



Friends of the Arava Institute Beyond Borders Study Tour 2026

- Included:**
- 10 nights' accommodation in comfortable 4-star hotels (double occupancy)
 - 1 English Speaking Guide in Jordan
 - Private airport transfers in Amman
 - Private bus transportation as mentioned in itinerary, including private and group arrival + departure airport transfers
 - Collective entry visa and Exit tax **(Jordan)**
 - Meals listed in the itinerary: 10 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 9 dinners
 - Water on bus throughout tour
 - Entrances and sites as listed in the itinerary
 - Dedicated pre-trip customer service and on-ground support
- Not included:**
- International airfare
 - Travel and Medical insurance-**HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**
 - Meals not mentioned in the itinerary
 - Customary tips for drivers, guides, and hotel staff
 - Individual airport transfers outside of the group transfer
 - Anything not explicitly mentioned in the included section
- Pricing:** \$4,995 per person (based on double occupancy)
Single Room Supplement: \$1,100

Main Trip (Tentative Schedule – Subject to Change):

Day 1: Saturday, October 10, Arrival in Amman

- Arrival in **Amman** by mid-afternoon.
- **Meeting room** for welcoming session (including refreshments and light snacks)
- **Group Welcome Dinner**

Overnight: Amman (Dinner included)

Day 2: Sunday, October 11, Amman - Petra

- Orientation and Welcome Meetings
- Check out and travel together south to **Petra**

Overnight: Petra (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Day 3: Monday, October 12, Petra - Wadi Rum

- Half day **Petra tour**
- Continue to **Wadi Rum for** a 2-hour Jeep ride and overnight at a local camp

Overnight: Wadi Rum (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Day 4: Tuesday, October 13, Wadi Rum - Aqaba

- Travel to **Aqaba**
- Meet with environmental public sector and civil society partners
- Continue to the border for crossing and travel to Kibbutz Ketura, where the Arava Institute is located

Overnight: Ketura (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Day 5: Wednesday, October 14, Arava Institute for Environmental Studies

- Tour the Arava Institute, experimental orchards, off grid technologies, ancient date trees. Meet students, faculty and researchers.

Overnight: Ketura (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Day 6: Thursday, October 15, Ketura - Dead Sea - Tel Aviv

- Travel to the unrecognized Bedouin village of Al-Fura'a, visit the regional school and the Off-Grid Environmental Hub, launched with the Arava Institute
- Lunch in al-Fura'a
- Travel to Tel Aviv

Overnight: Tel Aviv (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Day 7: Friday, October 16, Tel Aviv

- Meetings with civil society and public sector leaders in Tel Aviv
- Free time in Tel Aviv
- **Shabbat Dinner**

Overnight: Tel Aviv (Breakfast and Dinner included)

Day 8: Saturday, October 17, Tel Aviv

- Half day **Dual Narrative tour** in Tel Aviv-Jaffa
- Group Lunch
- Free time in Tel Aviv

Overnight: Tel Aviv (Breakfast and Lunch included)

Day 9: Sunday, October 18, Jerusalem & West Bank

- After a morning conversation with a local social leader, we'll travel to Palestine and the West Bank to see Arava Institute projects in the Jordan Valley and meet Palestinian civil society partners.
- We'll return to Jerusalem for the night.

Overnight: Jerusalem (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Day 10: Monday, October 19, Jerusalem

- Visit The Educational Bookshop in East Jerusalem

- Learn about the environmental challenges facing East and West Jerusalem
- **Farewell Dinner**

Overnight: Prima Royal, Jerusalem (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Optional Post-tour: Morocco

Post Tour Inclusions and Pricing:

- 4 nights' accommodation at comfortable hotels (double occupancy)
- 1 MEJDI-Trained Guide for 3.5 days
- 5 days of private transportation, including group airport transfers (Israel-Marrakech) and private individual departure transfers (Marrakech)
- Meals listed in the itinerary: 4 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners
- Entrance to sites
- Water on bus throughout tour
- Dedicated pre-trip customer service and on-ground support

Not included:

- International airfare
- Morocco flight, not included for operational reasons:
 - MEJDI will be available to assist at the time of tour confirmation and provide guidance on what / how to purchase.
- Travel and Medical insurance-**HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**
- 1-Way flight Tel Aviv - Marrakech
- Meals not mentioned in the itinerary
- Customary tips for drivers, guides, and hotel staff
- Anything not explicitly mentioned in the included section

Pricing: \$2,050 per person (based on double occupancy)
Single Room Supplement: \$680

Tentative Schedule:

Day 1: Tuesday, October 20, Tel Aviv - Marrakech

- Morning **flight to Marrakech**
- Afternoon **touring**

Overnight: Marrakech (Breakfast included)

Day 2: Wednesday, October 21, Marrakech

- Half day meeting room (including refreshments and light snacks).
- Travel to Essaouira

Overnight: Essaouira (Breakfast and Dinner included)

Day 3: Thursday, October 22, Essaouira

- Half day meeting room (including refreshments and light snacks).
- Afternoon / Evening **tour** in Essaouira

Overnight: Essaouira (Breakfast included)

Day 4: Friday, October 23, Marrakech

- Travel to Marrakech
- **Jewish community** connection

Overnight: Marrakech (Breakfast and Dinner included)

Day 5: Saturday, October 24, Departure

(Breakfast included)