

Istanbul



Private Shore Excursions

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Istanbul

Tour Name
Highlights
of Istanbul
‘ Daily Departure’

Approximate Duration

9 hours

Tour Code

IST P1

Highlights

Blue Mosque
Hipodromme
Haghia Sofia
Topkapi Palace
Grand Bazaar

Languages

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

Description

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The next monument is the Mosque of Sultan Ahmed or “Blue Mosque”. It is the most beautiful mosque of Istanbul, built upon the order of 20 year old Sultan Ahmed I, whose grave lies inside the mosque. The Church of the Holy Wisdom of God is your next magnificent destination. Hagia Sophia is a symbol of the city and a very important monument that is a pole of attraction not only for those seeking religious tourism. After a delicious meal at a local restaurant, you will visit the Topkapi Palace. In the interior of the Palace, which is declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Your next and last visit is the exotic Grand Bazaar. Turkey's largest covered market with 4000 shops offering excellent shopping as beautiful tiles, copper and brassware, apparel made of leather, cotton and wool, meerscham pipes and all sorts of other things.

Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to Sultanahmet Square . Visit Blue Mosque & Hipodromme
10:15	Visit the Haghia Sofia
11:10	Walk to Topkapi Palace
11:30	Visit The Topkapi Palace including lunch 1
14:30	Drive to Grand Bazaar
15:00	Arrive to Grand Bazaar and free time for visit and shopping
17:30	Drive to port
18:00	Arrive to port

Notes

- Walking (Including the sights) : 800 to 1000 mt. on mainly even and cobblestone surface.
- Hagia Sophia Museum is closed on Mondays and it will be replaced with Topkapi Palace. Topkapi Palace is closed on Tuesdays and it will be replaced with Hagia Sophia Museum .

Istanbul

Tour Name

**Wonders of Istanbul
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

IST P2

**Blue Mosque
Hipodrome Hagia
Sofia
Grand Bazaar**

Languages

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

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Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to Sultanahmet Square . Visit Blue Mosque & Hipodrome
10:00	Visit the Hagia Sofia
11:00	Drive to Grand Bazaar
11:20	Arrive to Grand Bazaar and free time for visit and shopping
12:40	Drive to port
13:10	Arrive to port

Notes

- Walking (Including the sights) : 800 to 1000 mt. on mainly even and cobblestone surface.
- Hagia Sophia Museum is closed on Mondays and it will be replaced with Topkapi Palace.

Istanbul

Tour Name

**Jewels of Istanbul
' Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

4 ½ hours

Tour Code

IST P3

**Topkapi Palace Grand
Bazaar**

Languages

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

Description

Your first visit will be the Topkapi Palace (Harem section excluded). The palace is a great walled complex hugging the shores of the Bosphorus and Golden Horn and it was once the residence of the Ottoman Sultans. Mehmet II built the palace-city, home for three centuries of Sultans, in the mid-1400s as a summer palace. Topkapi was enlarged by Suleiman the Magnificent into the Sultan's principal residence and with the successive Sultans grew into a great complex of buildings set in lovely gardens. A series of courtyards connect various buildings which now house an astonishing collection of Chinese porcelain, treasures, the Topkapi dagger and the celebrated Topkapi Diamond plus much more. Your next and last visit is the exotic Grand Bazaar. Turkey's largest covered market with 4000 shops offering excellent shopping as beautiful tiles, copper and brassware, apparel made of leather, cotton and wool, meerschaum pipes and all sorts of other things.

Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive and visit Topkapi Palace
11:00	Drive to Grand Bazaar
11:20	Arrive to Grand Bazaar and free time
12:30	Drive to port
13:00	Arrive to port

Notes

- Walking (Including the sights) : 800 to 1000 mt. on mainly even and cobblestone surface.
- Topkapi Palace is closed on Tuesdays and it will be replaced with Hagia Sophia Museum .

Istanbul

Tour Name

Wonders

& Bazaars

‘ Daily Departure’

Approximate Duration

7 ½ hours

Tour Code

IST P4

Blue Mosque

Hipodrome Haghia

Sofia

Grand Bazaar

Spice Market

Languages

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

Description

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Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to Sultanahmet Square . Visit Blue Mosque
&	Hipodrome
10:00	Visit the Haghia Sofia
11:15	Drive to Grand Bazaar
11:30	Arrive to Grand Bazaar and free time for visit and shopping
14:00	Drive to Spice Market
14:30	Arrive to Spice Market and free time for visit and shopping
15:30	Drive to port
16:00	Arrive to port

Notes

- Walking (Including the sights) : 800 to 1000 mt. on mainly even and cobblestone surface.
- Hagia Sophia Museum is closed on Mondays and it will be replaced with Topkapi Palace.

Istanbul

Tour Name

**Sultanahmet Square
&
Grand Bazaar
' Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

IST P5

**Blue Mosque
Hipodrome
Grand Bazaar**

Languages

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

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Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to Sultanahmet Square . Visit Blue Mosque & Hipodrome
10:15	Drive to Grand Bazaar
10:35	Arrive to Grand Bazaar and free time for visit and shopping
12:15	Drive to port
12:45	Arrive to port

Notes

- **Dressing Advice:** Comfortable shoes and clothing are recommended. Sunglasses, hat and sunscreen are suggested during summer season.
- **Walking Information (Including the sights):** 800 to 1000 mt. on mainly even and cobblestone surface.

Istanbul

Tour Name

**Ottoman
Istanbul**

‘ Daily Departure’

Approximate Duration

7 ½ hours

Tour Code

IST P6

Blue Mosque

Hipodromme

Haghia Sofia

Topkapi Palace

Languages

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

Description

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Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to Sultanahmet Square . Visit Blue Mosque & 10:00 Hipodromme
	Walk to Topkapi Palace
10:20	Visit The Topkapi Palace
12:20	Drive to Grand Bazaar
12:45	Arrive to Grand Bazaar and free time for visit and shopping
15:30	Drive to port
16:00	Arrive to port

Notes

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Istanbul

Tour Name

**Panoramic City Drive
&
Grand Bazaar
' Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

**IST P7
Grand Bazaar**

Languages

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

Description

We will drive for a through Taksim and Pera areas which is the heart of the modern Istanbul. Laid out in late 1800 today the area enjoys to be the best area for locals and tourist to hang out. We continue our drive and cross the Golden Horn, passing under the Roman aqueducts we continue around the mighty city walls and reach the exotic Grand Bazaar. Turkey's largest covered market with 4000 shops offering excellent shopping as beautiful tiles, copper and brassware, apparel made of leather, cotton and wool, meerschaum pipes and all sorts of other things.

Timing

08:30	Panoramic drive (through Taksim, Pera, Aquaducts, City Walls and Historical Peninsula)
09:45	Arrive to Grand Bazaar and Free Time at Grand Bazaar for shopping
12:00	Drive to port
12:30	Arrive to port

Notes

- **Dressing Advice:** Comfortable shoes and clothing are recommended. Sunglasses, hat and sunscreen are suggested during summer season.
- **Walking Information (Including the sights):** 800 to 1000 mt. on mainly even and cobblestone surface.

Istanbul

Tour Name

Istiklal Street

&

Grand Bazaar

‘ Daily Departure ’

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

IST P8

Grand Bazaar

Languages

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

Description

After meeting your professionally trained guide, you will take a short drive to Taksim Square, the heart of modern Istanbul. The square was laid out in the late 1800's near a taksim (branching-point) in the city's water distribution system. At the southern end of the square is a statue of the founder of modern day Turkey, Kemal Atatürk. Walking to the far side of the square you come to the beginning of Istiklal Caddesi (Independence Avenue) which is the main artery of the Beyoglu district. Now a pedestrian way, it is the city's most popular strolling, shopping and meeting street. Many of the buildings date back to the 19th-century when this area was referred to as the Paris of the East, with its half-European, half-Asian culture. The store fronts are lined with boutiques, cafes, consulates, restaurants, galleries, cinemas and banks, with residential apartments above. During your walk, you will visit one of the many wine houses where you will have the opportunity to taste a glass of local wine. There are two churches on the street. St Maria Draperis and the Italian church St. Antoine which dates back to 1906 and is the most important Catholic church of Istanbul. Halfway along Istiklal Caddesi is Galatasaray Square, named after the Galata Palace, the first official European-influenced high school in the Ottoman Empire. Other sites you will see in this area include the Galatasaray Bath, which dates back to 1482, Cicek Passage - the flower passage, Pera Palas, which is one of the oldest hotels in Istanbul, and the Nostalgic Istiklal Caddesi Tram, a 19th-century tram that was restored and placed back into service when the street became a pedestrian street. At the end of Istiklal Street, is the area called Tunel, where French engineers built Istanbul's Tünel underground train in 1875. It allowed European diplomats and businessmen to ride between their waterside offices in Karakoy and their hilltop residences in Beyoglu. It was only the third underground railway built in the world at that time. The final stop on the tour is the exotic Grand Bazaar area where you will have the opportunity for exploring some of the 4,000 shops. After free time in the Bazaar, you will be returned to the pier.

Please note: The covered area of the Grand Bazaar is closed on Sundays.

Timing

08:30	Short drive to Taksim Square
08:45	Arrive to Taksim Square
10:00	Wine Tasting
10:30	Arrive to Grand Bazaar and Free Time at Grand Bazaar for shopping
12:00	Drive to port
12:30	Arrive to port

Notes

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- **Walking Information (Including the sights):** 800 to 1000 mt. on mainly even and cobblestone surface.

Istanbul

Tour Name

Wonders of Istanbul 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

IST RE 1

**Blue Mosque
Hipodrome
Haghia Sofia
Grand Bazaar**

Guaranteed Dep.Languages
(Eng/Spa/Port/Ger)

Wonders of Turkey

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Timing

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09:00	Arrive to Sultanahmet Square . Visit Blue Mosque & Hipodrome
10:00	Visit the Haghia Sofia
11:00	Drive to Grand Bazaar
11:20	Arrive to Grand Bazaar and free time for visit and shopping
12:40	Drive to port
13:10	Arrive to port

Notes

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Kusadasi



Private Shore Excursions

- Ancient Ephesus
- Ancient Ephesus & Terrace Houses
- House of Virgin Mary & Ancient Ephesus
- Ancient Ephesus & Basilica of St. John
- History & Religion of Ephesus
- Ephesus & Traditions
- Ephesus, Didyma & Miletus
- Complete Ephesus

Kusadasi

Tour Name

**Ancient Ephesus
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

3 hours

Tour Code

KUS P1

Ephesus

Languages

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

Description

Drive up a to a scenically wonderful coastal road before you reach 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 area 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 Kusadasi centre.

Timing

08:30

Depart from Port.

09:00

Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city

11:00

Drive to Kusadasi

11:30

Arrive to Kusadasi 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.

Kusadasi

Tour Name

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

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

KUS P2

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

Languages

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

Description

Drive up a to a scenically wonderful coastal road before 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.We return to Kusadasi centre. Those requiring will find some free time at Kusadasi market before you sail to your next destination. 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.

Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and Visit the ancient city and terrace houses
11:45	Depart to port
12:15	Arrive to Kusadasi 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.

Kusadasi

Tour Name

**House of Virgin Mary
&
Ancient Ephesus
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

KUS P3

**Ephesus . House of Virgin
Mary**

Languages

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

Description

Drive up a to a scenically wonderful coastal road before we 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 Kusadasi centre.

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 to Kusadasi
12:30	Arrive to Kusadasi 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.

Kusadasi

Tour Name

Ancient Ephesus & Basilica of St.John 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

KUS P4
Ephesus . Basilica of
St.John

Languages

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

Description

Drive up to a scenically wonderful coastal road before you reach 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.

Next is 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 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 Kusadasi centre.

Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
10:50	Drive to Basilica of St. John
11:10	Arrive to Basilica and visit
11:50	Drive to Kusadasi
12:20	Arrive to Kusadasi Port

Notes

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

Tour Name

History & Religion of Ephesus 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

6 ½ hours

Tour Code

KUS P5

House of Virgin Mary Ephesus Basilica of St.John

Languages

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

Description

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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 Kusadasi
15:00	Arrive to Kusadasi Port

Notes

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Kusadasi

Tour Name
Ephesus
&
Traditions
‘Daily Departure’

Approximate Duration
4 hours

Tour Code
KUS P6

Ephesus. Sirince Village

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

Description

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Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
10:45	Drive to Sirince Village
11:10	Arrive to Sirince and visit
12:00	Drive to Kusadasi
12:30	Arrive to Kusadasi 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.

Kusadasi

Tour Name

**Ephesus, Didyma
&
Miletus
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

7 hours

Tour Code

KUS P7

Ephesus . Didyma . Miletus

Languages

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

Description

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Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
10:45	Drive to Didyma
11:40	Arrive to Didyma and visit the Temple of Apollo
12:20	Lunch
13:30	Drive to Miletus
14:00	Arrive to Miletus and Visit
14:45	Drive to Kusadasi
15:30	Arrive to Kusadasi

Notes

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

Tour Name

**Complete Ephesus
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

7 ½ hours

Tour Code

KUS P8

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

Languages

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

Description

Drive up a to a scenically wonderful coastal road before 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. Walk back to your coach along the Arcadian Way, where once Mark Anthony and Cleopatra rode in procession. 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 region 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 Artemission. 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 Kusadasi centre.

Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
11:30	and terrace Houses
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, Kusadasi , en route stop by the temple of Artemis
16:00	Arrive to Kusadasi

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.

Kusadasi

Tour Name

Ancient Ephesus 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

3 hours

Tour Code

KUS Re1
Ephesus

Guaranteed Dep.Languages
(Eng/Spa/Port/Ger)

Ancient Ephesus

Drive up a to a scenically wonderful coastal road before you reach 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 Kusadasi centre.

Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
11:00	Drive to Kusadasi
11:30	Arrive to Kusadasi Port

Notes

- **Dressing Advice:** Comfortable shoes and clothing are recommended. Sunglasses, hat and sunscreen are suggested during summer season.
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- Ancient Ephesus & Terrace Houses
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- Pergamom

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Tour Name

**Ancient Ephesus
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

**IZM P1
Ephesus**

Languages

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

Description

After an hour drive you reach 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 north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
11:00	Drive to Izmir
12:00	Arrive to Izmir

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.

Izmir

Tour Name

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

Approximate Duration

4 1/2 hours

Tour Code

IZM P2

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

Languages

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

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.

Izmir

Tour Name

**House of Virgin Mary
&
Ancient Ephesus
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

5 hours

Tour Code

IZM P3

**Ephesus, House of Virgin
Mary**

Languages

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

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.
- **Walking Information:** Walking at the sights' surface are uneven and sometimes on cobblestone. It is not recommended for persons that are wheelchair confined.

Izmir

Tour Name

Ancient Ephesus & Basilica of St.John 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

5 hours

Tour Code

IZM P4
Ephesus . Basilica of
St.John

Languages

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

Description

After an hour drive you reach 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.

Next is 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 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

08:00	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
10:50	Drive to Basilica of St. John
11:10	Arrive to Basilica and visit
11:50	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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Izmir

Tour Name

History & Religion of Ephesus 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

6 ½ hours

Tour Code

IZM P5

House of Virgin Mary Ephesus Basilica of St.John

Languages

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

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

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

Tour Name Ephesus & Traditions 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration
5 hours

Tour Code
IZM P6

Ephesus, Sirince Village

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

Description

After an hour drive you reach 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. Continue your visit with The village of Sirince. This pretty old Orthodox village, 12 km away from Ephesus is located on the top of a mountain, anyone will enjoy the impressive wine yards' and peach trees' views on his way. Today the village is a perfect synthesis of Turk-Greek culture as of the 1920's: after the Independence War, people exchange between Greek and Turks has occurred and all those typical Greek houses, though they kept their original outside characteristics, have received the local layout inside. The most beautiful specimens are open to visitors. And even in the courtyard of one of them, one will discover a nicely restored Orthodox church. All the narrow streets of the village belong to the women, selling handcrafts of all kinds, olive oil and organic wine which is another attraction of Sirince ; try its taste in the small cafés or in the former municipal school restored. Though Sirince is developing its tourism very quickly, it has been able to preserve its authenticity. Return to Izmir.

Timing

08:00	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to north gate of Ephesus and visit the ancient city
10:45	Drive to Sirince Village
11:10	Arrive to Sirince and visit
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.
- **Walking Information:** Walking at the sights' surface are uneven and sometimes on cobblestone. It is not recommended for persons that are wheelchair confined.

Izmir

Tour Name

**Ephesus, Didyma
&
Miletus
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

8 1/2 hours

Tour Code

**IZM P7
Ephesus, Didyma,
Miletus.**

Languages

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

Description

After an hour drive you reach 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. Continue with an hour drive and reach Didyma which is not however an ancient city. It was a sacred place of worship. Didyma's fame rests on the magnificent Temple of Apollo, a building of awesome scale whose proportions seem more in keeping with the gods than man. Building works in the name of Apollo were started in the eighth or seventh centuries BC. For a hundred years during the archaic period the Temple was controlled by the Branchids, a powerful family of priests, and it was under their direction that the Temple raised to fame. In the 6th century BC, under the Branchids, in the first half of the Ionian period, the Temple at Didyma enjoyed golden age and was greatly expanded in size. But then came the Persians who attacked the area in 494 BC and destroyed the Temple. Alexander the Great helped in the rebuilding and the remains we see today are Hellenistic, dating from his times. In the temple's reconstruction the original foundations were used but the size of the building was greatly increased. After lunch depart for Miletus. This ancient city once was one of the biggest cities in Anatolia. It was located on the trade routes and it was for this reason that it became very prosperous and had many colonies. Miletus is famous for its genius philosophers and architects, such as Thales, Anaksimandros, Anaksimenes, Hippodamos and Isidoros. Miletus is also famous for the Faustina Baths. 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
10:45	Drive to Didyma
11:40	Arrive to Didyma and visit the Temple of Apollo
12:20	Lunch
13:30	Drive to Miletus
14:00	Arrive to Miletus and Visit
14:45	Drive to Izmir
16:30	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.

Izmir

Tour Name

**Complete Ephesus
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

8 ½ hours

Tour Code

IZM P8

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

Languages

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

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 Artemission. 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

- **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.

Izmir

Tour Name

Izmir City Tour 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

4 hours

Tour Code

IZM P9
Archaeological
Museum, Agora, Bazaar

Languages

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

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 Kizlaragasi (Bazaar)
12:00	Arrive to Bazaar and free time
12:45	Drive to port
13:00	Arrive to port

Notes

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

Tour Name
Pergamon
‘Daily Departure’

Approximate Duration
5 hours

Tour Code
IZM P10
Asclepion
Acropolis

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

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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Bodrum



Private Shore Excursions

- St. Peter's Castle & Mausoleum
- Highlights of Bodrum

Bodrum

Tour Name

St. Peter's Castle & Mausoleum 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

3 ½ hours

Tour Code

BOD P1

St. Peter's Castle & Mausoleum

Languages

(Eng/Ger)

Description

Situated on a beautiful peninsula, Bodrum, home of the famous Greek historian Herodotus. A short bus ride from the new port brings you to the Castle of St. Peter. To obtain stone to build the castle, the Knight of Rhodes tore down the famous Mausoleum of Halicarnassus—a magnificent tomb that was one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. You will also visit the Museum of Underwater Archaeology, whose artifacts were found underwater and date from the Bronze Age through the Middle Ages. Remnants of cargo from a 13th-century BC Syrian trade ship are on display. You will also visit the Carian Princess section to see a beautiful tiara of gold. Next, you will visit the ruins of the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus. This is Bodrum's oldest and most significant treasure. Artemisia II built the tomb in honor of her husband, King Mausolos. The modern generic term for a large tomb is derived from his name. The entire structure stood more than 150 feet tall and featured frescos and other art objects, some of which are now on display in the London Museum. On the way back to the port we will have a chance to take great pictures of Bodrum Peninsula and troll around the narrow streets of the city centre. Shopping time for the well-known merits of the area before we return to our cruise ship.

Timing

09:00	Depart from port
09:20	Walk to the Castle
09:30	Visit Bodrum Castle & Underwater Museum
11:00	Drive to the Mausoleum
11:20	Visit Mausoleum
12:00	Drive to port
12:30	Arrive to port

Notes

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Bodrum

Tour Name Highlights of Bodrum 'Daily Departure'

Approximate Duration

4 ½ hours

Tour Code

BOD P2

St. Peter's Castle &
Mausoleum, Myndos
Gate, Windmills

Languages

(Eng/Ger)

Description

Situated on a beautiful peninsula, Bodrum, home of the famous Greek historian Herodotus. A short bus ride from the new port brings you to the Castle of St. Peter. To obtain stone to build the castle, the Knight of Rhodes tore down the famous Mausoleum of Halicarnassus—a magnificent tomb that was one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. You will also visit the Museum of Underwater Archaeology, whose artifacts were found underwater and date from the Bronze Age through the Middle Ages. Remnants of cargo from a 13th-century BC Syrian trade ship are on display. You will also visit the Carian Princess section to see a beautiful tiara of gold. Next, you will visit the ruins of the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus. This is Bodrum's oldest and most significant treasure. Artemisia II built the tomb in honor of her husband, King Mausolos. The modern generic term for a large tomb is derived from his name. The entire structure stood more than 150 feet tall and featured frescos and other art objects, some of which are now on display in the London Museum. We continue our next stop will be the Myndos Gate and the windmills where you will have time to shoot "may be" your best photos. Shopping time for the well-known merits of the area. Return to port

Timing

09:00	Depart from port
09:20	Walk to the Castle
09:30	Visit Bodrum Castle & Underwater Museum
11:00	Drive to the Mausoleum
11:20	Visit Mausoleum
11:50	Drive to visit the Myndos Gate and Windmills
13:00	Drive back to port
13:30	Arrive to port

Notes

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Antalya



Private Shore Excursions

- Perge, Aspendos & Side
- Antalya City Tour & Duden Waterfalls

Antalya

Tour Name

**Perge, Aspendos
&
Side
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

8 ½ hours

Tour Code

ANT P1

Perge , Aspendos, Side

Languages

(Eng/Spa/Ger)

Description

Once you board your coach drive up a to a scenically wonderful coastal road, before we reach the ancient city of **Perge**. Around 1500 B.C. the Hittites settled down in a place we know as Perge. However some people believe that Perge was founded by Mopsus and Calchas in the 13th century B.C. Invaded by Alexander the Great, much of Perge's architectural splendor is a living proof of the Hellenistic period. You will depart for Aspendos where you will visit the **Antique Theatre of Aspendos**. The most important property of the theatre with the capacity of 15,000 people is its solidity. After many earthquakes, Aspendos is still standing with its astonishing architecture. There are the boxes of selected citizens on the main entrances. The upper side of the auditorium is surrounded by 58 columns and a gallery consisted of an arch. The whole auditorium has 20 lines of seat in underside and 21 lines of seat in upper side. This theatre is built by local architects Xenon and his two brothers Curtius Chrispinus and Curtius Auscipatus in the period of the Emperor Antonius Pius (138-164). It attracts attention with its special acoustic. Continue to Side area where you will taste Local Turkish food during our lunch . After lunch you will continue with the visit of **Side**, one of the best-known classical sites in Turkey, was an ancient harbour whose name meant pomegranate. Today a pretty resort town, its ancient ruins, two sandy beaches, many shops and extensive tourist accommodation attract throngs of visitors. you will visit the Agora, the Apollo Temple which is situated near the sea. a fountain and necropolis .

Timing

08:00	Depart from Port.
09:30	Arrive to Ancient City of Perge and visit
10:30	Depart from Perge
11:00	Arrive to Aspendos and visit the ancient theatre
11:50	Depart from Aspendos
12:15	Arrive Side and Lunch
13:45	Visit the temple of Apollo
14:30	Free time in Side Bazaar
15:45	Depart to Antalya
16:30	On Board/Antalya Centre

Notes

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Antalya

Tour Name

**Antalya City Tour
&
Duden Waterfalls
'Daily Departure'**

Approximate Duration

4 ½ hours

Tour Code

ANT P2

**Antalya Kaleici, Duden
Waterfalls**

Languages

(Eng/Spa/Ger)

Description

Once you board your coach you will have a very short drive and reach to the beautiful Duden Waterfalls. After we continue to the city center and visit Hadrian's Gate, the clock tower at Kalekapisi, Republic Square with its Ataturk statue and overlook amazing views of the Mediterranean coast and Olympos Mountains. Descending from the square, you'll explore the narrow winding streets of historical Antalya (Kaleici), filled with graceful Ottoman-era houses and gardens. Shopping time for the well-known merits of the area.

Timing

08:30	Depart from Port.
09:00	Arrive to the Duden Waterfalls and visit
10:30	Depart for Antalya city center
10:45	Arrive to Kaleici and visit/Free time
12:30	Depart for port
13:00	Arrive to port

Notes

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