

# 11 DAYS 08 NIGHTS BEST OF TURKEY

## DAY 01 ARRIVAL ISTANBUL

(Meals: Dinner)

Meet at airport before departure for your flight to Istanbul. Upon arrival, proceed to Istanbul city tour. Boat cruise on Bosphorus natural waterways that divides Asia and Europe view numerous summer palaces under suspension bridges connecting two continents. Bosphorus cruise gaze at palatial homes lining the shores. Overnight in Istanbul

## Day 02 ISTANBUL / CANAKKALE (TROY)

(Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

After breakfast, visit **Topkapi Palace**, once the seat of the Ottoman Empire. Presently, it is a museum palace with a wide collection of porcelain, antiques, holy relics and other treasures. Visit the **Blue Mosque**, also known as **Mosque of Sultan Ahmet**, which boasts a unique feature of 6 minarets. View its glorious interiors and distinctive blue tiles. Next, view the only remains of Hippodrome of Constantinople, which consists 3 monumental columns and a fountain. This is where chariot races took place in the past. Then, visit **St.Sophia Church**, is a former Eastern Orthodox Church converted to a mosque and must see attraction because of its religious and architectural significance. Today, a ferry ride cross Marmara Sea and overnight in Troy

## Day 03 CANAKKALE / TROY / BERGAMA / KUSADASI

(Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

Morning, drive to ruins city of Troy. Once there, you will be greeted by the huge replica of a wooden Trojan horse and museum, a vivid reminder of the ancient Trojan War. Next, Bergama and visit the ruins of Acropolis, an architectural masterpiece that is perched on the city's highest point. The fascinating sites here include the Altar of Zeus, Temple of Athena and Temple of Trojan. Later, Proceed to Selcuk Village and overnight in Kusadasi

## Day 04 KUSADASI / EPHEBUS / PAMUKKALE

(Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

After breakfast, set off for Selcuk and explore Ephesus, one of the world's most outstanding archaeological sites. You will find awesome structures such as the Library of Celsius, Hadrian Temple, Marble Street and Agora. Ephesus is also one of the 7 Churches of Revelation and holds the House of Virgin Mary. Virgin Mary and St John were said to have lived in Ephesus and died there. After lunch, visit one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World - Artemis Temple. Continue to Pamukkale and visit the ruins Ancient City of Hierapolis and explore Cotton Castle, a World Heritage site, made of fascinating white terraces and pools created by calcareous hot spring waters flowing down the mountain. Overnight in Pamukkale

## Day 05 CAPPADOCIA / KONYA / CAPPADOCIA

(Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

Today, travel to Konya. Enjoy lunch in a 700 year old ancient caravanserai (a 'hotel' for ancient traders and travelers on silk road). Next, visit the museum of 13th century Philosopher Melvana Celaleddin-i Rumi, which used to be the cloister for Mevlevi Dervishes. Mevlana was a philosopher and mystic of Islam, but not a Muslim of the orthodox type. His doctrine advocates unlimited tolerance, positive reasoning, goodness, charity and awareness through love. To him and to his disciples all religions are more or less truth. Looking with the same eye on Muslim, Jew and Christian alike, his peaceful and tolerant teaching has appealed to men of all sects and creeds. Continue to Cappadocia. Overnight in Cappadocia

## Day 06 CAPPADOCIA

(Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

Hot air ballooning over the charming landscape during sun rise is optional this morning time. Today, be enchanted by the Underground City of Kaymakli, once a place of refuge for 15000 Christians. Witness the ancient bedrooms, church, meeting hall and food storage rooms in this eight-storey city connected by 30km of corridors and passageways. Next, get the rare chance to experience the beauty and work of Turkey's handmade crafts through a Turkish carpet weaving course. Following this, a visit to the Pigeon Valley and the fascinating frescoed rock churches and chapels at Goreme Open-Air Museum. Photo stops will be made at Uchisar "castle" village, a fantasy-land of strange and wonderful works of man and nature. Then, proceed to Avanos Pottery Village, set on the banks of the Kizilirmak (Red River). Finally, a chance to view Turkish semi precious Turkish turquoise (the name given by Marco Polo which means color of Turks). Tonight, enjoy Turkish night entertained by world famous Belly Dancing & Folklore Dance with drinks. Overnight in Cappadocia

## Day 07 CAPPADOCIA / BOLU

(Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

This morning, drive pass picturesque Salt Lake and arrive into Ankara - capital of Turkey. Our Ankara sightseeing highlights include the magnificent Ataturk Mausoleum and Museum, the final resting place of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, who was regarded as the father of modern Turkey. The mausoleum features a mix of different architectural styles from various Anatolian civilizations museum. Overnight in Bolu

## Day 08 BOLU / ISTANBUL

(Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner)

After breakfast in Ankara hotel drive to Istanbul and start the Istanbul full day city tour covers 500-year-old Grand Bazaar, a maze of over 4,000 stalls and shops selling leather goods, jewellery, handicrafts, ceramics, Turkish coffee and other local products. Later, visit at Istikal Street in Taksim area, this is the most active art, entertainment and night life centre of Istanbul. Overnight in Istanbul

## Day 09 ISTANBUL / HOME

(Meals: Breakfast)

After breakfast, free and easy time in Istanbul and later, transfer to airport for your flight back home.

## Day 11 RETURN HOME

(END PROGRAM)

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the sequence of itinerary may subject to changes without prior notice

## PACKAGE PRICE IN MYR PER PERSON (MINIMUM 20 PAXS PER DEPARTURE)

DATE	SINGLE	TWIN	CHILD W/B	CHILD N/B
28 APR, 27 MAY 2011	5,630	4,930	3,955	3,745
Airport tax (subject to change)				790
Visa fee				-
Tipping to local guide / driver				180
Travel Insurance (optional)				-

\*\*\*Prices quoted subject to change with or without prior notice & subject to flight & hotel availability

### INCLUDES :

Fare based in MYR Per Person with min 20 person  
Flight ticket KUALA LUMPUR - AMMAN - IST - AMMAN - KUALA LUMPUR on economy class by Royal Jordanian  
Meet and assist upon arrival and departure  
Accommodation as per itinerary  
Meals as per itinerary  
Tours & sightseeing as per itinerary including entrance fee  
Professional English speaking guide  
Entrance to : Museum, Private Boat in IST for Bosphorous Cruise  
Public boat from IST & Troy

### EXCLUDES :

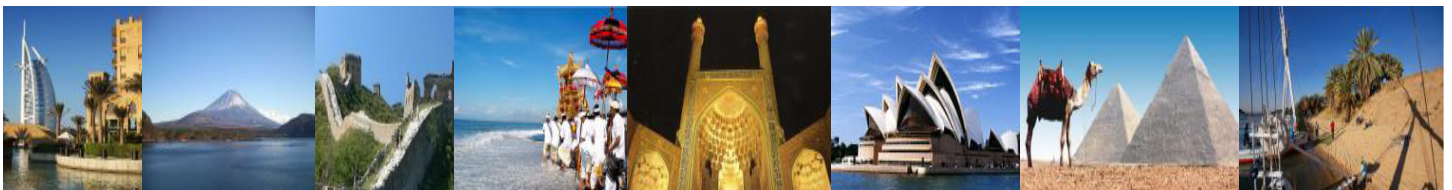
Airport taxes  
Travel Insurance  
Laundry, phone calls, beverages, meals not detailed in the itinerary  
Tips to motor-coach drivers and local city guides  
Items of personal nature  
Excess baggage  
Optional excursions  
Any peak season surcharge  
Any compulsory Gala Dinner

### HOTEL USED OR SIMILAR 3\*:

CITY	HOTEL
ISTANBUL	CARTOON HOTEL 4*
CANAKKALE	IRIS HOTEL 4*
KUSADASI	TATLISES HOTEL 5*
PAMUKKALE	LYCUS RIVER 4*
CAPPADOCIA	PERI TOWER 4*
ANKARA	SERMELI HOTEL 5*

### FLIGHT DETAILS:

DATE	SECTOR	FLIGHT	ETD	ETA
27 MAY	KUL-AMM	RJ 181	2210	0515
28 MAY	AMM-IST	RJ 165	1120	1340
05 JUN	IST-AMM	RJ 168	2035	2250
06 JUN	AMM-KUL	RJ 180	0210	1925



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