

The Holy Land

October 3 - 12, 2018

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ITINERARY

OCT 3rd NON-STOP FLIGHT MIAMI - TEL AVIV

We start our pilgrimage with an overnight transatlantic flight from Miami to Tel Aviv. Dinner served on board.

OCT 4th ARRIVAL - JAFFA - CAESAREA - HAIFA - NAZARETH Upon our early arrival in Ben Gurion Airport we will be met by our guide. We travel to Jaffa, the place where Peter lodged with Simon the Tanner, and during his stay - through the power of the Holy Spirit - Peter raised Tabitha from the dead. In Jaffa, Peter received his vision which led him to respond to Cornelius' invitation to come to Caesarea. We continue to Caesarea, where St. Peter baptized the first Gentile convert and where St. Paul was imprisoned. Continue to Muhraqa, where the Carmelite Monastery of St. Elijah marks the place where the prophet Elijah set up his altar and triumphed over the false prophets of Ba'al. Then we proceed to Mt. Carmel and the Chapel of Stella Mares. We arrive in Nazareth for Check in, dinner and overnight (D)

OCT 5th CANA - NAZARETH - TABOR Breakfast. This morning, we travel to Cana, where Jesus performed His first miracle at the request of his mother. Couples are invited here to renew their wedding vows. Thereafter, we continue to Mount Tabor, the site of the Transfiguration. Upon our return to Nazareth, we visit the beautiful Church of Annunciation built on the site where the angel Gabriel appeared before Mary. Adjoining it is the Church of St. Joseph, recalling the carpentry where Jesus and Joseph worked. Dinner and overnight at out hotel in Nazareth (B,D)

OCT 6th SITES AROUND THE SEA OF GALILEE- BOAT RIDE - BORDER CROSSING - AMMAN Breakfast. Enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. Our visit continues to the Mt. of Beatitudes to gain a panoramic view of the Sea of Galilee. We then visit Capernaum where Jesus began his Galilean ministry, visiting the synagogue which dates to the time of Jesus and the site of Peter's home. We'll visit Tabgha where it is believed that Jesus fed the crowd of 5,000 & church of the Primacy of St. Peters. We cross the border into Jordan. We proceed to our hotel in Amman for check in, Dinner & overnight (B,D)

OCT 7th AMMAN - PETRA FULL DAY TOUR Breakfast. Drive to Petra and enjoy a walking tour that begins with a visit to the Siq and the Treasury. Continue through the main street with magnificent structures on each side carved into the mountains, to the colonnaded street, ending at the Petra Museum. See the influence of the people that followed, including the architecture of the mighty Romans and a beautiful Byzantine chapel decorated with ancient, stunning mosaics that have been carefully preserved. We proceed to our hotel in Petra for check in, Dinner & overnight (B,D)

OCT 8th PETRA - MADABA - NEBO - BORDER CROSSING - FORDEN RIVER & JEIRCHO - BETHLEHEM Breakfast & Check out, we visit Madaba - the 'City of Mosaics'- famous for the 6th century Byzantine mosaic map of the Holy Land. The map is on the floor of the modern St George Greek Orthodox Church which is built on the site of an older 6th century church. Continue to Mount Nebo, the famous mountain from where Moses viewed the Promised Land. Close by is Mount Nebo, believed to be the burial place of Moses. It was a place of pilgrimage for early Christians and the first church was built here in the 4th century. Stand at the top of the mountain as Moses did when he first saw the Promised Land and enjoy the breathtaking views of the Jordan Valley, The Dead Sea, Jerusalem and Jericho. Finally, we cross ALLENBY BORDER. Our first stop is at the Qasr Al-Yahud baptismal site. A short distance from Jericho, this site holds the oldest and most ancient tradition for being the place of Jesus' baptism. Here we renew our baptismal vows. Later we stop by Jericho where will see the traditional sycamore tree of Zacchaeus & view the Mt Temptation. We proceed to our hotel for check in, dinner & overnight. (B,D)

OCT 9th MT OF OLIVES & MT OF ZION Breakfast. We start with a ride to Mt. Scopus and to the Mt. of Olives, where we gain a panoramic view of the old City of Jerusalem. We visit the Ascension Mosque, Pater Noster (commemorating the "Our Father"), Dominus Flavit (where Jesus wept over Jerusalem), and the Church of All Nations in the Garden of Gethsemane. Later we stop by Mt. Zion to visit the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu (where Peter denied Christ), the House of Caiaphas, the Church of the Dormition of Our Lady, and the Upper Room, commemorating the Last Supper. We also visit the Franciscan Chapel of the Cenacle. Back to our hotel for dinner & overnight. (B,D)

OCT 10th VIA DOLOROSA - HOLY SEPULCHER - THE SHEPHERD'S FIELDS - NATIVITY CHURCH

Breakfast. We start early this morning to walk the Via Dolorosa, the Way of the Cross, ending at Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the site where Jesus was crucified and where he was buried. We return to Bethlehem stopping by The Shepherd's Fields believed to be the location where the Shepherds sited the Star of Nativity before venturing to visit Jesus. Finally we visit the Church of the nativity of Jesus. Back to our hotel for dinner & overnight. (B,D)

OCT 11th - OCT 12th DAY AT LESIURE - DEPARTURE Breakfast. Today is a free day to explore on your own. We enjoy dinner before our mid-night flight departure. (B,D)



PETRA, JORDAN

Package price from Miami, FL:
\$3,985.00
(double occupancy)

Single supplement: **\$690.00**

PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- round-trip economy class airfare between Miami and Tel Aviv - all taxes and airline fees - 7 nights double room accommodations in 4+ star hotels as per itinerary - English speaking tour guide - portraege service at hotels - transportation in a modern wi-fi equipped bus - coordination of daily Holy Mass - all sightseeing as specified in the itinerary - entrance fees where applicable.
Not included: drinks, lunches, tips, insurance, personal expenses.

HOW TO JOIN THIS PILGRIMAGE

- fill out form on the back of this flyer
- send a \$500.00 deposit along with your signed registration form
- balance is due 60 days prior to departure
- Checks should be made payable to

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(credit card payments accepted by phone only).

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EARLY REGISTRATION
RECOMMENDED.

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REGISTRATION FORM

I want to join you on the **HOLY LAND + PETRA** pilgrimage on **OCTOBER 3rd, 2018**. Departing from: _____

FIRST & MIDDLE NAMES (as per passport): _____ **LAST NAME (as per passport):** _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ **SINGLE ROOM:** YES NO (circle one) **ROOMING WITH:** _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

e-mail address: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ **Mobile Phone:** (_____) _____

Emergency contact (name, phone, email): _____

PAYMENT: I enclose a deposit of \$500.00 or \$ _____ I understand that final payment is due 60 days prior to departure. Checks should be made payable to "Croatian Mir Center". Credit card payments (Visa, Mastercard, or Discover) by calling our office at 1-800-220-7729.

OTHER INFORMATION:

I am obtaining a new passport.

I am a Non-US Citizen, a National of _____, and hold a re-entry visa or green card.

Passport number: _____ Issue date: _____ Expiration date: _____

TRAVEL INSURANCE IS RECOMMENDED. PLEASE VISIT travelguard.com or your favorite insurance provided.

NOTES: _____

My signature indicates that I have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions on this flyer.

Signature _____ Date _____

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

RESERVATION AND PAYMENT: A reservation is confirmed upon receipt of a \$500.00 deposit per person and a signed registration form. Full payment is due 60 days prior to your departure date. Full payment is required for bookings made within 60 days of departure. A late fee of \$50.00 applies for reservations made within 3 weeks of the departure date. A written confirmation of the reservation will be mailed to you once the deposit has been processed. Credit card payments (Visa, Mastercard, or Discover) accepted by phone only.

NAME AS PER PASSPORT (IMPORTANT): for security reasons, airlines require that the passenger's name in the air reservations must exactly match the name as it appears on the passport. The Croatian Mir Center is not responsible for denied boarding or issue costs due to an incorrect name supplied to the Croatian Mir Center. We recommend that you send us a copy of your passport along with your registration form to ensure that all reservations and documents are properly ticketed.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: a valid US passport is required for travel. Passport must be valid 6 months after return date. Citizens of other countries should consult with the corresponding embassy or consulate for visa requirements. Cancellations due to lack of appropriate travel documents will incur usual penalties.

FINAL DOCUMENTS AND TICKETS: All documents will be sent by USPS second day delivery two weeks prior to your departure. Upon receipt of your travel documents, you are responsible to check your itinerary, name, times and other important information.

PRICE GUARANTEE: the price is guaranteed if paid in full. The pilgrim is responsible for any increase in published airfare or costs due to exchange rate fluctuations.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS: All cancellations must be made in writing. If you cancel your pilgrimage after you have received your documents and airline tickets, you must return them back to the Croatian Mir Center before we can process your refund. **Cancellation fees and penalties will be deducted from your refund. 90 days or more prior to departure: \$200.00 per person. 60 to 89 days prior to departure: \$400.00 per person. 60 to 46 days prior to departure: \$800.00. 45 to 31 days prior to departure: 50% of package price. 30 to 15 days prior to departure: 80% of package price; 14 days prior to departure or no show: no refund.** No refunds are made for forfeited sightseeing excursions, transfers, accommodations or airline tickets. Refunds are issued within 4 to 6 weeks after tickets are returned and cancellation notice received.

DEVIATIONS, REVISIONS, AND CHANGES: If you want to change your itinerary and/or dates of travel, there will be a \$75.00 deviation fee plus any difference in airfare that applies. No changes are possible once tickets are issued.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Prices are based on double occupancy. Single rooms are available for an extra cost (see itinerary for prices). If you do not have a room-mate, you must pay the single room supplement, unless we can find a compatible room-mate for you. A limited number of single rooms are available. No reductions are made for triple rooms.

AIRPORT TAXES, FUEL SURCHARGES and SECURITY FEES: are included in the price of the pilgrimage.

NOT INCLUDED IN PACKAGE PRICE: insurance, lunches, tips, items of a personal nature like taxis, telephone and laundry. Passport and visa fees (if necessary).

TRANSFERS: Our pilgrimages include group round-trip transfers at your destination point. Pilgrims who did not purchase the whole package and are arriving or leaving independently must transfer at their own expense. Please call the Croatian Mir Center to make arrangements and check on the additional costs.

MEALS: our pilgrimages include breakfast and dinner daily served at your hotel or guest house. There are no refunds for unused meals. Even though we can not guarantee, we will try to accommodate special meal requests on flights.

TIPPING: Tipping is recommended for good services, suggestion: \$4 per person/per day for the bus driver, \$5 to \$6 per person per day for the tour guide.

TOUR CANCELLATION BY OPERATOR: Seldom a pilgrimage departure may be cancelled for lack of participation. In such case, the operator's sole responsibility is to provide a full refund without any other liability whatsoever. The operator will have no responsibility for any conjunction tickets, non-refundable or otherwise, not purchased directly from the Croatian Mir Center.

RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY: The Croatian Mir Center (CMC) acts only as agent for the airlines and tour operators, in all matters pertaining to transportation, hotel accommodations, and sight seeing tours. The airlines, hotels, land operators, and other suppliers providing services are independent contractors and not agents, employees or associates of CMC. Promoters are not agents, employees or authorized representatives of CMC. The passenger agrees that The Croatian Mir Center shall not be liable for any changes in flight schedules, delays, weather conditions, damages, inconveniences, losses (including personal injuries, deaths, and property losses) or expenses caused by acts or omissions of any person, including suppliers providing services, or for any acts of war, insurrection, revolts and other civil uprisings, military actions, strikes or acts of God occurring in either the country of origin, through passage, or destination.

CMC reserves the right to decline or accept or retain any person as a pilgrim participant, to make changes in the itinerary whenever the company deems it necessary to the comfort, convenience and safety of the pilgrim participants, and to cancel a pilgrimage at any time. A minimum number of 20 pilgrims is required or the pilgrimage is subject to cancellation. If CMC cancels a pilgrimage, it shall have no responsibility beyond the refund of all moneys paid to the company by the pilgrim participant. All published fares and prices are based on exchange rates and all fares and prices quoted at the time of publication are subject to change at any time.

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