

21 Days / 20 Nights

HIGHLIGHTS OF TURKEY – 2012

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Saturday 25 August: Perth to Istanbul

We depart early this morning with Emirates, connecting at Dubai. On arrival at Istanbul, we'll be met and accommodated for 2 nights at the **Madison Hotel**, conveniently located nearby Taksim Square and the Blue Mosque.

Sunday 26 August: Istanbul - Sightseeing

We commence a full day's sightseeing, with visits to the picturesque "Blue" Mosque, magnificent St Sophia museum and the imperial cemetery of the Ottoman Sultans. We will also venture into the Grand Bazaar to see the extraordinary array of exotic goods and produce which are on sale. **(B/L)**

Monday 27 August: Overland to Canakkale

This morning, we visit Topkapi Palace to experience the lives of Ottoman Sultans in a bygone age, then embark on a boat for a leisurely trip along the Bosphorus, enjoying another view of this wonderful city. After lunch at a local restaurant, we start out for Canakkale where we will stay for 2 nights at the **Tusan Hotel**. **(B/L/D)**

Tuesday 28 August: Gallipoli excursion

We cross the Dardanelles by ferry and make our way to the Gallipoli Peninsula where we'll visit the museum, Chunuk Bair and Anzac Cove. We'll rest awhile and reflect on the futility of the landing here, with Turkish forces holding the upper ground less than 1 kilometre away. After a memorable visit we retrace our steps to our resort hotel. **(B/L/D)**

Wednesday 29 August: Troy and Pergamon en-route to Kusadasi

A wonderful day as we visit the glorious remains of Troy (from 3000BC) and Pergamon (from 200 BC), then make our way to the seaside town of Kusadasi where we stay for 2 nights at the **Marina Hotel**, with panoramic views over the waterfront. **(B/L/D)**

Thursday 30 August: Ephesus

Our sightseeing today will include one of Turkey's greatest archaeological sites. Founded as an Attic-Ionian colony in the 10th Century BC, Ephesus became one of the region's most important cities through the Classical, Hellenic, Roman and Byzantine periods. We will view a number of the excavated ruins, including the carefully reconstructed Library of Celsus. Our visit today will also include the House of the Virgin Mary, believed to be the last home of Mary, the mother of Jesus. **(B/L/D)**

Friday 31 August: Overland to Pamukkale

We leave Kusadasi and head inland to visit the wonderfully preserved ruins at Aphrodisias. We then continue on to Pamukkale where we will be accommodated overnight at the **Richmond Hotel**. This afternoon, we visit the remains of Hierapolis, dating back to ancient Greco/Roman times and view the cascading pools, for which Pamukkale is famous. **(B/L/D)**

Saturday 1 September: Overland to Marmaris

After further sightseeing, we depart towards the southern shoreline to Marmaris. On arrival, we bid farewell to our coach driver and guide and board the **34 metre Aegean 83** - our home for the next 7 days. Styled along the lines of a traditional Turkish "gulet" (sailing boat), the Aegean 83 has modern (en-suite) cabins and spacious decks for relaxation. She has 6 double and 4 twin cabins and an experienced skipper and crew. **(B/L/D)**



Sunday 2 September: Cruise Marmaris to Ekincik

The beauty of sailing on a vessel of this nature is that it will get us into small coastal ports along the way. We will swim, sunbathe, cruise through crystal-clear turquoise waters and share a wonderful camaraderie. Your skipper knows the best spots and will aim to provide as varied an experience as may be possible. **(B/L/D)**.

Monday 3 September: Cruising Manistir - Kizil Burun

This morning, we set off to cruise along Turkey's picturesque shoreline and with visits along the way.

Tuesday 4 September: Cruising to Fethiye

Fethiye is situated on the ancient site of Telmessos, the history of which dates back to the 5th Century BC.

Wednesday 5 September: Cruising Gocek Adasi - Yassica Adalari

Thursday 6 September: Cruising Bedri Rahmi Bay - Domuz Adasi - Aga Limani

Friday 7 September: Cruising Kadirga - Turunc - Cennet Adasi – Fethiye

All meals are included whilst cruising on the Aegean 83, whilst drinks will be charged on consumption. On returning to Fethiye, we prepare for our final evening aboard. **(B/L/D)**

Saturday 8 September: Overland to Antalya

We disembark this morning and recommence our journey, travelling along the coastline to Antalya where we stay overnight at the **Antalya Hotel**. **(B/L/D)**

Sunday 9 September: Overland to Cappadocia

We need to set off early this morning as we have a journey of around 600kms. A stop will be made at Konya where we take lunch and visit the Mevlana Museum (mausoleum of Mevlana, a Sufi mystique), following which we hightail it for Cappadocia where we will stay for 2 nights at the **Dinler Hotel**. **(B/L/D)**

Monday 10 September: Cappadocia - Sightseeing

A fabulous day as we visit the region's remarkable highlights, including the frescoed interiors of Gerome's 8th century cave churches, the fairy chimneys of Avcilar and Pasabagi, the splendid views from Uchisar and the underground city of Kaymakli. **(B/L/D)**

Hot Air Ballooning: For those interested in a very special (optional) highlight, there's the opportunity to take a "bird's eye view" of the region, travelling in a hot air balloon.

Tuesday 11 September: Overland to Ankara

Today's journey will take us through the heart of Turkey, past fascinating caravanserais and on to Ankara, Turkey's capital and 2nd largest city. Here we will visit the Museum of Anatolian Civilizations before being accommodated overnight at the **Ickale Hotel**. **(B/L/D)**

Wednesday 12 September: Fly to Istanbul

Morning at leisure then, this afternoon, we'll depart for Istanbul for a further stay of 2 nights at the **Madison Hotel**. **(B/L)**

Thursday 13 September: Istanbul – Culinary experience

This afternoon, we join our culinary master, take a trip to the markets to select fresh produce, then participate in the preparation of tonight's dinner. This will be a fitting farewell to what will have been a wonderful visit. **(B/D)**

Friday 14 September: Istanbul to Perth

There will be time for last minute shopping or sightseeing then, this afternoon, we will be transferred back to the airport for our return flights, connecting over Dubai. **(B)**

Saturday 15 September: Arrive Perth

We arrive back into Perth this afternoon.

TOUR COSTS

Share twin	\$8,190.00
Single	\$10,890.00

Costs are per person and include return airfares, transfers, transportation, accommodation (as shown or similar standard), all meals (other than 1 lunch and 2 dinners), sightseeing, entrance fees and the services of an escort (ex Perth);and are subject to a minimum 15 persons travelling.

Costs exclude beverages, meals other than stated and (mandatory) travel insurance.

A reasonable degree of walking fitness is required to undertake this tour.

Booking Conditions

Deposit and balance of payment

A deposit of \$1,000.00 per person will be required to secure your reservation and with the balance due by 13 July 2012. The deposit is non-refundable, except if the tour is cancelled due to lack of numbers (in which case it will be refunded in full).

Cancellation fees

Per person cancellation fees are:-

From date of booking to 90 days prior departure	\$1,000.00
90-45 days prior to departure	25% of the tour price
45-21 days prior to departure	50% of the tour price
Within 21 days	100% of the tour price

Plus any charges as may be applied by hotels, operators and/or airlines, but never exceeding 100% of the tour price. Costs are based on exchange rates valid as at 26 November 2011 and are subject to increase, without notice.

Travel insurance

Integrated Tourism Services will provide insurance proposals for your consideration at time of booking. Comprehensive insurance is mandatory for all participants and the Company will require proof of any insurance purchased indirectly.

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