

2025 Greece-Israel Mission

Draft Itinerary (Subject to change for the better)

DAY 1 - Monday, October 27- Arrival & Jewish Heritage in Athens

- Meet at hotel for departure
- Afternoon: Jewish Heritage of Athens
- Jewish Museum of Greece, historic Beth Shalom Synagogue and the Etz Hayyim Synagogue, both located in the Jewish quarter of Athen
- Evening: Welcome Dinner
- Dinner at a local Kosher restaurant
- Meeting with member of Athens Jewish Community
- Overnight: Athens

DAY 2 - Tuesday, October 28 - Classical Jewish Heritage & Ancient Athens

- Guided tour of the Acropolis, the Parthenon, Erechtheion, and Temple of Athena Nike
- Acropolis Museum
- Afternoon: Plaka & Jewish History
- Kosher Lunch
- Walk through the Plaka District, Athens' oldest neighborhood
- Visit Kolonaki, where many Jews lived before WWII
- Overnight: Athens

DAY 3 - Wednesday October 29 - Athens to Thessaloniki via Meteora

- Depart Athens early morning to Meteora a UNESCO World Heritage site
- Visit two of the breathtaking cliff-top monasteries
- Continue to Thessaloniki
- Evening: Traditional Greek & Sephardic Dinner
- Dinner at a local Kosher restaurant
- Overnight: Thessaloniki

DAY 4 - Thursday, October 30 - Holocaust Remembrance & Departure

- Visit the Holocaust Memorial of Thessaloniki
- Tour the Monastir Synagogue, one of the last active synagogues in Thessaloniki
- Visit the site of the former Jewish Cemetery, now part of Aristotle University
- Afternoon: Free Time & Departure
- Free time for final shopping or visiting the White Tower
- Transfer to Thessaloniki Airport for departure to Tel Aviv

DAY 5 - Friday, October 31 - Shabbat Preparation - Jerusalem

- Arrival & Check-in at Inbal Hotel
- Shabbat Dinner at the hotel with speaker

DAY 6 - Saturday, November 1 - Shabbat - Restful Day in Jerusalem

- Optional: Walking tour of Yemin Moshe
- Optional: Shabbat Lunch at the hotel
- Leisure time at the hotel
- Dinner at leisure?
- Speaker & Havdallah

DAY 7 - Sunday, November 2 - Jerusalem area

- JNF Project Visit and/or Tree Planting
- Lunch at leisure
- JNF Project Visit
- Dinner at a local restaurant with guest speaker

DAY 8 - Monday, November 3 - Tel Aviv & coastal plains

- Volunteer at Agricultural Location
- Lunch with guest speaker at a local restaurant
- Peres Centre for Peace & Innovation
- JNF Project Visit
- Dinner at a local restaurant

DAY 9 - Tuesday, November 4 - Gaza envelope

- Visit JNF projects in Sderot & Kibbutzim in the South
- Continue South for lunch
- Visit the Nova Festival site & Kibbutz Re'im
- Drive back to Jerusalem
- Dinner at leisure

DAY 10 - Wednesday, November 5 - Northern Israel

- Travel to Kiryat Shmona, a northern community supported by JNF
- Meet inspiring local residents and hear their powerful stories
- Lunch at a local restaurant with a remarkable tale of resilience
- Experience the region's security challenges through a powerful, firsthand tour
- Optional: Volunteer at a local kibbutz and make a hands-on impact

DAY 11 - Thursday, November 6 - Tel Aviv

- Volunteer at Citrus & Salt Project
- Meet Families at Hostage Square
- Packed Lunch
- Visit to Sheba Medical Centre & Explore Rachshei Lev
- Free time in Tel Aviv
- Farewell Dinner