



CARMEN AT MASADA

& THE HIGHLIGHTS OF ISRAEL

June 3-10, 2012

Tour Israel for six days, taking in the highlights of Jerusalem, the Galilee and the Dead Sea. Then, cap your incredible week with a performance of Bizet's opera Carmen against the awesome backdrop of Masada, a natural desert fortress overlooking the Dead Sea.

The spirited and fickle gypsy Carmen sings of freedom and steals the heart of the soldier José only to abandon him for the handsome toreador Escamillo. Fiery Spanish dances and seductive arias will be performed by a cast of hundreds beneath the Mt. of Masada. From love to hate, passion will fill the desert night.



Conducted by Daniel Oren with the Israeli Opera Chorus and the Israel Symphony Orchestra.

Carmen - Anita Rachvelishvili
Don José - Marco Bertì
Escamillo - TBA
Micaëla - Maria Agresta
Zuniga - Carlo Striuli

Moralès - Noah Briger
Le Remendado - TBA
Le Dancaïre - Guy Mannheim
Mercédès - Ayala Zimblar
Frasquita - Hila Baggio



SUNDAY, JUNE 3 - JERUSALEM
Upon arrival at Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport, you will be met by our representative and transferred to your hotel in Jerusalem.

MONDAY, JUNE 4 - JERUSALEM
Drive to Mt. Scopus for a panoramic view of Jerusalem. Then visit the Garden of Gethsemane and Church of the Agony on the Mt. of Olives. Continue to the Israel Museum's Shrine of the Book with the famous Dead Sea scrolls and the incredible scale model of Jerusalem as it was 2,000 years ago. Visit Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial. In the afternoon, drive to the picturesque village of Ein Karem, birth place of John the Baptist. Return to the hotel.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5 - JERUSALEM
Enter Jerusalem's Old City through one of its magnificent gates. See the renewed Jewish Quarter, the Western Wall, the Temple area, and the colorful bazaars. Then walk the Via Dolorosa through the Stations of the Cross to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Drive to Mt. Zion and visit the tomb of King David, the Last Supper Room and Dormition Abbey. In the afternoon continue to Bethlehem to visit the Church of the Nativity. Return to Jerusalem for overnight.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6 - GALILEE
Drive north from Jerusalem through the Jordan Valley and the new settlements to Beit Shean. Visit the excavations of this beautifully restored Roman city. Then proceed to Tiberias, the old center of Jewish learning.

Drive along the shores of the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum to see the ruins of an ancient synagogue. Continue to a kibbutz hotel.

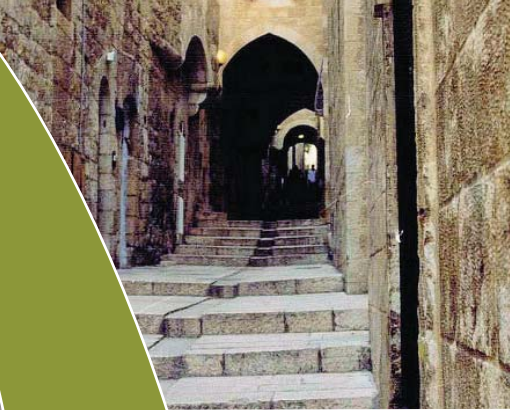
THURSDAY, JUNE 7 - GALILEE
Drive to the Golan Heights and see the former Syrian fortifications, Druze villages, and Banias (ancient Caesarea Philippi), source of the Jordan River. Drive on through the Hula Valley to Safed, city of the Kabbalah, to visit a synagogue and the artists' colony. Continue to Nazareth and visit the Christian holy sites there. Return to the kibbutz hotel.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8 - TEL AVIV
Drive west to Acre (Acko) for a visit of the famous crusader stronghold and medieval fortifications. Continue to Haifa to visit the Bahai Shrine, Persian Garden and Mount Carmel for a panoramic view of the city and bay. Proceed along the coast to Caesarea to visit the extensive Roman ruins there. End the day with a short city tour of Tel Aviv and nearby Jaffa. Overnight in Tel Aviv.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9 - DEAD SEA
From Tel Aviv drive through Ashdod and Ashkelon to Beersheba. Stop for a short visit to the Negev capital and then continue via Arad to Masada. Ascend the massive plateau by cable car to tour Herod's fortress, which was the last stronghold of Jewish Zealots in their war against the Romans. Remains include palaces, a synagogue, a bathhouse and much more. Enjoy the breathtaking view of the Roman camps and the Dead Sea. Continue to your hotel at the Dead Sea resort.

In the evening, attend the opera Carmen near the foot of Masada.

SUNDAY, JUNE 10 -
After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport in Tel Aviv for departure.



SUPERIOR CATEGORY HOTELS

Jerusalem Dan Panorama /Crowne Plaza
Tel Aviv Dan Panorama/Crowne Plaza/Renaissance
Galilee kibbutz hotel
Dead Sea Isrotel Ganim

SUPERIOR CATEGORY PRICES

\$2,195 per person
in a double room

\$2,995 per person
in a single room

DELUXE CATEGORY HOTELS

Jerusalem David Citadel/Inbal/Mamila
Tel Aviv Carlton/Sheraton Hotel & Tower
Galilee kibbutz hotel
Dead Sea Crowne Plaza

DELUXE CATEGORY PRICES

\$2,695 per person
in a double room

\$3,995 per person
in a single room

PRICE INCLUDES:

7 nights accommodations with daily breakfast // level 2 ticket to the June 9th performance of the opera Carmen at Masada // private airport transfers in Israel // 6 days of touring in Israel with a licensed, English-speaking guide // site entrance fees // hotel taxes and service fees

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

airfare // lunches or dinners // personal expenses // travel insurance // tips to guide and driver

IMPORTANT NOTE:

A \$500 per person deposit is due upon booking. **Final payment is due April 4, 2012.**

Travel insurance is available from Ya'lla Tours USA. To cover a land-only trip cost of \$2,000-\$3,000, travel insurance is \$195 per person. To cover a land-only trip cost of \$3,000-\$4,000, travel insurance is \$256 per person.

Funds paid to Ya'lla Tours USA are held in trust until paid to suppliers.



Information on extensions to Jordan or Egypt is available on request.





TERMS & CONDITIONS

Rates and Fares:

- The prices of the tours are guaranteed, but if unforeseen circumstances beyond Ya'lla Tours USA's control occur, i.e. increased government taxes, etc., Ya'lla Tours USA will adjust the price accordingly.
- Prices are subject to change due to fluctuation in currency exchange rate.

Deposit and Payment Policy:

- A deposit of \$500 per person, per country booked is required upon booking the tour.
- Final payment is due sixty days prior to departure.
- If booking within 21 days of travel, an additional fee of \$75 per person will apply.
- A change fee of \$50 per person will apply to any changes made by the traveler after confirmation has been sent.

Cancellations & Refunds:

- **Transportation, lodging, meals, entertainment and other services are sold on a partial refundable basis depending upon the date, in relation to the departure date, such services are canceled. The cancellation fees are set forth below.**
- **61 days or more prior to departure, a service fee of \$100 per person, per country will apply.**
- **If a tour is canceled 60 days or less from departure date and full payment has not been received in our office, the deposit will then be forfeited in full.**
- **Once full payment has been received, any refund will be subject to a \$75 per person administrative fee.**
- **59 to 30 days prior to departure, a cancellation fee of 50% of the tour cost will apply.**
- **29 to 15 days prior to departure, a cancellation fee of 75% of the tour cost will apply.**
- **14 days or less prior to departure, a cancellation fee of 100% of the tour cost will apply.**
- **No refund will apply to any unused services including but not limited to flights, accommodations, touring, meals and/or transportation.**

Passenger responsibility:

Passenger has read the above terms and conditions and agrees to each of them. Passenger hereby warrants that they fully understand each of them. Specifically passenger understands that should he/she cancel their trip for any reason, passenger will be charged the cancellation fee set out in the 'Cancellations & Refunds' section.

Passport And Documentation:

Your passport must be valid for at least six months following your entry date to your travel destination. For more specific visa requirements, please contact your nearest relevant consulate for current information.

Land Arrangements:

The Tour Operator reserves the right to change the itinerary due to unforeseen circumstances. In all cases, Ya'lla Tours USA will do its best to maintain the content of the tour. The Tour Operator reserves the right to change the hotels listed on the tour for others of similar quality.

Responsibility And Liability:

Ya'lla Tours USA acts as agent for services provided by operators herein and cannot be held liable for any services provided listed in this brochure or any other services incidental thereto. Further the responsibilities of air carriers are limited in accordance with international agreements and tariffs. Whereas Ya'lla Tours USA and the participating airlines and tour operators operate the land tours offered under this program only as agents of the aircraft, railroads, car rental contractors, steamship lines, hotels, bus operators, sightseeing contractors and others who provide the actual land arrangements. We are not liable for any act, omission, delay, injury, loss, damage or nonperformance occurring in connection with these tours. The Passenger contract in use by the airline concerned shall constitute the sole contract between the airline and the purchaser of these tours and/or passenger. Ya'lla Tours USA reserves the right to bring legal action to collect damages in the event that purchaser fails to pay any fees due and owing for services, including cancellation fees as set out in the section entitled 'Cancellations & Refunds'. The parties agree that should legal action be commenced, the prevailing party will be entitled to his/her or its reasonable attorney fees and court costs in addition to the actual damages sustained and proven. Venue for any dispute is Multnomah County Circuit Court, Oregon. This contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Oregon.

Travel Insurance:

Travel insurance is not included in your tour price. It is the passenger's responsibility to verify whether his/her local health insurance carrier provides coverage while traveling outside of the USA. Please contact your insurance carrier for details. Ya'lla Tours USA strongly advises that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance policy to cover all aspects of your tour; including the loss of deposits through cancellation, loss of baggage and personal items, personal injury and death. A waiver must be signed if insurance is declined.

Entire Agreement Severability:

This is the entire agreement of the parties and it maybe amended only by written agreement signed by both Ya'lla Tours USA and the client. If any part of this agreement is held unenforceable by a court of law, the rest of this agreement will nevertheless remain in force and effect.

TRAVEL INSURANCE IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!



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