JUDAICA TOUR TO GUATEMALA ITINERARY

with Tikal add-on



With poet and prominent Jewish educator Danny Siegel

January 23-February 1, 2024

(Schedule Subject to Change)



TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

Arrive to Guatemala by late afternoon. ¡Bienvenido a Guatemala! Welcome dinner and introduction to the tour.

Overnight: Las Américas Hotel / Guatemala City

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

Guided tour of Guatemala City, 9AM – 4PM. Social Justice Tour including Holocaust Museum, Museum of the Memory, and Ixchel Textile Museum.

Discussion led by Danny Siegel: Mitzvahs, Tzedek, Tikkun Olam and Why as Jews We are Here in Guatemala.

Dinner on your own.

Overnight: <u>Las Américas Hotel</u> / Guatemala City



THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

Travel to Aguas Calientes and meet with weavers. Lunch with artisans. Travel to Comalapa for a visit to MayaWorks' sponsored Rosa Moya Education Center. Visit tallitot weavers. Overnight in Tecpán – bring warm clothes!

Dinner as a group in the hotel restaurant.

Overnight: Villa San Ricardo

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

A day in the campo! Visit school children in Xetonox. Meet with women who create cornhusk dolls; learn of their microcredit projects. Walk the "main road". Lunch in artisan Vicenta's home. Visit Iximche Archaeological Site. Return to Guatemala City hotel before sunset.

Shabbat with Adat Israel, Guatemala's Reform Congregation.

Overnight: Caprizzo Hotel / near Adat Israel

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

Morning prayer service at Adat Israel. Lunch with the congregation.

Kosher dinner as a group at the hotel.

Overnight: <u>Caprizzo Hotel</u> / near Adat Israel

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

Drive to Panajachel on the shores of Lake Atitlán. En route, detour to visit Chichicastenango Market which is the largest artisan market in Guatemala. Upon arrival at Panajachel, boat ride across Lake Atitlán to Santiago for overnight stay.

Dinner on your own.

Overnight: Eco Hotel Bambú



MONDAY, JANUARY 29

Boat trip across Lake Atitlán to San Marcos to meet kippot crocheters. Visit to Santiago kippot crocheters and mezuzah beaders.

Before dinner discussion led by Danny Siegel: Here we are in God's Country – Just What is it that is Stirring our Jewish Kishkas so Mightily?

Dinner on your own.

Overnight: Eco Hotel Bambú

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

Transfer to Antigua, Guatemala's only surviving Spanish colonial city, by the southern Guatemala coastal plains, visiting en route a cocoa plantation at <u>Flores De Miriam</u>. Hike, relax, and enjoy wonderful coffee. Lunch on the farm.

Dinner on your own in Antigua.

Overnight: Hotel Posada Don Rodrigo / Antigua

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

Morning Antigua City Tour. Afternoon free for shopping, relaxing, reflecting.

Before dinner discussion led by Danny Siegel: There is no Such Thing as a Small Mitzvah.

Farewell dinner as a group.

Overnight: Hotel Posada Don Rodrigo / Antigua

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Shalom and Kol Tuv. Breakfast as a group. We say goodbye to our new friends. Shuttles from Antigua to Guatemala City's International Airport.

TOUR PRICING & INCLUSIONS

Tour cost: \$2,100 per person double occupancy; **\$500 additional for single occupancy**

- Includes breakfast, lunch, and most dinners (4 dinners on your own)
- Includes all ground and boat transportation within Guatemala, all admissions to attractions, and bilingual tour guides.
- Not included: alcoholic beverages and tips

TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT:

Pay by credit card here OR send a \$500 non-refundable deposit payable to Mayaworks to:

1937 Maple Ave Berwyn, IL 60402 Tikal Archeological Ruins pre-tour add-on

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

Arrive to Guatemala

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

Transfer to Tikal Archaeological Site for full day guided tour

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

Enjoy the morning on charming Flores Island. Afternoon transfer to Guatemala City.

Please contact Jeannie at <u>info@mayaworks.org</u> for more information about Tikal add-on price or general tour questions.