### Sunday, June 16

■ Depart St. Louis on Lufthansa #449

#### Monday, June 17

- Arrive to Frankfurt at 7:35am and connect to Lufthansa #694 departing at 2:00pm
- Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport at 7:05pm
- Meet our Israeli staff team and travel to our accommodations outside Jerusalem
- Check-in, dinner and orientation at our hotel

**OVERNIGHT: Yearim Guest House, Jerusalem Hills** 

### Tuesday, June 18

- Ascend to Jerusalem Panoramic intro to the contours of Jerusalem at the Haas Promenade
- Enter the Old City at Zion Gate and explore the ancient corridors and rooftops of the Jewish Quarter
- Free time for shopping and lunch in the Cardo area of the Jewish Quarter
- Reflections at the Kotel the Western Wall complex
- City of David Excavations Discover the foundations of Jerusalem dating back to King David's time
- Hezekiah's Tunnel Cool off in the spring-fed underground aqueduct running below Jerusalem

OVERNIGHT: Yearim Guest House, Jerusalem Hills

### Wednesday, June 19

- Breakfast at hotel
- Tree planting ceremony, leadership workshop, and lunch at Neot Kedumim Park
- Return to Jerusalem Tour of the Knesset and learn about Israel's parliamentary system and how it safeguards the Jewish State's democratic laws and traditions
- Meet with students at Maale a film school devoted to exploring the intersection of Judaism and modern life
- Pizur dinner and shopping time at Ben Yehuda Street

**OVERNIGHT: Yearim Guest House, Jerusalem Hills** 

# Thursday, June 20

- Dig-for-a-Day Archaeological Seminar at Beit Guvrin National Park + explore the Bell Cave (packed lunch)
- Encounter with a Bedouin women's weaving cooperative in the desert village of Lakiya
- Head to the desert Explore the world's largest erosion crater at the Ramon Crater Visitor Center
- 18:00: Set-up camp for our desert wilderness experience (Harei Edom)

OVERNIGHT: BaMidbar – Learn how to survive and thrive in the desert as our ancestors did in the Red Mountains

### Friday, June 21

- Wake up early to begin our pre-sunrise hike to the summit of Mt Zephachot overlooking the Red Sea
- Return to our camp for breakfast and wrap-up our BaMidbar experience
- 09:30-11:30: Continue to the Red Sea Discover underwater treasures snorkeling at Coral Beach
- 12:00-15:00: Relaxed beach time and banana boating adventure in Eilat (packed lunch included)
- 16:00: Break for ice cream at Yotvata, Israel's famous desert dairy farm
- Check-in to our desert kibbutz accommodations and celebrate Shabbat with the kibbutz community

OVERNIGHT: Kibbutz Keturah Guest House, Arava Valley

# Saturday, June 22

- Breakfast at hotel
- Morning: Staff-led Shabbat programming and group lunch at our accommodations
- Afternoon: Enjoy a relaxed Shabbat with pool, sports, and free time!
- Learn about the history of the kibbutz idea and discover how kibbutz farms prosper in the desert
- Havdalah ceremony celebrate the start of a new week followed by a cruise on the Red Sea and group night out in Eilat

OVERNIGHT: Kibbutz Keturah Guest House, Arava Valley

### Sunday, June 23

- Breakfast at hotel
- Morning: Jeep tour of the Timna Nature Reserve
- Travel to the lowest place on earth for effortless floating at the Dead Sea's Ein Bokek beach (lunch)
- 19:00: Travel to the Judean Desert for camel riding, a desert tent feast, bonfire, and guide-led stargazing at Kfar Hanokdim encampment

OVERNIGHT: Kfar Hanokdim, Judean Desert

# Monday, June 24

- 05:30: Hike up the Roman Ramp to the summit of Masada
- 07:30: Descend Masada via the cable cars (option to hike down the Snake Path) and stop for breakfast at IYHA Masada Guest House
- 10:00-12:00: Nature walk to the desert waterfalls of Nahal David in the Ein Gedi National Park
- 12:00-13:00: Lunch at IYHA Ein Gedi
- 13:30-16:00: Continue north to the Galilee via the Jordan Valley

■ Check-in and dinner at our kibbutz-based accommodations

OVERNIGHT: Kibbutz Degania, Sea of Galilee

### Tuesday, June 25

- Hike down Mt. Arbel Cliffs overlooking the Sea of Galilee
- Aqua Kef Experience the thrill of Israel's floating water park on the Sea of Galilee
- Ancient Tsfat Explore the historic center of Jewish mysticism in the Galilee highlands
- Meet with inspirational Kabbalistic artist, Avraham Lowenthal

OVERNIGHT: Kibbutz Degania, Sea of Galilee

### Wednesday, June 26

- Get wet hiking down Nahal Jilaboun Canyon on the Golan Heights
- View Israel's neighbors and navigate former IDF bunkers at the summit of Mt. Ben-Tal
- Encounter with the Druze culture and share a traditional lunch in the Golan village of Ein Kinya
- Tel Facher Explore a former Syrian bunker complex on the Golan Heights overlooking the Galilee and learn about the story of master spy, Eli Cohen, and his contributions in the region
- Cool off with relaxed rafting or tubing down the upper Jordan River followed by a fresh-cooked BBQ dinner

OVERNIGHT: Kibbutz Degania, Sea of Galilee

# Thursday, June 27

- Arab-Israeli Mifgash in Nazareth (through lunch)
- Afternoon swimming at Sachne natural springs
- Zaatar-making workshop at the Sindyanna Center of the Galilee
- Dinner at our accommodations

OVERNIGHT: Kibbutz Degania, Sea of Galilee

# Friday, June 28

- Rappelling down Dalton Cliff Hike to this soaring natural geological wonder in the Western Galilee and rappel down its face
- Rosh Hanikrah Descend into the ocean-swept caves on Israel's far northern border (lunch at Rosh Hanikrah)
- Check-in to our accommodations in Haifa and prepare for Shabbat
- Kabbalat Shabbat, dinner and oneg at our accommodations

OVERNIGHT: IYHA Haifa Guest House

### Saturday, June 29

- Breakfast at hotel
- Morning: Staff-led Shabbat programming and group lunch at our accommodations
- Afternoon: Enjoy a relaxed Shabbat with pool, sports, and free time at the Haifa Sportan Club!
- Dinner at our accommodations followed by havdalah
- Evening: Group night out at Haifa's Kanyon Mall

**OVERNIGHT: IYHA Haifa Guest House** 

### Sunday, June 30

- Explore Haifa, Israel's most diverse city, including visits to the Stella Maris Monastery, the Bahai Temple Gardens, and the Ahmeddiya Mosque (meet with Imam)
- Walking tour of the Acco Seaport, including a visit to the Tunisian Synagogue
- Afternoon: Start of P2G programming in Yokneam Meggodo (including dinner TBD)

OVERNIGHT: HOME HOSPITALITY (staff at Dalia)

### Monday, July 1

■ 07:00-08:00: Breakfast at hotel

- Morning of P2G-organized programming in the Western Galilee, including lunch (organized by P2G)
- Surfing class, beach time, and BBQ dinner (Haifa)

OVERNIGHT: HOME HOSPITALITY (staff at Dalia)

# Tuesday, July 2

- Head to Tel Aviv stopping to tour Caesarea along the way
- Celebrate the spirit of Tel Aviv at the Nahalat Binyamin street festival and Carmel Market
- Visit to Israel's Independence Hall (re-opening in 2024)
- Short tour of Jaffa seaport, and browse the Jaffa flea market
- Dinner at Dr. Shakshuka in Jaffa
- Check-in to our Tel Aviv accommodations and group night out at the Tel Aviv Port

OVERNIGHT: Metropolitan Hotel, Tel Aviv

# Wednesday, July 3

- Volunteer harvesting crops for the hungry of Israel with Leket
- Machon Ayalon Honor the bravery of the pioneers who helped establish modern Israel at this secret underground munitions facility
- Learn how Israel became the 'Startup Nation' at the Peres Center for Peace & Innovation in Jaffa

- Celebrate the richness of Jewish Ethiopian culture and take part in a traditional coffee ceremony at the Battae Center in Tel Aviv
- Dinner at our accommodations followed by a group night out at Cinema City

OVERNIGHT: Metropolitan Hotel, Tel Aviv

### Thursday, July 4

- Breakfast at hotel and check out
- Morning: Israeli martial arts class on the beach + free time along the Tel Aviv coast
- Roots Tent Travel to Gush Etzion in the West Bank and engage in a dialogue of perspectives with a Jewish Settler and a Palestinian Arab who both call the Land home
- Return to Jerusalem in the early afternoon learning about the geo-politics of Israel's capital on the way
- Check-in and dinner at our accommodations
- Evening: Speaker The political situation in Israel, with guest speaker, Eylon Levy

OVERNIGHT: Cesar Hotel, Jerusalem

### Friday, July 5

- Docent-led visit to the Yad VaShem World Holocaust Remembrance Center
- Picnic style lunch and processing time in the park
- Explore the Mt. Herzl National Cemetery
- Return to our accommodations and prepare for Shabbat
- 18:30: Evening: Return to the Old City for a community Kabbalat Shabbat experience at Robinson's Arch (egalitarian area of Western Wall)
- Shabbat dinner is served at the hotel

OVERNIGHT: Cesar Hotel, Jerusalem

### Saturday, July 6

- Breakfast at hotel
- Morning: Staff-led Shabbat programming and group lunch at our accommodations
- Walk to the Israel Museum to discover the Dead Sea Scrolls, Temple Model, and Israel's most prized cultural and historic treasures
- Spend the rest of the afternoon playing sports and relaxing together at Jerusalem's Saker Park
- Afternoon pool time at the hotel
- Dinner at our accommodations followed by havdalah celebrate the start of a new week
- Evening: Group night out at Ben Yehuda Street pedestrian mall (on foot)

OVERNIGHT: Cesar Hotel, Jerusalem

# Sunday, July 7

- Breakfast at hotel
- Depart Lufthansa #691 at 4:50am
- Arrive to Frankfurth at 8:20am and connect to Lufthansa #448 departing at 10:40am and arriving to St. Louis at 1:30pm