

# Incredible Trip to Turkey for 6 Days

6 Days | From: 57,000

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Arrival In Istanbul | A City known as the Bridge between Europe and Asia

? Arrive at the Istanbul International Airport and be ready with the necessary documents for the immigration process, which will take around 30-45 minutes depending upon the count of people in the queue.

? Meet the representative at the airport, who will help you get transferred to your pre-booked hotel/resort in shared transport.

? On your way to the hotel, witness the captivating beauty of this place's vibrant streets.

? Reach the hotel and proceed with the check-in formalities.

? Spend the rest of the day at leisure.

? You can go to the beaches, stroll around the markets or take a rest at the hotel. Overnight stay at the hotel in Istanbul.

## Day 2: Istanbul | Ottoman Relics and Byzantium Tour | Witness the architectural brilliance of the Blue Mosque

Duration: 8 hours | Pick up/Drop point: Hotel | Transfers: Shared transfers

? Wake up with a delicious breakfast and prepare for the Ottoman Relics and Byzantium Tour.

? The representative will pick you up around 8:30 Am from the hotel in a shared transport and take you to explore the ancient charm of the city.

? You will be brought to the Sultanahmet district, the city's oldest, most historic part.

? Visit the timeless architectural genius of Hagia Sophia, which had its journey as a church, mosque, and now a museum.

? Head towards the Hippodrome of Constantinople and marvel at the site's impressive obelisk before reaching the Blue Mosque.

? Blue Mosque offers a blend of Christian Byzantine and Islamic Ottoman, making it one of the unique structures in the world, and the blue Iznik tile design on the interior of the domes perfectly describes its brilliance of it.

? Next, you would continue to the Grand Bazaar, a massive, bustling complex, to find clothing, decorative furnishings, food, and more.



? On the way to the bazaar, you will see other historical monuments, like the Tomb of Sultan Ahmet I, the Firuz Aga Mosque, and the exterior of the Tomb of Mehmed II. Continue with your journey and head towards Topkapi Palace, the primary residence of the Ottoman sultans for nearly 400 years.

? After this eventful day, you'll head back to your hotel. Overnight stay in Istanbul.

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## Day 3: Istanbul | Half Day Bosphorus Cruise Tour | Flight to Izmir/Kusadasi

Duration: 6 Hours | Pick up/drop point: Hotel | Transfers: Shared Transfers

? Wake up with a delicious breakfast and prepare for a beautiful cruise along the Bosphorus Strait.

? The representative will pick you up from the hotel at around 10:00 AM in shared transport and take you to Eminonu pier/Kabatas pier/Besiktas pier to board the cruise.

? Enjoy a delightful session of a half-day cruise ride along the Bosphorus Strait and witness the division between the European side and the Asian side.

? Feel the wind in your hair as you cruise between two continents that offer panoramic views of charming towns with traditional wooden Ottoman houses, palaces, and castles along the European and Asian shores of the Bosphorus strait.

? First, pass along the Golden Horn, a natural horn-shaped bay dividing the European side of Istanbul into two.

? Historic wooden houses, churches, synagogues, mosques, and remains of the Roman Wall will be viewed from the cruise as you pass through Golden Horn Bay.

? You can go to the upper deck and capture the sight of the beautiful monuments of Istanbul.



? Next, stop for an hour and witness the charm of Rumeli Fortress, a 550-year-old fortress located on the European side of the Bosphorus.



? After exploring the European side, head towards the Asian side.

? Take another stop at Beylerbeyi Palace and witness the architectural brilliance of this beautiful palace.



? Board the cruise again and witness uskudar, Madian Tower, Sarayburnu, and Galata bridge to Eminonu.

? After lunch, depart for Istanbul Ataturk airport for a domestic flight to Izmir.

? Transfer from the airport and check in to your hotel in Kusadasi.



? Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi.



## Day 4: Kusadasi | Full Day Ephesus Tour with Lunch | Witness one of the seven wonders of the ancient world, the Temple of Artemis

Duration: 8 hours | Pick up/drop: Hotel | Transfers: Shared Transfers

? After having a sumptuous breakfast, head towards exploring the ancient city of Ephesus.

? The representative will pick you up at around 8.30 in the morning from your hotel in a shared transfer.

? The tour starts from the port of Kusadasi, and then you proceed to the House of the Virgin Mary in Selcuk, which has scenic views of the Byzantine fortress.

? Enjoy the long winding road en route to the Shrine of St. Mary, which offers a beautiful view of the valley.

? The tiny house, beautifully situated in the Solmissos Mountains, is considered by the Vatican to be the final resting place of the Virgin Mary.

? Take a brief break to have lunch so that you are ready to continue with the expedition of antiquity.

? Your tour continues to ancient Ephesus, where you'll pass through the arched Magnesia Gate, and a slow, downhill walk begins to the ruins of the Roman provincial capital.

? Witness the beautifully preserved Temple of Hadrian, the magnificent Trajan Fountain, the Odeon Theater, once used for political and entertainment purposes, and the beautiful Celsus Library with its imposing façade and two-story Corinthian-style columns.

? Discover The Great Theatre of Ephesus, which seats more than twenty thousand people and used to be the cultural and entertainment hub for the ancient Greeks. Gladiator and animal fights were practiced here; however, at present, it is home to annual spring festivals.

? Witness the Temple of Artemis, which used to be one of the world's seven wonders, rising from the clouds.

? After an adventurous day, head back to the hotel for an overnight stay. Overnight stay in Kusadasi.

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## Day 5: Kusadasi to Pamukkale | Pamukkale Hierapolis & Cotton Castle Tour with Lunch

Duration: 12 hours | Pick up/drop: Hotel | Transfers: Shared Transfers

? Wake up, have a mouth-watering breakfast, and proceed with the check-out formalities. The representative will pick you up from the hotel at around 8:00 Am and transfer you to Pamukkale.

? It will take around 3 hours to reach Pamukkale, about 188 km from Kusadasi.

? Pamukkale is famous by the name "Cotton Castle" in Turkey, and it is also an excellent site for visiting the ruins of the Roman-Greek city of Hierapolis.

? The tour to Pamukkale Hierapolis & Cotton Castle will start around 11:30 Am.

? Once you witness Pamukkale, you'll know why it is called a cotton castle. As it is a white waterfall that has its source in the pools of thermal water located a bit higher up, the flow of highly calcite-laden water evaporates on the cliffs, leading to travertines that resemble little cotton clouds.

? Take a brief break and have your lunch, after which you continue your tour.

? Now you'll visit the neighboring ancient city of Hierapolis, which has the biggest Necropolis with 1200 gravestones in Anatolia.

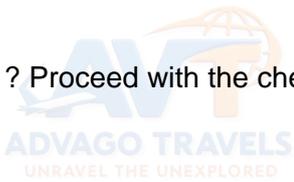


? Witness the Sacred Pool, which remains one of the key highlights of the site.



? Entrance fees to the sacred pool are available at an additional cost.

? After exploring the highlights of Pamukkale, head back to the hotel.



? Proceed with the check-in formalities and take a rest.

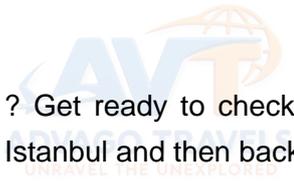


? Overnight stay at the hotel in Pamukkale.

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## **Day 6: Departure | Its Time to say Goodbye**

? Wake up with a delicious breakfast.



? Get ready to check out from the hotel. Get transferred to the Denzil airport for your? domestic flight to Istanbul and then back home.



? Take a bag full of memories to cherish for eternity.

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