



# Amiel Tours Newsletter

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## Amiel Tours is on the road again...

We travelled through the Western side of the Negev Desert and visited places like Shivta National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Ramat Negev Winery, they make wines from grapes grown in the desert, the Cherry Farm, a boutique vegetable farm specializing in growing Asian vegetables used in medicine and the Anzac Museum in Beer Sheva, which is a unique place that tells the story of the ANZAC soldiers and the conquest of Be'er Sheva in an experiential manner. Visitors to the center will journey to another continent, another time, and discover themselves in the process. These attractions can be booked through us.



## This month, January, we celebrated Tu B'Shvat

Tu B'Shvat is a Jewish holiday occurring on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat. It is also called "Rosh HaShanah La'Ilanot", literally "New Year of the Trees." In contemporary Israel, the day is celebrated as an ecological awareness day, and trees are planted in celebration.



Archeology News – Hot of the Press

## 2000-Year-old ring found in the city of David

### City of David – Ancient Jerusalem.

A two-thousand-year-old ring with a solitaire gemstone was uncovered in archaeological excavations in the City of David National Park in Jerusalem. The ring was found by Israel Antiquities Authority archaeologists in what appears to be an ancient Mikveh (ritual bath) on the Pilgrimage Road which dates back to the time of the second Temple period.



## Israel opens new international airport, named for first Israeli astronaut Ilan Ramon



Ramon Airport has officially completed construction and opened its doors as of January 21, 2019. Located about 10 km north of Israel's southernmost city of Eilat, the new Ramon Airport replaces Eilat Airport in the city center, which handles domestic flights from Tel Aviv and Haifa, and Ovda Airport, about 40 minutes north, which handles low-cost and charter flights from Europe, in the winter season. The airport is located in the Timna Valley, and aside from its beautiful location, looks set to be one of the most beautiful airports ever seen.



## Fun Activity – Bike Riding in Israel!!

You want to travel and see the sites in Israel – just a bit differently – Bike Israel is the answer.

Many beautiful bikes routes lead through Israel and cyclists can ride past green forests in the North and dry deserts in the South. Many historic, religious and archeological sites as well as the big cities off Jerusalem, Tel Aviv can be visited. Thanks to Israel's geographic location, it is possible to connect culture and nature while enjoying pleasant temperatures and having the ultimate cycling experience.

We offer guided and self-guided tours. Call your tour planner to book.



## Insider Tip



### O2 Restaurant located in the Inbal Hotel

Situated in a separate wing adjacent to the Inbal Jerusalem hotel, the "O2 Restaurant" offers an up-to-date Jerusalem cuisine that derives its inspiration from the markets and culinary history of the holy city. Relaxed atmosphere and great food make the experience perfect.



## May we suggest: The Vera Hotel – It's a local Thing!

The Vera Hotel is a 39-room boutique property offering guests local Tel Aviv hospitality experience with artisanal amenities by homegrown purveyors, plush rooms, a buzzing bar, spa, rooftop sundeck, hyperlocal concierge and personalized service for business, solo and leisure lifestyle.



## Getting to Israel – Check out new flights arriving in Israel!

	Ryan Air from Thessaloniki	starting April 2019
	TAP from Lisbon	starting April 2019
	Ryan Air from Sofia, Athens and Bucharest	starting May 2019
	Virgin Atlantic from London	starting May 2019
	ELAL from Las Vegas	starting June 2019

### Meet us at:



February 10 -12, 2019



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