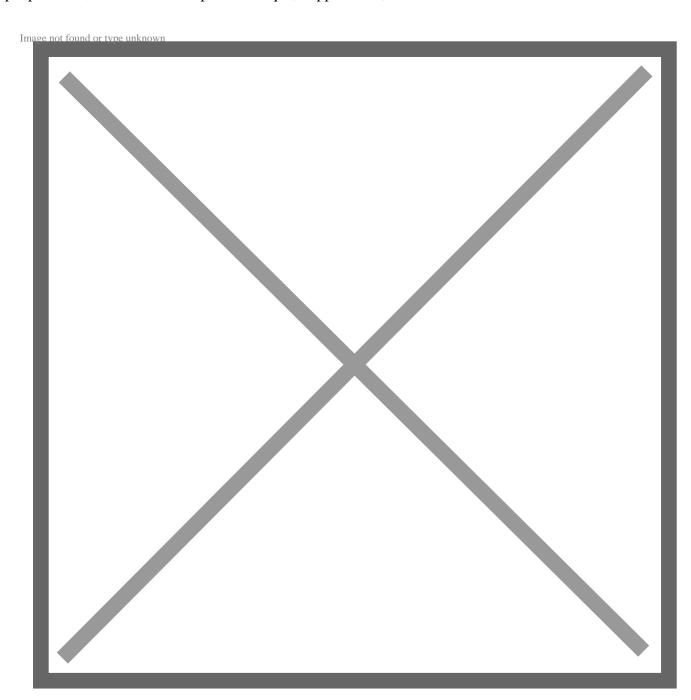


Full Itinerary & Trip Details

8 DAYS ISTANBUL TOURS and HOTEL PACKAGES

Topkapi Palace, SultanAhmet Imperial Mosque, Hippodrome, Grand Covered Bazaar



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Day 1: Istanbul - Arrival Day

Welcome to Turkey Istanbul Airport. Meet with TravelShop Turkey staff and transfer to your hotel, Transfer from airport & check in to your hotel. Overnight in Istanbul.

Day 2: Istanbul City Tour

Breakfast Included Pick up at 08:30am from your hotel for the a day tour of old Istanbul city. Visit to TOPKAPI PALACE The great palace of the Ottoman sultans from the 15th to the 19th centuries housing an exquisite collection of cyrstal, 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. SULTANAHMET IMPERIAL MOSQUE Across from St. Sophia built in the 16th century by the architect Mehmet, is known as the BLUE MOSQUE because of its magnificent interior decoration of blue Iznik tiles. HIPPODROME Ancient Hippodrome, the scene of chariot races, with the three monuments; the Obelisk of Theodosius, the bronze Serpentine Column and the Column of Constantine. Lunch break at 13:00pm after the lunch Murtis Tour will then take you to the 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 spiceThe rest of the evening is yours to explore Istanbul. Overnight in Istanbul.

Day 3: Istanbul Bosphorus Cruise and Shopping Tour

Breakfast Included Pick up at 08:30am from the hotel and depart for the Istanbul Bosphorus Cruise and Shopping Tour. Visit the 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. BOSPHORUS BY BOAT a traditional excursion by boat along the waterway separating Europe and Asia. The shore is lined with old wooden villas, palaces of marble, fortresses, and small fishing villages. During the excursion you will see the magnificent sights of the following attractions from your boat. See Dolmabahce Palace, and further along, the parks and imperial pavilions of Yildiz Palace. On the coastal edge of this park, is Ciragan Palace, 300 meters of its marble facade faces the shore. At Ortakov 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. RUMELI FORTRESS Built by Mehmet the Conqueror in 1452 prior to the conquest of Istanbul was completed in only four months to control and protect the infamous Bosphorus passage. It is one of the most beautiful works of military architecture anywhere in the world. BEYLERBEYI PALAS (PALACE) The summer residence of Ottoman sultans exists in its original renovated glory featuring original antique furniture and magnificent gardens with the Harem on the Asian side of Istanbul. BOSPHORUS BRIDGE enjoy a unique chance to step from one continent (Asia) to another (Europe) CAMLICA HILL the highest point in Istanbul. At the top of it you can rest and admire the magnificent panorama of Istanbul and the Bosporus from the beautiful gardens, landscaped in traditional Turkish Ottoman style. SHOPPING TOUR (after cruise) Experience the traditional silk weaving skills of Turkish women at the carpet weaving courses provided by The Ministry of National Education. You will get the opportunity to see jewellery, handcrafts centre and a modern leatherwear show. Enjoy the experience of shopping whilst gaining the knowledge of the ancient craftsmen, with Murti's Tour's local escort full of knowledge about how to haggle the streets of Istanbul. The rest of the evening is yours to explore Istanbul. Overnight in Istanbul.

Day 4: OPTIONAL Istanbul Vialand Tour

Breakfast Included Pick up at 10:00am from your hotel depart for vialand. Vialand is the new center of Istanbul similar to Disneyland. It has lots of shops, game centers, pools and more entertainments. Enjoy an adrenaline kick, a shopping fix and non-stop entertainment with an action-packed day out at Vialand theme park. Park includes different parts like, theme park, vialand shopping center, performance and demonstration center, legend world, game world, adventure world, vialand castle, vikings, 360, roller coaster, crazy river, safari tunnel, dungeon and vialand express. Vialand has 4 parts as Fun Zone, Shopping Zone, History Zone and Adventure Zone. First of all, it is a safe place for the kids. It is entertaining and educative. Also Vialand has the biggest Food Court with its lots of restaurants. Center has a small tram to travel around the shops. One of the biggest Roller Coasters in Euro will be waiting you in the center. Vialand also has a part for the people likes the exciting time of King Kong. If you are a water fun, then you will like Splash Coaster. And Fatih Dark Ride will take you to the times of ottoman and old Istanbul streets. Starshape and Safari Coaster will be your other favourites.

Day 5: OPTIONAL Istanbul Princes" Island Tour

Breakfast Included Enjoy a cruise in the Marmara Sea to Istanbul"s famous Princes" Islands. This is your opportunity to see Topkapi Palace, Leander"s Tower and Uskudar from the sea. Stop at Buyukada, the popular summer resort with sandy beaches and pinewood scenery, once the pleasure island of Byzantine Princes. During the Summer season, enjoy the magical atmosphere that the Island"s beach resort has to offer including many optional water sporting activities. Tour the island with horse-drawn carriages before stopping for an exquisite lunch at a fish restaurant. After your tour we will transfer you back to your hotel, overnight in Istanbul.

Day 6: OPTIONAL Miniaturk Museum and Shopping Tour

Breakfast Included Today we will visit the largest miniature park in the world. Miniaturk is a miniature park in Istanbul, Turkey. It was opened May 2, 2003. Miniaturk covers a total area of 60.000 m2. It is the world"s largest miniature park with its 15.000 m2 model area. Miniaturk has 40.000 m2 of open space, 3.500 m2 of covered area, 2.000 m2 of pools and waterways, and a parking lot with a capacity of 500 vehicles. The park contains 105 models done in 1/25th scale. 45 of the structures are from Istanbul, 45 are from Anatolia, and 15 are from the Ottoman territories that today lie outside of Turkey. Also featured are historic structures like the Temple of Artemis at Ephesus and the Mausoleum of Maussollos at Halicarnassus (now Bodrum). Additional space was reserved for potential future models. Murti"s Tour will then take you to visit Pierloti: At the top of Eyup Sultan Cemetery you can find one of the best places to look at the famous Golden Horn of Istanbul, this place, that now is a cafe called Pierre Loti Cafe, as a memorial for the writer Pierre Loti, a regular of the cafe, mainly for the views. Cevahir Shopping Center Cevahir Shopping Centre, is a modern shopping and entertainment centre located in the Sisli district of Istanbul, Turkey. Called also Sisli Kultur ve Ticaret Merkezi (Sisli Cultural and Trade Centre). Cevahir Mall is one of the largest shopping centres in Europe. After the tour, return to your hotel. Overnight Istanbul.

Day 7: Day 7-OPTIONAL Istanbul Aquarium & Aqua Florya Shopping Mall Tour

Breakfast Included Pick up at 10:00am from your hotel depart for Istanbul Aquarium & Aqua Florya Shopping Mall Tour. First you will visit the Istanbul Akvaryum which is the biggest thematic aquarium of the world. Istanbul Akvaryum holds a leading position among worldwide aquariums thanks to its volume, variety of fish species, and the activities on travel routes. It is a project which makes "firsts" and "mosts" in its field. The visitors, by following a geographical route, will travel on a route that hosts 16 themes and 1 rainforest going from the Black Sea towardsthe Pacific. Istanbul Akvaryum displays more than 1500 species and 15000 land and sea creatures includes GENTOO PENGUINS, CAPYBARA, LACED MORAY, Arapaima, Balloon Fish, Banggai Cardinal Fish, Spotted Garden Eel, Cownose Ray, Emperor Angelfish,

Eagle Ray, Musky Caiman, Sand Tiger Shark, Humphead Wrasse, False Stonefish, Clownfish, Red Lionfish, Lemon Shark, Phantasmal Poison Frog, Longhorn Cowfish, Lagoon Triggerfish, Redbelly Piranha, and octopi which has 6.800 cubic meters water volume and 64 tanks in total in 22000 square meters area. 5D 6-axle movie house offering service within Istanbul Akvaryum, Guests will perceive what they watch three-dimensionally thanks to special glasses they wear, and will experience a virtual feast by wind, fog, water and touch effects that they have never seen. Optional Avtivities aslo available icluding: Mirror Maze, Diving With Sharks, Flyride Helicopter Tour, Fish Feeding Hours At, Istanbul Akvaryum Diving Course, Opening Banner In The Main Tank, MG Photography and 5D Turkey Flyride Helicopter Tour. Following your visits you will have free time in mall. The shopping offer is completed by leisure concepts, making Aqua Florya adestination itself, especially for families. Following free time you will be yours.

Day 8: Istanbul - End of Tour

Breakfast Included After breakfast check out from the hotel. We hope your tour was a memorable one and we look forward to seeing you in the future on another TravelShop Turkey Tour. Have a safe trip back home and thanks for choosing Us

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Please Note: Hagia Sophia is closed on mondays, Topkapi Palace closed on tuesdays, Grand Bazaar closed on sundays. If your tour is on one of these days we would offer you to visit Underground Cistern instead of Hagia Sophia and Topkapi palace museum, instead of Grand Baazar you will visit Spice Bazaar.