

Israel Experience – FAQ

How Do I Register for the Israel Experience?

You can register for the trip by visiting our website at www.thegreatesttrip.com. If you need assistance, please call us at 800-921-4825 or email admin@thegreatesttrip.com. After completing the online registration form, a \$500 deposit per person must be submitted within 10 days. A \$25 per person fee applies for credit card payments. To avoid this fee, most participants choose to mail a check. If paying for multiple travelers, please combine the payments when possible and include all travelers names in the memo section of the check.

What Do I Need to Book My Reservation?

To book, you will need the full name of each passenger exactly as it appears on their passport, along with a deposit for each person. You must also review and agree to the Terms & Conditions. Please ensure your passport expires at least six months after the return date. A visa is not required for travel to Israel, but they do require an Electronic Travel Authorization.

Do I Need Any Vaccinations for Travel to Israel?

Vaccinations are not currently required. Blue Diamond Travel does not require the Covid-19 vaccine, and we do not anticipate this will change. However, all travelers must comply with airline and Israeli entry requirements.

What Is the Reservation Deadline?

There is no fixed reservation deadline, but availability becomes limited as the event date approaches. For late accommodations, contact us at 800-921-4825 to explore special arrangements.

Who Can Book a Reservation?

Any individual over 18 years old with the financial ability to make the deposit may book a reservation. The person booking does not have to be a traveler but will be financially responsible for everyone in the reservation. Children under 18 may travel if accompanied by an adult.

Will My Credit Card Be Automatically Charged?

No, credit cards are not automatically charged. Passengers must either pay online or contact us at 800-921-4825 to make a payment by phone.

Can I Request a Roommate if I'm Traveling Alone?

Yes, you may request a roommate, and Blue Diamond Travel will attempt to pair you with another traveler of the same gender who has made a similar request. If a match is found, both individuals will be introduced prior to the trip. However, roommate matches are not

guaranteed, and if no match is available, you will be responsible for the single room supplement fee of \$1,500.

Can I Use a Credit Card for Payment?

Yes, we accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and AMEX. There is a \$175 convenience fee for using a credit card, broken down into \$25 for the deposit and \$150 for the remaining balance. If you only pay the deposit with a card, the fee will be \$25.

Is Pricing Per Person?

Yes, all prices are per person and based on two travelers sharing a room. There is a \$1,500 fee for single room occupancy.

What Is the Payment Schedule and When Will I Receive an Invoice?

Invoices are issued per person and sent to the billing email address provided. If no billing address is listed, invoices will be sent to the email used for registration. The 50% deposit invoice will be sent in February for payment due on March 13, 2026. The final payment invoice will be sent in April for payment due by May 13, 2026.

When Will I Receive My Flight Itinerary and Seat Assignment?

Flight itineraries from NYC (JFK or EWR) to Tel Aviv will be sent by the end of March 2026. This information will help you coordinate any necessary domestic flights. Please send Blue Diamond Travel your domestic flight details once booked. Seat assignments will be made by the airline approximately 3–4 weeks before departure. Final confirmations and travel details will be emailed about 2 weeks before the trip.

When Should I Arrive in New York City?

Our international flights to Tel Aviv will depart on the evening of Saturday, June 13, 2026. Some participants may choose to arrive in New York a day or two early. Blue Diamond Travel will offer group rates at airport hotels and will share booking options when flight itineraries are sent in March 2026.

Is There a Dress Code for the Israel Experience?

There is no formal dress code for the trip. We recommend dressing for comfort, as the experience is casual. Formal attire is not required at any time. Please note that certain religious sites require modest clothing, which means knees and shoulders should be covered. Your guide will inform you the night before any such days so you can plan accordingly.