



# WPI



## WPI at the Arava Institute

### Orientation schedule and other extracurricular events throughout the program

#### Daily schedule:

Group 1 interns at Yotvata Agricultural R&D Center

Group 2 interns at Eilat Municipality – Environmental Department

#### Sunday, January 12

4:00PM	Arrival to Kibbutz Ketura, bags to the Student Lounge
4:30	Welcome to Kibbutz Ketura Meet the team, “get to know you” games, logistics Coffee and snacks
6:15	Introduction to Dining Room and walk together to dining room via Kibbutz store
6:30	Dinner in the dining room

#### Monday, January 13

8:00AM	Breakfast
8:30	Tour of Kibbutz Ketura
10:00	Arava Institute office orientation and Coffee Break
11:00	Check-in documents and paperwork
12:30PM	Lunch
1:30	Introduction to the Arava Institute with Program Director Cathie Granit
2:30	Logistics
3:00	Hike up Electricity Mountain (short but steep) – bring water and walking shoes
6:30	Dinner

#### Tuesday, January 14

	Work assignments begin
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#### Wednesday, January 15

7:00PM	Games Night with Ketura volunteers & young adults
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#### Thursday, January 16

4:00PM	Arava Institute Alumni Conference through Saturday • No use of the student lounge
10:00	Activities you can join: Pub Night with Alumni

#### Friday, January 17

9:15AM	Activities you can join: Alumni Panel
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10:30	Intro to Judaism with Rabbi Sara
12:00-1:30PM	Lunch available in the dining room
3:30-4:30	<b>Activities you can join:</b> TED talk session
6:00	Optional Shabbat services
7:00	Communal Shabbat dinner – be on time!

### Saturday, January 18

	Breakfast – buy in advance & make your own
12:00-1:30PM	Lunch available
6:00-7:30	Dinner available

### Tuesday, January 21

8:00PM	Tour of the Ketura micro-brewery – Beertzinut Beer
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### Friday, January 24

9:00-11:00AM	Tour towards the Jordanian border and Experimental Orchards - bring water and walking shoes
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### Monday, January 27

2:00-4:00PM	Optional Tour with Ketura Volunteers, to the Ketura Experimental Orchards
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### Tuesday, January 28

3:00-9:30PM	Get to know Lotan with Lotan WPI group: 3:15 Eco Tour 5:00 Mud bricks and building mud arches 6:00 Dinner 7:00 Camp fire / Lectures round 9:10 Back to Ketura
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### Friday, January 31

8:10-1:50PM	Guided morning trip with Lotan WPI group to Timna National Park Bring water and walking shoes. Bring money for Yotvata ice-cream.
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### Saturday, February 1

8:00-9:30AM	Optional International “Ice Cream for Breakfast” Day!
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### Sunday, February 2

8:00PM	Arava Institute Cheese & Wine evening: for Ketura members, with WPI representatives presenting your work
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## Monday, February 3

2:30PM	Logistics with Arava Institute team
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## Wednesday, February 5

	Leave for 3 day trip to Ein Gedi
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## Sunday, February 9

6:00PM	Ketura communal meal to celebrate the Holiday of Tu B'shvat (the Jewish birthday of the trees)
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## Monday, February 10

4:00PM	Communal tree planting
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## Thursday, February 13

4:00PM	Kibbutz activity: Ketura communal cleaning day
5:30	Special activity: In the Ketura Archives with the Volunteers

## Friday, February 14

7:40AM-2:00PM	Friday morning Snorkeling trip with Lotan group, at Coral Beach, Eilat. Drive to Coral Beach Nature Reserve; lunch; Bus optional drop-off at Mall for interns who want to stay in Eilat and return home on their own.
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## Tuesday, February 18

8:45-9:40AM	Lecture about Track II Environmental Forum: initiated in 2016 to enable key civil society organizations and individuals who represent both state and non-state actors to discuss, negotiate, and develop practical cross-border strategies to facilitate formal and informal environmental agreements between Israel, Palestine and Jordan.
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## Thursday, February 20

3:00-9:00PM	Get to know Ketura – tour with the Lotan group.
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## February 23-29

	Pini Soccer Tournament – play against the regional teams
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## Monday, February 24

2:00PM	Final logistics meeting
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## Sunday, March 1

8:00PM	Final ceremony and project presentations to the group, internship sponsors and Kibbutz members
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