Israel, Egypt & Jordan
From Tel Aviv to Aqaba to Dead Sea
JANUARY 24TH – FEBRUARY 8TH, 2024
ONBOARD M/Y HARMONY V

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Dear Alumni and Friends:

Explore some of the world’s greatest age-old monuments. Expand your understanding of history and culture with the added luxury of travelling aboard an exclusively chartered modern, elegant mega yacht with only 25 cabins; the Harmony V. We will sail along the Suez Canal with an impeccable crew delivering warm, friendly and professional service all in a secure and private environment.

An on board Egyptologist will enhance the experience with insights that bring each destination to life. Together we will explore the ancient city of Jerusalem, sail the Red Sea, transit the Suez Canal – the engineering marvel that connects the Mediterranean and Red Seas, visit the world-famous sites of Luxor and the Giza Pyramids in Cairo, discover the monuments of Petra, and float in the Dead Sea.

Space is very limited for the journey. For more information or to make a reservation, please contact GLP Worldwide at 1-866-760-1987 or alumni@glpworldwide.com.

Sincerely,

Dawn Warren
University of Saskatchewan Alumni Travel Program
ITINERARY

ISRAEL, EGYPT & JORDAN
January 24th – February 8th, 2024

DAY 1 | JAN 24 | DEPART TORONTO
Board your overnight flight to Tel Aviv.

DAY 2 | JAN 25 | ARRIVE IN TEL AVIV - JERUSALEM (L,D)
Arrive early in Tel Aviv. Meet your guide and board a bus for a scenic drive to Jaffa, the world’s oldest port. Visit the Old City, Artists’ Quarter, and Independence Hall. Depart for Jerusalem via Wadi Elah, where David encountered Goliath, and travel along the historic Beth Horon road past ancient Gibeon. Arrive in Jerusalem and stop to enjoy the spectacular city view at Mt. Scopus. Check into your hotel; enjoy a welcome drink followed by dinner.

DAY 3 | JAN 26 | JERUSALEM AND BETHLEHEM (B,L,D)
Tour Jerusalem’s sacred sites. Ascend the Mount of Olives for panoramic views of the Old City, and walk down Palm Sunday road with stops at the Russian Church of Maria Magdalena and the Church of Gethsemane. Drive to Kidron (Valley of Jehoshaphat) where Zechariah’s Tomb is located. Visit Mount Zion before heading south to Bethlehem. Shop at markets on the way to the Church of the Nativity.

DAY 4 | JAN 27 | THE ARCHEOLOGY OF JERUSALEM (B,L,D)
Walk along the ramparts from Jaffa Gate to the Western Wall, Judaism’s holiest site, and continue to the Dome of the Rock and the Islamic holy site Al-Aqsa Mosque. Visit the Jewish Quarter and tour the City of David, including tunnels that date back to 700 B.C. Optional tour (walking in knee-high water) from Gihon Spring to the Pool of Siloam, where a blind man was healed. Dinner at the Al Diwan Middle Eastern Restaurant in the Ambassador Hotel.

DAY 5 | JAN 28 | CHRISTIAN JERUSALEM AND WEST JERUSALEM | EMBARKATION (B,L,D)
Check out and board the bus to St. Stephen’s Gate, home to the Church of St. Anne and its

Included meals: B – breakfast, L – lunch, D – dinner
amazing acoustics. Visit the Holy Sepulchre and the Mosque of Omar before exploring the Christian Quarter, Arab souks and bazaars. Travel to West Jerusalem, passing by the Knesset and visit the Israel Museum, home to the Dead Sea Scrolls - before heading to Ashdod. Board the Harmony V and sail overnight to Port Said, Egypt.

**DAY 6 | JAN 29 | PORT SAID, EGYPT (B,L,D)**
Afternoon arrival in Port Said. Visit the De Lesseps statue, the El Salam Mosque and a Christian cathedral. Continue to the Memorial of Unknown Soldiers and the nearby Islamic-style Suez Canal Authority Building. Time permitting, the Port Said Museum will be included in the city tour. Late night Suez Canal crossing and overnight cruise.

**DAY 7 | JAN 30 | SUEZ (B,L,D)**
Travel to the city of Suez for an afternoon arrival, and learn about the Canal’s history. Tour this historic city which dates back to the reign of the 6th Pharaonic dynasty in the middle of the 25th century B.C. Observe dozens of ships crossing the canal before returning to the ship. Overnight in the port.

**DAY 8 | JAN 31 | SUEZ (B,L,D)**
Depart for Cairo in a luxury air-conditioned vehicle. See the Giza Plateau and Great Pyramid of Giza, a Wonder of the Ancient World. Stand before the Great Sphinx, the national symbol of Egypt. Visit the Egyptian Antiquities Museum which houses the priceless treasures of King Tutankhamen. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before returning to the ship and sailing to Hurghada.

**DAY 9 | FEB 01 | HURGHADA (B,L,D)**
Late afternoon arrival in Hurghada, Egypt’s world famous beach resort town on the Red Sea. Relax, enjoy a refreshing cocktail and experience a traditional Bedouin evening with live music. Overnight in the port.

**DAY 10 | FEB 02 | HURGHADA – LUXOR (B,L,D)**
Begin a two-day land excursion. Visit the Valley of the Kings, home to the Egyptian Kings’ tombs. Next, see the Hatshepsut Temple, a monument to the only female Pharaoh to rule. Onwards to the Colossi of Memnon, see two giant statues that originally flanked the entrance to Amenhotep III’s mortuary temple. Return to the hotel for lunch and enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure. Overnight in Luxor.

**DAY 11 | FEB 03 | LUXOR – HURGHADA (B,L,D)**
Early morning tour to Luxor’s west bank section. Following breakfast, visit East Bank and stop at the imposing Karnak Temple to see the Hypostyle Hall, Sacred Lake and Avenue of the Sphinxes. Finish the day at the spectacular Luxor Temple complex with its culturally-significant statues, obelisks, and temples dating back to the 14th century B.C. Enjoy lunch at the hotel, check out and return by coach to the ship in Hurghada. Sail overnight to Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt.

**DAY 12 | FEB 04 | AQABA | DISEMBARKATION – PETRA (B,L,D)**
Disembark around midday. Meet your guide and drive to the magical desert of Wadi Rum, the home of “Lawrence of Arabia.” Hop in 4x4 vehicles for a desert tour starting with the Lawrence of Arabia spring and giant rocks with inscriptions from the Talmudic period mentioned in the Quran. If you wish, walk up the impressive sand dunes (and then roll down!). Continue to Petra and check into the hotel.
DAY 13 | FEB 05 | PETRA – DEAD SEA *(B,L,D)*
Morning tour of Petra. Walk through the 1250 metre-long Siq, the mountain crack hiding Petra’s treasures. The winding route showcases the façade’s carvings of the Treasury. Walk further to see early Nabatean tombs and temples. Visit the Royal Tombs, Urn, Silk, Corinthian and Palace. Continue on to view Roman remains. Enjoy lunch then stroll back to Petra’s entrance before journeying onwards to the Dead Sea via the desert highway. Overnight in a hotel.

DAY 14 | FEB 06 | DEAD SEA *(B,L,D)*
Drive 800 metres above sea level to Nebo which overlooks the Holy Land. Enjoy panoramic views of Mount of Olives, the Dead Sea, Jericho and the Jordan Valley. Head to Madaba and enter St. George’s Church where the oldest map of Jordan, Jerusalem and Egypt is housed. Break for coffee or tea in the town. Continue to Um Rassas which houses the vibrantly coloured mosaics from cities across Jordan, Egypt and the Holy Land. Transfer by bus back to the Dead Sea. Overnight in a hotel.

DAY 15 | FEB 07 | DEAD SEA – TEL AVIV *(B,L,D)*
Transfer to the Allenby Bridge border and drive to Jericho. Visit the mountain of Jesus’s temptation and then head south to Qumran and view Cave #4, where most of the Dead Sea scrolls were found. Onwards to Masada, where you can take a cable car to see Herod’s mountain bunker and the last stronghold of the Jewish revolt against Rome. Continue on through the Jordan Valley and return to Jerusalem with a final stop at Mt. Scopus before heading to Tel Aviv. Enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight in a hotel.

DAY 16 | FEB 08 | TEL AVIV – DEPARTURE *(B)*
Transfer to the airport for your flight home.
M/Y HARMONY V
- Ship type: Motor Yacht
- Year Built: 2009
- Renovated 2017
- Length: 179 ft. (55m)
- Passengers: 49
- Cabins: 25
- Cruising speed: 10 knots

DECKPLAN

- Sun Deck
- Upper Deck
- Main Deck

Category P
Category A
Category B
Category C
DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS

DEPOSIT  CAD 2,000 per each confirmed passenger at the time of booking
SECOND DEPOSIT  CAD 2,000 per each confirmed passenger due on June 23, 2023
FINAL PAYMENT  Due on October 20, 2023

Note:
1. Passenger names must match passport.
2. Please ensure that passports are valid up till after six (6) months at last destination

INCLUSIONS

- International air and air taxes for roundtrip Toronto – Tel Aviv – Toronto via Air Canada
- 6 nights accommodation in double or twin cabins with private SH/WC & air conditioning
- Use of fishing and snorkeling equipment while onboard (subject to availability)
- English-speaking cruise escort Egyptologist during the cruise
- Pre- and post-cruise land tours and transfers as per itinerary, with English speaking local guide and coach
- 3 nights hotel in Jerusalem
- 1 night hotel in Luxor
- 1 night hotel in Petra

SINGLE OCCUPANCY

- 2 nights hotel in Dead Sea
- 1 night hotel in Tel Aviv
- All meals as specified in the itinerary
- Porterage at hotels
- All port fees and port charges
- All gratuities for ship crew, local guides and driver for included excursions and tours

EXCLUSIONS

- Egypt visa on arrival (USD 25 per person)
- Jordan visa on arrival (JOD 40 per person)
- Optional travel, health, accident or other insurances
- Wi-Fi
- Laundry
- Personal Expenses
- Meals not included in itinerary

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