



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD**

**Where October 7 Started: The Gaza Strip**

Learn about the geopolitical background of the Gaza Strip and discuss the factors that have shaped the current situation in the area.

9:30-11:00 AM Meet your guide in Hilton Tel Aviv lobby and travel south

**Tour Sderot** On October 7th 2023, Hamas terrorists from the Gaza Strip broke into the town of Sderot and engaged in firefights with local police units and civilians, many policemen and civilians were murdered on the streets and in their homes. Tour the city of Sderot, including a visit to the police station which was violently taken over by Hamas.

**Lunch with Rachel from Ofakim**

Rachel Edri is an Israeli resident of Ofakim who was held hostage by Hamas militants during the Battle of Ofakim, in the surprise attack on Israel on October 7th, the first day of the War of Iron Swords. Through her composure, resourcefulness, and wisdom under the most immediate danger of death, she saved her life and the life of her husband. (confirmation pending).

**Kibbutz Kfar Aza and Be'eri**

On morning of October 7th 2023, around 70 Hamas terrorists carried out a massacre in Be'eri, an Israeli Kibbutz located just a few kilometers from the border with Gaza. At least 130 people were killed in the attack, including women, children, and infants, claiming the lives of 10% of the farming community's residents. This incident occurred concurrently with a series of other massacres and military engagements in multiple neighbouring Israeli communities, including in Kibbutz Kfar Aza.

Travel back to Tel Aviv – overnight at Hilton Tel Aviv



### **From Darkness to Light**

Meet over dinner with Miriam Peretz an Israeli educator and public speaker. She is best known for her work to strengthen Jewish-Israeli identity, and for her resilience in the face of tragedy. Peretz lost two of her sons, Uriel and Eliraz, who were killed in action while serving in the Israel Defense Forces. Despite these profound losses, Peretz has continued to be a vocal advocate for Israel and its people. (confirmation pending).

### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 4TH**

Breakfast at hotel followed by group travel to Sheba Medical Center

A day of volunteering at the Sheba Medical Center

Group Dinner

Telling Our Story: October 7th in the eyes of the international media

Overnight at Hilton Tel Aviv

### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH**

Breakfast at hotel followed by group travel to Sheba Medical Center

Meet at the hotel lobby and travel to Sheba Medical Center

A day of volunteering at the Sheba Medical Center

Group Dinner with Avi Issacharoff, writer and creator of “Fauda”

Overnight at Hilton Tel Aviv



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### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH**

Breakfast at hotel followed by group travel to Sheba Medical Center

#### **A day of volunteering at the Sheba Medical Center**

##### **Panel: The impact of 10/7 on Israeli Society**

Israeli society is diverse and complex, with a wide range of different sectors. Meet with young adults representing the fabric of the Israeli society (Jewish, Christians, Muslim Arabs, and Druze). Discuss the profound impact of October 7th attacks had on the civil society in Israel. (TBD)

Overnight at Hilton Tel Aviv

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7TH**

#### **Breakfast Briefing: Overview on the war with Gaza**

##### **Brothers in Arms**

Brothers (and sisters) in arms is an organization of reserve men and women from various units in the IDF, originally operated as part of the protests against the judicial reform. Since October 7th, 2023, the day of the Hamas terror attack, the organization has suspended all political and protest activities and devoted itself full-time to aid and relief, under the name Brothers and Sisters for Israel. Meet the men and women behind the organization in their headquarter in Tel Aviv for a volunteering activity and a discussion.

Stop for lunch along the way



### **Meet with the Families of the Hostages**

A meeting with family members of Israeli hostages. Hear their emotional stories and get to know the faces behind this huge tragedy.

### **Meet Michael Oren**

Historian, statesman, and Israeli leader, Michael Oren served as Israel's ambassador to the United States, as a Member of the Knesset, and as Deputy Minister of Diplomacy in the Prime Minister's Office.

### **Let There Be Light!**

Gather around the Menorah to light the candles in blessing our past miracles and the present moment. The light of the Menorah symbolizes the perseverance of the Jewish people in the face of darkness.

Evening

### **Brothers For Life**

Concluding Dinner with Brothers For Life at Kfar Truman, an organization created and run by injured Israeli veterans which gives critical and immediate help to other injured Israeli combat veterans.