



SEVEN CHURCHES 9 DAYS 8 NIGHTS



Day 1 – ISTANBUL- CANAKKALE

Upon arrival meeting with your tour guide at Istanbul Airport and commence with sightseeing, covering the following: We will visit Spice Market and new mosque till lunch then cruise for Bosphorus Strait. And then drive to CANAKKALE

Day 2 CANAKKALE /TROY / PERGAMON / THYATIRA / IZMIRBURSA

After breakfast at the hotel departure to legendary city of Troy, with its famous wooden horse, best known for being the setting of the Trojan War and many cities built on top of each other. We will continue to Pergamon and visit the Asklepion of Pergamon, believed to have been the world's first full-service

health clinic, dedicated to the god of healing, Asclepius. Among the impressive structures of this city, dating from 399 B.C., we will see the Altar of Zeus, Temple of Dionysus and the 200,000-volume library which was surpassed only by that found in Alexandria at the time. Next, we will stop by Thyteria to see

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the remains of the church. This was one of the principle towns where Christianity spread quickly. Drive to Izmir for overnight.

Day 3 - IZMIR / EPHEBUS / IZMIR

After breakfast visit Church of Smyra, then drive to Selcuk town, we will visit the famous ancient city of Ephesus, one of the world's finest archaeological sites. Highlights include the Library of Celcius, the Temple of Hadrian, the Fountain of Trajan and the Theatre. Then visit the Basilica of St John "the Evangelist" who came here with the Virgin Mary and wrote his Gospel in Ephesus. We will also stop by the House of Virgin Mary (on top of Mt Coressos). She was believed to have spent her last years in this area. On 18 August 1961, Pope John XXII proclaimed this place to be sacred. Overnight in izmir.

Day 4 – IZMIR / SARDIS / PHILADELPHIA / LAODICEA / PAMUKKALE

After breakfast drive to Sardis whose history dates back to 12th century B.C. Sardis felt the influence of Christianity very early and was included in the Seven Churches of the Apocalypse. During the Byzantine times it was the seat of a bishopric. Highlights will be a Synagogue, Gymnasium, Byzantine Church and the Temple of Artemis. Next on our itinerary is Philadelphia which was an important Christian centre during Byzantine times. Then we will visit Laodicea, where we will find a Theatre, a large Stadium, a Water Tower and an Odeon. This city is supposed to have been named by Antiochus II in honour of his wife, Laodicea. Dinner and overnight in Pamukkale.

Day 5 – PAMUKKALE / YALVAC / CAPPADOCIA

In the morning we visit Hierapolis, which was founded by Pergamon King Telephos and named after his wife, Hiera. During the Byzantine period, the city became the seat of diocese with a large Christian Church dedicated to St Philip, who was martyred there in 80 AD. Highlights include the Roman Baths, the Theatre and the famous white calcium cascades of Pamukkale (the white "Cotton Castles"). Then drive to Cappadocia. On the way visit Pisidian Antioch (Yalvac). During Paul's time, the population was made up of Jews, Romans and Greeks. Very little is left of Pisidian Antioch today. Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia.

Day 6 – CAPPADOCIA

OPTIONAL: HOT AIR BALLOON TOUR early in the morning

After breakfast, visit Natural Fortress in Uchisar, where you can capture a

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panoramic view of the beautiful plateau. Next visit Pasabagi in Zelve area where monks used to live in seclusion in rock cut rooms. Then, we visit the Valleys of Goreme to explore the unusual troglodyte dwellings, remains of the early churches comprising complicated rooms hollowed out of the cones of volcanic ash and decorated with scratched frescoes. We will visit Goreme Open Air Museum include the Apple Church, the Church of Sandals, and the Church with a Buckle. Then proceed to the pottery town of Avanos where Kizilirmak (Halys), the longest river of Turkey, meanders leaving the red clay on its banks that has been the raw material of pottery for centuries. Dinner and overnight.

Day 7– CAPPADOCIA / ANKARA / ISTANBUL

After breakfast drive to Ankara, on the way visit Serhatli Underground City carved into soft rocks resembling a huge labyrinth of tunnels, rooms, kitchens, wine cellars and passageways. After lunch, visit the Ataturk Mausoleum - symbol of the new Ankara. The mausoleum is a notable example of modern Turkish architecture. The complex comprises a Path of Honor flanked by reclining Hittite lions, a Court of Honor, the Atatürk Mausoleum itself and a museum. Then continue to ISTANBUL for dinner and overnight.

Day 8 –ISTANBUL

After breakfast visit historical places in Istanbul the first stop will be at the Roman Hippodrome, where horse races were held and subsequently became the center of civil activity of the Byzantine Empire. Today we still can see the Obelisk of Theodosius. Visit the majestic and elegant Blue Mosque, built in 1616 and famous for its interior decoration with 21,000 Iznik tiles. Visit the Hagia Sophia Cathedral, which is considered a masterpiece of Byzantine architecture, and currently is a museum. Visit the Topkapi Palace, the residence of the Sultans between the fifteenth and nineteenth centuries, where we can see gorgeous collections of porcelain, jewelry, clothing of sultans and many other relics. Visit the famous Grand Bazaar which is a covered market of the fifteenth century, consisting of 5000 stores, and is considered one of the first shopping centers in the world. Overnight.

Day 9: ISTANBUL

After breakfast visit Pierre Loti hill with cable car and transfer to airport (it is depends to flight time we can visit Taksim square, ortakoy etc)

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Rates per person on half double/triple occupancy

40+2	35+2	30+2	25+2	20+2	15+2	s/s
\$ 375	\$ 385	\$ 400	\$ 420	\$ 455	\$ 450	\$ 160

Hotel list

Ramada Plaza 5* in Istanbul

Iris Hotel or similar 4* in Canakkale

Ramada Plaza or similar 5* in Izmir

Hierapark Thermal Spa 4* or similar in Pamukkale

Dinler Hotel 4* or similar in Cappadocia

PACKAGES INCLUDES

- Bahasa speaking guide
- Hotel accommodation as mentioned
- Complimentary 1 box Turkish delight on arrival per person
- 1 tour leader is free in SINGLE room
- Air-conditioned bus with FREE WIFI
- Meals as per above itinerary
- All entrance tickets as mentioned in the program, parking, toll fees etc.
- A bottle of mineral water per person per day during the tour.
- 04 Pax 01 Big bottle waters sharing at the meals
- Tipping for hotel, tipping for restaurants
- All taxes

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PACKAGES EXCLUDES

- Drinks during meals: juice, coke etc
- Tips to guide & driver (total 5 usd/day/pax)
- Personal expenses
- Visa fee
- Airline-flight ticket (international & domestic)
- Optional Tours
- All sightseeing tours that is not in the program
- Guide & Driver Tip
- Domestic & International flight ticket.
- Portage at Airport

CHILD POLICY

0-2 Years Old Child without bed: Free of Charge

3-6 Years Old Child without bed: 50 % Discount from Adult Fee

3-6 Years Old Child with extra bed: 30 % Discount from Adult Fee

7-12 Years Old Child with extra bed: 20 % Discount from Adult Fee

Cancellation Policy:

30 Days before cancellations will be accepted without any charge for mentioned services.

20 Days before cancellations subject to 50 % charge of total amount for mentioned services.

10 Days before cancellations subject to Full Charge for mentioned services.

Payment Policy:

When above services and price offered confirmed we would like to ask your kind payment for 20 % full amount / full amount 15 Days before departure

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