



COME EXPERIENCE ISRAEL
PARTICIPATE IN THE SERVAS INTERNATIONAL MEETING
"DIVERSITY IN A SMALL COUNTRY"

December 17-26, 2017

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DIVERSITY IN OUR SMALL COUNTRY – ISRAEL – December 17 – 26, 2017

Date	Week day	Description	Remarks
17/12/2017	Sunday	Arrive at homes of Servas hosts in Tel-Aviv or Jerusalem area	List of inviting hosts will be provided to guests after they send flight bookings and LOI to israel@servas.org - coordinate your Tel Aviv or Jerusalem host
18/12/2017	Monday	Free day alone or with the hosts. Welcome meeting in the evening at Harel family in Sde Warburg , together with the hosts - Background information about the program, lighting the 6th candle of Chanukah, singing and dancing . Light dinner at party	Stay with your hosts as coordinated.
19/12/2017	Tuesday	By bus from Tel Aviv to Mitzpe Ramon youth hostel.On the way: Kibbutz Sde Boker, Midreshet Ben Gurion including lecture. Walk with view of Zin river to Ben-Gurion grave site. Visit Bedouin site near Avdat, including light meal. Learn about the ancient Nabatean agriculture and view ancient rock art nearby. Visit small farm that manufactures Argan oil. Evening meeting at hostel, Guests' presentations. Self-paid dinner in town.	Bus pickup point early morning: Tel Aviv Savidor Merkaz train station.Mitzpe Ramon youth hostel: http://www.iyha.org.il/hostels/south-hostels/mitzpe-ramon/?lang=en , Nahal HaEla 4, 02-5945713 Kibbutz Sde Boker: https://www.touristisrael.com/sde-boker/5947 Midreshet Ben Gurion: http://www.boker.org.il/english/aboutmidrasha.htm
20/12/2017	Wednesday	Guided tour by bus - Makhtesh Ramon (Ramon Crater) - Vists at Mitzpe Ramon visitor center, then - along and inside the crater - HaMinsara, Ammonite Wall, Ein Saharonim - Evening meeting at hostel , with African Israelite community members. Guests' presentations. Self-paid dinner in town.	Mitzpe Ramon visitor center. 08-6588691, https://www.touristisrael.com/mitzpe-ramon-visitor-center/11166 Makhtesh Ramon: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Makhtesh_Ramon ,
21/12/2017	Thursday	Guided tour by bus to Jerusalem via the Dead Sea. On the way: visit desert agriculture site at Neot Hakikar, stop at Ein Bokek beach including self-paid lunch. Optional: Tower of David in Jerusalem - night spectacular 19:00. https://www.tod.org.il/en/the-night-spectacular . Dinner and Evening meeting at Beith Ben-Yehuda hostel. Guests' presentations.	Ein Bokek, the Dead Sea: http://www.einbokek.com/deadsea.htm Beith Ben-Yehuda hostel , Jerusalem: http://www.beit-ben-yehuda.org , 28 Ein Gedi Str. 02-6730124,info@beit-ben-yehuda.org. Eden hostel: http://jerusalemhotel.co.il , 4 Giladi Str. 02-6724999
22/12/2017	Friday	On the way to the Old city of Jerusalem via Mahane Yehuda market, self-paid tasting local delicacies for lunch. Half day guided walking tour of Jerusalem Old city - Three religions in Jerusalem, watch Kabbalat Shabbat at the Wailing Wall. Dinner and Evening meeting at the Beith Ben-Yehuda hostel. Guests' presentations.	Mahane Yehuda market: Mahttp://en.machne.co.il Old City of Jerusalem: https://www.touristisrael.com/old-city-jerusalem/403
23/12/2017	Saturday	By bus to Nazareth. On the way - guided tour - Holy sites around the Sea of Galilee. Self-paid lunch / dinner in town. Evening meeting at Al Hakim hostel including guests from an Arab Christian community nearby. Guests' presentations.	Holy sites at the Sea Of Galilee: https://www.israel21c.org/top-10-christian-sites-at-the-sea-of-galilee Al Mutran hostel, Nazareth: http://www.al-mutran.com , Al Hakim Guest House, Nazareth: http://www.alhakim.co.il



24/12/2017	Sunday	Guided walking tour of Nazareth old city - White mosque, Mary's well, along the Pilgrim's Path, all the way to Basilica of Annunciation , the lit Christmas tree and Old Market, self-paid tasting local delicacies for lunch. Christmas Eve in Nazareth - Christmas Parade, Mass. Self-paid dinner in town.	Old city of Nazareth: http://www.nazarethinfo.org/en/nazareth-old-city-tour Christmas in Nazareth: https://www.israel21c.org/celebrate-christmas-in-nazareth/
25/12/2017	Monday	By bus to Haifa. Short visit a Daliat Al Carmel (Druze village) home, including refreshments. Haifa viewpoint, and Bahai center gardens, Holiday of Holidays festival in Wadi Nisnas. Hosts will join. In the evening - farewell meeting in Haifa , women making a necklace from beads you brought , while the men prepare the Guests' party program . Light dinner at party	Daliat El Carmel: http://www.visit-haifa.org/eng/Daliat_el-Carmel About Haifa: https://www.touristisrael.com/what-to-do-in-haifa http://www.carmelithaifa.com/solel-boneh-station/wadi-nisnas List of inviting hosts in all areas will be provided to guests after they send flight bookings and LOI to israel@servas.org - coordinate your Haifa host
26/12/2017	Tuesday	Free day alone or with hosts. Enjoy Israel on your own - Akko and Kfar Masarik kibbutz nearby or elsewhere in Israel. Thank you for visiting us in Israel.	Stay with your hosts as coordinated.