



Classics Of Turkey

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Visit: St. Sophia- Topkapi Palace- Blue Mosque-Museum of Anatolian Civilizations- Cappadocia- Fairy Chimneys- Pamukkale- Ephesus- Pergamum- Troy- Gallipoli

Escorted Experience

- Fixed Dates
- Modern Airconditioned Vehicle
- First Class Hotels

Tour Vehicle

Multi Seater AC van

Tour Guide



Local English only guide

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: Day 1 Fri: Istanbul

Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Welcome briefing will be held.

Day 02: Day 2 Sat: Istanbul

Enjoy a full day tour including a visit to Topkapi Palace Museum, residence of the Ottoman Sultans between 1453–1852 (excluding harem). Visit the Hippodrome, which was once the center of life where chariot racing and other public events took place. Tour the Blue Mosque built between 1609 and 1616, famous for its blue ceramic tiles. Your last stop will be the famous Grand Bazaar, the world's largest and oldest covered market with over 60 streets. Join an optional dinner with belly dancing entertainment. B

Day 03: Day 3 Sun: Istanbul – Ankara

This morning depart on an optional tour of St. Sophia, a church built in the 6th century Byzantine capital, converted to a mosque by the Ottomans, and now a museum and one of the world's greatest architectural wonders. Continue to cruise along Bosphorus cruise enjoying the strait that separates Asia and Europe. Its shores are lined with fine neighborhoods, Ottoman palaces, fortresses, old wooden villas, hotels, parks and gardens, restaurants and cafés. Depart for the capital city of Ankara for overnight. B D

Day 04: Day 4 Mon: Ankara – Cappadocia

Visit the Museum of Anatolian Civilizations, a historic caravanserai holding artifacts from up to 7500 years old including the most extensive and valuable collection of Hittite artifacts in the world. Visit the Mausoleum of Ataturk, the father of modern Turkey. Drive to Cappadocia, touring a 13th century caravanserai en route. Pay a visit to the underground city of Saratli, one of the many underground settlements built for protection and religious reasons. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant and join an optional Whirling Dervishes performance. Overnight in Cappadocia. B D

Day 05: Day 5 Tue: Cappadocia

Consider an optional early morning hot air balloon tour and experience floating through volcanic valleys, fairy chimneys and caves at sunrise. After breakfast visit Goreme, a historical region of Turkey, located among the rock formations, which was first settled back in the Roman period. Many rock churches can still be seen today, as Christianity was then the prevailing religion in that region. Continue to the town of Avanos renowned for its high quality earthenware. Also visit Pasabagi, Red Valley and attend a brief regional pottery workshop in a cave. B D



Day 06: Day 6 Wed: Cappadocia – Pamukkale

Drive to Pamukkale. En route visit the famous mausoleum of the Sufi philosopher, Mevlana. This was also the dervish lodge of the Mevlevi order, better known as the Whirling Dervishes. Dinner and overnight in Pamukkale. B D

Day 07: Day 7 Thu: Pamukkale – Kusadasi

Visit the unique cotton fortress of Pamukkale, with its white lime cascades formed by mineral springs, and the ruins of the Roman health spa of Hierapolis. Proceed to Kusadasi for dinner and overnight. B D

Day 08: Day 8 Fri: Ephesus & St. Mary's House – Kusadasi

Tour the famous ruins of Ephesus, an important cultural center of the ancient world, and explore 2,000 year-old marble streets, a theater, the Library of Celsius, a gymnasium and Hadrian's Temple. Take a short drive to see St. Mary's stone cottage where it is believed Virgin Mary spent her last years accompanied by St. John. Continue to a regional rug production center to have a firsthand experience of this unique art form. Join an optional afternoon tour of Sirince. B D

Day 09: Day 9 Sat: Pergamum – Troy – Canakkale

Visit the ancient Medical Center Asclepion in Pergamum and continue to a traditional local village for lunch with locals. Then continue to Troy with its famous wooden horse, best known for being the setting of the Trojan War and many cities built on top of each other. Continue to Canakkale for overnight. B L D

Day 10: Day 10 Sun: Dardanelles – Istanbul

In the morning depart for Gallipoli, the site of many battles WW1. Visit Anzac Cove, Lone Pine Cemetery and Chunuk Ba,r, and then drive to Istanbul Visit to Grand Bazaar. Enjoy a Farewell Dinner. Overnight in Istanbul. B D

Day 11: Day 11 Mon: Istanbul – Return

Transfer to the airport for your return flight home. B

Inclusion

- First Class hotels with private facilities
- Meals are indicated on itineraries by B breakfast, L lunch, D dinner
- Licensed guides throughout Turkey
- Private air-conditioned transportation
- Luggage handling
- Local taxes and service charges



- Arrival/departure transfers: only on arrival and departure days (arrivals and departure from/to Istanbul Airport).
- Pre or post stay transfers are not included

Exclusion

- International / Domestic Airfare
- Optional activities
- Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program
- Personal equipment
- Travel insurance
- Gratuities
- Voluntary tips for guides or drivers
- Travel and medical insurance
- Any items not mentioned as included

Note

Supplement cost for Pre and Post Tour Accommodation Including Transfers, daily breakfast and local taxes is available on request

Child supplement is available on request

Children less than five years of age and unaccompanied minors under the age of 18 cannot be accepted on these tours.

HOTELS ENVISAGED or similar - 5 star

City Hotels

Istanbul Renaissance Bosphorus

Ankara Swissotel

Cappadocia Crowne Plaza Nevsehir Pamukkale Colossae Hotel Kusadasi Charisma Hotel Canakkale Kolin Hotel

Istanbul Renaissance Bosphorus

HOTELS ENVISAGED or similar - **Moderate**

City Hotels

Istanbul Park Dedeman Levent
Ankara Holiday Inn Kavakl?dere
Cappadocia Cappadocia Lodge Hotel
Pamukkale Colossae Hotel

Kusadasi Carina Hotel

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Canakkale Iris Hotel

Istanbul Park Dedeman Levent

Tour Dates & Pricing