

Turkish Highlights



08 NIGHTS / 09 DAYS

Istanbul, Ankara, Cappadocia, Pamukkale, Kusadasi,
Ephesus, Pergamon, Troy, Cannakale



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☘ DAY 01

Welcome to Istanbul - representing the Asian city nearest to Europe and the European city closest to Asia, is a leading port whose importance is stressed by the age-old trade routes passing through the Bosphorus. This evening enjoy the Bosphorus cruise.

Today, embark on your exciting tour to Istanbul. On arrival you will be met by our professional local representative outside the arrival hall who will transfer you to your hotel (check in time : after 1400 hrs). This evening enjoy a cruise along the Bosphorus the winding strait separating Europe & Asia. Along the shores there is a delightful mixture of the past and the present, as well as the grand splendour and quaint beauty of the ancient wooden villas, palaces of marble, fortresses and small fishing villages.

Overnight at your choice of hotel in Istanbul.

☘ DAY 02

City tour of Ankara. Onto the mysteriously unique city of Cappadocia.

Early in the morning after breakfast transfer to the airport to board your flight to Ankara. Arrive Ankara, the capital of Turkey and one of the fastest growing cities in the world with a history that can be dated back 3000 years. Visit the **Anatolian Civilisations Museum**, which also exhibits the remains of Catalhoyuk, the Neolithic village dating back to 6500 BC. Then



visit the **Mausoleum of Ataturk**, the founder of modern Turkey. After lunch at a local restaurant, proceed to the mysteriously unique city of Cappadocia. Dinner and overnight at Cappadocia

☘ DAY 03

Explore Cappadocia on a city tour - the setting for some of nature's most bizarre wonders.

After an American breakfast this morning, proceed on a city tour of Cappadocia. Visit the **Pigeon Valley** and the natural citadel of **Uchisar**, followed by **Goreme Open-Air Museum**, which is full of pink, rose and white tapering columns. These tall free standing cones of stone curve and twist as if pulled from earth like taffy. Others are tall like fairy chimneys. The caves were settled in the 4th century as monasteries. Visit some caves on the cliffs to see Byzantine frescoes decorating early Christian churches. Enjoy Lunch at a typical restaurant of the region and visit **Kaymakli Underground City**; carved out of rock and completely self contained. More than 200 people lived on each of seven floors with the last one 250 feet underground. It is connected to Derinkuyu Underground City by six miles of tunnel. Drive to Pasabagi in Zelve Region and then to **Avanos**



Village. You have some free time for shopping. Dinner and overnight at hotel in Cappadocia.

☘ DAY 04

Onto Konya. Later proceed to Pamukkale the geological fairyland !

After breakfast, transfer to Konya. On the way to Konya, visit 13th century Selcuk caravanserai "Sultanhan". After lunch visit the mausoleum of Mevlana, the great mystic poet and Islamic spiritual leader, who founded the sect of "Whirling Dervishes". Continue to Pamukkale, the cotton fortress, which rises above the fertile Menderes Valley. Hot mineral waters burst from the earth and cascade over steep cliffs forming pools, channels and stalactites. The therapeutic waters here were known for ages. The big attraction is a vast white cliff side with scalloped basins of water and frozen waterfalls. It looks as if it's made out of snow or cloud or balls of cotton Dinner and overnight at hotel in Pamukkale.



☘ DAY 05

Proceed to Kusadasi – Turkey’s principle holiday resort. Kusadasi, is reputed for one of the most attractive city of the Aegean, as it is close to the important historical sites including Ephesus, Didyma, Priene, Miletos-the principals of ancient times, and ideal for sightseers.

This morning after breakfast, stroll through the ruins of ancient Hierapolis, the Roman City, and transfer to Kusadasi. En route lunch at a local restaurant and visit Aphrodisias, the ancient city dedicated to the goddess of love, Aphrodite, and famous for its sculpture school. Dinner and overnight at hotel in Kusadasi.

☘ DAY 06

Day tour to Ephesus one of the best preserved classical city of the Eastern Mediterranean, and among the best places in the world enabling one to genuinely 'soak in' the atmosphere of Roman times.

After breakfast this morning, visit the ruins of Ephesus, which played a major role in the development of architecture, religions, governmental and economic systems and arts. The temple of Artemis was one of the Seven Wonders of ancient world and centre of pagan religion for 15 centuries. Here Marc Anthony and Cleopatra once rode in procession, St. Paul preached in the Great Theatre and in a little house outside the city the Virgin Mary spent her last days. Also visit the St. John Church Dinner and overnight at hotel in Kusadasi.



☘ DAY 07

Today you re-live history as we take you to visit Troy. Later proceed to Canakkale - which connects the Sea of Marmara to the Aegean Sea. Its shores touch both Europe (with the Gelibolu Peninsula) and Asia After breakfast, check out and visit **Bergama** (ancient Pergamon). Parchment was invented here.

This was the home town of Galen, renowned doctor and surgeon and site of his temple devoted to healing, the Asclepion. The library once held 200,000 books; all parchment. After lunch, drive to **Troy**, the immortal city of the legendary Helen of Troy and Trojan Horse, which was destroyed and rebuilt nine times. Marvel at the picturesque settings and historical ruins. While on vacation in Turkey, an excursion to this ancient city will give you the opportunity to savor the striking scenery and wealth of archaeological sites of a long lost kingdom. This city is particularly famous for. Next proceed to the beautiful city of Canakkale. Dinner and overnight at Canakkale.

☘ DAY 08

Onto Istanbul by crossing the Dardanelles strait.



This morning after an American breakfast, proceed to Istanbul by crossing the Dardanelles Strait. Lunch en route. Arrive Istanbul and check into your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure for you to explore this beautiful city on your own. Overnight in Istanbul.

☘ DAY 09

Guided city tour of Istanbul. Fly back home!

This morning after an American breakfast, join us on a guided city tour of Istanbul. Visit the **Byzantine Hippodrome**, in which stand the obelisk brought from Egypt by Theodosius and the Serpent Column taken from Delphi by Constantine, the **Blue Mosque**, which has six minarets and a middle dome of 109 feet. Later drive to the airport to board your flight back home. Return home with wonderful memories of your tour.

- Rates are per person on twin share, in EURO.
- Validity : 01st April – 31st October 2010
- Departs every Saturday

	GROUP SIZE				
Type of Hotel	2 Pax	4 Pax	6 Pax	Single room supplement	3RD Bed Reduction
4 star Hotels	Euro 785	Euro 730	Euro 715	Euro 191	Euro 60

COST INCLUDES

- 02 nights in a 4 star hotel in Istanbul.
- 02 nights in a 4 star hotel in Cappadocia.
- 01 night in a 4 star hotel in Pamukkale.
- 02 nights in a 4 star hotel in Kusadasi.
- 01 night in a 4 star hotel in Canakkale.
- Daily buffet breakfast in your hotel.
- 07 Local lunches as specified in the itinerary.
- 06 local dinners as specified in the itinerary.
- Transfers as specified in the itinerary.
- Bosphorus river cruise in Istanbul.
- Guided city tour of Istanbul including Byzantine Hippodrome and Blue Mosque.
- City tour of Ankara including visit to Anatolian civilization museum and Mausoleum of Ataturk.
- Full day tour of Cappadocia.
- Tour of Konya with a visit to the mausoleum of Mevlana.
- Visit the world famous 'cotton fortress' in Pamukkale.
- Visit the ancient ruins of Hierapolis.
- Visit Aphrodisias.
- Visit the ruins of Ephesus.
- Visit the historical city of Troy.
- Cruise to Istanbul from Canakkale crossing the Dardanelles Strait.

WHAT YOUR TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Cost of airfare / visas / ticket taxes and medical insurance.
- Internal airfares within Turkey.
- Any expenses of personal nature such as portage, laundry, wines, mineral water, food and drink not in the regular menu provided by us, mini bar, telephone calls, pay channels etc.
- Tips of any nature i.e. drivers, guides, tour managers etc.
- Meals other than what is mentioned in your itinerary.
- Cost of excursions, city sightseeing, entrance fees and local guides availed of by the passengers, other than that mentioned in 'What your tour price includes'.

NOTE

- All arrangements made by AIR TOURS HOLIDAYS are in the capacity of an agent only. AIR TOURS HOLIDAYS will not be liable for claims or expenses arising from circumstances beyond our control such as accidents, injuries delayed or cancelled flights & acts or forces of nature. All passengers must be covered by suitable travel/health insurance prior to departure from the country of origin.
- This proposal supercedes all the proposals given till date.
- We are holding no bookings as of now. We will request for all

services once the booking has been finalized with AIR TOURS HOLIDAYS.

- No bookings for Airline and Hotel are made for the booking as of now. The same will be requested upon confirmation from your end.
- The rate of exchange is subject to change with or without prior notice due to frequent fluctuations in the rate of exchange and airfare.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Our booking procedures would be as follows :
- As soon as you decide to confirm your holiday booking with AIR TOURS HOLIDAYS, we would request you to please send us an initial non-refundable, interest free deposit amount of USD 500 per person.
- All cheques / demand drafts to be drawn in favour of AIR TOURS HOLIDAYS.
- On payment of this deposit amount, we shall start processing your booking.
- Balance payments need to be made 15 days prior to your departure date.
- In case you decide to travel closer to the departure date or payment is made 10 days prior to your departure then the same will have to be paid in cash / bank draft.
- We shall try our best to confirm the same hotel / airline that we have based our quotation upon. However the same would be subject to availability at the time of confirming your booking. We shall however ensure that we confirm a hotel of similar category.
- We shall deliver your final tour documents viz. air tickets, tour itinerary, briefing sheet, medical insurance on receipt of full and final payment of the tour cost.

POINTS TO BE NOTED

- Passengers will have to travel to/from the hub city at their own expense.
- Any damages caused to the hotel rooms/coach during your stay, shall be payable by the passengers. AIR TOURS HOLIDAYS will not be liable for the same.
- The Company shall not accept any liability or responsibility for any damages, loss, injury, accident, death, delay, breakdown or irregularity which may occur in carrying out of the tour arrangement.
- Management reserves the right to claim any additional expenses due to delay or changes in train, plane, bus, ship or other services, weather conditions, strikes, war, quarantine and any other cause whatsoever and all such loss or expenses must be borne by the passengers.

- We reserve the right to amend, alter, vary or withdraw any particular departure, excursion advertised or substitute a hotel of similar class if deemed advisable or necessary.
- For the convenience of our passengers, we will sometimes amend the itinerary, however all the other services will remain the same.
- AIR TOURS HOLIDAYS will not be liable for any loss of baggage by the Airline.
- Part of the tour cost will be paid in USD. The same will be out of your BTQ.
- In case the payment is made in Indian Rupees, the USD component will be calculated at the prevailing rate of exchange on the day of payment.
- Please refer to the booking form for detailed 'Terms and Conditions'.



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