

GUARANTEED DEPARTURE MINITOUR ISTANBUL WEEKEND

4 Days / 3 Nights

1.(D) Friday

Istanbul

• Following our arrival in Istanbul we are met at the airport and transferred to our hotel where we will have our dinner and overnight stay.

2.(B-L) Saturday

Istanbul

• After breakfast we set off on a full day of sightseeing in Istanbul. We will start with a visit to the renewed Sultanahmet Mosque, known popularly as **The Blue Mosque** an incredibly beautiful mosque known for its blue Iznik (Nicaea) tiles are unique for the fact that it has six minarets. We continue on to the **Hippodrome** once the vast arena that functioned as the heart of sporting (chariots races and athletics) events and political activities of the old city. From here we go to the nearby **Hagia Sophia** the Church of Divine Wisdom. Ranking as one of the greatest marvels of world architecture, this awe-inspiring building was constructed as a basilica in the 6th century by Byzantine Emperor Justinian. After lunch our next visit will be **Topkapi Palace** which for more than 400 years was the imperial residence of the Ottoman Sultans; now home to the priceless collections porcelain, jewelry, calligraphy and many masterpieces of art. The tour will end with the visit to the **Grand Bazaar**, the vast and legendary covered market that is the biggest souk in the world with nearly 4000 shops of antiques, jewelry and carpets. Overnight at the hotel.

3.(B-D) Sunday

Istanbul

- After breakfast half day sightseeing tour of Istanbul including visits of the **Spice Market**, Egyptian Bazaar built in the 17th century, this is the second largest covered bazaar in Istanbul. On to the Egyptian Spice Bazaar, where the pungent and savory aroma of exotic oils, herbs and spices have perfumed the arched stone corridors for nearly 350 years. Now also proferring nuts, honey, dried fruits, traditional sweets and herbal remedies, the Spice Bazaar's redolent wares will transform you into a veritable spice trader. **Bosphorus Cruise** with a regular boat. A traditional boat tour through the waterway separating Asia and Europe. Seeing along the way the old Ottoman wooden mansions, marble palaces, foreign embassies estates and small fishery villages, located at the Asian and European sides. Do not miss important sightseeing spots at the Bosphorus such as Dolmabahce Palace, Rumeli Fortress and Beylerbeyi Palace.
- Afternoon free at leisure.

4.(B) Monday

<u>Istanbul</u>

• After breakfast transfer to airport for departure.

B = Breakfast

L = Lunch

D = Dinner



PRICES

	WINTER	SUMMER
EUROPEAN MARKET	02.01.18 - 31.03.18	01.04.18 - 31.10.18
P/P IN DOUBLE	EUR 225,00	EUR 245,00
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT	EUR 72,00	EUR 85,00

INCLUDING

- Hotel Accommodation at below suggested hotel or similar
- Regular Sightseeing tour as per above itinerary
- All escorted transfers
- Daily breakfasts, Lunch & Dinners where were indicated. (Beverages are not included during lunch & Dinners)
- Transportation by A/C deluxe vehicle depending on the number of pax.
- English Speaking Professional tour guide
- All entry fees for sites & museums
- Tips to the hotel and restaurant staff
- Service charges & local taxes

EXCLUDING

- International & Domestic flights
- Drinks and meals which are not listed at the itinerary
- All personal expenses
- Tips to the tour guide and driver.

SUGGESTED HOTELS

ISTANBUL

Grand Hotel Gülsoy, 4 Star www.grandhotelgulsoy.com or similar,

