

NIF Spring 2025 Study Tour Sample Itinerary

Day 1 (Tel Aviv): Orientation to this Moment in Israel

Welcome and group orientation

Behind the headlines: Unpacking the current political and social reality in Israel – Conversation with a leading Israeli journalist

Civil society in times of crisis and war: a conversation with NIF staff and leadership on crisis response and social change

Dinner with NIF leadership

Day 2 (trip to Negev): Communities in the South of Israel

A tour of Bedouin and Jewish towns in the south of Israel and conversations with residents and social activists who were impacted by October 7 and its aftermath

Meeting with local activists and organizations who are working together the rebuild the Negev

Day 3 (Friday) (West Bank) <u>The Reality of Palestinian Life Under Occupation and the Co-Resistance Movement</u>

A tour of the South Hebron Hills. Visiting a Palestinian village and meeting with Residents

Meeting with Palestinians and Israelis working together to resist the occupation and combat settler violence

Optional Shabbat services

Shabbat group dinner

Day 4 (Saturday) (Tel Aviv): Shabbat in Tel Aviv

Walking tour of Jaffa: Life in a Mixed Jewish-Arab city at a time of increased tensions

Rest

Mass mobilization for change: Meeting with leading figures of the protest movement

Day 5 (Trip to the North): The lives of Palestinian Citizens of Israel

Walking tour of Nazareth and meeting with residents and activists

The unique challenges facing Palestinian citizens of Israel: Lunch conversation with Palestinian Israeli civil society leaders

Envisioning a shared society: Jewish and Palestinian citizens committed to equal rights and shared living (drive to Jerusalem)

Day 6 (Jerusalem): The Geopolitical reality in East Jerusalem

A geopolitical walking tour of the Temple Mount/Haram Al-Sharif

Lunch in the Old City

The politics of heritage sites - a conversation on the politicization of antiquities

Dinner with leading civil and human rights attorneys

Day 7 (Jerusalem): Israel in the Middle East

Israel's foreign policy: Realities and Opportunities with leading Israeli foreign policy experts

Emerging models for peace: with thought leaders committed to innovative resolutions to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict

Closing conversation and dinner with NIF leadership and staff