

Ancient **TURKEY**

## INCLUSIONS

-  Inbound Airport Transfer - Istanbul - New Istanbul Airport (IST) or Sabiha Gokcen Airport (SAW)
-  Outbound Airport Transfer - Izmir - Adnan Menderes Airport (ADB)
-  Professional English speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
-  Transportation in a fully air-conditioned and non-smoking vehicle
- Tips (except driver and guide)
- Entrance fees
- 8 Nights' accommodation
-  8 Breakfasts (B), 6 Dinners (D)
-  **Tour does not include**
  - Suggested optional activities
  - Tips for driver and guide
  - Compulsory Travel Insurance

**Day 1 ▶ Friday Istanbul**

Welcome to Istanbul! Upon arrival you will be greeted and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of day is free and easy.  
Overnight Istanbul  
Hotel: Port Bosphorus Hotel 4\* / similar

9 Days  
From  
USD **1459** PP  
Tour Only

## Departures (2020)

|      |               |
|------|---------------|
| MAR  | :13 • 27      |
| APR  | :10 • 24      |
| MAY  | :08 • 22      |
| JUN  | :05 • 19      |
| JULY | :03 • 17 • 31 |
| AUG  | :14 • 28      |
| SEP  | :11 • 25      |
| OCT  | :09 • 23      |
| NOV  | :06           |



Cappadocia  
Hot Air  
Ballooning ▶ USD **325** PP

**Day 2 ▶ Saturday Istanbul Old City**

Tour the exotic city that spans both Europe and Asia visiting the Blue Mosque, St. Sophia Museum, Topkapi Palace and the Hippodrome.  
Overnight Istanbul (B)  
Hotel: Port Bosphorus Hotel 4\* / similar

**Day 3 ▶ Sunday Ankara, Cappadocia**

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

**Day 4 ▶ 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 5 ▶ 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 Celaleddin Rumi and Alaeddin Mosque.  
Overnight Konya (B, D)  
Hotel: Ramada Plaza by Wyndham Konya 5\* / similar

**Day 6 ▶ 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 7 ▶ 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 8 ▶ Friday Ephesus, Sirince**

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 Kusadasi. (B, D)  
Hotel: Ilayda Avantgarde Hotel 4\* / similar

**Day 9 ▶ Saturday Kusadasi**

Our tour concludes as we bid goodbye. Transferred to Izmir airport for your onward flight. (B)