

# Tel-Aviv Bauhaus - The White City

Staatliches Bauhaus, commonly known simply as Bauhaus, was a school in Germany that combined crafts and the fine arts, and was famous for the approach to design that it publicized and taught. It operated from 1919 to 1933. At that time the German term Bauhaus, literally “house of construction” stood for “School of Building”. The Bauhaus had a major impact on art and architecture trends in Western Europe, the United States, Canada and Israel (particularly in the White City of Tel Aviv) in the decades following its demise, as many of the artists involved fled, or were exiled, by the Nazi regime. Tel Aviv, in fact, in 2004 was named to the list of world heritage sites by the UN due to its abundance of Bauhaus architecture; it had some 4,000 Bauhaus buildings erected from 1933 on.

I was going to write and feature the Tel-Aviv Bauhaus in my next blog entry only to discover that others (of course, silly) have already done an excellent job doing it. Here are links to two sites featuring Tel-Aviv Bauhaus.

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As part of the “research” for my blog I first went out with my wife Alis on a long (very long) stroll from the top of Disingoff Street on the North to the Habima square to the splendid Rothchild Blvd, down the busling Shennkin St. into the foot of Alenby St and back up North to our apartment on 182 Ben-Yehuda. Along the way I took photos of a few of the 4,000 Bauhaus’ of Tel-Aviv. I was just about to delete them but then I thought if I already have them, why not share them with you. So here is my pictorial blog on Bauhaus architecture:











Oops...I just couldn't help it!!! Only in Israel, you say!



But then there is also the one below:



Tel-Aviv is evolving into condo city like all good metropolitan cities do. I have more photos but I'm sure you have seen plenty. But you haven't seen these to realize that Tel-Aviv known as the "White City" is actually very colourful.





