

**2017 Robert I. Lappin Youth to Israel Adventure (Y2I)**  
**July 02 – 16, 2017**  
**Proposed Itinerary (subject to change)**

**Sunday, July 02, 2017 – On our way...**

Depart North Shore for Boston

Depart Boston, Logan Airport (BOS) on your overnight El Al flight to Israel

*LY016, JUL02, BOS/TLV, 09:00P – 03:05P (JUL03)*

**Monday, July 03, 2017 - Welcome Home**

Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport (03:05pm) and meet your Tour Educator

Transfer to Tel Aviv for check-in and dinner at the hotel.

After dinner stroll the Tel Aviv Beach Promenade and end the evening at pool by the beach.

Overnight: Grand Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv

**Tuesday, July 04, 2017 – Creating the State**

In the morning listen to the Message, with Shlomo (Momo) Lifshitz, former president of Oranim Educational Initiatives (8:00am).

Start your visit to Tel Aviv with a tour of Old Jaffa and then follow the movement of the Jewish inhabitants of Jaffa to Neve Zedek, one of Tel Aviv's first neighborhoods. After lunch relive history as you gather at Independence Hall where David Ben Gurion Proclaimed Israel's Independence.

Enjoy a short city tour of Tel Aviv, pause at Rabin Square to remember, reflect and talk about peace.

Enjoy Nahalat Binyamin Pedestrian-Shopping Street and trendy Shenkin Street

Afternoon and evening activities include: presentation by Bau Sisters about Josef Bau and group building.

Overnight: Grand Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv

**Wednesday, July 05, 2017 – Start up Nation – Innovation Israel**

In the morning start the day at the new "State of Mind Center". the visit and the tour will include the interactive center, a meeting with an entrepreneur and a special Start-up Nation game along Rothschild street.

After lunch drive to Rehovot, to the Weizman Institute of Science, ranked tenth in the world, for the quality of its research. Start the visit at the Visitors' Center with its interactive exhibits and multi-media presentation of highly advanced technology. Continue for hands on experience at Gan Hamada, The Clore Garden of Science. The exhibits at the Garden demonstrate the laws of physics, solar energy, water, power and other natural phenomena that are often taken for granted. Conclude the tour by special program on leadership and Zionism following the vision of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, first President of the State of Israel and founder of the Weizmann Institute of Science.

Ascend to Jerusalem and check-in to your hotel

After dinner end the day with Stand With Us Presentation: Israel 101

Overnight: Crown Plaza, Jerusalem

**Thursday, July 06, 2017 – The City of David**

Start the day at a vantage point overlooking the city for a thrilling Shehehianu ceremony

Walk the Old City Ramparts from the Jaffa to Zion Gates. Visit Mt Zion and the Tomb of King David, founder of Jerusalem. Enter the Old City through Zion Gate as Jewish Warriors have done for generations. Take in some highlights of the Jewish Quarter such as the Cardo and the Broad Wall

(First Temple period) and then explore the City of David, where it all began. Enjoy a wet walk through Hezekiah Tunnel, dug in biblical times.

Later, enjoy a unique tour of the Western Wall Tunnels (pending confirmation)  
After dinner enjoy The sound and light show at David Citadel (8:30pm)

Overnight: Crown Plaza, Jerusalem

### **Friday, July 07, 2017 - Jerusalem Hills and Welcome the Shabbat**

This morning enjoy a program with Doron Kornbluth (8:00am-9:15am)

Continue the day with a short hike to the Sataf Springs to learn about Biblical Mountain Agriculture. Return to the city and see the Jerusalemites prepare for Shabbat with a visit to the colorful Machne Yehuda Market – a riot of sounds and smells, from fruit to Arab coffee to flowers to spices to fresh Challah being baked for Shabbat.

Welcome in Shabbat with delicious Shabbat dinner then join thousands of Jewish People of all ages and backgrounds at the Western Wall, Judaism's holiest place.

Overnight: Crown Plaza, Jerusalem

### **Saturday, July 08, 2017 - Shabbat Jerusalem Style**

Optional Shabbat Services at the hotel and discussion on Parashat Hashavua:

After group presentation and Dvar Torah, enjoy a Shabbat leisure walk (Oneg Shabbat) to the Israel Museum to see the model of Jerusalem from the Second Temple period and the Dead Sea Scrolls, housed in the dramatic Shrine of the Book. Afternoon spend some time at leisure in the hotel's pool Havdallah

After dinner, enjoy a unique Jerusalem by night tour including Ben Yehuda Street.

Overnight: Crown Plaza, Jerusalem

### **Sunday, July 09, 2017 – Discovering Hidden Secrets**

Start the day with Stand With Us Presentation: Words That Work (8:30am.-10:00am)

Depart Jerusalem to Machon Ayalon a secret Haganah munitions plant and meet your Israeli peers, engage in ice-breaking activities.

After Falafel lunch continue deep to the desert for a camel rides, followed by a Bedouin Hafla (feast), drumming circle and more!

Overnight: Kfar Hanokdim, Bedouin Village

### **Monday, July 10, 2017 – Masada Rocks!**

Start the day by climbing Masada for a spectacular sunrise. The palatial fortress is known as the last independent Jewish territory from the destruction of the second Temple to the rebirth of the modern

State of Israel. Enjoy breakfast at Masada Youth Hostel and continue for swim (float) and lunch in the Dead Sea.

Drive north along the Jordan River Valley to the Sea of Galilee. Check in the hotel, and enjoy dinner Enjoy an evening out by the Sea of Galilee—pool party!

Overnight: Rimonim Mineral, Sea of Galilee

### **Tuesday, July 11, 2017 – Northern Exposure**

In the morning ascend the Golan Heights and drive to the Mount Bental viewpoint and view deep into Syria and the Ghost Town of Quneitra. Following BBQ lunch head to enjoy a Kayaking experience.

Afternoon enjoy a cruise on the Sea of Galilee and some time to explore the promenade After dinner drive to Beit She'an, for a night tour under surreal illumination.

Overnight: Rimonim Mineral, Sea of Galilee

### **Wednesday, July 12, 2017**

Start the day in Tzfat, city of mystical Judaism (Kabbalah). Explore the narrow alleyways lined with ancient synagogues and artists' galleries. Continue to the Druze Village of Ossafia, atop the Carmel Mountain. Hear about this special group of Muslims, dating back to the 10<sup>th</sup> Century, who are loyal to the State of Israel and enjoy home-hospitality lunch.

Afternoon SWU Presentation: Israel Activism then gather for round-table discussions (and watermelon) "how to become young ambassadors for Israel".

Enjoy dinner with your Israeli peers and say "shalom" as they return to their homes.

Overnight: Ma'aleh HaChmisha

### **Thursday, July 13, 2017 – Honest Reporting and Remembrance**

In the morning enjoy a session with Joe Hyams of Honest Reporting (8:00-9:30) Continue to Mount Herzl and visit the gravesites of Herzl, Golda Meir, Yitzhak Rabin and other Zionist luminaries as well as the graves of fallen Israeli soldiers.

After lunch continue the day with a visit to Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial. Experience the museum, the Children's Memorial, the Valley of the Communities, and the Boulevard of the Righteous Among the Nations (2:00pm).

Evening activities: Donor thank you notes, and meet with former IDF soldiers, Ilana & Itay to discuss the IDF Moral Code

Overnight: Ma'aleh HaChmisha

### **Friday, July 14, 2017 – Vision and Stand With Us**

Start the day with a visit the state of the art Herzl Museum; learn about Herzl's vision to create a safe place for the Jewish People, the Jewish State – Israel.

Continue to the newest "Friends of Zion Center" and hear about people of other faith who believe in the viability of a Jewish State and help create Israel.

Afternoon – Israel Advocacy Stand With Us Presentation: BDS  
 Interactive Kabbalat Shabbat with Beit Tefila Israeli  
 Overnight: Ma'aleh HaChmisha

**Saturday, July 15, 2017 – Closings and Farewell**

Start the day with with Dvar Torah over Parashat Hashavua. Meet with Momo Lifshitz to recap your trip. Afternoon group activities, followed by delicious and festive farewell dinner in Jerusalem

Late evening drive to Ben Gurion Airport for your return flight

**Sunday, July 16, 2017 – Leavin' on a Jet Plane...**

Depart Israel on your El Al flight  
 LY015, JUL 16, TLV/BOS, 12:30A – 05:10A  
 Arrive in Boston and drive back to the North Shore  
 Shalom U'Lehitraot

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**Our Itinerary Route on the Map**

