



Classic Turkey

DAY 1 ARRIVAL - ISTANBUL (D)

Upon arrival at Istanbul International Airport, meet and greet your local guide. Proceed to Town area, and visit Topkapi Palace, the seat of the Ottoman Empire after it shifted its capital from Edirne to Istanbul. It is today a museum palace with a wide collection of Treasuries, Royal Antiques, Courtyards, Holy Relics, etc. In this palace you can see Moses's stick, St. John's arm and a part of his scull covered by gold. Proceed to Dinner. After dinner proceed to hotel for check in and overnight.

DAY 2 ISTANBUL - CAPPADOCIA (B/L/D)

Breakfast box will be prepared at the hotel, transfer to domestic airport for your flight to Kayseri. Upon arrival, we drive to the unique region of Cappadocia. We will visit the Kaymakli Underground City, one of the largest underground cities in Cappadocia. You will get a chance to see bedrooms, kitchens, dining halls, wine cellars, chapels, stables and more. After lunch, we visit Dervent Valley (Imagination Valley) which is one of the best places to see the fantastic Fairy Chimneys. We proceed to Uchisar, an old village of small dwellings carved into massive rocks. Proceed to Pegion Valley to feel the wonderful atmosphere of the place. We will visit a Carpet Workshop and watch the ladies how they make famous Hand Woven Turkish Carpets. Check in hotel. Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia.

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DAY 3 CAPPADOCIA (B/L/D)

This morning, you may enjoy with Hot Air Balloon Tour as your optional tour choice. After breakfast at the hotel, we have full day Cappadocia tour. We will visit the Goreme Open Air Museum: It is registered on the World Heritage List by UNESCO. Explore the rock-carved churches some of them decorated with scratched frescos. We have lunch at a local restaurant and visit Avanos Town where you can see the longest river in Turkey. We visit a Pottery Work Shop in Avanos Town where they make pottery with red clay from the Red River. Visit the most famous Fairy Chimneys of Cappadocia, Three Beauties where you can gather perfect pictures. Visit the Valley of Love. Check-in hotel. Overnight in Cappadocia.

DAY 4 CAPPADOCIA - KONYA - PAMUKKALE (B/L/D)

After breakfast, we drive to Konya City by following the Silk Road which starts from China and passes through on the way to Constantinople. On the way to Konya, we make a photo stop at Sultanhanı, one of the best-preserved Caravanserais (inns) in Anatolia. Visit Konya, the Seventh largest city in Turkey. It is the city in central Anatolia that has protected its name for centuries. Legend says that Perseus killed a dragon that had been ravaging the town. The people set up a special monument to honor him, a stone obelisk with an icon of Perseus carved in it. This event gave the name of the city as İkonyon or İkonyum. Visit Mevlana's Museum for whirling Dervishes. After lunch in Konya, we drive to Pamukkale. Overnight in Pamukkale.

DAY 5 PAMUKKALE - KUSADASI (B/L/D)

After breakfast at the hotel, we depart to visit Cotton Castle, a magical and unique terrace and castle created by deposits of white limestone from thermal springs. This spectacular natural wonder is also on the world heritage protection list of UNESCO. We will see Cleopatra's Antique Pool which was built by Mark Anthony. Hierapolis the City was founded in 190 B.C. by Eumenes II, king of Pergamum. In the 2nd and 3rd centuries, it reached the height of its development as a Roman thermal bath center. We drive to Kusadasi and visit St. John's Tomb and Church, After Jesus Christ was taken up to heaven in Jerusalem, Virgin Mary and St. John went to Ephesus where St. John built his church in Ephesus. In the visit to Ephesus, we will be viewing one of the Seven Churches of Revelation where you will see impressive structures such as a great theatre where St. Paul and St. John met. Arcadian Street, Trajan fountain, Celsius Library, Hadrian Temple, etc. Transfer to your hotel. Overnight in Kusadasi.



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DAY 6 KUSADASI – PERGAMON – CANAKKALE (B/L/D)

After breakfast at the hotel, we drive to Kusadasi and visit the House of Virgin Mary. It is the place where Mary may have spent her last days. We visit a Leather Outlet Center to watch a Fashion Show and we can see the most famous Turkish leather (The Silk Leather). We continue to Pergamon in Asia Minor. We'll have a Cable Car ride to visit the Acropolis – the highest part of the city. The sights include Temple of Athena, Temple Of Trojan, Arsenal, Altar of Zeus, and the Library. One of the Seven Churches was planted here. It was noted for its wickedness in so much that our Lord says "Satan's seat" was there. The church of Pergamum was rebuked for swerving from the truth and embracing the doctrines of Balaam and the Nicolaitanes. Drive to Canakkale city for overnight.

DAY 7 CANAKKALE - ISTANBUL (B/L/D)

After breakfast at the hotel, we visit the ancient city of Troy – a famous mythology city in Homer's epic poem, Iliad, and one of the oldest settlements in the world. Drive to Canakkale, make a stop in Canakkale city center to see the Wooden Horse from Hollywood Movie 'Troy'. We will have lunch at a fish restaurant upon arrival to Istanbul. Visit Spice Market which is the most popular bazaar in Istanbul for local people where you can find dried fruits, nuts, apple, tea, etc. We visit Taksim Square and Beyoglu Street; Taksim is known as the non-Muslim part of Istanbul. It is alive for 24 hours where you can find shopping, dining entertainment, and nightlife. We will visit St. Antuan Catholic Church at Taksim. St. Anthony of Padua Church, alternatively known as the Sant'Antonio di Padova Church, or locally as Sent Antuan, is a basilica and the largest church of the Roman Catholic Churches in Istanbul. Dinner and transfer to your hotel. Overnight in Istanbul.

DAY 8 ISTANBUL (B/L/D)

This morning, we will have a unique experience between two continents via the Bosphorus Cruise on a Private Yacht; we will see the beauty of Bosphorus Channel which spreads over Asia and Europe Continents. We will see and take pictures of Ottoman Palaces, Rumeli Castle, Anatolian Castle and the lifestyle of people on the coastline of Bosphorus. Visit Underground Cistern (Basilica Cistern), built by the Byzantine Empire as water storage in the city. After lunch, we will visit the Hippodrome Square former centre of sportive and political activities of Constantinople. See the famous Egyptian Obelisk, Serpentine Column and Wilhelm II fountain. Free time at 500 years old Grand Bazaar, a maze of over 4000 stalls and shops selling jewelery, handicrafts, ceramics, Turkish Coffee and other local products. Dinner and transfer to your hotel. Overnight in Istanbul.



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DAY 9 ISTANBUL - DEPARTURE (B/L/D)

After breakfast at your hotel, we visit the Blue Mosque which is the second largest mosque in Istanbul, built to compete with St. Sophia. The mosque is famous for its blue tiles and 6 minarets. WE also visit the Hagia Sophia, a former cathedral and now a mosque. Its mosaics, stained glass windows & decorated domes create an atmosphere of breathtaking beauty. We will have a panoramic city tour by our coach to discover the Asian Part of Istanbul and the Kadikoy district. We also visit the famous Bagdat Street in the city. Drive back to European Part of Istanbul to visit one of the largest shopping malls of Istanbul, Istinye Park. The shopping mall features both indoor and outdoor space with its giant glass dome and glass ceilings. Dinner and transfer to airport to take flight back home with wonderful memories.



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