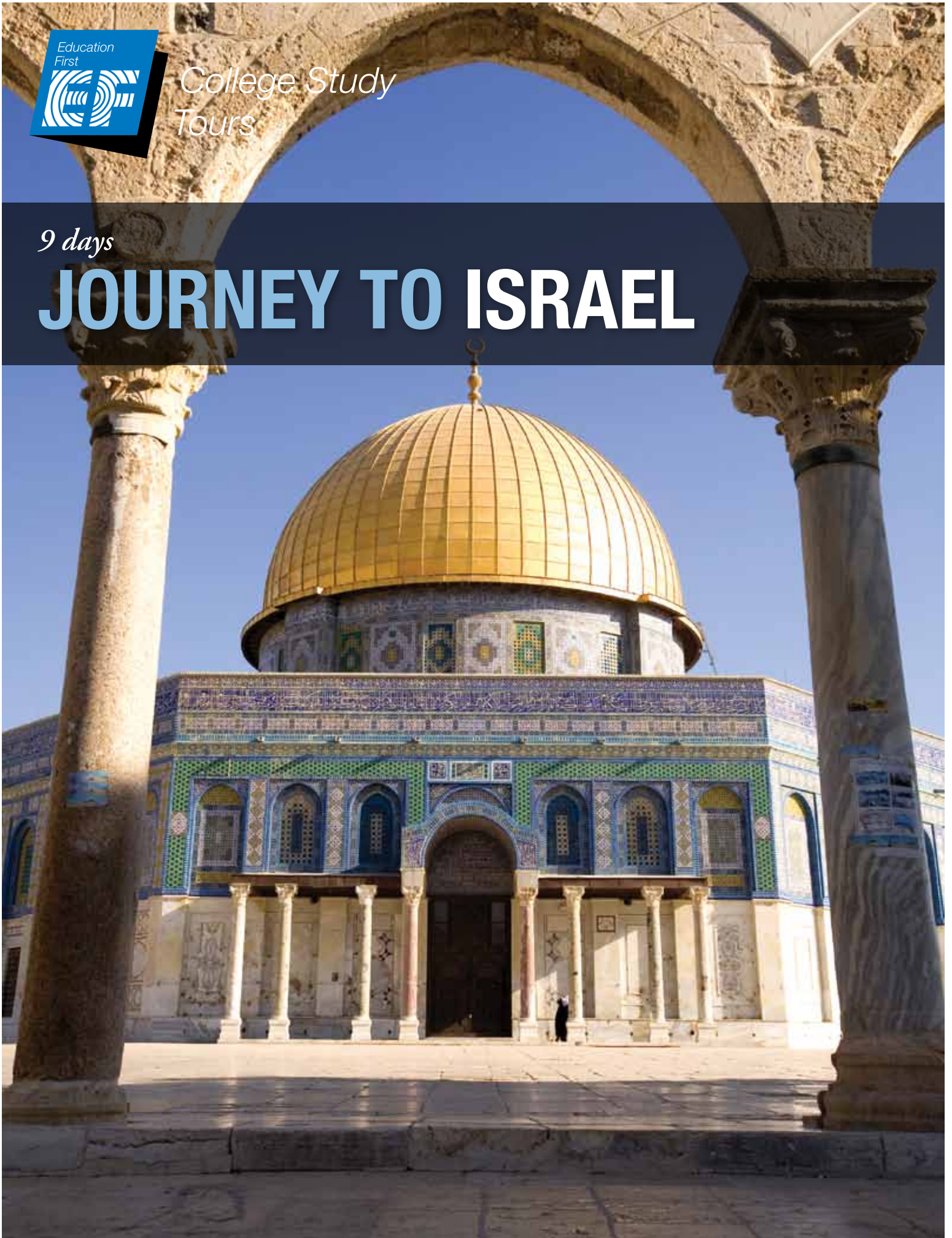




College Study
Tours

9 days

JOURNEY TO ISRAEL



FACULTY-LED INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

ABOUT THIS TOUR

Explore the incomparable land of Israel, where tradition and innovation create a unique culture. Begin in Tel Aviv, where a major city thrives amid Bauhaus-style architecture. Next, visit the sacred sites throughout Nazareth, the Jordan Valley and Bethlehem. Explore the caves that hold the Dead Sea Scrolls, before completing your tour in Jerusalem.

Today, advancements in every sector take place on a global scale. Students who understand and contribute to the international dialogue broaden their minds and gain a competitive edge in their fields. Traveling on an EF College Study Tour—an alternative to typical semester abroad programs—helps you truly make the most of your college education in just one to four weeks. Lectures and visits provide crucial historical and cultural insight, rounding out academics with a fuller context and creating incredible memories along the way.



DAY 2: *Old Jaffa*



DAY 3: *Tel Aviv*



DAY 3: *Bahá'í Gardens*



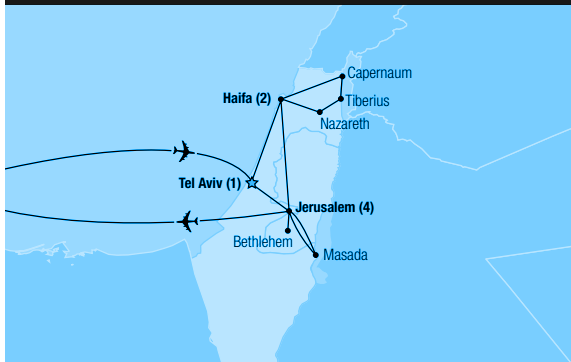
DAY 4: *Mary's Well*



DAY 7: *Dome of the Rock*

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INCLUDED ON TOUR:

Round-trip airfare
Local transportation
Hotel accommodations
Breakfast and dinner daily
Full-time CST Tour Director
Sightseeing tours and visits to special attractions
Free time to study and explore

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OPTIONAL EXCURSION:

Jeep adventure

Optional excursions let you incorporate additional sites and attractions into your itinerary and make the most of your time abroad.



DAY 5: Dead Sea



DAY 6: Masada



DAY 7: Old City of Jerusalem



DAY 7: Western Wall

DAY 1 FLY TO ISRAEL

Meet your group and travel on an overnight flight to Tel Aviv.

DAY 2 TEL AVIV

Arrive in Tel Aviv • Welcome to Tel Aviv, Israel's cosmopolitan city by the sea! Depending on your arrival time, you may have free time to explore **Old Jaffa**, an ancient port city believed to be nearly 4,000 years old, en route to your hotel. Your professor may also use this time to focus on coursework.

DAY 3 TEL AVIV • ACRE • HAIFA

Sightseeing tour of Tel Aviv • See why millions flock to Tel Aviv each year—beautiful beaches, worldly people and as the first Hebrew city, an incredibly rich history. On your guided tour today, pass through Robin Square, Independence Hall and Rothschild Boulevard on your way to the **White City**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, so named for its 4,000 buildings built in the Bauhaus style.

Visit Caesarea National Park • Named in honor of Julius Caesar, the city of Caesarea today boasts a number of impressive relics of the Roman Empire, including an ancient theater, aqueduct and Hippodrome. After your visit, make your way to Acre to see **Knights' Hall**, an underground complex that once served an order of Medieval knights.

Arrive in Haifa • Built on the slopes of **Mount Carmel**, Haifa offers a glimpse into the past, boasting some of the most impressive remains in the region. Your tour guide will lead you on a tour through Haifa which includes photostops at **Haifa Port** and the stunning **Bahá'í Gardens**. You'll also see **Elijah's Cave**, where the prophet hid from King Ahab and fought defenders of Baal.

DAY 4 NAZARETH • HAIFA

Nazareth • Begin today's journey in bustling Nazareth, which was once no more than a small village in biblical times. Visit the **Church of the Annunciation** and its Greek Orthodox counterpart with **Mary's Well**, a holy Christian site where Mary was told that she would be the mother of Jesus.

Cana and Tiberias • Stop in Cana, site of Jesus' first miracle, as you continue north. In Tiberias, enjoy a short boat ride on the Sea of Galilee to ancient **Capernaum**. Here you will visit the Roman ruins, including an ancient synagogue and the **House of St. Peter**.

Tabgha • At your next stop, see the site where the miracle of the loaves and fish took place as you make the final ascent to the summit of the **Mount of Beatitudes**. Later, stop in **Yardenit**, site of Jesus' baptism, on your return to Haifa.

DAY 5 HAIFA • JORDAN VALLEY •

JERICHO • JERUSALEM

Travel to the Dead Sea region • Drive along the Jordan Valley toward the Dead Sea, a historically well-known salt lake situated between Israel and the West Bank. In seaside Qumran, you'll explore the caves where the first Dead Sea Scrolls were found in 1947. Then, journey up the **Mount of Temptation** to visit the **Quarantal Monastery**. Later, enjoy floating on the Dead Sea.

Optional Jeep Adventure • Opt to join a safari by Jeep this afternoon to explore the wonders of this desert region.

Travel to Jerusalem • Set course for the holy city of Jerusalem, where you'll enjoy an included dinner.

DAY 6 MASADA • JERUSALEM

Travel to Masada • This morning, visit the **Fortress of Masada**, which served as the stronghold of the last resistance against the Romans. Journey up to the fortress by cable car and take some time to explore the site before continuing on to Jerusalem.

Mount of Olives • Ascend the Mount of Olives for a panoramic view of the city and a visit to the **Chapel of Ascension**, where Jesus was lifted into Heaven, before entering the **Garden of Gethsemane**.

DAY 7 BETHLEHEM • JERUSALEM

Bethlehem • Spend the morning in Bethlehem, revered as the birthplace of Jesus. On your tour, behold the very site where Christianity was born at the **Church of Nativity**.

Explore the Old City of Jerusalem • Your first stop is the **Temple Mount**, home of the **Dome of the Rock** and the site at which two world religions converge. Back in the city, walk through the Jewish Quarter to the **Western Wall** and the **Via Dolorosa** to the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**.

DAY 8 JERUSALEM

Visit the Israel Museum • Marvel at a massive collection of archaeological relics and art on a tour of Israel's national museum. A number of impressive religious artifacts, including the Dead Sea Scrolls, offer yet another testament to the profound significance of the region in religious history. **Visit the Yad VaShem Memorial and Holocaust Museum** • Later, discover the country's deeply moving and heartfelt tribute to the millions lost during one of history's darkest hours. The accompanying museum

takes you on a journey through these chilling times. Afterwards, return to Jerusalem for some free time.

DAY 9 DEPART FOR HOME

Today your tour director assists with your transfer to the airport, where you'll check in for your return flight home.



WHAT OUR TRAVELERS SAY

BARBARA L.

*Concordia University
Portland, OR*

"The overall experience of the trip was amazing, unforgettable. I went on the tour not knowing many of the students in my group, and came back with really good friends and amazing memories. With the guidance of the tour director, I got to experience new culture without feeling completely lost. I now know that I can succeed and survive in a foreign country."

ERIN H.

*Itasca Community College
Grand Rapids, MN*

"I had such an amazing time, and I learned so much. We saw so many different sights. My experiences enriched my understanding of another culture, and created a realistic concept of an entirely foreign culture I would never have been exposed to otherwise."

CHELSEA S.

*Northern Oklahoma College
Stillwater, OK*

"I can't believe we had the opportunity to see and do so many things for what we paid. I traveled on my own soon after my trip, and the flight alone cost more than the entire tour—which included meals, shows, tourist sites. I will never ever forget this experience. You'd be crazy not to take a tour with EF—they take great care of you."

VIRGINA M.

*Palo Alto College
San Antonio, TX*

"Every student should go. I enjoyed flying to a foreign country, getting completely out of my comfort zone and truly seeing what this world has to offer. We tried new food, spoke different languages, and saw so many of the best sights on our walking tours. I love history, and being able to experience what I've studied for years was so moving it left me speechless. If there is ever an opportunity to go, take it!"



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