

**Office of senior Deputy Director-General  
Tourism Experience Administration**

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Dear friends,

We want to update you that The Israel Ministry of Tourism will re-start the Tourism Pilot Program on September 19, allowing organized groups of 5-30 tourists from "yellow and orange" countries to visit Israel. There is no limit on the number of foreign tourist groups allowed into Israel within the program.

To qualify for entry into Israel, tourists must have proof of full and valid vaccination approved by the FDA and/or EMA which was administered within the last six months and remain valid during the duration of the visit. If necessary, tourists must supply proof of receiving the third booster shot. Tourists arriving must present a negative PCR test taken no more than 72 hours before departure from their country of origin and undergo a PCR and serological test upon arrival. Upon receiving the required PCR and serological results taken in Israel, the tourist groups are free to travel within the country.

The program was initiated in May, 2021 and aims to provide a safe controlled option for allowing foreign tourists to visit Israel. We are proud to see that the program is considered a success. Over 2800 tourists entered Israel, mainly from the USA and Europe. We hope that individual tourists will be allowed into Israel soon, and this will be depend on the changing national and worldwide statistics.

The updated entry procedure guidelines will be published soon on our website:  
[www.tourism.gov.il](http://www.tourism.gov.il)

Sincerely yours,

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