



# Captivating Turkey Tour

## ***Tour Itinerary***

DAY 1 - Arrival in Istanbul

Pick up from the airport (or port) and transfer to your hotel by private car. Overnight stay in Istanbul.

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DAY 2 - Old City Tour & Whirling Dervish Ceremony - (B, L)

Pick up from your hotel & visit Hagia Sophia, Blue Mosque, the Hippodrome, Grand Bazaar and Topkapi Palace (Harem & Aya Irini included). We will provide you with tickets to the Whirling Dervish ceremony tonight. Overnight stay in Istanbul.

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DAY 3 - Bosphorus & Two Continents Tour - (B, L)

Pick up from your hotel & enjoy the Bosphorus by Boat. Visit the Spice Bazaar, Beylerbeyi Palace, Bosphorus Bridge and Camlica Hill. Overnight stay in Istanbul.

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DAY 4 - Gallipoli Tour - (B, L)

Pick up from your hotel & drive south to the Gallipoli Peninsula. Hear expert information from a local guide. Visit the Kabatepe War Museum, the intended landing place at Brighton Beach and Anzac Cove where the Dawn Service is held each year. Also visit the NZ Memorial at Chunuk Bair, the Australian Memorial at Lone Pine, and the Turkish Memorial as well. Overnight in Canakkale.

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DAY 5 - Troy & Pergamon Tour - (B, L)

Pick up from your hotel & morning tour of the ruins of the ancient cities of Troy. Lunch break. In the afternoon, drive to Kusadasi, stopping at the beautiful ruins of Pergamon on the way. These stunning ruins, beautifully located on a hill top, demonstrate that the architects and sculptors of Pergamon were among the most talented in the Hellenistic world. Overnight in Kusadasi.

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DAY 6 - Ephesus Tour - (B, L)

Pick up from your hotel & visit the ruins of the Temple of Artemis, one of the seven ancient wonders of the world. Then visit Ephesus Ancient City, the best-preserved Greco-Roman city in the world. Here you will explore the Agora, Odeon, Celsius Library, Hadrian Temple, Roman Baths, Grand Theatre & Marble Street. After a lunch break, visit the House of Virgin Mary, where she is thought to have spent her final years. Overnight stay in Kusadasi.

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DAY 7 - Pamukkale Tour - (B, L, D)

Pick up from your hotel & morning drive to Pamukkale, then lunch. In the afternoon, tour the 'Cotton Castle.' Bring swimwear as you may have time to swim in the Antique Pool (extra fee applies.) Also visit the ancient ruins of the City of Hierapolis with its theatre and Necropolis. Overnight in Pamukkale.

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DAY 8 - Pamukkale to Kas - (B, L)

Pick up from your hotel & take a private car transfer for 3.5 hours to the gorgeous little harbour town of Kas. Overnight in Kas.

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DAY 9 - Free Day in Kas - (B)

Explore the local Roman amphitheatre and Lycian tombs. Perhaps even hike a short section of the Lycian Way? Overnight in Kas.

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DAY 10 - Kas to Antalya - (B)

Pick up from your hotel & transfer to Antalya by private car. Overnight in Antalya.

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#### DAY 11 - Aspendos, Perge & Side Tour - (B, L)

Pick up from your hotel & guided tour of the ancient cities around Antalya. In Perge, See the Stadium (seating 12,000), Bath and Colonnaded Street. In Aspendos, you can see the 2nd century AD Roman theatre, seating capacity 15,000. At the pretty site of Side, see the Apollo Temple, ancient ruins and two sandy beaches. Later, visit Kursunlu waterfall. Overnight in Antalya.

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#### DAY 12 - Antalya to Cappadocia - (B)

Pick up from your hotel & transfer to the airport for your flight to Cappadocia (maybe via Istanbul) and onward transfer to your cave hotel. Overnight in Cappadocia.

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#### DAY 13 - Cappadocia North Tour with Balloon Flight - (B, L)

05:00 Hot air balloon flight over Cappadocia

Hotel pickup, then a quick snack and safety briefing. Watching the balloon inflate, then you're off! Soaring over fairy chimneys, and dipping low to skim cave dwellings. This may be your favourite part of your Turkey trip - it will certainly be unforgettable. Celebrate a soft landing with a quick drink, and return to your hotel for breakfast around 8.30am.

#### Full Day Cappadocia Tour - (North)

Pick up from your hotel & tour start from Devrent Valley (Imagination Valley), spectacular fairy chimneys and beautiful and scapes. After Devrent valley, we will visit Pasabag (known as Monk valley) where we will see double and triple headed rock formations. Lunch at Avanos, famous for pottery and Redriver (Kızılırmak). After lunch, you will visit Goreme open air museum which is in the heart of Cappadocia. Open air museum famous for wall painting, dates back to 10th century describing the life of Jesus Christ and monks. The last stop will be the Uchisar castle, natural and one of the biggest mass fairy chimney of the region. Overnight stay in Cappadocia.

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#### DAY 14 - Cappadocia South Tour - Istanbul - (B, L)

##### Full Day Cappadocia Tour - (South)

Pick up from your hotel & visit Derinkuyu Underground City and the beautiful Valley of Ihlara, formerly known as Peristerema. Explore the famous rock-hewn churches and hike 4 km through the valley. On the way back, visit monasteries in Selime Village and a 13th century Caravansaray on the Silk Road. After the tour, transfer to airport for your flight back to Istanbul. Overnight stay in Istanbul.

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#### DAY 15 - Istanbul - End - (B)

Pick up from the hotel according to your flight schedule and transfer to the airport.

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#### Legend:

B : Breakfast    D : Dinner    L : Lunch

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## Price List

Start	Finish	Daily	Single	Double / Twin PP	Triple PP
15.03.2024	31.12.2024	-	7,828.70 AUD	5,781.98 AUD	5,287.36 AUD
01.01.2025	31.12.2025	-	8,357.44 AUD	6,140.16 AUD	5,799.04 AUD

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## Tour Details

**In Brief** Journey Through Turkey: 15 Days in Istanbul, Gallipoli, Ephesus, Pamukkale, Kas, Antalya and Cappadocia.

**Special Features** Slow the pace with rest days in locations of your choice, or add additional sightseeing days along the route. This tour is also available on private basis.

**What's Included**

- All accommodation as per the itinerary
- Professional English speaking guide on tours
- All flight tickets mentioned in the itinerary
- Small group tours
- All transportation & transfers mentioned in the itinerary
- All meals mentioned in the itinerary

- All museum and entrance fees where necessary
- All local taxes
- Wifi available at all our hotels

- What's Not Included**
- International airfares
  - Drinks with meals
  - Travel insurance, visas or passports
  - Tips & personal expenses

## Hotels

<b>Location</b>	Istanbul
<b>Hotel Name</b>	Dosso Dossi Old City Hotel or similar
<b>Location</b>	Canakkale
<b>Hotel Name</b>	Buyuk Truva Hotel or similar
<b>Location</b>	Kusadasi
<b>Hotel Name</b>	La Vista Boutique Hotel or similar
<b>Location</b>	Pamukkale
<b>Hotel Name</b>	Hierapark Thermal & Spa Hotel or similar
<b>Location</b>	Kas
<b>Hotel Name</b>	Hideaway Hotel or similar
<b>Location</b>	Antalya
<b>Hotel Name</b>	Puding Marina Hotel or similar
<b>Location</b>	Cappadocia
<b>Hotel Name</b>	MDC Cave Hotel or similar

## Departure Date

Start Date	Finish Date	Day / Days
15.03.2024	31.12.2024	Every Day
01.01.2025	31.12.2025	Every Day

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