





TURKEY 14NIGHTS – 15DAY

ITINERARY

Day - 01BANGALORE - ISTANBUL06:00AM Report to Bangalore International Airport06:35AM Check-in to Emirates Airlines EK-56510:35AM Depart to Dubai by Emirates Airlines EK-56512:45PM Arrive at Dubai14:15PM Depart to Istanbul by Emirates Airlines EK-12117:55PM Arrive IstanbulMeet at the airport Transfer to your hotelYou will be given your room key and the rest of the day is yours to explore IstanbulDinner at Hotel Overnight in Istanbul Meals: Dinner

Day – 02 ISTANBUL

After the breakfast, we will depart to visit City Walls the first breach of the walls was by the Fourth Crusade in 1204, The second by the cannons and troops of Sultan Mehmet the Conqueror in 1453. Then you will go for Golden Horn. As natural and extremely secure harbor, the Golden Horn has played an important role in the development of Istanbul. The inlet separates the European shore into two. It is approximately 8 km long, and the widest part is the entrance from the Bosphorus. Two streams drain into this inlet at its far end. Next stop will be Spice Bazaar (Egyptian Bazaar). The air here is filled with the enticing aromas of cinnamon, caraway, saffron, mint, thyme and every other conceivable herb and spice. After that you will go for the boat trip on the Bosphorus. A traditional excursion by boat along the waterway seperating Europe and Asia. The shore is lined with old wooden villas, palaces of marble, fortresses, and small fishing villages. During the excursion you will pass the magnificent Dolmabahce Palace, and further along, the parks and imperial pavillions of Yildiz Palace. On the coastal edge of this park, is Ciragan Palace, 300 meters of is marble facade faces the shore. At Ortakoy a great variety of artists gather every Sunday to display their work along the street. Ortakoy is a symbol of tolerance with a church, a mosque and a synagogue existing side by side for centuries.

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You will see Rumeli Fortress (from the sea, no interior visit). Built by Mehmet the Conqueror in 1452 prior to the conquest of Istanbul was completed in only four months to control and protect Bosphorus. It is one of the most beautiful works of military architecture anywhere in the world. Then we will go to Beylerbeyi Palace. The summer residence of Ottoman Sultans with its original furniture and magnificent gardens with the Harem on the Asian. Bosphorus Bridge is a unique chance to step from one continent (Asia) to another (Europe). After that Camlica Hill which is the highest point in Istanbul. At the top of it you can rest and admire the magnificent panorama of Istanbul and the Bosphorus from the beautiful gardens, landscaped in traditional style. Also there is a possibility of shopping at Bedesten exhibits the traditional silk weaving girls at the carpet weaving courses authorised by the Ministry of National Education Possibility to see jewellery, handicrafts centre and leatherwear show.

Free time provided for shopping. Dinner at Hotel

Overnight at the hotel in Istanbul.

Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner

Day – 03 ISTANBUL

Breakfast at Hotel

After the breakfast, we begin our tour from the Sultana met district, the heart of old Istanbul at Agia Sophia. Built by Emperor Justinian in the 6th century AD this church is one of the marvels of world architecture. Its massive dome dominates the skyline of old Istanbul. It is famed for its mosaics, including glittering portraits of emperors and empresses. Next we visit the Blue Mosque, which owes its name to the exquisite tiles adorning its interior. Dating from the 17th century, it is the only imperial Mosque with six minarets. The Hippodrome, the stadium of ancient Byzantium, held 100.000 spectators and featured objects from all corners of the empire. We continue our tour at Topkapi Palace which, from the 15th to 19th century, was the principle residence of the Ottoman Sultans. Final visit will be to the Grand Bazaar which was the commercial heart of the old city and its 4.000 shops are full of treasures – including carpets and kilims, silks, jewellery, ceramics, icons and leather goods..

Dinner at Restaurant

Overnight in Istanbul.

Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner

Day – 04 ISTANBUL

After the breakfast, if you feel the need to escape from the bustle of Istanbul for a day, nothing could be easier. You simply join us abroad a ferry boat for the charming Princes' Islands. Our destination is Büyükada (Pringipo), the largest of the island chain. All are famous for their mild climates, lush vegetation and ornate Ottoman houses and on all of them cars are banned. The preferred means of transportation is now the electric vehicles as horse-drawn carriages are banned due to a law). Lunch will be at a local restaurant. Dinner at Hotel

Overnight at the hotel in Istanbul.

Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner





Day – 05 ISTANBUL

Breakfast at Hotel

After the breakfast, first visit will be Dolmabahce Palace which is one of the most important palaces of the late Ottoman period. It is just located on the bosphorus and in 1856 the residential of the Sultan is moved from Topkapi Palace to here. Compared with the Topkapi Palace, Dolmabahce Palace has western style architecture and reflects the Ottoman Empire's impression from the Western civilization. Then we will see the mosque of 'Bezm-i Alem Valide Sultan'. After lunch, we will visit Ortakoy and Bebek as both these locations have magnificent view of the relaxing Bosphorus with lots of street food options for snacks as well. Also Bebek has long distance of walking paths by the sea with one side buildings placed which have breathtaking views. Dinner at Hotel

Overnight at the hotel in Istanbul. Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner

Day – 06 ISTANBUL / CAPPADOCIA

Breakfast at Hotel After the breakfast, transfer to the airport for the flight to Kayseri/Nevsehir. Depart from SAW by TK 7324 at 12:35PM and arrive NAV at 13:45PM Arrival and transfer to the hotel in Cappadocia. Dinner and overnight at the hotel in Cappadocia Dinner at Hotel Overnight at the hotel in Cappadocia **Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner**

Day – 07 CAPPADOCIA

After the breakfast, our first real encounter with Cappadocia almost Martian landscape is in the Dervent valley. We visit Pasabag's "fairy chimneys", where the voice of the wind harmonizes with songs of the fairies. From here we pause at Avanos center of terracotta art which is a popular destination because of its attractive old town with cobbled streets, and views over the river and is its production of earthenware pottery, it is also the most economic activity in the town. The ceramic trade in this district and its countless pottery factories date right back to the Hittites, and the ceramic clay from the red silt of the Kızılırmak has always been used. A visit to ceramic & tile center to see how the ceramics made by hand. After lunch we visit the famous Goreme Open Air Museum to see the best examples of Byzantine art in Cappadocia. People of Goreme, at the heart of the Cappadocia Region, realized that these soft rocks could be easily carved out to form houses, churches, monasteries. These Christian sanctuaries contain many examples of Byzantine art from the post-iconoclastic period. These frescoes are a unique artistic achievement from this period. You visit a carpet cooperative, where you'll see how exquisite Turkish carpets are

Hand-woven. We complete the tour with a panoramic view of the valleys of Cappadocia. Dinner and overnight at the hotel in Cappadocia

Dinner at Hotel

Overnight in Hotel Cappadocia

Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner





Day – 08 CAPPADOCIA

Breakfast at Hotel

Depart from your hotel to visit Red valley through Cavusin and explore the famous rock- cut churches and hike 2 km. Then visit Cavusin village. Old Cavusin was abandoned several decades ago due to avalanches. The current village of Cavusin is located on the road. Old Cavusin, with its rock-cut dwellings and stone houses, had several hermitages. After lunch drive to the Pigeon Valley. In the afternoon visit Underground City, where early Christians lived in fear and faith. The houses in the village are constructed around the nearly one hundred tunnels of the underground city, which is one of the most interesting underground settlements in Cappadocia. The underground city was originally carved out as eight floors; however four floors are available to visit. In wartime about 5000 people can refuge in. The tunnels are still used today as storage areas, stables, and cellars.

Dinner at Hotel

Overnight hotel in Cappadocia.

Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner

Day – 09 CAPPADOCIA - KUSADASI

Breakfast at Hotel After the breakfast, transfer to the airport for the flight to Izmir. Arrival and transfer to the hotel in Kusadasi. Flight from Cappadocia ASR flight PC 3191 at 12:45 and arrive Izmir at 14:00 Free for Leisure Dinner at Hotel Overnight hotel in Kusadasi. **Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner**

Day – 10 KUSADASI

After the breakfast, first we will visit Virgin Mary House. This place is discovered by Lazarist priests after a German Nun described the house and the mountain as the last residence of Virgin Mary after she had some visions about the place. Today this place is a Muslim and Catholic, being cared by Lazarist Fathers. Lazarist Fathers still celebrating the mass every day. Then we will drive to Ephesus. Ephesus was one of the most important harbor cities in antique world and also it is mentioned in the book of Revelations as one of the seven churches. Also Celsus Library and theater in Ephesus are the other highlights. In Ephesus we will see, Celcus Library, Temple of Hadrian, the fountain of Trajan and the Theater. We will have lunch in a local Turkish restaurant. After lunch we will visit Isa Bey Mosque which is built in 1375 by Anatolian Seljuks. The last stop of the tour will be the Artemis Temple, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world, standing today next to Ephesus antique city.

Dinner at Hotel

Overnight hotel in Kusadasi.

Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner

Day – 11

After the breakfast, it takes 3 hours to get to Pamukkale (Hierapolis) from Kusadasi. There will be a break halfway for the needs. You will have an open buffet lunch upon arrival in Pamukkale, then head to the South Gate of Pamukkale (Hierapolis). After that we will see Necropolis (cemetery) of Hierapolis which is one of the biggest ancient cemeteries in Anatolia with 1.200 graves, Roman Bath, Domitian Gate, and the Main Street,

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Byzantium Gate. After the tour in Hierapolis, there will be a break which you can spend your time to swim in the Ancient Pool (aka. Cleopatra Pool). Please note that swimming in the pool costs an extra fee. The Cleopatra Pool is warmed by hot springs and littered with underwater fragments of ancient marble columns. It is possibly associated with the Temple of Apollo. The pool provides a rare opportunity to swim among antiquities to visitors! During the Roman period, columned porticoes surrounded the pool; earthquakes toppled them into the water where they lie today. If you want you can walk to the natural warm water terraces which were formed by the hot water that contains calcium. The temperature of the water is about 35 degrees. You can see the gleaming white travertine terraces of Pamukkale, located next to the Ruins of Hierapolis. The extraordinary effect is created when water from the hot springs loses carbon dioxide as it flows down the slopes, leaving deposits of limestone. The layers of white calcium carbonate, built up in steps on the plateau, gave the site the name Pamukkale (cotton castle). Dinner at Hotel

Overnight hotel in Kusadasi. Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner

Day – 12 KUSADASI – ANTALYA

After the breakfast, transfer to the airport for the flight to Antalya Kusadasi ADB by flight XQ 9190 12:55 and arrive AYT Antalya at 14:00 Arrival and transfer to the hotel. Free for Leisure Dinner at Hotel Overnight hotel in Antalya **Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner**

Day – 13 ANTALYA

After the breakfast, we will begin the day by visiting the Duden Waterfalls. Duden waterfalls are the most beautiful and the most visited in Antalya region. So you can take photos of the beautiful Antalya Waterfalls. Kaleici, or Old Antalya, is filled with history and lovely buildings. You will see old houses built in the Ottoman style and from the park you'll enjoy terrific views of the water. You will see the old town's harbour, Hadrian's Gate, and many other sights as well. This section of the city features many small streets lined with shops, kebab restaurants and pensions. There are some great boutique hotels and pensions here if you decide to return and stay in the ancient heart of Antalya. Enjoy a boat trip from the old harbour that will take you along the cliffs of Antalya. Enjoy the scenic coast of Antalya Old City, breathe in the fresh sea air and just relax on the boat after hours of exploring the Antalya city. Tunektepe cable car (Tünektepe Lift) is serving with 36 cabins.

Dinner at Hotel Overnight hotel in Antalya Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner

Day – 14 ANTALYA

After the breakfast, discover Perge, Aspendos and Side on a day trip. Depart in the morning and visit Perge, the place where most of the statues that are on display in Antalya Museum were unearthed. An important city of ancient Parnphylia, originally settled by the Hittites around 1500 BC. St. Paul visited Perge on his first missionary journey. The theater stage has finely carved marble reliefs, and other carvings from around the city are displayed in the stadium. Amateur archaeologists will want to see the handsome city gate flanked by two lofty towers, a long colonnaded road once paved with mosaics and lined with shops, a large agora, the

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public baths and a gymnasium. Perge was one of the Pamphylian cities and was believed to have been built in the 12th to 13th centuries BC. Most of the remains of the city that can be seen date from the Roman era. From the two towers, which have become the symbol of Perge, starts the colonnaded street that ends in the nympheum beneath of the acropolis. The theatre is the main feature of Aspendos, attracting visitors who come here to see the most magnificent example of such architecture still remaining in Turkey. This theatre which remained so well-preserved till this day has an exceptional construction method of the architect Zeno under the rule of emperor Marcus Aurelius (in 161-180 A.D.) and also to the late Byzantines and Seljuks, who used the theatre and kept in good condition. The furthest city Side in the east historical Pamphylia, situated on a peninsular about 1000m long and 400 m wide, it fulfilled its duty as a commercial port. Naturally, Side used to be one of the most important trade centre in antiquity and now it's one of the most popular holiday resorts in Southern Turkey. The merchants took up the local language, the name Side means pomegranate, the fruit symbolising abundance and fertility. During our time we will visit the Old Colonnaded Streets, Monuments of Fountains, Agora, Dyanisos Temple. The most important ruins are the Roman style amphitheatre and the Temple of Apollo with its huge columns. Finally we visit Kursunlu Waterfalls National Park which is located at 25 km from the center of Antalya, covers an area of 33 hectares. The 18 metre waterfall is on one of the tributaries of the Aksu River and its situation in the midst of a pine forest is of quite exceptional beauty. The countryside around the water forms a lovely picnic and pleasure spot, and offers nice refreshment, especially enjoyable on a hot Mediterranean summer day. Dinner at Hotel Overnight hotel in Antalya

Meals: Breakfast I Lunch I Dinner

Day – 15

Breakfast at Hotel

Depart from hotel and transfer AZR airport to connect flight PEGASUS AIRLINES PC - 2743L 07:30 and arrive Istanbul at 08:45AM and connect Flight EK-120 at 15:45 arrive Dubai @ 21:00 and connect to Flight EK-564 at 03:20 arrive Bangalore at 08:55

Meals: Breakfast

TOUR INCLUSION

Arrival and Departure transfers on PVT Basis All entrance fees mentioned in the itinerary Transfer on PVT Basis with driver cum guide 14 nights Hotel Accommodation with Breakfast and Dinner All sightseeing's with entry fees Private R/T transfers in Istanbul (IST airport), Cappadocia, Kusadasi and Antalya Private FD Bosphorus Cruise & 2 Continents Tour with local lunch (Indian lunch will be served if possible) Private FD Istanbul Old City Tour with local lunch (Indian lunch will be served if possible) Private FD Prince's Islands Tour with local lunch (no Indian lunch option) Private FD Dolmabahce Palace & Ortakoy & Bebek Tour with local lunch (no Indian lunch option) Private FD Dolmabahce Palace & Ortakoy & Bebek Tour with local lunch (no Indian lunch option)

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Private FD Cappadocia South Tour with local lunch Private FD Ephesus & Virgin Mary Tour with local lunch Private FD Pamukkale & Hierapolis Tour with local lunch Private FD Antalya City & Boat & Waterfall Tour with local lunch Private FD Perge – Aspendos - Side & Kursunlu Waterfall Tour with local lunch All Lunches at Indian or Local Restaurant 1000 ml water bottle per Pax per day Travel insurance

EXCLUSIONS

Airfare and Airport Taxes Return on economy class All Internal Flights with 20KG Baggage Applicable GST Personal Expenses Any Optional Tours

PROPOSED HOTEL NAMES

CITY	3 STAR HOTEL	4 STAR HOTEL	5 STAR HOTEL
Istanbul	Golden Sand	Peak Hotel	Mercure Bomonti
	(Superior room)	(Comfort room)	(Deluxe room)
Cappadocia	Selcuklu Evi Cave	Selcuklu Evi Cave	Charisma Deluxe
	(Standard room)	(Standard room)	(Standard sea view room)
Kusadasi	Ayma Beach Resort&Spa	Ramada Hotel&Suites	Charisma Deluxe
	(Standard room)	(Standard room)	(Standard sea view room)
Antalya	Golden Orange	Afflon Loft City	Ramada Plaza
	(Standard garden view room)	(Deluxe room)	(deluxe side sea view room)

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