

**Taste & See**  
**A Fair Trade - Alternative Encounter Tour**  
**Of Palestine**  
**20-28 March 2020**

**20.3 Friday Day 1 -: Arrival at Ben Gurion airport, Tel Aviv, and head to Bethlehem.**

- Meet our driver at the airport and transfer to Beit Sahour.
- Welcoming and orientation of program. Then meet your host families from Beit Sahour who will invite you into their homes and family life

Dinner and Overnight with host families.

**21.3 Saturday Day 2 –: The start of your amazing journey**

Breakfast with host families in Beit Sahour.

- Half day at BFTA's Craft Village spend the morning enjoying the beauty of the renovated old historical building, enjoy the facilities our Craft Village has to offer, learn about BFTA's work and Fair trade practices in Palestine.
- Visit a variety of Fair Trade Artisans producing different kinds of beautiful handicrafts Embroidery, recycled glass, Mother of pearl, Olive Wood and finally homemade organic and pharmaceutical olive oil soap.
- Watch the hand designing of those great handicrafts and assist the artisans in the process
- Visit the Shepherds' Field in Beit Sahour
- Drive to Bethlehem and enjoy a falafel lunch at the famous Afteem restaurant
- Visit the Nativity Church and Manger Square.
- Visit the famous Banksy 'Walled Off' Hotel and museum, look at some of Banksy's amazing art, and check out the impact of the Separation Wall.

Dinner and overnight with host families in Beit Sahour.

### **22.3 Sunday Day 3 –: Welcome to Hebron, a hub for Palestinian trade and successful fair trade**

Breakfast with host families in Beit Sahour.

· Drive to Hebron to visit **Alsalam** Glass factory and learn more about the beautiful ceramics and recycled glass industry and how it got involved with Fair Trade. / prepare yourself to work with clay

· Visit to Ithna women cooperative to learn about hand designed embroidery and enjoy a delicious meal cooked by the women.

· Visit the old city of Hebron and the Ibrahimi mosque at the heart of the old city.

· Visit Peace steps factory, the first authentic Fair Trade leather products factory in Hebron, view their amazing collection and check out the production process of one of the leading suppliers of leather production.

· Return back to Bethlehem for some free time

Dinner and Overnight with host families.

### **23.3 Monday Day 4--: The beauty of Jericho and mosaic art**

Breakfast with host Family

- We start our day by driving through Beithan Valley to reach Jeftlik village and learn about the farmers' situation there.
- In the world oldest city visit the last Palestinian salt producing factory for an amazing Dead experience and much more
- Visit to **Jericho's Mosaic Center** where you will have the chance to custom make your own mosaic master piece, that you will take home as an amazing souvenir to remember your journey by and have lunch at the center .
- . Continue to visit Jericho's most amazing historical sites Hisham's Palace & visit the Mount of Temp- station by cable car!

Drive to Nablus dinner and overnight at Jasmine hostel Nablus old city

### **24.3 Tuesday Day 5 –: A day in Jenin & Sebastya**

Breakfast at your hotel in Nablus.

- Start the day with a short visit to Burqin Church.
- Next to Burqin Church visit Canaan Fair trade the first Fair Trade olive oil produced in the west bank ,taste delicious Palestinian Olive Oil and more products.
- Visit to the famous Jenin Freedom Theater and the refugee camp of Jenin.
- Continue to the charming city of Sebastya to visit the famous archaeological site, where the ruins of the Roman city of Herod the Great stands.
- .Optional: Finish your day off at an amazing Turkish bath where you can relax, be pampered and have fun.

Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Nablus.

### **25.3 Wednesday Day 6 –: A journey to Nablus, known as the ‘Uncrowned Queen of Palestine’**

Breakfast at Hotel in Nablus.

- Drive up to Mt. Gerizim to meet the Samaritan Community living there, one of oldest communities in the Middle East.
- We will visit the old city of Nablus and visit to the largest **Nablus Soap factory** one of the oldest soap factories in Palestine.
- Lunch in Nablus followed by famous Kinafeh for dessert as we walk around the beautiful old city of Nablus.
- Finish your day off at an amazing Turkish bath where you can relax, be pampered and have fun. / This activity is optional

Head back to Bethlehem to have dinner and overnight at hotel/host family.

### **26.3 Thursday Day 7 –: Jerusalem: the City of History**

Breakfast at the hotel In Bethlehem

- Visit “Together for Life” organization – L’Arche – handmade felt products in Bethlehem
- Drive to Jerusalem- tour to the Al Alaqa Mosque, Dome of the Rock, Via Dolorosa and the church of Holy Sepulchre. Visit to the Western Wall·
- Drive Visit Saraya Center a great center to learn about Palestinian living in Jerusalem, meet and interact with people there.
- Stop for a street snack of Kaek al-Quds, famous Jerusalem snack
- Optional: After lunch, by bus, we visit Mount of Olives, the Church of Mary’s Tomb, Gethsemane Church and Pater Noster Church or free time in Jerusalem or Bethlehem.

Dinner and Overnight in Bethlehem.

## 27.3 Friday Day 8: Hiking, reflections and supporting Fair Trade in Palestine

Breakfast at the hotel In Bethlehem

- Visit Alrashayda Bedouin community to check out the fascinating landscape and learn about new projects done by BFTA to help those communities.
- We hike in the landscape of southern Jerusalem and explore the village of Battir – the land of olives and vines followed by Lunch in Battir.
- .Free time
- Spend your last evening at **our Craft Village** to reflect on this journey of a lifetime while dinning a delicious cooked meals at the fair trade dining area and have a nice farewell gathering.
- . Shop beautiful sustainable handicrafts at our fair trade shop in the Craft Village

Overnight in Bethlehem.

## 28.3 Saturday –: The end of an amazing journey

Drive to Tel Aviv- Ben Gurion airport for departure

**Tour price: 975 USD per individual**

**Tour includes:**

Entrance fees  
Half board meals  
Transportation  
Accommodation  
Tour guide

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**Tour excludes:**

Air fare  
Personal travel insurance  
Lunch  
Transportation from tel aviv airport to Beit Sahour  
Personal travel expenses  
Single supplement

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