

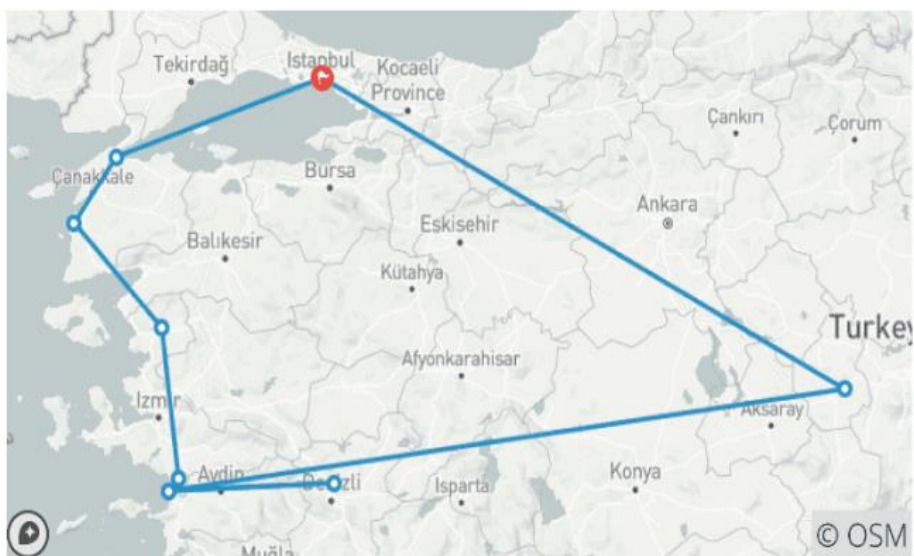
10 DAY TURKEY TOUR

STARTS Istanbul ENDS Istanbul 21st September to 30TH September 2024

Operated in English

Price for Solo Traveller: \$4,539.00 Twin Share: \$3,605.00

Trip Overview



Itinerary

Introduction

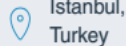
This 10 day tour, starts and ends in Istanbul, Turkey. Ease into your Turkey Experience as part of a small group tour heading from magical Istanbul down the Aegean Coast, then visit Cappadocia with its unique landscape.

Please Note:

- 1. Group Size : Minimum Group Size of 2. Maximum Group Size of 20.
- 2. Age : Minimum Age of 8. Whilst there is no Maximum Age set it is assumed the customer is fit enough to take part in the activity or tour. Health documents may be requested.
- 3. Single travellers are obliged to pay Single Supplement and will have the hotel room to themselves.
- 4. This tour ends with a flight from Cappadocia to Istanbul, arriving at approximately 10:30 am on the last day.
- 5. Domestic flight times may vary due to various circumstances
- 6. You will need to have your passport handy at check-in for any domestic flights

Day 1: Saturday - Istanbul

Start Point



Welcome to Istanbul! You will be transferred to your hotel and the remainder of the day is yours, free to explore.

Overnight Istanbul - 4 star

Day 2: Sunday - Istanbul Old City

After breakfast, you enjoy a fully guided tour of the only city to span two continents, visiting the Blue Mosque, St Sophia Museum, Topkapi Palace (including Hagia Irene and the Harem) and the Hippodrome. Cruise between two continents on the stretch of water that separates Europe from Asia in the afternoon with an optional 'Half day Bosphorus cruise'.

Overnight Istanbul - 4 star - Breakfast

Day 3: Monday - Gallipoli Battlefields

One of the most emotionally touching places in Turkey, today we visit the WWI Battlefields of Gallipoli including Lone Pine and Chunuk Bair Memorials, ANZAC Cove, The Nek, Johnston's Jolly, original trenches and tunnels.

Overnight Çanakkale - Special Class - Breakfast, Dinner

Day 4: Tuesday - Troy, Acropolis of Pergamon

Step back in time today as we visit Troy where we will explore the ancient city, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and the new, award winning, Troy Museum. We continue on to Bergama and up to the magnificent acropolis of Pergamon. Its impressive temples and library made it a renowned cultural and political centre in its time.

Overnight Kuşadası - Boutique - Breakfast, Dinner

Day 5: Wednesday - Ephesus, Kusadasi

Absorb yourself 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 traditions in Turkey and at the carpet village we learn how the carpets are made by hand and what determines their value.

Overnight Kuşadası - Boutique - Breakfast, Dinner

Day 6: Thursday - Pamukkale, Hierapolis

This morning we will enjoy a display of locally handcrafted leather goods before heading to the magnificent white calcium terraces, known as Travertines, in Pamukkale where we also tour the ancient city of Hierapolis. Take a dip, amongst ancient columns, in the hot springs that were used in Roman times for their therapeutic powers.

Overnight Pamukkale - 4 star - Breakfast, Dinner

Day 7: Friday - Silk Road, Konya

Today we travel the ancient Silk Road visiting Sultanhani Caravansary and the Mevlana museum in Konya along the way. Tonight, don't miss the optional traditional Turkish folklore evening!

Overnight Cappadocia - Boutique Cave - Breakfast, Dinner

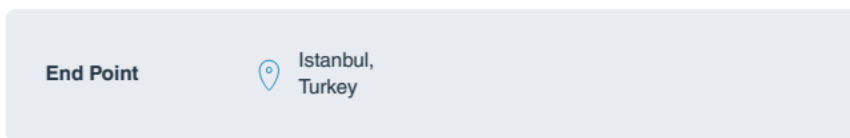
Day 8: Saturday - Cappadocia, Goreme, Underground City

Marvel at the lunar landscape of Cappadocia today as we visit the Goreme Valley Open Air Museum and the fairy chimneys, and explore the many levels of an underground city.
Overnight Cappadocia - Boutique Cave - Breakfast, Dinner

Day 9: Sunday - Cappadocia, Istanbul

We will explore Mustafapasa (Sinassos), a former Greek village. You will see Greek Orthodox architecture samples and continue to Gomed Valley. Here you will be able to see churches carved into rocks, shelters, vineyards and underground city. Finally, we will visit Sobeses ancient city with its unique geometric mosaic floors. Then we will take a flight to Istanbul.
Overnight Istanbul - 4 star - Breakfast

Day 10: Monday - Istanbul



After breakfast our tour concludes and we say goodbye to our new friends and are transferred to the airport for your onward flight. - Breakfast

What's Included

Accommodation

- Total - 9 nights in 4 star, Special Class, Boutique & Boutique Cave twin share accommodation.
- 2 nights - 4 star - Istanbul - Nidya Hotel Galataport
- 1 night - Special Class - Çanakkale - MD Barbaros Hotel
- 2 nights - Boutique - Kuşadası - İlayda Avantgarde Hotel
- 1 night - 4 star - Pamukkale - Adem Pira Hotel
- 2 nights - Boutique Cave - Cappadocia - Gamirasu Hotel
- 1 night - 4 star - Istanbul - Nidya Hotel Galataport
- Single Rooms are available with payment of the 'Single Supplement'

Guide

- Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour

Meals

- 9 Breakfasts
- 6 Dinners

Flights

- Domestic flight between Cappadocia and Istanbul and transfers

Transport

- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle

Others

- Transfer - Inbound - Istanbul - from one of these points : - Istanbul Airport (IST) - Sabiha Gokcen Airport (SAW)
- Transfer - Outbound - Istanbul - from one of these points : - Istanbul Airport (IST) - Sabiha Gokcen Airport (SAW)
- Tips except Driver and Guide
- Entrance fees
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- Highlights :-
- Istanbul - Old City - UNESCO Heritage site, St. Sophia Museum, Blue Mosque, Topkapi Palace (Hagia Irene and Harem), Hippodrome
- Gallipoli - Battlefields Tour, ANZAC Cove, Lone Pine - Australian Memorial, Johnson's Jolly - original tunnels, The Nek - original trenches, Chunuk Bair - New Zealand Memorial
- Troy - Ancient City and Museum - UNESCO Heritage site
- Pergamon - UNESCO Heritage site
- Site of the Temple of Artemis
- Ephesus - UNESCO Heritage site
- Sirince - Village
- Pamukkale - Calcium Travertines - UNESCO Heritage site, Hierapolis
- Konya - Mevlana Museum
- Sultanhani Caravansary
- Göreme - UNESCO Heritage site, Open Air Museum (Dark Church)
- Cappadocia - Kaymakli - Underground City, Mustafapaşa Village (Sinassos), Sobesos, Gomed Valley