



Historic Triangle 7 Nights

Combine Istanbul with mystical Cappadocia. End the trip with sunshine and sparkling waters at Kusadasi.

(Istanbul / Cappadocia / Kusadasi)

Day 1 Fly / Istanbul (-)

Arrive in Istanbul and transfer to your hotel. In the afternoon, depart for a half-day Bosphorus Cruise. Take in the sights and sounds of this legendary waterway lined with historic villages, grand wooden mansions, imposing fortresses, and the Baroque summer palaces of the late Ottoman sultans. After the cruise, visit the Spice Bazaar (closed on Sundays), a thrilling riot of colours, sounds, and the rich smells of exotic spices. Overnight in Istanbul.

Day 2 Istanbul (B)

After breakfast, depart for a half-day sightseeing tour of the Sultanahmet district at the heart of old Istanbul. Visit St. Sophia (On Mondays replaced by the Chora Church Museum). Next, visit the Blue Mosque, which owes its name to the exquisite tiles adorning its interior. Walk through the Hippodrome, the stadium of the ancient Byzantium. Finish the tour at the Grand Bazaar, which was the commercial heart of the old city. Its 4,000 shops are full of treasures – including carpets and kilims, silks, jewellery, ceramics, icons, and leather goods. Wandering through the Grand Bazaar (closed on Sundays), you may indulge in a little shopping, Ottoman style. Overnight in Istanbul.

Day 3 Istanbul/Cappadocia (B/D)

After breakfast, free at leisure till evening. Afternoon transfer to airport to catch flight to Kayseri or Nevsehir. Upon landing transfer to Cappadocia. Dinner and over night at the hotel.

Day 4 Cappadocia (B/L/D)

After breakfast start the sightseeing of the area including; the Devrent Valley to see the unique fairy-chimneys. Drive to Pasabagi (Monk's Valley) to see the most interesting mushroom-shaped pinnacles. Drive to the city of Avanos for lunch. In the afternoon visit Open Air Museum at Goreme where the remains of rock-cut churches and Christian settlements date back hundreds of years. Lastly, before returning to your hotel, visit the natural castle at Uchisar. Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia.

Day 5 Cappadocia (B/L/D)

After breakfast depart from the hotel at 09.30-10.00 depending on the arrival time of the participants from the other hotels, for a tour with 4kms hike through the Rose Valley with visits to the churches. Afterwards visit to the old Christian village of Cavusin. Stop for lunch near Pigeons Valley and then continue on to see the Kaymakli Underground City. You will also visit the Ortahisar natural rock castle. Transfer back to the hotels. Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia.

Day 6 Cappadocia / Kusadasi (B/D)

After breakfast transfer to the airport to catch the flight to Izmir directly or via Istanbul. Upon arrival transfer to the hotel. Free for the rest of the day. Overnight in Kusadasi.

Day 7 Kusadasi (B/L/D)

After breakfast depart for the sightseeing of Ephesus, the cradle of early Christianity. Visit the House of Virgin Mary, where she spent her last days. Proceed to visit Ephesus, and see the spectacular ruins from the period of St. Paul, some of which are recently excavated. After lunch, visit the Archaeological Museum, Temple of Diana (one of the seven wonders of the ancient world). Overnight in Kusadasi.

Day 8 Kusadasi (B)

After breakfast free till check-out (latest check-out time is 1200 hours) and departure transfer to the airport to catch the flight to the next destination via Istanbul.