

# ISTANBUL 5 DAYS

## DAY 1 Arrival to Istanbul and transfer to hotel

Arrival to Istanbul, a vibrant metropolis that straddles two continents, Europe and Asia, making it unique in the world. It's the largest city and a cultural and economic hub in Turkey, boasting a rich history and diverse architecture. The city is known for its blend of ancient and modern, with iconic landmarks like the Hagia Sophia and Blue Mosque alongside bustling markets and trendy shopping areas. Transfer to hotel and free time. We suggest you an evening **Bosphorus cruise with dinner**

## DAY 2 Istanbul city tour



After breakfast, we will have a full day tour at Istanbul. We will visit Hippodrome, the former center for entertainment, sports and political activities in the city during the Roman and Byzantine Empires. You will be able to see the Obelisk from Egypt, Serpentine Column from Delphi and Fountain of Wilhelm II. Next stop will be Hagia Sophia. This ancient basilica, built by Constantine the Great, in the 4th century and reconstructed by Justinian in the 6th century, is one of the architectural marvels of all time. (Visit is not possible on Friday due to Friday Prayer)

We will head to Blue Mosque, one of the biggest mosques of Istanbul from 17th century architecture is one of the principal adornments on the skyline of Istanbul. Also famous for its blue tiles and 6 minaret. (Visit is not possible on Friday due to Friday Prayer)

We continue to Grand Bazaar: The oldest and the largest covered market place in the World with nearly 4,000 shops full of rich collections of carpets, jewellery, leather, and souvenirs. We will end our tour with Topkapi Palace, the great palace of the Ottoman sultans from the 15th to the 19th centuries housing an exquisite collection of crystal, silver, and Chinese porcelain, robes worn by the sultans and their families, the famous jewels of the Imperial Treasury, miniatures, the Holy Mantle; enshrining relics of the Prophet Mohammed. Afternoon free for leisure.

## DAY 3 Free day or OPTIONAL Princess Islands tour

After breakfast, free day to explore Istanbul on your own or **OPTIONAL Princess Islands tour**

We will start our tour by taking the boat to the Prince's Islands. The boat ride takes about 1,5 hour to the biggest of the Prince's Islands which is called Buyukada in Turkish or Prinkipos in Greek.

When you reach to Buyukada, the guide will give you a general information about the Prince's Islands and then you will go to the restaurant for lunch where you can enjoy the fresh seafood or delicious Turkish kebab or vegetarian food. And after the lunch you will have free time on the island. During the free time you can have chance for swimming on the island (only During summer time).

After the free time you will meet with the guide at the meeting point and turn back to Istanbul. And finally when you return back to Istanbul you will have a shopping stop. After shopping we will drop you back to your hotel



#### **DAY 4 Free day or OPTIONAL Bursa & Uludag Tour with Lunch & Cable Car**

After breakfast, free day to explore Istanbul on your own or **OPTIONAL Bursa & Uludag Tour with Lunch & Cable Car**

Embark on a captivating day trip from Istanbul to Bursa, immersing yourself in the rich history of the first Ottoman capital, indulging in the unique flavors of a Turkish delight factory, and enjoying the scenic landscapes of Uludağ Mountain with a chairlift ride for breathtaking views, all within a conveniently short distance from the bustling city.

Upon arrival in Bursa, the first stop is at a Turkish delight factory, where you can indulge in unique flavors. Next, explore the historical Ancient Tree in Inkaya, a sycamore over 630 years old, followed by a visit to a Natural Home Made Jam Preserved House.

After a lunch break featuring a mix of grilled dishes with salad and a soft drink, the tour continues to Uludağ Mountain, the most popular ski center. Guests will have free time to explore Uludağ Mountain, with an option to ride the chairlift to the peak for breathtaking views.

Following this, ride the cable car from Uludağ Mountain to downtown Bursa, weather permitting (note that no refund is provided if the cable car operation is halted due to weather conditions).

In Bursa, the tour includes visits to historical sites such as the Green Mosque, Green Tomb, and Silk House. The day concludes with the return journey to Istanbul, with timing subject to variation based on traffic and weather conditions.



## DAY 5 Transfer to airport - END OF TOUR

Breakfast at the hotel and free time till your transfer to Istanbul airport. END OF TOUR

<b>PRICE PER PERSON IN EURO</b>	<b>2 PERSONS</b>	<b>4 PERSONS</b>	<b>6 PERSONS</b>
<b>TWIN/DOUBLE ROOMS</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>300</b>
<b>CHILD 3-12 IN THE SAME ROOM WITH PARENTS</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>SINGLE ROOM</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>440</b>

### INCLUDED

- 4 nights in Istanbul in 4\* hotel on BB basis
- Return airport transfers
- Istanbul full day city tour

### NOT INCLUDED

- ❖ Air tickets and Visa
- ❖ City taxes (paid on spot where applicable)
- ❖ Entrances to museums and places of visit

### OPTIONAL TOURS

- ❖ Bosphorus cruise with dinner € 50
- ❖ Princess Islands tour with guide € 150
- ❖ Bursa & Uludag Tour with Lunch & Cable Car € 300
- ❖ Add extra night from +€ 50 per person