

10D MYSTERY OF TURKIYE

Tour Code: TRO10S/D

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- **100% MEALS**
- **ISTANBUL**- Hippodrome, Blue Mosque, Grand Bazaar, Topkapi Palace
- **ANKARA** - Ataturk Mausoleum, Anatolian Civilization Museum
- **CAPPADOCIA** - Underground City of Kaymakli, Goreme Open-Air Museum, Valleys of Goreme, Uchisar, Belly & Folk Dance Show
- **KONYA** - Mevlana Museum
- **PAMUKKALE** - Hierapolis & Cotton Castle
- **KUSADASI** - Ephesus, House of the Virgin Mary
- **PERGAMON** - Acropolis (2-way cable car included)
- **CANAKKALE** - Troy & Trojan Horse

Day 1 SINGAPORE - ISTANBUL

Your vacation begins with a pleasant flight to Istanbul, the only city built on two continents: Asia and Europe.

Day 2 ISTANBUL - BOLU (L/D)

Upon arrival at Ataturk Airport, we proceed on a sightseeing tour that takes you to the premier sights of Istanbul. Visit the **Hippodrome Square**, which was former center of sports and political activities of Constantinople the **Egyptian Obelisk** and **Constantine & Serpentine Columns**. Next, we photo stop at St Sophia Museum initially a church turned to mosque museum. The **Blue Mosque**, which is also known as Sultan Ahmet Mosque. It is one of the largest religious complexes in Istanbul. Depart Istanbul and continue our journey to Bolu.

Day 3 BOLU - ANKARA - CAPPADOCIA (B/L/D)

This morning, continue our journey to Ankara, the capital of Turkey. Ankara city highlights include the magnificent **Ataturk Mausoleum** where art galleries and fine restaurants are located. Next, we proceed on to **Anatolian Civilization Museum**. After lunch, we head for the impeccable rock region of Cappadocia, the highlight of a Turkey tour.

Day 4 CAPPADOCIA (B/L/D)

After breakfast, a full day of sightseeing includes visiting the **Underground City of Kaymakli** where early Christian dwellings extends downwards into the earth for at least 8 floors in a maze of tunnels and rooms. Next, explore the rock-carved churches, some decorated with scratched frescos in the **Goreme open-air museum**. Photo stops will be at **Uchisar "castle" village**, the Goreme and Pigeon Valleys, a fantasy land of strange and wonderful works of man and nature. Enroute, make a stop at a traditional handmade carpet factory. After dinner this evening, relax and enjoy a delightful show featuring **Belly and Folklore Dance**.

Day 5 CAPPADOCIA - KONYA - PAMUKKALE (B/L/D)

Travel to Konya, the famous old capital city of the Seljuk Turks in the 12th and 13th century. Here, visit the blue-green domes of **Mevlana Museum**, which used to be the cloister for Mevlevi Dervishes, the old Turkish order of whirling dervishes whose basic ideology was tolerance and love. Continue along the old Silk Road from Konya, stopping at **Horozihan**, one of the bestpreserved caravanserais (inns).

Day 6 PAMUKKALE - KUSADASI (B/L/D)

After breakfast, visit the extensive ruins of **Hierapolis**, an ancient Roman city, well known for its thermal baths and health centres. Thereafter, proceed on to the unique **Cotton Castle**. Continue to **Ephesus**, an ancient Roman city and see the Grand Theater, the Library of Ephesus, and Marble Street etc. Next, visit the **House of the Virgin Mary** where she is believed to have spent her last years and a popular place of pilgrimage today. Visit a **Turkish Leather Showroom** and enjoy an exciting fashion show. Afterwards, you may shop for Turkish leather products like leather jackets and apparels.

Day 7 KUSADASI - PERGAMON - CANAKKALE (B/L/D)

Proceed on to the ancient city of Pergamon to see **The Acropolis** which includes Altar of Zeus, Temple of Athena, the library, theatre and arsenals. Continue on to **Homer's Troy** where we visit the ruins of nine cities built on top of each other and an enormous reconstruction of the famous wooden **Trojan Horse**. (* Two ways cable car to Acropolis included.)

Day 8 CANAKKALE - ISTANBUL (B/L/Chinese D)

After breakfast, enjoy a leisure ferry along the shores of Marmara Sea and drive back to Istanbul. Continue our tour to the grand **Topkapi Palace** to see the treasures, royal antiques, courtyards, holy relics etc. If time permit, you will have the opportunity to go shopping at the covered **Grand Bazaar** where stalls and shops selling local products such as leather goods, jewelleryes, handicrafts, apple tea etc are situated at. (Note: Grand Bazaar is closed on every Sunday, local / religious holidays and festivals.)

Day 9 ISTANBUL - SINGAPORE (B)

Enjoy your breakfast in hotel. Free at leisure until transfer to airport for your flight back to Singapore with fond memories of a wonderful holiday with Hong Thai Travel.

Day 10 ARRIVE IN SINGAPORE

Arrive in Singapore. We hope that you have had an enjoyable time. Looking forward to your next holiday destination with Hong Thai Travel!

Remarks:

- Due to seasonal/ weather subjective conditions of itinerary, we reserve the right to arrange alternative attraction / transport should state be unavailable.
- Sequence of itinerary is subject to change without prior notice.
- Subject to hotel availability

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