



Classics Of Turkey - 11 Days (#19478)

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Overview

- Topkapi Palace
- Grand Bazaar, world's largest and oldest covered market
- Museum of Anatolian Civilizations in Ankara
- Saratli, a hidden underground city
- Open Air Museum of Goreme, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Hiking through the fairy chimneys of Cappadocia
- Pamukkale the Cotton Castle
- Ephesus and House of Virgin Mary
- Ancient city of Troy
- Anzac Cove at Gallipoli
- Special dinners at restaurants

Trip Highlights



Istanbul-Ankara-Cappadocia-Pamukkale-Kusadasi-Canakkale-Istanbul

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01

Day 1: Istanbul (Sunday)

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

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Day 02

Day 2: Istanbul (Monday)

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 St. Sophia, a church built in the 6th century Byzantine capital, converted to a mosque by the Ottomans, still inhabited as a mosque in the present day and one of the world's greatest architectural wonders. Join an optional dinner with belly dancing entertainment.

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Meal: Breakfast

Day 03

Day 3 : Istanbul – Ankara (Tuesday)

This morning depart on an optional Bosphorus cruise and enjoy 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. The tour will be ended in Asian side and drive to the capital city Ankara for overnight. B D

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 04

Day 4 : Ankara – Cappadocia (Wednesday)



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 under- ground 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

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 05
Day 5: Cappadocia (Thursday)

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

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 06
Day 6: Cappadocia – Pamukkale (Friday)

Drive to Pamukkale. Dinner and overnight in Pamukkale. B D

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 07
Day 7 : Pamukkale – Kusadasi (Saturday)

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

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner



Day 08
Day 8 : Kusadasi Ephesus & St. Mary's House – Izmir (Sunday)

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

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 09
Day 9: Pergamum – Troy – Canakkale (Monday)

Visit the ancient Medical Center Asclepion in Pergamum and 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 D

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 10
Day 10: Dardanelles - Istanbul (Tuesday)

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

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 11
Day 11 Istanbul – Return (Wednesday)

Transfer to the airport for your return flight home. B

Meal: Breakfast

Inclusions



- First and Moderate 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.

Exclusions

International / Domestic Airfare.

Optional activities.

Other meals, drinks, customary tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program.

Travel insurance.

Gratuities.

Voluntary tips for guides or drivers.

Travel and medical insurance.

Any items not mentioned as included.

Pre or post stay transfers are not included.

Note

Hotels Used

First Class

Istanbul - Movenpick Bosphorus

Ankara - Divan Hotel

Cappadocia - Mustafa Hotel

Pamukkale - Adempira

Izmir - Kaya Thermal

Canakkale - Kolin

Moderate Class

Istanbul - Melas Hotel

Ankara - Park inn Radisson



Cappadocia - Perissia
 Pamukkale - Adempira
 Izmir - BW Konak
 Canakkale - Iris

Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

Fixed-Departure

04 Aug, 2024

First Class Hotels
 AUD 3,109 P P twin share
 AUD 4,400 P P single
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Moderate Class Hotels
 AUD 2,590 P P twin share
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