

## Turkey Exclusive Special Tour (12 Days)

**Starts:** 11 June 2019 Ankara, Turkey

**Ends:** 22 June 2019 Istanbul, Turkey

**Participants:** 1 adult

**Duration:** 12 days

**Start Location:** Ankara ESB International Airport, Ankara, Turkey

**End Location:** Istanbul International Airport, Istanbul, Turkey

**Traveler :** HILARIO

### PROGRAM

#### Day 1: Welcome to Turkey (11 June 2019 Tuesday)

We welcome you at Ankara International Airport at 17:55 pm (Flight Turkish Airlines 1832), transfer to the hotel and have nice dinner. If you arrive earlier, we would have a downtown tour and have a coffee in Kizilay as well.

#### Day 2: Ankara (12 June 2019 Wednesday)

First visit Museum of Anatolian Civilizations. You will see a variety of historical masterpieces in the museum belonging to Anatolia's past rulers. The museum exhibits significant historical heritage of ancient Anatolia. Also, see around from Ankara Castle. Then visit old Turkish Assembly buildings and museums in there. You see how observe the foundation of Turkey there. Then, let's move to Atatürk Mausoleum (Anıtkabir) and visit one of the biggest museum in Turkey to discover the revolution process of the Turkey in 1900s. Then, take a breath around Eymir and Mogan Lakes in Gölbaşı. Have a pleasant city walk in Kizilay and shop there.

#### Day 3: Cappadocia (13 June 2019 Thursday)

On our way to Cappadocia, stop by Salt Lake (Tuz gölü) which is the biggest lake in Turkey. See Derinkuyu and Kaymakli underground cities which were built because of mandatory situations with magnificent building arts. Then, stop at Uçhisar Castle and Güvercinlik Valley. Meanwhile, let's visit a onyx stone art shop and observe its artcraft. Then, visit Open Göreme Museum where monastery, church, chapel, etc. exist. Now, it's time to visit Paşabağ and Derbent Valley to see the Fairy Chimneys closely. Finally explore Ürgüp's ancient beauties.

#### Day 4: Konya (14 June 2019 Friday)

Welcome to the spirit city Konya! Mausoleum of Mevlana is one of the- must see- place in Turkey. It has amazing sculptures, holy shrine, silence and divine atmosphere. You can see all signs of Mevlana, the mystic founder of the Sufism, all around the city! Mausoleum of Mevlana. Let's discover Konya by visiting; Ince Minare Museum, Karatay Medersseh, Konya ethnographic Museum, Nasrettin Hoca Ethnography & Archaeology Museum, Konya Archaeological Museum, and Alaaddin Hill.

#### Day 5: Antalya- Aspendos (15 June 2019 Saturday)

Now it's time to explore Antalya! Let's first explore Perge that holds the vast remains of most prosperous city of the ancient world with the arch of the Roman Gate, the Hellenistic Gate and richly designed remains of the city wall. Then, let's move to Aspendos Ruins and Antic Theater with vestige of Roman architecture which is like Rome's own Colosseum. Then, let's have a city tour in Antalya and take breath at Duden waterfall.

#### Day 6: Pamukkale (16 June 2019 Sunday)

Now, it's time to enjoy in Pamukkale. It's like a branch of paradise! Pamukkale has both historical and natural beauties! Let's have a relax in thermal pools and cool down with calciumrich mineral springs around Pamukkale Water Terrace. Then, explore the ancient city of Hierapolis and take some time in Cleopatra Polls. Let's also visit Amphitheatre which is full of history.

#### **Day 7: Ephesus, Kusadasi (17 June 2019 Monday)**

Visit ancient city of Ephesus which was the Roman Capital. See various UNESCO listed ruins such as Temple Of Hadrian, Celsus Library, and the Great Theatre, Public Latrines and Roman Baths. Have a walk through grand Arcadian Avenue and hang around Agora, exploring the Temple of Artemis. Then, visit Sirince village and the House of Virgin Mary. Then, stop by Konak Clock Tower to see around İzmir.

#### **Day: 8: Pergamon, Troy (18 June 2019 Tuesday)**

See around the marvelous acropolis of Pergamum with magnificent temples and impressive library. Let's visit Troy, which is the site of heroic siege and home of the Trojan Horse. Enjoy beautiful city of Çanakkale through our way.

#### **Day 9: Gallipoli (19 June 2019 Wednesday)**

Now, it's time to visit Gallipoli Battlefield where First World War took place. Feel the emotionally touching places such as Lone Pine, the Nek, Johnstone's Jolly, ANZAC Cove, Chunk Bair Memorials, and tunnels and trenches.

#### **Day 10: İstanbul (20 June 2019 Thursday)**

Finally, we've reached to the grand finale! Welcome to the heart of the history, culture, and entertainment! The city has a variety of must see places to see but we will just highlight İstanbul in two days. Starting at Topkapi Palace, Hagia Sophia and Sultanahmet Blue Mosque, let's deepen our explore with in Basilica Cistern, Suleymaniye Mosque, Dolmabahce Palace, and Galata Tower. Stop by Pierre Loti Hill to have a tea with a beautiful view of Golden Horn.

#### **Day: 11: İstanbul (21 June 2019 Friday)**

Today, it's time to relax! Let's take a Bosphorus boat trip. See the magnificent architecture of İstanbul from different views. Visit Rumeli Castle. Now, it's time to go shopping! Visit the ancient Grand Bazaar for shopping and see its beautiful arts!

#### **Day 12: Goodbye (22 June 2019 Saturday)**

Have your breakfast, pack up and ready to go! Transfer to the İstanbul International Airport (Flight: Turkish Airlines 1825 at 12:55pm)

### **WHAT'S INCLUDED**

- 11 nights hotel accomodation
- Breakfasts, lunches and dinners
- Guide
- Secure transportation

- Travel Health Insurance
- Entrance fees of museums
- National park fees