

1- Amazing and Interesting Holy Land Experience

Visiting places we have known about since childhood came to life when we were actually there. Standing in a little chapel in the Shepherds' Fields one could imagine the Holy Family being sheltered in a place much like it surrounded by the animals. The garden of Gethsemane was also amazing with the wonderful 2,000 year old trees under which Jesus prayed. The Sea of Galilee was as you imagined it to be. In fact most of the places were as you imagine they would be and the different churches were, mostly, quite beautiful. The holy sites and places of interest were wonderful and we saw so many different things stretching from the Dead Sea to the Golan Heights and McCabe Pilgrimages certainly had put on a first class trip.

Rating for McCabe Pilgrimages:

McCabe Pilgrimages had put together an amazingly varied and interesting tour. Everything ran like clockwork and we always arrived in places on time. Both the driver and guide were first class. The hotels chosen were great. Whilst in Jerusalem it was lovely to be able to walk through the Damascus Gate into the old city of Jerusalem after supper and take in the atmosphere. In Tiberias we could swim in either the Sea of Galilee or the pool which was great as it was really hot. Lovely to sleep with the doors open and wake up to the sun rising over the lake. McCabes had chosen all venues well.

By Jope on 31 May 2017

2- McCabe Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

After many years of wanting to go to visit the Holy Land we signed up for this pilgrimage (June 6-15th). It was truly the trip of a lifetime. Our UK leader and organiser, Canon Stanley Finch had prepared the itinerary carefully and tried to include as many of the holy sites as possible. Our local guide was exceptionally good. His knowledge of the places we visited was immense. This included his Biblical knowledge and how the Old Testament related to the life of Jesus. He also had a thorough grasp of geography, geology, architecture, history - ancient, medieval and modern, and the modern political situation in today's Israel. He made every place we visited come alive and went out of his way to find the best way to access all sites.

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MacCabe Pilgrimages has been operating for several decades and has this niche in the market off to a fine art. Initially we thought the price for a ten day "holiday" was quite high, but it was something we really wanted to do. Then we realised that the price included flights, transfer, coach travel each day, full board in good quality hotels, entry fees to all sites on the itinerary and came to the conclusion that it was exceptional value for money. Not only that but our excellent guide and our driver took all the stress out of visits, access and driving on strange roads to some remote corners and that all made our pilgrimage all the more enjoyable and meaningful.

By Mr Tigger on 21 June 2017