



Green Experiences in Jerusalem

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Jerusalem's heritage takes us back to Biblical times, when the Israelites would ascend on foot three times a year, bringing their tithes. In the period of the Second Temple, Jerusalem offered hospitality to half a million pilgrims for the Feasts of Passover, Pentecost and Tabernacles. Food for these visitors was grown on multiple agricultural terraces in the green Jerusalem Hills, and the bird and animal life from that time can still be seen today.


Today's tourists feel a need to conduct their trips in a sustainable and responsible way. This selection offers opportunities to leave a positive footprint, as they explore the Holy City through a green lens.




1. Green Sites to Visit



Jerusalem is blessed with many sites and visitors' centers, making natural and human landscapes very accessible to tourists.



Most of these sites demonstrate the fruits of community entrepreneurship, and responsible tourists will enjoy hearing these success stories of community initiatives.

Guiding is available in English (other languages may also be available), by pre-booking with the proper contact people.

	Name	Green Features	Contacts	Who is it suitable for?	Touristic Experience
1	Jerusalem Bird Observatory near the Israeli Parliament (the Knesset), across the street from the Menorah 	The first urban nature site of its kind in Israel, offers a variety of birdwatching activities, guided tours, plantings, educational and artistic activities and classes. A Green-Roofed Building (SDG 15)	Link	Suitable for individuals, families and groups for both foreign and domestic tourism	An accessible site where you can "embrace nature", and learn about the route migrating birds take through Jerusalem. Bird ringing adds to the experience, a visitors' center with a natural green roof. The birds get a chance to drink, eat and rest during their long, tiring journey.
2	Muslala - The Clal Building Rooftop	An opportunity to "camp" on this blooming rooftop,	Link	Suitable for groups; particularly for domestic tourists, and foreign	A creative Jerusalem community, a laboratory for the study of sustainable urban living.

		<p>An occasion to learn about local activism that emphasizes the role of urban rooftops. Muslala promotes rooftop culture as an important dimension of urban lifestyle, and an essential part of the urban ecological landscape</p>		<p>tourists seeking a unique experience</p>	<p>The location offers courses, workshops and lectures. The balcony of the Clal building is an "urban oasis" with a beautifully blooming garden. The balcony offers a variety of accommodation options. (SDG 11)</p>
3	<p>Sinsila Sheikh Jarrah on the roof The Central Library</p> 	<p>This venue facilitates meeting with East Jerusalem communities.</p>	<p>Link</p>	<p>Suitable for groups; particularly for domestic tourists, and foreign tourists seeking a unique experience</p>	<p>A sustainability center in East Jerusalem dedicated to unique education, inspiration, and creativity. It collaborates with local communities and focuses on employment, inspiration and education</p>
4	<p>Rogem Ganim (An archeological tumulus Kiryat Menachem</p> 	<p>A visit to an unusual archaeological site, managed by the local community, rather than by the Israel Nature and Parks Authority. A guide tells visitors the story of how the place was discovered and how the community became so invested in its development.</p>	<p>Tel: 052-5915044 ✉ teva@ganim.ma tnasim.co.il</p>	<p>Suitable for groups, particularly youth groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>Archaeological site and an urban natural site, offers seasonal blooms, archeological excavations, groomed walking paths that are being cultivated and maintained by the local residents.</p>



5	Ein Kerem Orchard Below Ma'ayan Street	<p>A natural site with remnants of ancient agriculture, watered by the Spring of the Virgin Mary and cared for by local residents.</p> <p>About two years ago, the water from the spring was rediverted back down to the orchard, just like in ancient times (SDG 6)</p>	 office@jgf.org.il	Suitable for individuals, families and groups from Israel and abroad	Learning about irrigation methods used in orchards in ancient times. The Spring of the Virgin Mary is the fourth most important site for Catholic and Orthodox Christian pilgrims in the Holy Land. A group of young local residents assumed responsibility for preserving the heritage of this unique site, which is of both historical and religious significance.
6	Community Garden in the courtyard of the Nature Museum in the German Colony	<p>A garden maintained by the residents in the courtyard of an impressive historic building, where the Nature Museum resides today.</p> <p>A site that combines urban nature with the special history of the complex.</p> <p>The residents restored the historical infrastructure of terraces, the ornamental pool and large water cistern.</p>	 Amnon.herzig@gmail.com Link (Hebrew)	Suitable for individuals, families and groups, mostly Israelis	This garden, which is a reconstruction of the British Officers' Club gardens, allows weary tourists a break from walking in Jerusalem and reveals the story of Beit Dukan


		Today the site offers a thriving orchard with plenty of lovely nooks. It also offers a variety of activities for adults and children.			
7	<p>Ein Ya'el Near the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo</p> 	An open craft museum on-site, with a lot to learn about ancient agricultural practices.	<p>Hila Kadmani Tel: 02-6451866</p> <p>Link (Hebrew)</p>	Suitable for individuals, families, and groups from Israel and abroad	<p>A park that recreates ancient crafts and provides a glimpse into an ancient villa built around the spring.</p> <p>The venue offers visitors an opportunity to experience ancient crafts, like pottery.</p>
9	<p>Hill of the Lupines (Tel Sokha) Near the High Commissioner's Residence</p>	<p>The site is managed by neighborhood residents who successfully led the conservation campaign. An important natural asset</p> <p>(SDG 15)</p>	<p>Talpiot East Community Manager</p> <p>Link</p>	<p>During the flowering season, between February and May; Suitable for individuals, families and groups.</p>	<p>A hill lush with natural vegetation and spectacular views, accessible even to those with walking disabilities or difficulties. The hill is within walking distance of the Armon Hanatsiv Promenade.</p>
10	<p>Gazelle Valley</p> 	<p>The park was initiated and planned by civil society organizations.</p> <p>It gained international recognition for offering nature-based solutions to winter flood hazards.</p>	<p>Amanda Lind Tel:052-3689676</p> <p>Link</p>	Suitable for individuals, families, and groups from Israel, or families from abroad	<p>A visit to the Gazelle Valley guarantees an encounter with Biblical gazelles in their natural habitat, Entry is free for all nature lovers</p>


		The park is managed by volunteers with an emphasis on integrating populations with disabilities. (SDG 4,6,15)			
11	Bible Hill David Remez Square (there is a staircase with signage)	An observation point of the Old City and Mount Zion. Seasonal blossoming of various wildflowers	✉ office@jgf.org.il	Suitable for individuals, families, and groups.	A nature site in the heart of the city with spectacular views of Mount Zion and its surroundings
12	The Knesset	The Knesset building continues to undergo green renovation, manifested by its solar roof, low E-glass windows, zero paper used in committees and more. Special tours on the Knesset's green initiative are available. (SDG 9,12)	Tel: 02-6753337 Link	Suitable for groups and individuals from Israel and abroad	Accessible, easy walk

2. Green Volunteer Work

Environmentally conscious tourists want to leave a positive footprint by participating in green volunteer work.


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1	<p>Bustaniya - The Asbestos Valley</p> 	<p>An area of community gardening and cultural activities, part of the Asbestonim Park.</p> <p>(SDG 3,4)</p>	<p>Esther Tsion Tel: 0546787098</p>	<p>This activity is suitable for groups or families, as well as incoming tourism</p>	<p>The site of crude Asbestos-built housing for immigrants in the 1950's, now developed as a park. Join the local community in its gardening efforts and the preservation of trees and nature.</p>
2	<p>Food Rescuers The wholesale market Givat Shaul</p> 	<p>Promoting a sustainable urban food system with an emphasis on reducing food waste at all levels</p> <p>Promoting stable and lasting nutritional resilience.</p> <p>A mental and behavioral change</p> <p>Catering service based on salvaged food. (SDG 2)</p>	<p>Daniella Seltzer Tel: 058-5159555</p>	<p>The activity is suitable for groups or families, as well as incoming tourism</p>	<p>Join the local community in their voluntary work, providing fresh rescued produce for those that need it.</p> <p>Groups and individuals are invited to participate in packing portions of rescued food, and there are workshops demonstrating cooking techniques of rescued food.</p>




3	Teymanim Valley Ein Kerem	Restoring the ancient terraces together with active residents, pruning ancient olive trees and engaging in mountain agriculture (SDG 6,15)	Liel Tamuz Tel: 0525518598	The activity is suitable for groups or families, as well as incoming tourism	Get to know the local community. A positive footprint. An encounter with the Second Temple period, when mountain terrace agriculture formed an economic backdrop for the multitude of pilgrims pouring into the city during the three pilgrimages.
4	Wadi Yovel Kiryat Yovel Near Beit Taylor 	An urban nature site, managed by the Yuvalim Community Center. Restoration of the wadi's natural systems and flood mitigation activity. Local food growing and food rescue activities, in collaboration with the community.	Esther Tsion Tel: 0546787098	The activity is suitable for groups or families, as well as incoming tourists	Share the work of the local community, and leave a positive footprint. We welcome volunteers from all over the world to contribute and engage in the activities.
5	Wildflower Sanctuary Neve Yaakov	An initiative of the Society for the Protection of Nature, now supported by the Jerusalem Green Fund	Dr. Anna Godnyeva Tel: 0506960054	The activity is suitable for groups or families, as well as incoming tourists	Share the work of the local community, and leave a positive footprint.


	Under Tabenkin St., at the edge of Mir Forest	and by immigrants from the former Soviet Union. Hundreds of plant species were rescued from construction sites in the north of the city.			The high season for blossoming is between February and May. Individual and group volunteers are welcome
6	The Green Jerusalem Fund 	An association that fosters environmental, community and economic sustainability in Jerusalem and its surrounding area	✉ office@jgf.org.il	This activity is suitable for groups or families, as well as incoming tourism	Coordinates 87 environmental organizations throughout the city, and provides volunteering opportunities in the foundation's projects or in other organizations. For individuals, families and groups.
7	Food Integrated Gardens Activity at the Sisters of Zion monastery complex, Ein Kerem	Agricultural activity in a biblical spirit (SDG 2)	Paz Feigenbaum Tel: 0544434298	This activity is suitable for groups or families, as well as incoming tourism	Provides a feeling of sharing and helping the local community


3. Historic buildings that have been preserved and are used by the public


The environmentally responsible tourist often seeks places where historic buildings, complexes or infrastructure have been turned into public buildings in modern times. This is a case of "restoration and reuse" on an urban scale, thus enabling the preservation of historic buildings throughout the city.

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1	Levi Eshkol House, 46 Ben Maimon Boulevard, Rehavia 	A historic building, formerly the Prime Minister's residence, now renovated, houses Yad Levi Eshkol. The venue offers seminars, events, tolerance and dialogue workshops, and it also commemorates Levi Eshkol's legacy. These are also the premises of the Society for the Protection of Nature in Jerusalem (SDG 11,15)	Tal Pesses Tel: 02-6257682 Link (Hebrew)	Suitable for Israelis and tourists from abroad	A museum that preserves the heritage of Levi Eshkol. Here you can also find Golda's kitchen, and meet the Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel.

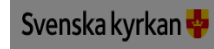
3	<p>Hamif'al (The Factory)</p> <p>Mahane Israel neighborhood</p> 	<p>A place for culture and art, hosting exhibitions and cultural events</p>	<p>Link</p>	<p>Suitable mainly for couples and small groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>An old industrial building amidst the remains of the second neighborhood outside the Old City walls, that serves as a gallery and meeting place for alternative artists.</p>
4	<p>Sergei Courtyard</p> <p>City center</p> 	<p>A building from the end of the 19th century, originally a hostel for Russian pilgrims of the nobility. After many incarnations, the building has been restored to its original purpose. The complex features a large, beautiful patio with a cistern and a hotel that is operated in the same buildings that previously lodged the Russian pilgrims in the</p>	<p>Tel: 058-488-9423</p>  <p>info@sergeipalace.com</p>	<p>Suitable for individuals and small groups from Israel or abroad</p>	<p>Impressive and beautiful buildings surround a charming courtyard. A respite during your visit to the city</p>



		second half of the 19th century. Today, the complex also offers a restaurant and a café.			
5	The Windmill - Yemin Moshe	A chance to experience 19 th century Jerusalem. A leisure complex, featuring a visitors' center, wine tasting room, an escape park, a cafe, a spectacular view of the old city, segway and bicycle tours, workshops and events	Tel: 02 5661441 Link	Suitable mainly for couples and small groups from Israel and abroad	One of the symbols of the city, featuring a wine shop, which is part of the mill and offers a culinary experience, views and heritage. Built by Moshe Montefiore to provide livelihood for the poor people of Jerusalem.
6	Batei Mahase Square Jewish Quarter The Old City	The first square in Jerusalem to be designed as a green space.	 office@jgf.org.il	Suitable for individuals and groups from Israel or abroad	A beautiful square that has kept its original design from the 19th century, inside the Jewish quarter, allowing for respite and a leisurely stroll around the old city


7	<p>Rockefeller Museum</p> 	<p>A part of the Israel Museum that contains archaeological artifacts from all over Israel, and one of the most beautiful historical buildings in Jerusalem, opposite the walls of the Old City</p>	<p>Tel: 02-6282251 ✉ fawziib@imj.org.il Link</p>	<p>Suitable for individuals and groups from Israel or abroad</p>	<p>Archaeological museum inside a historical building.</p>
8	<p>Orient German Colony 3 Emek Refaim St.</p>	<p>A hotel at the edge of the German colony that incorporates new construction with the preserved Templar buildings The hotel also features a museum of the Templar culture</p>	<p>Link</p>	<p>Suitable for individuals from Israel or abroad</p>	<p>A building that preserves the school of the Templar colony in Jerusalem. A great start to a tour of the colony</p>
	<p>The Historic Sha'are Tzedek Hospital</p>	<p>The second hospital to be established outside the Old City walls, operated until 1980. It currently</p>	<p>Link</p>	<p>Suitable mainly for couples and small groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A historic building near the Mahane Yehuda market, which will serve as a hotel in the future. Currently, its courtyard holds a lively bar</p>

		houses the "New Spirit House", a multicultural creative center.			
	<p>Hansen House</p> <p>14 Gedaliyahu Alon St.</p> <p>  </p>	<p>An impressive historical building with a large, beautiful garden, established in the 19th century by the Protestant Church, as a shelter for lepers.</p> <p>Today it serves as a media design and technology spot</p>	<p>Link</p>	<p>Suitable mainly for couples and small groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>Modern art exhibitions are on display inside the building, alongside displays of the old hospital. Several restaurants operate in the courtyard, turning this venue into a lively, young entertainment hub</p>

4. Religious Buildings with a Green Angle

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1	<p>Swedish Theological Institute 58 Ha-Nevi'im Street</p> 	<p>Beit Tabor was built by Conrad Schick. Behind the building there's a delightful garden. The complex underwent a green renovation, and today is used by the Swedish Theological Institute.</p>	<p>Tel: 02-6253822 Tours should be pre-scheduled</p>	<p>Suitable mainly for small groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>One of the most beautiful buildings along Ha-Nevi'im Street Visitors will learn about the building's history, and Ha-Nevi'im Street when Jerusalem started expanding beyond the city walls.</p>
2	<p>The Emanuel Centre Guesthouse</p> <p>Inside the Jaffa Gate</p> <p>The Old City</p>	<p>A historical complex across the street from the Tower of David museum, with a church, a guesthouse, a heritage center, a cafe, and a charming garden.</p>	<p>Tel: 02-6277730 Link</p>	<p>Suitable mainly for small groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A quiet courtyard within the bustling Jaffa Gate square. The complex features an exhibit of Conrad Schick's architectural models of Jerusalem, from the late 19th century.</p>
3	<p>The Church of the Visitation</p> <p>Ein Kerem</p>	<p>Dedicated to Miriam's visit to Elizabeth, according to the New Testament. The church was built on the remains of a Byzantine building</p>	<p>Link</p>	<p>Suitable for tourists from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A beautiful church with a spectacular view of the Soreq River Basin. The church constitutes a real tourist attraction for being the place where Mary,</p>

					mother of Jesus, met Elizabeth, mother of John the Baptist.
4	<p>Moscovia Monastery</p> <p>Ein Kerem</p>	<p>A walled compound belonging to the Russian Provoslavic Church, in the center of which there is an impressive church with five golden domes, a large manicured garden with many fruit trees</p>	<p>Tel: 054-4823459</p> <p>Link</p>	<p>Suitable mainly for groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A visit to a "Russian village" in the Jerusalem Hills – a quiet atmosphere and a spectacular view</p>
5	<p>The Austrian Hospice</p> <p>37 Via Dolorosa Muslim Quarter Old City</p> 	<p>Built in the 19th century as a hostel for Austro-Hungarian Christian pilgrims, and features a chapel as part of the complex</p> <p>An impressively large building with a manicured garden on the third floor and a spectacular rooftop panoramic view</p>	<p>Tel: 02-626-5800</p> <p>✉</p> <p>office@austrianhospice.com</p>	<p>Suitable mainly for small groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A complex that serves as a microcosm within the old city. On the third floor, there is a spectacular rooftop lookout</p>


6	<p>The Ethiopian Village - Church of the Holy Sepulchre</p> <p>The Old City</p>	<p>On the roof of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre there's a compound used as the Ethiopian monks' residence, from where one can descend to the church itself.</p>		<p>Suitable for groups and individuals from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A compound on the roof of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, resembling an Ethiopian village</p>
7	<p>The Garden Tomb</p> <p>Conrad Schick St.</p> 	<p>A compound near the Damascus Gate, featuring a large, beautiful garden and the tomb, which, according to Protestant Christian tradition may be Jesus' burial and resurrection site. The site is managed according to principles of sustainability.</p>	<p>Link</p>	<p>Suitable for groups and individuals from Israel and abroad Pre-booking is required for large groups</p>	<p>A site where, according to Protestants, Jesus was probably buried. The complex features a lovely garden and artifacts.</p>
8	<p>Temple Mount</p>	<p>In addition to the sacred buildings, the artificial platform also features an olive grove, other ancient trees and a unique public space</p>		<p>Suitable for groups and individuals from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A holy and beautiful place, a house for the Dome of the Rock and the Al Aqsa Mosque, which has served as a sacred site from the time of the First Temple, more than 3,000 years ago.</p>

					It is recommended to book a guided tour.
9	Gethsemane	An ancient olive grove, adjacent to the Church of All Nations, also known as the Basilica of the Agony. Some of its trees are over 1,000 years old	Link	Suitable for groups and individuals from Israel and abroad	A church with an adjacent ancient olive grove, which is considered to be the place where Jesus was in torment and where he said his last prayer the night before he was crucified by the Romans
10	The Western Wall	Between March and June, during the migration season, the 88 nesting places in the Western Wall are home to the swifts, thus preserving a historical migration cycle mentioned by the prophet Jeremiah.		Suits all	The Swifts are just one species out of around half a billion birds that pass over Jerusalem during the migration seasons. One must arrive at the Western Wall Plaza before sunset in the respective months

5. Green Routes

Nature and landscape trails in the urban complex. Some of the green routes meet some points-of-interest / sites / green buildings from the list

	Name	Green characterization	Contacts	Who is it suitable for?	Touristic Experience
1	Springs along the Refa'im River Basin Ein Ya'el Ein Haniya Ein Lavan	It is possible to reach each spring separately, enjoy the hiking trail, or ride a bicycle (there is a 42-Km cycling route, which includes the Refa'im Valley and the 8-Km Train Track Park). It is best to set out from the First Station	✉ office@jgf.org.il	Suitable for individuals or groups of nature lovers from Israel and abroad	An excursion in nature, that incorporates a network of swimmable springs and archaeological sites Hikers should make sure to take a map with them. No entrance fee required. One can request guidance through the Jerusalem Green Fund
2	The Sataf Route	An 8-Km circular hiking route that allows spectacular vistas alongside physical exercise	Link Tel: 1-800-250-250 1-800-350-550	A moderate hiking trail suitable for groups, individuals and families from Israel and abroad	A circular nature hiking trail that provides access to the historic landscape of Jerusalem mountain terraces
3	The Connecting Trail	Passing from Yad Vashem to Mt. Herzl, this trail connects these two	✉ office@jgf.org.il	A moderate hiking route, suitable for all	A slow-paced, face to face meeting with the stories of the Revival of

		national hubs on foot, against the backdrop of the Jerusalem forest			the Jewish People and the Birth of the State of Israel.
4	<p>The Jerusalem Trail</p> 	<p>A hiking trail in and around Jerusalem, passing through nature sites and urban hubs. Starting from the Sataf, it winds through Lifta, Ha Nevi'im St., Mt. Scopus, the Bell Garden, Mt. Herzl and Ein Hindak</p>	<p>Tel: *3639 ✉ moked@npa.org.il</p>	<p>Suitable mainly for small groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A hiking route of about 40 Km, connecting sites in Jerusalem. Usually done over 4 days. A unique glimpse of the city and its attractions through hiking.</p>
5	<p>Talpiot East Promenades (Sherover, Haas and Goldman)</p>	<p>A series of promenades along the northern slope of the Armon HaNatsiv ridge, allowing a panoramic view of the desert, the Kidron River Basin, the old and new city. It is easiest to reach the promenades through Naomi St.</p>	<p>✉ office@jgf.org.il</p>	<p>Suitable for groups and individuals from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A promenade featuring an amazing view of the scenic basin of the Old City of Jerusalem</p>
6	<p>The Walls Promenade</p>	<p>A stroll on top of the old city walls allowing a unique tour and a great view into the city and its surroundings</p>	<p>The East Jerusalem Development Company Tel: 02-6277550 Link</p>	<p>Suitable for groups and individuals from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A stroll on the walls provides a unique experience, with a view into the old city and beyond</p>



7	A Green Route through Jerusalem	A route connecting Givat Ram, Museum Avenue, Sacker Park, the Valley of the Cross, Nayot and the Gazelle Valley Park	✉ office@jgf.org.il	Suitable for groups and individuals from Israel and abroad	A long walk through nature in an urban setting
8	The Train Track Park	A very popular place in Jerusalem that was initiated by the Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel, together with residents in the adjacent neighborhoods. 8 Km. of a walking and biking path following the historic railway route to Jerusalem. This much-loved corridor park passes through 8 neighborhoods, with different religious and ethnic characteristics. (SDG 3,11)	✉ office@jgf.org.il	Suits all	A walk through 8 Jerusalem neighborhoods, without the noise and pollution of traffic, experiencing diverse urban cultures and cityscapes.

6. Green Pilgrimage Options for the Three Religions



The proposed routes are not new, but approaching pilgrimage as a green and sustainable experience is a novelty for the average tourist. According to this philosophy, the pilgrims (or tourists hiking in their footsteps) meet local communities, are exposed to the natural biblical surroundings, and leave a positive footprint thanks to their engagement in volunteer work.


The Jerusalem Green Fund has trained guides in the spirit of green pilgrimage, who can help to coordinate your visit. The Jerusalem Green Fund is developing a whole array of volunteering activities along the routes.

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1	Ein Kerem to Mount Herzl	The route combines unique nature, magical landscapes and heritage sites with stories from the Bible and New Testament. The trail starts at the Monastery of St. John the Baptist, in the heart of Ein Kerem, passes the mulberry tree near the synagogue (the center of the ancient village), descends to Kerem HaTeymanim, then ascends through Wadi Ein Kerem to Mount Herzl (from there you can take the light rail to the Old City)	✉ office@jgf.org.il	A strenuous hiking trail of about 4 K Suitable for individuals, families and groups, seeking some significant hiking. Suitable for incoming tourism	A true green pilgrimage experience in Jerusalem Landscapes, nature, heritage. Volunteering to cultivate terrace agriculture in the spirit of Bible times.

2	Emmaus (Nicopolis) to Abu Ghosh	<p>An impressive section of one of the most important ancient pilgrimage routes to Jerusalem, an impressive route that combines nature, spectacular views and archaeological remains from various periods.</p> <p>Starting from Canada Park near the archaeological site of Emmaus, ascending through the wadi and ending in Saxum, a multimedia center about the Holy Land</p>	 office@jgf.org.il	<p>A strenuous hiking route, for experienced hikers, about 15 Km, with several steep ascents</p> <p>Suitable for individuals, families and groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A green pilgrimage experience</p> <p>Landscapes, natural and built heritage</p>
3	From Abu Ghosh through Ein Kerem to Jerusalem	<p>The rest of the pilgrimage route from Emmaus to Jerusalem, via Abu Ghosh to Ein Kerem</p> <p>The trail starts at the Church of Our Lady of the Ark of the Covenant, descends to the historic village of Abu Ghosh, continues to Ein Limor on the outskirts of Ein Rafa, and from there ascends to the remains of the Ein Tzuba fortress, continues to the Sataf,</p>	 office@jgf.org.il	<p>A strenuous hiking trail, with several steep ascents - About 15 Km</p> <p>Suitable for individuals, families and groups from Israel and abroad</p>	<p>A green pilgrimage experience</p> <p>Landscapes, religious, natural and built heritage.</p> <p>An impressive route, combining nature, spectacular views, and the Biblical story of the Ark of the Covenant.</p>

		descends to Nahal Sorek and from there reaches Ein Kerem.			
4	Ascent via the Kidron River Basin (Wadi a-Nar) to the Old City	One of the most impressive routes to Jerusalem, connecting the Kidron River Basin, the City of David, and the Old City	✉ office@jgf.org.il	A moderate hiking trail, about 3 Km (without wandering around the old city) Suitable for individuals, families and groups from Israel and abroad looking for an interesting hiking trail.	A different route to the old city One of the most important heritage sites
5	From the Tomb of the Prophet Samuel (Nebi Samuel), through the Arazim Valley to the Old City	A small section of the pilgrimage route to Jerusalem from the north. Starts at the Tomb of the Prophet Samuel, with many interesting archaeological remains, descends to Nahal Shmuel and Einot Telem and continues along the Arazim	✉ office@jgf.org.il	Moderate to Strenuous hiking trail Recommended for experienced hikers About 10 Km Suitable for individuals, families and groups, from Israel and abroad	Rediscover one of the pilgrimage routes more commonly used in ancient times A special and different way to get to Jerusalem. A very beautiful trail that is fully developed

		Valley, past the sports center, to Lifta and the city entrance, near the light rail. The trail ends at a spectacular observation point with a view of the Arazim Valley. From there by light rail to the Old City			
6	Via Dolorosa Street	<p>The Via Dolorosa is perhaps the most significant route for Christian pilgrims. It has now been made accessible for people with disabilities.</p> <p>From the Lions' Gate through the Muslim Quarter, following the stations of the cross along the way to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.</p> <p>(SDG 9,11)</p>	 office@jgf.org.il	A meaningful walk (1 Km), suitable for individuals, families and groups from Israel and abroad	<p>An experiential encounter, on foot, with the Old City and its diverse communities.</p> <p>It was recently made physically accessible to people with disabilities, including an App for the blind</p>
7	From Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, through Gethsemane, to the Old City	One of the most significant routes for Christian pilgrims. The route passes through some of the most famous and important sites.	 office@jgf.org.il	<p>An easy hike of about 3 Km</p> <p>Suitable for Christian groups from abroad, seeking routes of</p>	<p>Beautiful Observation Points with breathtaking views of the Old City</p> <p>Sites of great religious importance.</p>

		From the Bethphage Church to summit of the Mount of Olives, then descending to Gethsemane Church, and ascending to the Lions' Gate		historical and religious significance	Once a year, on Palm Sunday, Holy Week opens with a procession from Bethphage to the Old City.
8	Various pilgrimage routes from the Jordan River to Jerusalem through the desert	<p>"The Desert of the Holy City" is part of the Judean Desert, going down to the Dead Sea. This stretch of desert offers diverse landscapes, monasteries, an opportunity to meet the Bedouin community and more.</p> <p>This area offers a wide variety of routes ranging from a few hours to several days, from easy trails up to strenuous ones, for the experienced hiker.</p>	 office@jgf.org.il	<p>Most trails are suitable for experienced hikers, but some of them can be combined with a motorized vehicle, an SUV or a bicycle.</p> <p>Significant for people of all faiths.</p>	<p>Spectacular Biblical and desert landscapes</p> <p>Experiencing a beautiful, unique desert, most of which is unspoiled, visiting important historical sites like Mar Saba Monastery, Nebi Musa (The Prophet Moses) and more.</p> <p>Spectacular observation points</p> <p>It is possible to get to know the residents of the area and experience local Bedouin hospitality, against the peaceful backdrop of the desert</p> <p>It is advisable to plan the route according to the</p>

					<p>number of days available and the appropriate level of difficulty, with the assistance of the Jerusalem Green Fund</p> <p>It is not advisable to embark on the trails without the proper gear and guidance, and without planning which sites you wish to see along the way.</p>
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7. Jerusalem Strolls

Walking is a green way to experience a city.

Walking through the city's historical routes embodies green ideology and slow tourism.

	Name	Green characterization	Contacts	Who is it suitable for?	Touristic Experience
1	Ha-Nevi'im Street (The Street of the Prophets)	A stroll along a street that marks the watershed line of Jerusalem, along which there are buildings that once served as hospitals, religious institutions and houses	✉ office@jgf.org.il	Suitable for all ages and groups of all sizes, also for individuals	The first road out of the Old City tells the story of the arrival of Europeans in Jerusalem in the second half of the 19th

		for the nobility, each building erected by a different European Country.			century, and the beginning of the fall of the Ottoman Empire.
2	Jaffa Road	An axis that symbolizes, more than anything else, the development of the city from Jaffa Gate, all the way to the Chords Bridge, passing Zion Square, the famous triangle of King George St./ Jaffa Road and the car-free avenue of Ben Yehudah, on up past the Mahane Yehuda Market and through Jerusalem's major transport hub.	✉ office@jqf.org.il	Suitable for all ages and groups of all sizes, also for individuals	With proper guidance you can learn and experience Jerusalem's urban development, including the first neighborhoods outside the Old City.
3	The Triangle	More than anything else, the King George-Jaffa-Ben Yehuda streets' triangle symbolizes the "heart" of the mandatory city.	✉ office@jqf.org.il	Suitable for all ages and groups of all sizes, as well as individuals.	A walk that offers a direct encounter with Jerusalem's diverse residents.
4	Jerusalem's hidden gardens, including the Old City	The old neighborhoods of Jerusalem date back to the time when people started venturing out of the Old City, and during the British Mandate. They are characterized by diverse gardens, hidden amongst their	✉ office@jqf.org.il	Suitable for small groups, families and individuals seeking a quiet place to stop, breathe, rest or eat	All tourists (and residents) seek local delicacies and a quiet place to sit and enjoy Jerusalem's food and its hidden inner gardens

		houses, and featuring shade-giving trees and enabling strollers to enjoy a quiet break from bustling city life.			
5	Strolling through the garden neighborhoods designed by architect Richard Kaufman - Beit HaKerem and Rehavia	One can still traverse these neighborhoods (notably Rehavia and Beit Hakerem) via the system of contiguous gardens he designed.	✉ office@jgf.org.il	Suitable for individuals, families and small groups, who may enjoy staying at one of the charming boutique hotels in these historic neighborhoods.	Passing through a neighborhood using less known routes in a foreign city offers a unique experience
6	Bringing Water to Jerusalem	A walk that follows the water route to Jerusalem, starting from the aqueduct on the Haas Promenade, continuing to the Abu Tor neighborhood, from where it descends through the Sultan's Pool and arrives at the Old City.	✉ office@jgf.org.il	Suitable for groups with hiking experience.	Experience a hike with breathtaking views that tells the amazing story of how water was brought to Jerusalem in ancient times.