

Turkish Delight – September 5 through September 18

Day 1, September 5, Sunday - Istanbul

Arrive in Istanbul. Based on time of arrival, sight seeing and dinner, or dinner only.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2, Septemeber 6, Monday - Istanbul

Orientation & walking tour of Istanbul. Sight seeing of: Blue Mosque, Hippodrome, Museum of Turkish & Islamic Arts, Underground Cistern, Topkapi Palace (Harem + Treasury). Free time in Grand Bazaar.

Overnight in Istanbul.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 3, September 7, Tuesday – Istanbul

Sight seeing in Istanbul: Hagia Sophia, Chora Church, Free time in the Spice Market and Bosphorus cruise.

Overnight in Istanbul.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 4, September 8, Wednesday - Cappadocia

Morning flight to Cappadocia. Afternoon sight seeing in Cappadocia (visit underground city, different valleys of natural formation, Avanos for pottery workshop).

Overnight in Cappadocia (Mustafapasa village)

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 5, September 9, Thursday - Cappadocia

Village walk in Mustafapasa. Visit Goreme Open Air Museum. Home lunch with a local family. Q&A with family members on rural life style. Visit carpet workshop & lecture.

Overnight in Cappadocia (Mustafapasa village)

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 6, September 10, Friday – Cappadocia

Day excursion to Guzelyurt village. Nature valley hike through the Ihlara Canyon. Visit a winery to taste local wines.

Overnight in Cappadocia (Mustafapasa village)

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 7, September 11, Saturday – Konya

Drive to Konya. En route visit to a 13th century caravanserai. Visit the beautiful Mausoleum of the beloved Persian Poet Rumi and the Museum of Whirling Dervishes in Konya.

Overnight in Konya.

Meals: breakfast, dinner

Day 8, September 12, Sunday – Antalya

Drive to Antalya. En route visit to Roman theatre and aqueducts. Upon arrival, Old Town walk.

Overnight in Antalya.

Meals: breakfast

Day 9, September 13, Monday – Antalya

Boat trip on the Mediterranean, on a traditional wooden gulet.

Overnight in Antalya.

Meals: breakfast, lunch

Day 10, September 14, Tuesday– Pamukkale

Drive to Pamukkale. Upon arrival check into hotel. Later visit of Pamukkale and travertine terraces.

Overnight in Pamukkale.

Meals: breakfast

Day 11, September 15, Wednesday– Kusadasi

Morning drive to Kusadasi, en route visit of Aphrodisias ancient city.

Overnight in Kusadasi

Meals: breakfast

Day 12, September 16, Thursday – Kusadasi

Morning visit of Ephesus ancient city. Afternoon free of planned activity (beach or village picnic).
Overnight in Kusadasi
Meals: breakfast

Day 13, September 17, Friday – Bodrum

Drive to Bodrum. Afternoon visit of Mausoleum of Halicarnassus and Underwater Archaeological Museum of Bodrum in the Crusader Castle.
Overnight in Bodrum.
Meals: breakfast, dinner

Day 14, September 18, Saturday – tour ends

Tour over after breakfast.

**** Itinerary specifics are subject to change based on unexpected situations and changing conditions.***

Includes:

All sight seeing and museum admissions listed
Guide from day 1 till day 14
All admissions for sites listed above
All accommodations from day 1 to day 14
All breakfasts
Meals as indicated above (total of 10 lunches and dinners)
All transportation to execute the itinerary above
One domestic flight (from Istanbul to Cappadocia)
All tips for all provided services
All taxes and fees
No hidden costs

Excludes:

International flights
Beverages during meals
Expenses of personal nature
Free time sight seeing (that are not listed in itinerary)
Travel insurance

Hotels will be small, charming and characteristic hotels, and when they are not available 3-4 star hotels will be used. All hotels will have central locations.

Cost U.S. \$3,066.00 per person

Please note that the trip ends in Bodrum on the coast of Turkey.

Some people are planning to catch the ferry and continue their journey to Greece and some may wish to return to the U.S. or leave for other destinations.

You are welcome to arrange your own air travel or use air mileage or you can have a travel agency I work with in Seattle book you your international travel and your connection from Bodrum onward.

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