

Izmir



Private Shore Excursions

- Ancient Ephesus & Terrace Houses
- House of Virgin Mary & Ancient Ephesus
- History & Religion of Ephesus
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- Izmir City Tour
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Tour Name

**Ancient Ephesus
&
Terrace Houses
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

4 1/2 hours

Tour Code

IZM P1

**Ephesus . Terrace Houses
(Houses of Rich)**

Languages

**(Eng/Spa/Ita/Port/Jap/Ger
Fre/Rus)**

Price

Vehicle: € 90,00 lot

Guide: € 90,00 lot

**Entrance Fees: € 13,00
per person**

Description

After an hour drive you reach the ancient Ephesus. Famous in antiquity for its temple of Diana, during the years of the Roman Empire, the Greek port of Ephesus became the greatest city in Asia Minor. Upon arrival at Ephesus follow your guide to enter the ancient site through the Magnesia Gate. Discover innumerable monuments including the Forum, the Odeon, the Library of Celsus, the Thermal Baths of Scolastika and the Great Theatre built in the Greek era and reconstructed in the Roman period, which is still noted for its remarkable acoustics. View the symbols all around and marvel at the fact that one is still able to read the inscriptions in the ancient Greek language. You will also visit the Terrace Houses which are located on the slopes of Bulbul Mountain, opposite the Hadrian Temple. Also called "the houses of the rich," they were built for the important and wealthy people of Ephesus, as only rich people could afford such houses. The houses are a museum within an archaeological sight, with great engravings, mosaics, wall sections, and original floors of the homes, which offer an incredible view into the lifestyle of the rich Ephesians. The most ancient of the houses were built in the first century B.C. The houses were constructed with the highest standards for their day. They were decorated with mosaics and frescoes, and they had interior courtyards in the centre, which opened to the sky. The houses also had cold and hot water. Walk back to your coach along the Arcadian Way, where once Mark Anthony and Cleopatra rode in procession. Shopping time for the well-known merits of the area. Return to Izmir.

Timing

08:00	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city and Terrace Houses
11:30	Depart to port
12:30	Arrive to Izmir Port

Notes

- **Dressing Advice:** Comfortable shoes and clothing are recommended. Sunglasses, hat and sunscreen are suggested during summer season.
- **Walking Information:** Walking at the sights' surface are uneven and sometimes on cobblestone. It is not recommended for persons that are wheelchair confined. There are numerous steps to cover during the visit of Terrace Houses.

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Tour Name

House of Virgin Mary & Ancient Ephesus 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

5 hours

Tour Code

IZM P2

Ephesus, House of Virgin
Mary

Languages

(Eng/Spa/Ita/Port/Jap/Ger/
Fre/Rus)

Price

Vehicle: € 90,00 lot

Guide: € 90,00 lot

Entrance Fees: € 13,00 per
person

Description

After an hour drive you reach the House of Virgin Mary. It is known with certainty That the Virgin Mary went to Ephesus and lived there for some time. Whether or not she died in Ephesus was not known until Anne Catherine Emmerich's vision. The stigmatized German nun who had never been to Ephesus had a vision of the House of the Virgin Mary and described it in detail to the German writer Clemens Brentano who later published a book about it. Officially declared a shrine of the Roman Catholic Church in 1896 , became a popular place of pilgrimage. Continue your visit with the ancient city of Ephesus. Famous in antiquity for its temple of Diana, during the years of the Roman Empire, the Greek port of Ephesus became the greatest city in Asia Minor. Upon arrival at Ephesus follow your guide to enter the ancient site through the Magnesia Gate. Discover innumerable monuments including the Forum, the Odeon, the Library of Celsus, the Thermal Baths of Scolastika and the Great Theatre built in the Greek era and reconstructed in the Roman period, which is still noted for its remarkable acoustics. View the symbols all around and marvel at the fact that one is still able to read the inscriptions in the ancient Greek language. Walk back to your coach along the Arcadian Way, where once Mark Anthony and Cleopatra rode in procession. Shopping time for the well-known merits of the area. Return to Izmir.

Timing

08:00	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to House of Virgin Mary and visit
09:40	Drive to Ancient Ephesus
09:50	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
12:00	Drive to Izmir
13:00	Arrive to Izmir Port

Notes

- **Dressing Advice:** Comfortable shoes and clothing are recommended. Sunglasses, hat and sunscreen are suggested during summer season.
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Tour Name

History & Religion of Ephesus 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

6 ½ hours

Tour Code

IZM P3

House of Virgin Mary Ephesus Basilica of St. John

Languages

(Eng/Spa/Ita/Port/Jap/Ger/
Fre/Rus)

Price

Vehicle: € 90,00 lot

Guide: € 90,00 lot

Entrance Fees: € 18,00 per
person

Description

After an hour drive you reach the House of Virgin Mary. It is known with certainty That the Virgin Mary went to Ephesus and lived there for some time. Whether or not she died in Ephesus was not known until Anne Catherine Emmerich's vision. The stigmatized German nun who had never been to Ephesus had a vision of the House of the Virgin Mary and described it in detail to the German writer Clemens Brentano who later published a book about it. Officially declared a shrine of the Roman Catholic Church in 1896 , became a popular place of pilgrimage. Continue your visit with the ancient city of Ephesus. Famous in antiquity for its temple of Diana, during the years of the Roman Empire, the Greek port of Ephesus became the greatest city in Asia Minor. Upon arrival at Ephesus follow your guide to enter the ancient site through the Magnesia Gate. Discover innumerable monuments including the Forum, the Odeon, the Library of Celsus, the Thermal Baths of Scolastika and the Great Theatre built in the Greek era and reconstructed in the Roman period, which is still noted for its remarkable acoustics. View the symbols all around and marvel at the fact that one is still able to read the inscriptions in the ancient Greek language. Walk back to your coach along the Arcadian Way, where once Mark Anthony and Cleopatra rode in procession. It is already time for lunch . Taste the local food before you continue with the visit Basilica of St John. It is believed that the evangelist St. John had spent his last years in the region around Ephesus and buried in the southern slope of Ayosolug Hill. Three hundred years after the death of Saint Paul, a small chapel was constructed over the grave in the 4th century. The church was changed into a marvelous basilica during the region of Emperor Justinian (527 -565 AD). The monumental basilica was in the shape of a cross and was covered with six domes. Its construction, being of stone and brick, is an extremely rare find amongst the architecture of its time. Raised by two steps and covered with marble, the tomb of St John was under the central dome, that was once carried by the four columns at the corners. Shopping time for the well-known merits of the area. Return to Izmir.

Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to House of Virgin Mary and visit
09:40	Drive to Ancient Ephesus
09:50	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
12:00	Drive for lunch
12:15	Lunch
13:30	Drive to Basilica of St. John
13:45	Visit the Basilica of St. John
14:30	Drive to Izmir
15:00	Arrive to Izmir Port

Notes

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Tour Name

**Complete Ephesus
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

8 ½ hours

Tour Code

IZM P4

**Ephesus , Terrace
Houses, Basilica of
St.John , Ephesus
Museum, Temple of
Artemis .**

Languages

**(Eng/Spa/Ita/Port/Jap/
Ger/Fre/Rus)**

Price

Vehicle: € 90,00 lot

Guide: € 90,00 lot

**Entrance Fees: € 23,00
per person**

Description

After an hour drive you reach the ancient Ephesus. Famous in antiquity for its temple of Diana, during the years of the Roman Empire, the Greek port of Ephesus became the greatest city in Asia Minor. Upon arrival at Ephesus follow your guide to enter the ancient site through the Magnesia Gate. Discover innumerable monuments including the Forum, the Odeon, the Library of Celsus, the Thermal Baths of Scolastika and the Great Theatre built in the Greek era and reconstructed in the Roman period, which is still noted for its remarkable acoustics. View the symbols all around and marvel at the fact that one is still able to read the inscriptions in the ancient Greek language. Walk back to your coach along the Arcadian Way, where once Mark Anthony and Cleopatra rode in procession. You will also visit the Terrace Houses which are located on the slopes of Bulbul Mountain, opposite the Hadrian Temple. Also called "the houses of the rich," they were built for the important and wealthy people of Ephesus, as only rich people could afford such houses. The houses are a museum within an archaeological sight, with great engravings, mosaics, wall sections, and original floors of the homes, which offer an incredible view into the lifestyle of the rich Ephesians. Before you taste the local food continue with the visit of the Basilica of St John. It is believed that the evangelist St. John had spent his last years in the region around Ephesus and buried in the southern slope of Ayosolug Hill. Three hundred years after the death of Saint Paul, a small chapel was constructed over the grave in the 4th century. The church was changed into a marvellous basilica during the reign of Emperor Justinian (527 - 565 AD). The monumental basilica was in the shape of a cross and was covered with six domes. After lunch you visit the Museum of Ephesus. The archaeological museum houses finds from the Ephesus excavation site. Its best-known exhibit is the statue of Artemis retrieved from the temple of the goddess in Ephesus. Before you return to Kusadasi you will drop in to see if the Temple of Artemision. Unfortunately little remains of the vast, rich marble temple: only a few bits of marble column favored by the storks who arrive in the nearby town of Selcuk. Shopping time for the well-known merits of the area. Return to Izmir.

Timing

08:00	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city and terrace Houses
11:30	
11:45	Drive to Basilica of St. John
12:15	Visit the Basilica of St. John
12:15	Drive to Restaurant
12:30	Lunch
13:45	Drive to Museum
14:10	Visit Ephesus Museum
15:15	Drive to Izmir , en route stop by the temple of Artemis
16:45	Arrive to Izmir

Notes

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Tour Name
Izmir City
Tour
'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration
4 hours

Tour Code
IZM P5
Archaeological
Museum, Agora, Bazaar

Languages
(Eng/Spa/Ita/Port/Jap/Ger
Fre/Rus)

Price
Vehicle: € 80,00 lot
Guide: € 90,00 lot
Entrance Fees: € 5,00
per person

Description

This excursion is a nice contrast to the modern city of Izmir with ancient Agora and the historical Archaeological Museum. On this wonderful tour you will drive through the very modern city of Izmir, the third largest city in Turkey with history dating back to the 3rd century BC. Travel up a steep hill overlooking the bay, to the remains... of its ancient Agora. Tour the Agora that was built during Roman times in approximately 178 BC. See its rectangular form and spacious inner court. Learn about the first floor that was used for trading and the second floor for government meetings and gatherings. Continue by bus to the Archaeological Museum which houses many artefacts found in the Agora. Tour the museum's galleries-Roman mosaics, sculptures, sarcophagi, Bronze Age artefacts and many civilizations of pottery, ornaments, jewellery and coins, which are spread over two floors. Have a panoramic orientation drive through the city and some time at leisure at the Bazaar before returning to the port.

Timing

08:45	Depart from Port.
09:10	Arrive to Agora and visit
10:15	Drive to Museum
10:30	Arrive to museum and visit
11:40	Arrive to Agora and visit
11:45	Drive to Kizlaragası (Bazaar)
12:00	Arrive to Bazaar and free time
12:45	Drive to port
13:00	Arrive to port

Notes

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Tour Name

**Pergamon
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

5 hours

Tour Code

**IZM P6
Asclepion
Acropolis**

Languages

**(Eng/Spa/Ita/Port/Jap/
GerFre/Rus)**

Price

**Vehicle: € 120,00 lot
Guide: € 90,00 lot
Entrance Fees: € 18,00
per person**

Description

After a drive of approximately 2 hours from the port of Izmir followed by a cable car ride where you will enjoy the scenery of vast plains in green, you will arrive at the Acropolis of Pergamon which was once the cultural center of the Hellenistic Period. It had a very famous library, as big as the one in Alexandria. It also had a famous school of architecture, perfect government buildings and monuments, and Great Theatre, the steepest of the ancient world. Revelation 2:12-16 describes the city as "where Satan's seat is," a reference to the altar of Zeus. After Acropolis, we will visit the Red Basilica; once a pagan temple, later converted into a Christian church. Before returning to our ship, you will visit the Asclepion, which was dedicated to the God of Good Health, "Asklepios". This was an important medical center where people received medical treatments such as massages, mud baths, drinking of the sacred waters and the use of herbs and ointments. Shopping time for the well-known merits of the area.

Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
10:30	Arrive to Acropolis and visit
11:20	Drive to Asclepion
11:45	Arrive to Asclepion and visit
12:30	Drive to Izmir
14:00	Arrive to port

Notes

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