



# TIMELESS

## TOURS & TRAVEL

FOR THE DISCERNING TRAVELLER

### TIMELESS TURKEY COACH TOURS 2021

All prices are in Australian Dollars unless otherwise stated

28/1/21

#### 15 DAY GLORIES OF TURKEY TOUR

##### Istanbul – Istanbul

**DEPARTS ISTANBUL THURSDAYS 15 APRIL – 28 OCTOBER 2021**

Tour is guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 and a maximum 32 passengers.

#### Day 1 (Thursday) ARRIVE ISTANBUL

Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to the hotel. A welcome briefing will be held this evening.

#### Day 2 (Friday) ISTANBUL

Enjoy a full day tour including a visit to Topkapi Palace, residence of the Ottoman Sultans 1453 – 1852 (excluding harem). Visit the Hippodrome, which was once the centre 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. Next see St. Sophia, a church built in the 6th century Byzantine capital, converted to a mosque by the Ottomans, and now a museum and one of the world's greatest architectural wonders. Your last stop will be the famous Grand Bazaar, the world's largest and oldest covered market with over 60 streets. (B)  
*Evening optional: Dinner with belly dancing entertainment*



#### Day 3 (Saturday) ISTANBUL / GALLIPOLI / CANAKKALE

In the morning depart for Gallipoli. Visit Anzac Cove, Lone Pine Cemetery and Chunuk Bair, and then cross the Dardanelles to Canakkale for overnight. (B,D)

#### Day 4 (Sunday) CANAKKALE / TROY / PERGAMON / IZMIR

Visit 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. Before arriving at the Asclepion enjoy lunch with locals in a traditional village. Then continue to Pergamum to visit the ancient Asclepion Medical Centre and continue to Izmir for overnight. (B,L)  
*Evening optional: Dinner at local restaurant*

#### Day 5 (Monday) IZMIR / EPHEBUS & VIRGIN MARY'S HOUSE / IZMIR

Tour the famous ruins of Ephesus, an important cultural centre of the ancient world, and explore 2,000 year-old marble streets, a theatre, the Library of Celsus, a gymnasium and Hadrian's Temple. Take a short drive to see the stone cottage where it is believed Virgin Mary spent her last years accompanied by St. John. Continue to a regional rug production centre to have a firsthand experience of this unique art form. (B,D)

#### Day 6 (Tuesday) IZMIR / BODRUM

After breakfast drive to Bodrum to visit the castle of St. Peter and the renowned Underwater Museum that was awarded the best Underwater Museum of the World in 2000's. Overnight in Bodrum. (B,D)

#### Day 7 (Wednesday) BODRUM / KOS / BODRUM

After breakfast, free time for personal activities. Dinner and overnight Bodrum. Optional: Day tour to Kos. (B)

#### Day 8 (Thursday) BODRUM / PAMUKKALE

Drive through lush valleys to Pamukkale, the Cotton Castle, with the white lime cascades formed by hot mineral springs. Visit the ruins of the Roman health spa of Hierapolis and enjoy a swim in your hotel's thermal pool. (B,D)

#### Day 9 (Friday) PAMUKKALE / ANTALYA

After breakfast depart for Antalya, for dinner and overnight. (B,D)



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#### Day 10 (Saturday)

#### ANTALYA / PERGE / ASPENDOS / ANTALYA

This morning visit Perge and Aspendos. The afternoon is free for personal activities. Dinner at the hotel. (B,D)

#### Day 11 (Sunday)

#### ANTALYA / CAPPADOCIA

Early morning departure for Cappadocia visiting a 13th century Caravansarai on the way and later visit the underground city of Saratli. Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia. (B,D)

#### Day 12 (Monday)

#### CAPPADOCIA

Early Morning Optional: Balloon Tour, experience floating through volcanic valleys, fairy chimneys and caves at sunrise. After breakfast visit historical Goreme, located among the rock formations, which was first settled in the Roman period. Many rock churches can still be seen today as Christianity was then the prevailing religion in the 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. Dinner at a special local restaurant. (B,D)

Evening optional: Join a Whirling Dervishes performance.

#### Day 13 (Tuesday)

#### CAPPADOCIA / ANKARA

Early morning departure to the capital city of Ankara through the salt lake are, enjoy an afternoon tour of the Museum of Anatolian Civilizations, a historic caravanserai holding artefacts from up to 7500 years old including the most extensive and valuable collection of Hittite artefacts in the world. Dinner at a special local restaurant and overnight in Ankara. (B,D)

#### Day 14 (Wednesday)

#### ANKARA / ISTANBUL

After breakfast depart on a scenic drive to Istanbul. Afternoon Optional: Half day Bosphorus Cruise, enjoying the strait that separates Asia and Europe. Its shores are lined with fine neighbourhoods, Ottoman palaces, fortresses, old wooden villas, hotels, parks and gardens, restaurants and cafes. Finish your last minute shopping in the Spice Market filled with the fragrance of the exotic East. Tonight enjoy a farewell dinner. (B,D)

#### Day 15 (Thursday)

#### DEPART ISTANBUL

After breakfast, transfer to the airport. (B) END OF TOUR.

(B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner)

2021 Departure Dates Thursdays	Per Person in Double	Per Person in Single	Per Person in Triple
<b>April:</b> 15, 29 <b>May:</b> 13, 27 <b>June:</b> 10, 24 <b>July:</b> 8, 22 <b>August:</b> 5, 19 <b>September:</b> 2, 30 <b>October:</b> 14, 28	AUD 2775	AUD 4110	AUD 2635

Tour Includes: Accommodation in listed hotels (or similar); Daily breakfast, 10 dinners & 1 lunch;  
 Arrival (Day 1) & departure (Day 15) transfers from Istanbul airport;  
 Licensed English speaking guides and entrance fees;  
 Air-conditioned vehicles; Luggage handling; Local taxes and service charges

Deluxe and superior first class hotels with private facilities used (or similar):  
 Istanbul – W Istanbul, Canakkale – Kolin Hotel, Izmir – Swissotel Grand Efes,  
 Bodrum – Doria Hotel, Pamukkale – Doga Thermal Health & Spa,  
 Antalya – The Marmara or Doubletree Centre, Cappadocia – Gamirasu Hotel, Ankara – Hilton Hotel

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