

# Best of TURKEY

8 Days  
From  
USD 1459 PP  
Tour Only

## Departures (2020)

MAR	:14 • 28
APR	:11 • 25
MAY	:09 • 23
JUN	:06 • 20
JULY	:04 • 18
AUG	:01 • 15 • 29
SEP	:12 • 26
OCT	:10 • 24
NOV	:07



Cappadocia  
Hot Air  
Ballooning ▶ USD 325 PP

## INCLUSIONS

- Inbound Airport Transfer - Istanbul - New Istanbul Airport (IST) or Sabiha Gokcen Airport (SAW)
- Outbound Airport Transfer - Istanbul - New Istanbul Airport (IST) or Sabiha Gokcen Airport (SAW)
- Professional English speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned and non-smoking vehicle
- Domestic flight between Izmir and Istanbul and transfers
- Tips (except driver and guide)
- Entrance fees
- 7 Nights' accommodation
- 7 Breakfasts (B), 5 Dinners (D)

### Tour does not include

- Suggested optional activities
- Tips for driver and guide
- Compulsory Travel Insurance

### Day 1 ▶ Saturday Istanbul

Welcome to Istanbul. You will be greeted and transferred to your hotel. At 13:00 we will tour the exotic city that spans both Europe and Asia, visiting the Blue Mosque, St Sophia Museum and the Hippodrome. Overnight Istanbul  
Hotel: Port Bosphorus Hotel 4\* / similar

### Day 2 ▶ Sunday Ankara, Cappadocia

After breakfast we drive towards the nation's capital, Ankara to visit Anitkabir, the Mausoleum of the famed Mustafa Kemal Atatürk before continuing on to the surreal landscape of Cappadocia. Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)  
Hotel: Alp Hotel 5\* / similar



### Day 3 ▶ Monday Cappadocia, Goreme, Underground City

Admire the lunar landscape of Cappadocia as we visit the Goreme Valley Open-Air Museum and the Fairy Chimneys, including exploring the many levels of an underground city. Photo opportunities are everywhere so have your cameras ready! Don't miss the optional Turkish folklore evening featuring folklore and belly dancers, a night you won't forget! Overnight Cappadocia. (B, D)  
Hotel: Alp Hotel 5\* / similar

### Day 4 ▶ Tuesday Sultanhani Caravansary, Konya

Departing Cappadocia, we head south along the ancient Silk Road just as the ancient traders did. Along the way we visit Sultanhani Caravansary. Once in Konya we tour the Mevlana Museum, the mausoleum of Mevlana Celeleddin Rumi and Alaeddin Mosque. Overnight Konya (B, D)  
Hotel: Ramada Plaza by Wyndham Konya 5\* / similar

### Day 5 ▶ Wednesday Sagalassos, Pamukkale

Today we head for Pamukkale and its calcium travertines. Along the way we visit the ancient site of Sagalassos; conquered by Alexander the Great in 333 BC, earthquakes and plague saw its demise in 541-2 AD.



Today it is one of the best-preserved sites in Turkey and is on the UNESCO tentative list. Overnight Pamukkale (B, D)  
Hotel: Adem Pira Hotel 5\* / similar

### Day 6 ▶ Thursday Pamukkale

We visit the ruins of Hierapolis, the Temple of Apollo, Necropolis, and stroll over the magnificent white calcium terraces of Pamukkale. By afternoon we will enjoy a display of locally handcrafted leather goods. Overnight Kusadasi (B, D)  
Hotel: Ilayda Avantgarde Hotel 4\* / similar

### Day 7 ▶ Friday Ephesus, Sirince, Istanbul

Dwell in history today with a guided tour of Ephesus and a visit to the site of the Temple of Artemis. Feel the mystical atmosphere of the ancient city and theatre before continuing to the former Greek village of Sirince, famous for its fruit wines. Carpet weaving has long been traditions in Turkey, so let's take a peek and learn how the carpets are made by hand and what determines their value at the carpet village. Overnight Istanbul (B)  
Hotel: Port Bosphorus Hotel 4\* / similar

### Day 8 ▶ Saturday Istanbul

Free & Easy until your return transfer to the airport where our tour concludes. (B)