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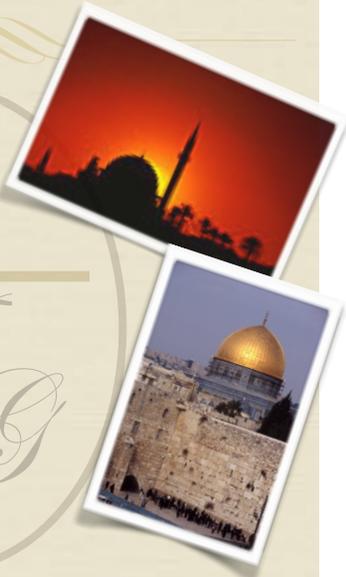
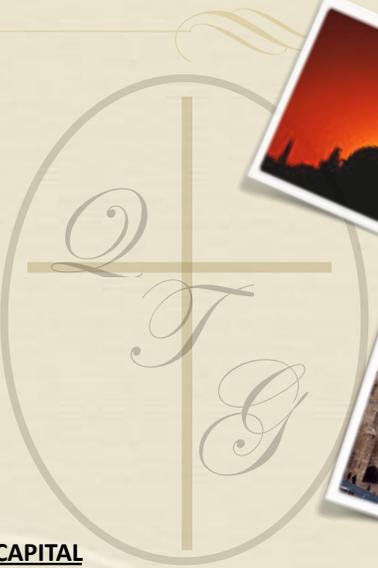
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# TRAVEL IN ISRAEL





### **CAPITAL**

Jerusalem

### **LANGUAGES**

Modern Hebrew and Arabic are the official languages. English is widely spoken; signs appear in both Hebrew and English.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Your valid passport must not expire within 6 months of your return date. No visa is required for American citizens. If you are not an American Citizen, please check with your closest Israeli consulate for visa requirements.

### **CURRENCY**

The Shekel. ATM machines are available and linked to American Systems. U.S. Dollars and credit cards are accepted in most shops and restaurants. Also, you can exchange money at banks or your hotel. As of 2018, Travelers Checks are no longer accepted.

### **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

Banks and offices are closed at noon the day of holidays. Saturday is the Jewish Sabbath and is observed by most public facilities. Dates of holidays are based on the Jewish calendar:

- **Mar/Apr:** Passover
- **Sep/Oct:** Rosh Hashana (Jewish New Year), Yom Kippur.
- **December:** Hanukkah

Christian and Muslim religious holidays are also observed .

### **ELECTRICITY**

220 volts 50 cycles AC. A physical adaptor is needed for appliances.

### **TELEPHONE**

To call the U.S. from Israel, dial 00 followed by 1 (country code), then the area code and local number. Phone cards can be purchased before you depart or in Israel at the hotel. Contact your cell phone provider for usage instructions.

### **HEALTH**

Sanitation standards are high; no special precautions necessary. Drinking water is safe in main cities; bottled water may be advisable in remote areas and can be purchased while traveling at minimal cost. Pharmaceuticals are available but can be expensive.

### **MEALS**

Israeli-style meals prohibit meat and dairy served together. Beverages are customary for breakfast, but are an additional expense for evening meals.

### **CLIMATE**

Israeli summers are long (from April to October), and warm with very little rain. During these months, the weather in the hill towns such as Jerusalem, is drier and cooler than other parts of the country. The winter season (from November to March) is generally mild but can be cold in the hilly areas. During this period, the Dead Sea and Eilat on the Red Sea have ideal, warm, sunny weather.



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