Is trip insurance required?

Trip insurance is not required, but we strongly encourage mission participants to purchase, at their expense, the level of travel insurance they feel comfortable buying.

Here are some trip insurance companies for your consideration:

Allianz Travel Insurance: www.allianztravelinsurance.com

Travelex Insurance: www.travelexinsurance.com

Arch RoamRight www.roamright.com

Covac Global www.covacglobal.com

How will I choose my personalized track?

On the registration form, you will provide your top two track choices in order of preference. We will do our best to accommodate your first choice.

What are the different tracks available? How should I decide which is right for me?

There are four different tracks available for you to choose from:

- Adventure
- Food, Wine & Culture
- Tech & Business
- People, Places & Politics

The highlights for each track can be found on the [Israel 75 Mission website](#). We recommend reviewing the highlights and selecting your top two choices that interest you the most. We will do our best to accommodate everyone's top choice.

When selecting my unique programming track, can I participate in activities across multiple tracks?

Each track activity has limited space available, therefore it will be necessary for you to select a track and remain with that programming throughout the mission.

If my travel companion and I select different tracks, will we still see each other during the mission?

Yes! There are approximately four times during the mission that you will split up into your tracks. At the end of each day, we will gather again as a community, either at one of our signature events or when we return to the hotels.

What hotels will the mission be staying at?

Hilton, Tel Aviv

David Citadel, Jerusalem

Will there be any free time on the mission for me to connect with friends/family in Israel?

We have a packed itinerary planned, but some of the evenings will be free so you can meet up with friends. If your schedule allows, you are welcome to arrive in Israel prior to the start of the mission or stay after the mission is complete and spend time with family and friends. If you need help making hotel arrangements, please let us know and we will put you in touch with a travel agent at Kenes Tours.

What would a typical day look like in terms of bus travel, meals and activities?

With the exception of Shabbat, each day will include varying bus travel time to and from a number of activities. You will be provided with a detailed itinerary prior to the mission with the days where meals will be provided and when you will have free time to purchase your own meal.

Are all meals included? If not, which ones are included?

- Daily breakfast at the hotels are included
- Most lunches
- Four dinners including:
 - Opening party and dinner on the roof of the ANU Museum in Tel Aviv (Museum of the Jewish People)
 - A big festival of flavors and cultures in our sister cities of Netivot and Sdot Negev
 - Shabbat dinner overlooking the Kotel from the rooftop of Beit Shmuel
 - Farewell dinner celebration at an army base
- As we get closer to the start of the mission, we will provide you with a detailed itinerary that will explain which days have included meals.

What will the weather in Israel be that time of year?

The weather in Israel in May is warm and comfortable. During the day, temperatures range from the mid to high 70s and low 80s. It is typically sunny with blue skies. At night, the temperature can drop to the mid to high 60s.

I still have questions. Who can help me?

For questions, please contact Erica N. Miller, Missions Manager, at erica.miller@jewishphilly.org or 215.832.0629.

You can also join us for an upcoming Israel 75 Mission information session by visiting jewishphilly.org/parlor