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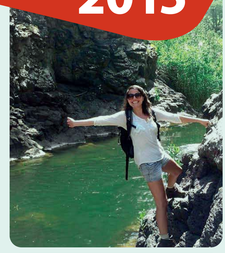
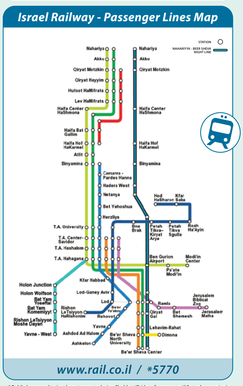


Israel's Top 10 Nature Reserves & National Parks

1. **Hermon National Park (Banias)** - A basalt canyon hiking trail leading to the largest waterfall in Israel.
2. **Yehudiya Forest Nature Reserve** - Come hike these magnificent trails that run along rivers, natural pools, and waterfalls.
3. **Zippori National Park** - A site offering impressive ruins and mosaics, including the stunning "Mona Lisa of the Galilee".
4. **Caesarea National Park** - Explore the 3500-seat theatre and other remains from the Roman Empire at this enchanting port city.
5. **Jerusalem Walls National Park** - Tour this amazing park and view Biblical Jerusalem from the city walls or go deep into the underground tunnels.
6. **Ein Gedi Nature Reserve** - This oasis located near the Dead Sea provides a stark contrast to the surrounding parched desert environment with it's four beautiful springs.
7. **Masada National Park** - Overlooking the Dead Sea, this mountaintop fortress is one of the Jewish people's greatest symbols of courage and heroism.
8. **Avdat National Park** - Sitting on the ancient incense and spice route, this old Nabatean town represents how the harsh desert was settled for trade and agriculture.
9. **Ramon Park Complex** - The Ramon Crater ("Makhtesh") boasts a breathtaking view and the most spectacular geological site in the country.
10. **Coral Beach Nature Reserve** - Snag a fantastic glimpse into the natural world of the coral reef of Eilat Bay using only a mask and snorkel.

www.parks.org.il

Israel Railway - Passenger Lines Map



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Egged *2800 www.egged.co.il	**Countrywide:** Interurban and inner city - Jerusalem, Tel-aviv, Haifa, Eilat.
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Kavim *8787 www.kavim-t.co.il	**Center:** Tel-Aviv, Petach Tikva, **North:** Afula, Nazareth, Beit Shean
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Metropoline *5900 www.metropoline.com	**South:** Beer Sheva interurban - Tel-aviv, Sde Boker, Mitzpe Ramon, Dimona

Combined search on www.bus.co.il

Driving Time (hr:min)

5:30	5:00	5:00	4:30	2:30	3:50	3:00	**Eilat**
3:00	3:00	2:15	1:30	1:30	1:30		**Beer Sheva**
2:35	2:30	2:00	1:00	1:15			**Jerusalem**
3:00	2:30	2:45	2:00				**Dead Sea**
2:10	2:00	1:10					**Tel Aviv**
1:30	1:20						**Haifa**
0:45							**Tiberias**
							Katzrin

Recommended Hiking Trails

Israel National Trail (INT)
The 920-kilometer, border-to-border adventure is an amazing way for visitors to see Israel without having to stare through dusty bus windows. Beginning at Israel's northern border, the INT traverses forests, mountain ranges, urban areas, and deserts before ending at the country's southernmost point on the Red Sea.You can enjoy hiking the INT for a few days or take a greater challenge and hike the whole trail.
www.israelnationaltrail.com

Jesus Trail
A 60-kilometer trail from Nazareth to Capernaum in the Galilee region. The trail highlights sites from the life of Jesus, as well as diverse communities and stunning landscapes.
A great 4 day adventure for Christian pilgrims or anybody interested in nature and history.
www.jesustrail.com

Golan Trail
A 120-kilometer trail stretching along the beautiful Golan Heights, from the ski resort on Mount Hermon to Taufiq Spring by the Sea of Galilee. The trail passes through flowing streams, volcanic hills, and various local communities.
Hiking the entire trail takes approximately 5-7 days.
www.golantrail.com

Sea of Galilee Circle
A 60 kilometer trail surrounding the Kinneret (Sea of Galilee). You can either walk or bike the trail, enjoy the lovely beaches and visit some of the pilgrimage sites.

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- **Our hostels typically provide the following:** Guest kitchen • Dormitory beds • Private rooms • Common areas • Internet access and/or free Wifi • Hot showers • Linens and bedding • English-speaking hosts • Storage facilities. Many hostels offer extra activities and tours in the surrounding area.
- **ILH guarantees a fair price and good value for your money.** Each hostel sets its own prices.
- All prices are quoted in Shekels (ILS) and exclude VAT (value added tax). Israeli passport holders as well as those holding non-tourist visas (other than B2/B3/B4) must add VAT on top of the quoted rates.
- Dormitory prices are per person per night (PP). Private room prices relate to twin/double room and are quoted per room per night (PR). Most hostels have additional private rooms (triple, family). Contact them directly for prices or check online.
- Some services (meals, laundry, towels etc.) may require an additional fee.
- Prices are based on rates at time of publication, and may vary during high season, national holidays, or special events.
- **Families and children** are welcome in most hostels. Contact the hostel directly for further details.
- **Groups** will usually qualify for a discount. Contact the hostel directly for further details.

Booking process

- We strongly advise you to book your hostel in advance.
- Confirmed online booking is available for all hostels at: **www.hostels-israel.com**
- **Reservations** should be made directly with each hostel.
- **Free call to book your next ILH Hostel** – ask your host.
- For rural ILH hostels, please call/email with expected time of arrival.
- Most hostels require a deposit or credit card details in order to guarantee your booking.

Contact us

ILH wants to hear from you! Do not hesitate to send us any query or request regarding your hostel feedback, trip planning and ideas for improvement.
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Useful Information

National holidays & events:

- March 4-6 – Purim
- † March 29 - Palm Sunday
- † April 3-10 – Passover (Pesach)*
- † April 5 - Easter Sunday
- April 10-11 – Isru Hag*
- April 16 – Holocaust Memorial Day
- April 21-22 – Israel Memorial Day (Yom Hazikaron)
- April 22-23 – Independence Day (Yom Haatzmaut)
- May 7 – Lag B'omer
- May 23-25 – Shavuot*
- ☾ June 18 – Beginning of Ramadan
- ☾ July 18 – Eid-Ul-Fitr (End of Ramadan)
- July 26 –Tishaa Be'av
- September 13-15 - Rosh Hashanah* (Jewish New Year)
- September 22-23 - Yom Kippur**
- ☾ September 24 - Eid-ul-Adha
- September 27 -October 4 – Sukkot*
- October 4-5 - Simchat Torah*
- † November 26 - Thanksgiving
- December 6-14 - Hanukkah
- December 24-5 - Christmas

** No public transportation.*
Two-day holidays begin on the afternoon of the first day (Erev Hag) and end on the evening of the second day.
During this time public transportation stops running. Taxi services (and Sherut) operate all year long, including holidays.
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During holidays hostels might be fully booked, we advise you to book your hostel in advance. Check the ILH website www.hostels-israel.com for availability & book your bed/room quickly & securely.

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Golan Heights	1	**Golan Heights Hostel**	Odem Golan Heights	26	054-2600334 info@golanheightshostel.com	100	270-350
	2	**Golan Garden Hostel**	Katzrin 13 hofit st.	17	072-2303565 info@golangarden.com	100	250-450
	3	**Genghis Khan in the Golan**	Givat Yoav Golan Heights	46	052-3715687 gkhan.golan@gmail.com	100	400-600
Galilee	4	**Safed Inn**	Safed Merom Canaan St.	48	04-6971007 rirki@safedinn.com	100	380-600
	5	**Galilee Ranch Inn**	Vered Hagalil Korazim Juc.	22	04-6935785 ranchinn@veredhagalil.com	98	380-420
	6	**Kibbutz Inbar Country Lodging**	Kibbutz Inbar	56	04-6987302 inbar@inbar.co.il	99	263-550
	7	**Aviv Hotel & Hostel**	Tiberias 66 Ha'Galil St.	90	04-6720007 avivhotel@walla.com	80	250-350
	8	**Fauzi Azar Inn**	Nazareth Old city	50	04-6020469 info@fauziazarinn.com	90-100	250-500
	9	**Simsim Guesthouse**	Nazareth Old city	39	077-5517275 info@simsim-guesthouse.com	70-95	260-420
	10	**Ataba Inn**	Nazareth 6 Al Bishara St.	16	054-2316580 ataba.inn.nazareth@gmail.com	80-100	300-400
	11	**Galilee Bedouin Camplodge**	Hilf Tabash	35	052-6941188 galilee.bedouin@gmail.com	80	230-300
Haifa & North Coast	12	**Clil Guest House**	Clil Western Galilee	10	054-4757283 clilguesthouse@gmail.com	90	250
	13	**Port Inn**	Haifa 34 Jaffa (Yafo) Rd.	65	04-8524401 info@portinn.net	90	300-350
	14	**Juha's Guest House - Zarqa Bay**	Jisr Az Zarqa - Main street, near Jisr Pharm	20	052-8824570 juhasguesthouse@gmail.com	65-80	200-280
Tel Aviv - Jaffa	15	**Florentine Hostel**	Tel Aviv 10 Eilifelet St.	55	03-5187551 florentinehostel@gmail.com	50-70	180-240
	16	**Gordon Inn**	Tel Aviv 17 Gordon St.	70	03-5238239 gordonin@gmail.com	85-100	240-450
	17	**Hayarkon 48**	Tel Aviv 48 Hayarkon St.	100	03-5168989 info@hayarkon48.com	88-100	240-385
	18	**Overstay TLV**	Tel Aviv 47 Derech Ben Tsvi	60	053-4210200 overstay.tlv@gmail.com	50-70	180-240
	19	**Tel Aviv Beachfront**	Tel Aviv 78 Herbert Samuel st.	82	03-7440347 telavivbeachfront@gmail.com	100	250-450
	20	**Milk and Honey**	Jaffa 4 Shalma st. / Hatekuma path	35	03-6444316 milkandhoneyjaffa@gmail.com	65-95	240-390
	21	**Old Jaffa Hostel**	Jaffa 13 Amiad St.	70	03-6822370 ojhostel@shani.net	90	250-310
Jerusalem	22	**Abraham Hostel Jerusalem**	Jerusalem 67 Hanevi'im St.	260	02-6502200 reservations@abrahamhostels.com	80-100	300-420
	23	**The Jerusalem Hostel**	Jerusalem 44 Jaffa (Yafo) Rd.	70	02-6236102 reservation@jerusalem-hostel.com	90	270-360
Dead Sea	24	**Jericho Inn**	Vered Jericho	20	052-8600969 jerichoinn10@gmail.com	100	350-450
	25	**Shkedi's Camplodge***	Neot Hakikar	100	052-2317371 shkedi.camplodge@gmail.com	100	350
Negev	26	**Desert Routes Inn (Shvilim)**	Hatzeva	60	03-5004266 office@shvilimbamidbar.co.il	95-100	350-600
	27	**Silent Arrow - 'Desert Lodge'**	Mitzpe Ramon	50	052-6611561 info@silentarrow.com	80	250
	28	**The Green Backpackers**	Mitzpe Ramon 2/2 Nahal Sirpad	25	08-6532319 greenbmr@gmail.com	85-100	265-310
Eilat	29	**Arava Hostel**	Eilat 106 Ha'almagim St.	90	08-6374687 harava@bezeqint.net	70-100	200-450

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