



Discover Turkey in 6 Days from Istanbul to Ephesus

Duration: 6 Days/ 5 Nights

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Tour Itinerary

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Day-by-day plan & key activities

Day 1

Arrival in Istanbul



Upon arrival in Istanbul, you will be transferred to your hotel. After checking in and refreshing yourself, begin your exploration with a visit to the iconic Hagia Sophia, an architectural masterpiece that captivates with its beauty.

Next, immerse yourself in the enchanting atmosphere of the Blue Mosque, renowned for its intricate architecture and stunning blue tiles. Take a leisurely stroll through historic Sultanahmet Square, where you can soak in the rich history and vibrant ambiance of the city.

Conclude your day with a delightful dinner at a local restaurant, savoring the flavors of authentic Turkish cuisine. Finally, retire for the night at your accommodation in Istanbul, ready for more adventures ahead.

Day 2

Istanbul



Start your day by immersing yourself in the rich history of Istanbul with a visit to the iconic Topkapi Palace. Once the opulent residence of Ottoman sultans, this magnificent structure now stands as a museum, proudly displaying imperial collections and artifacts.

Afterward, delve into the vibrant energy of the Grand Bazaar, an ancient market teeming with life and offering a dazzling array of goods and souvenirs. Lose yourself in the maze of narrow alleys and bustling stalls, where treasures await around

every corner.

Discover the subterranean marvels of the Basilica Cistern, an enchanting underground chamber adorned with impressive columns and an otherworldly atmosphere. Marvel at the ancient engineering feats that have stood the test of time.

For a leisurely afternoon, embark on a serene Bosphorus cruise, drifting along tranquil waters while taking in panoramic views of Istanbul's breathtaking skyline and iconic landmarks. Let the gentle breeze and scenic beauty soothe your senses as you soak in the city's charm.

As evening descends, treat yourself to a delightful dinner at a waterfront restaurant, where you can indulge in sumptuous Turkish delicacies while witnessing the mesmerizing spectacle of the sunset casting its golden hues over the shimmering waters of the Bosphorus.

After a day filled with exploration and culinary delights, retire for the night in Istanbul, savoring the memories of a truly enchanting day in this captivating city.

Day 3

Istanbul to Cappadocia



Begin your day by checking out from your hotel in Istanbul before boarding a domestic flight bound for Cappadocia. Upon reaching your destination, make your way to your hotel to complete the check-in process and settle in for an exciting day ahead.

Next, prepare to immerse yourself in the enchanting landscapes of Cappadocia with a guided tour. Your itinerary will include visits to iconic landmarks such as the Göreme Open Air Museum, where ancient cave churches and vibrant frescoes tell stories of a bygone era; Pasabag (Monks Valley), renowned for its unique fairy chimney formations; and Ürgüp's fairy chimneys, where nature's artistry is on full display.

Delve deeper into history with a visit to one of Cappadocia's fascinating underground cities. Choose between exploring the tunnels and chambers of Kaymakli Underground City or discovering the intricate network of Derinkuyu Underground City, each offering a glimpse into the region's ancient past.

As evening falls, indulge in a delectable traditional Turkish dinner accompanied by lively folk music and dance performances, providing a delightful taste of local culture. Finally, retire for the night at your accommodation in Cappadocia, where you can unwind and reflect on the day's adventures in this magical landscape.

Day 4

Cappadocia to Pamukkale



Begin your day with an early morning hot air balloon ride over the stunning landscapes of Cappadocia (subject to weather conditions). After a delightful breakfast, explore Devrent Valley and Avanos, renowned for their exquisite pottery craftsmanship.

Next, marvel at the captivating rock formations of the Red and Rose Valleys, where breathtaking vistas and ample opportunities for exploration await.

Later, depart for Pamukkale, celebrated for its mesmerizing terraces of white travertine. Relax in the soothing thermal pools, renowned for their mineral-rich waters and therapeutic benefits.

Conclude your day by savoring a delicious dinner at a local eatery featuring regional delicacies before settling in for a rejuvenating night in Pamukkale.

Day 5

Pamukkale to Ephesus



Begin your day with a hearty breakfast before setting off to Hierapolis, an ancient Roman spa city nestled beside the natural wonder of Pamukkale. Explore its well-preserved ruins and the impressive amphitheater, both echoing the rich history of this fascinating locale.

Next, uncover the ancient marvels of Ephesus, celebrated as one of the world's best-preserved ancient cities. Marvel at iconic landmarks such as the Library of Celsus, the Temple of Artemis, and the revered House of the Virgin Mary.

Continue your journey with a visit to the Ephesus Archaeological Museum, where excavated artifacts from this historic site are beautifully displayed, offering further insight into its storied past.

Indulge in a delectable traditional Turkish lunch at a local restaurant, savoring the vibrant flavors that define the region's

culinary heritage.

After your adventures, journey to Izmir and settle into your accommodation for a relaxing evening. Enjoy dinner at your leisure, immersing yourself in local culinary delights.

Conclude your day with an overnight stay in Izmir or the nearby Ephesus area, ensuring a peaceful end to your exploration-filled day.

Day 6

Departure



After your morning meal, take the opportunity to engage in some last-minute souvenir hunting or extend your exploration of Izmir, depending on your departure schedule.

Once you're ready, proceed to Izmir's Adnan Menderes Airport for your next destination or international flight.

This marks the conclusion of an unforgettable voyage spanning Istanbul, Cappadocia, Pamukkale, and Ephesus.

What's Included

Inclusions

- Boutique Style Accommodation
- All Private Transportation
- Professional Tour Guide
- Local (Non-Touristy) Lunches
- Entrance Tickets/Fees

Exclusions

- Beverages
- Tips for guides, drivers, hotel staff, and service providers
- Lunch
- Food and drinks, unless specified
- Personal expenses

