Chabad of Hunterdon County

March 2024



Tipping guidelines for Israeli staff

For Individual/groups up to and including 14 participants:

Driver - \$40-80 per day (Group Total)
Guide not as driver \$50-\$100 per day, (Group Total) if guide as driver \$75-\$125 per day

TERMS OF PAYMENT:

All prices and payments are in US DOLLARS

Deposit of \$500 USD per person to secure reservations

Balance of payment to be made 45 days before the start of the trip by 01/26/2024 Payment should be made by either:

Bank transfer in US Dollars to Israel Maven Tours LTD, Bank Leumi, 21 Ramban st, Rechavia, Jerusalem, Branch # 912, Account # 249300/80, Swift: LUMIILITXXX, Code IL010912 IBAN IL640109120000024930080

Credit card - please let us know if you'd like to pay via credit card and we will email you a link to our secure online payment system.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

If cancellation is received in our office:

Up to 90 days before the start of the trip – no cancellation fee, full refund Between 90-45 days before the start of the trip – cancellation fee of \$500.00 per person plus hotel cancellation fees, if any

Between 44-30 days before the start of the trip – cancellation fee of \$800.00 per person plus hotel cancellation fees, if any Within 29 days of the start of the trip - full payment for the entire trip will be charged, no refund

Cancellation of various elements in the program less than 48 hours prior to the event may well result in a full cancellation charge.

INSURANCE:

WE STRONGLY URGE YOU TO TAKE OUT COMPREHENSIVE TRAVEL INSURANCE IN THE EVENT THAT YOU NEED TO CANCEL YOUR TRIP.

For your convenience, we have made arrangements with SMS-Travel Insurance Center of Omaha, Nebraska. SMS has over 25 years of experience as worldwide insurance brokers and can help you choose the policy that best meets your needs. Our contact person is Yonah Engel, mention promo code: ISRAELMAVEN. Email: yonah@travelinsuranceisrael.com; USA phone (402) 404-5205. If you take out insurance with 14 days of making your first payment towards the trip (land or air) you may qualify for "cancel for any reason" with a return of up to 75%.

NEW VAT TAX REGULATIONS

Please be aware that according to the new Israeli tax laws, being strictly enforced by all hotels, all guests holding Israel citizenship, even those with dual citizenship/passports both for individual travelers and guests part of a group, or invited local guests, will be charged VAT tax. Therefore we need to receive this information in advance in order to finalize the bill. Should we not get this information in advance, and hotels charge us VAT tax, be aware that we will charge you with this extra amount retroactively.

PASSPORT VALIDITY:

As is customary for international travel, your passport should be valid for a minimum of 6 months from the date of entry to Israel or you may not be permitted to travel.