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Kiryat Tivon - a green jewel

Kiryat Tivon stretches across a dozen hills of average height of 30-600 feet above sea level opposite the Carmel range of mountains. The town is ten miles southeast of the city of Haifa on the edge of the lower Galilee, not far from Nazareth.

Only meters away from the ancient synagogue and burial sites of our ancestors in Beit Shearim, the town of Kiryat Tivon exemplifies the creative, industrious energy of modern Israel.

Approximately 5500 families live there, bringing its total population to about 16,000 people of whom 3,000 are children and about the same number are elderly. They enjoy a high standard of living in a friendly, clean town surrounded by beautiful forests, providing parks and recreational facilities as well as shops, cafés and restaurants. Since most of its residents work outside the town in bustling cities like Haifa or industry-centers, Tivon is a beautiful and relaxing place to come home to and enjoy quality life with family and friends.

A number of cultural centers, including its impressive Memorial Centre commemorating those of its residents who fell in Israel's wars, provide a rich variety of cultural facilities, music, dance and drama school, a library and a day center for the elderly and many facilities for the young. A rich menu of cultural and intellectual programs and courses are on offer as well as concerts, movie and theatre performances.

The green forest surroundings and parks provide paths for walking, jogging and cycling whilst its sports facilities in its Country club, gyms and swimming pools cater for those who seek more energetic activities. However, Tivon is also home to a championship winning water polo- and a respected basketball team. Fencing, athletics, rugby, archery, tennis and volley ball are all sports activities available in our beautiful town.

Education is emphasized as a high priority. The municipality has made large budgetary and programmatic investments with the aim of fitting the education to the needs of the student rather than the other way around. Consequently, we provide for our young residents a high standard of pluralistic quality education with lots of choices ranging from the religious to the anthroposophy.

The elderly can find several high standard residences which provide world class living conditions called parent's homes which include wonderful and challenging programs for them to keep them active and healthy. In addition, there is a very active day center which provides courses, workshops and lectures ranging from arts, literature to computer use.

One of the characteristics of Kiryat Tivon is the prevalence of volunteerism. The community is very involved in its own life and people volunteer for different kind of activities at all levels and ages. For example, most of the Memorial Centre activities and programs or those of the day center for the elderly are provided by volunteers. Tivon is also famous for its resident artists and once a year they open their door for the so called Artist's Shabbat, a weekend of activities and exhibitions provided by local artists which has grown to such an extent that guest artists from our sister cities abroad participate regularly.

The town also features a variety of Synagogues catering to different religious streams enabling families to celebrate life-cycle events according to their needs, find expression for their religious preferences and participate in communal commemorations in a pluralistic environment.

The name "Tivon" contains the Hebrew word "Teva", meaning nature. Indeed one of its forests features an 800 years oak tree. It is a nature lover's haven, with its beautiful forests that contain some interesting wild life and beautiful birds. The Kishon River of biblical fame flows at its outskirts through some nice parks providing relaxing recreational areas for picnics and walks. Tivon is a peaceful and friendly town with sufficient creative energy to make life there pleasant as well as interesting.

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