

## Istanbul & Bursa & Abant Tour

### {10 Nights /11 Days}

**Istanbul** is a major city in Turkey that straddles Europe and Asia across the Bosphorus Strait. Its Old City reflects cultural influences of the many empires that once ruled here. In the Sultan Ahmet district, the open-air, Roman-era Hippodrome was for centuries the site of chariot races, and Egyptian obelisks also remain. The iconic Byzantine Hagia Sophia features a soaring 6th-century dome and rare Christian mosaics.

**Bursa** is a large city in northwest Turkey, lying in the foothills of roughly 2,500m-high Mount Uludağ near the Sea of Marmara. The city is known for its mosques and historical sites from the early Ottoman Empire. It's nicknamed "Yeil Bursa" (Green Bursa), owing to its many parks and trees, as well as its dramatic mountain backdrop.

**Abant** is a freshwater lake in Turkey's Bolu Province in northwest Anatolia, formed as a result of a great landslide.

This **11 Days / 11 Nights** package includes Return Air tickets in Air Arabia. 11 nights' accommodation in Istanbul, Bursa & Abant Selected hotel with daily breakfast. Return airport transfers. Half day Bosphorus Cruise tour, Full Day Bursa Cable Car Tour with Lunch & Half Day Bosphorus Cruise Tour, as well as Full Day Princess Island Tour with Lunch.

<b>Tour Name</b>	Istanbul & Bursa & Abant Tour
<b>Duration</b>	{10 Nights /11 Days}
<b>Validity</b>	01 <sup>st</sup> Dec. 18 – 01 <sup>st</sup> Mar. 19

#### Flight Timing

Airline	Flight.	Departure	Arrival	Departure	Arrival
Air Arabia	G9 281	SHJ	SAW	10:00	13:55
Air Arabia	G9 282	SAW	SHJ	14:45	19:45

#### Package cost

- **AED 4,099** Per person on Double / Twin room
- **AED 3,899** Per person on Triple room
- **AED 3,599** Per Child with Extra Bed
- **AED 1,299** Per Child Sharing Parents Bed
- **AED 499** For Infant

#### Included

- Return Economy Class Air Tickets in Air Arabia
- 6 Nights accommodation in Istanbul **4\* Glorious Hotel Istanbul** Or Similar
- 2 Nights accommodation in Bursa **4\* Antolia Hotel** Or Similar
- 2 Nights accommodation in Abant **4\* Grand Abant Hotel** Or Similar
- Daily Buffet Breakfast
- Airport Transfers
- Half Day Istanbul City Tour
- Full Day Bursa Cable Car Tour with Lunch
- Half Day Bosphorus Cruise Tour
- Full Day Princess Island Tour with Lunch

## Excluded

- Early check-in & Late check-out
- Lunch during a tour except mentioned in the itinerary
- Optional tours & Add-on services
- Any expenses of a personal nature
- Anything not mentioned under "included"
- Visa assistance / Visa Fees
- Travel insurance

## Daily Itinerary

### Day 1: Arrival Istanbul & Meet and Assist

- Arrive at Sabiha Gokcen International Airport and meet our local representative at the pick-up point. Get a hassle-free transfer to your booked hotel in Istanbul and complete the check-in process.
- Have a comfortable stay at your accommodation - and take some time out to wander around the city to admire its beauty and soak in its culture.

### Day 02: Half Day Ottoman Relics City Tour: (APPROX. 08:00-12:00)

- Breakfast at Hotel
- Guests will be picked up around 8:00am, and brought to the Sultanahmet district, the oldest, most historic part of the city. The first stop of the day will be the Hagia Sophia, as our tour guide explains the significance of this massive building that was once a Christian church, then a mosque, and now a museum. Afterward, we will pass the Hippodrome of Constantinople, where we will see the site's impressive obelisk, before reaching the Blue Mosque. We should be sure to take pictures of both the interior and exterior of this impressive building. Next, we will continue to the Grand Bazaar, a massive, bustling complex to find clothing, decorative furnishings, food, and more. On the way to the bazaar, we will see other historical monuments, like the Tomb of Sultan Ahmet I, the Firuz Aga Mosque, and the exterior of the Tomb of Mehmed II. After our visit to the Grand Bazaar, guests are returned to their hotels.
- Overnight at Istanbul

### Day 03: Half Day Bosphorus Cruise Tour

- Breakfast at Hotel
- Guests of this half-day tour can choose the morning or afternoon option, and will be picked up from their hotel at the selected time. We will first visit the **Spice Bazaar**, one of the city's most colorful and bustling attractions, which has been in operation since the 17th century and still remains a very popular attraction for locals and visitors alike. The tour guide will give us tips on the best stalls and kiosks to visit so we do not become overwhelmed by the busy market, where we will have roughly 45 minutes of free time to explore and shop. Next, we will head to the shores of the Bosphorus Strait for a cruise, learning about this important, strategic waterway that straddles the Asian and European continents. On our voyage, we will see an impressive showcase of many historic Istanbul buildings: the decadent façade of **Dolmabahce Palace**; 15th-century fortress **Rumelihisari**; the **Beylerbeyi Palace**, the summer home of Ottoman sultans; and many more. After admiring these sights, we will disembark onshore, and guests will be returned to their hotels.
- Overnight at Istanbul

### Day 04: Istanbul Hotel to Bursa Hotel Transfer

- After Breakfast
- Istanbul Hotel to Bursa Hotel Transfer
- Overnight at Bursa

**Day 05: Full Day Bursa Cable Car Tour with Lunch (APPROX. 08:00-20:00)**

- We leave from Istanbul early in the morning and take the ferry to Yalova and then drive to the center of Bursa.
- Our first visit will be to Green Mosque and Green Tomb, which belong to the Ottoman Sultan Mehmet I. If you would like, you can also visit the bazaar nearby to buy some handcrafted gifts and high-quality silk. Afterward, the cable car will take us to the Uludag Mountain
- We will enjoy the amazing view of the entire city and take lots of pictures to keep as a memory of this day. We come to the first stage of the mountain and continue to the top, 2,486 meters above sea level.
- Then we drive to the restaurant for a traditional lunch. Our next stop will be at the astonishing Inca Historic Tree which is more than 600 years old. It has become one of the most charming landmarks of the city.
- This will be our last place to visit before we return to Istanbul
- We will take the ferry back to Istanbul and drop you off at your hotel at late evening.

**Day 06: Bursa Hotel to Abant Hotel Transfer**

- After Breakfast
- Bursa Hotel to Abant Hotel Transfer
- Overnight at Abant

**Day 07: Day at leisure**

- Enjoy a scrumptious breakfast and savour the local delicacies.
- You are free to explore this beautiful city on your own
- Enjoy a comfortable overnight stay

**Day 08: Abant Hotel to Istanbul Hotel Transfer**

- After Breakfast
- Abant Hotel to Istanbul Hotel Transfer
- Overnight at Istanbul

**Day 09: Full Day Princess Island Tour with Lunch**

- There is no better way to escape the bustle of Istanbul for a day than with a visit to the idyllic Princes' Islands
- Enjoy cool breezes and charming sights along the way to Büyükada, the largest Island in the chain
- Famous for their mild climates, lush vegetation, and ornate Ottoman Houses, all the islands are unspoiled by traffic.
- Instead of cars there are carriages, called phaetons, which we will use to tour the island and its beautiful scenery studded with elegant mansions draped with purple bougainvillea, reminiscent of a more leisured and graceful era.
- We will enjoy our lunch at the best of one of the many excellent fresh fish restaurants that line the waterfront, gazing across the Asian shore of Istanbul, so close - though it feels worlds away.

**Day 10: Day at leisure**

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- You are free to explore this beautiful city on your own
- Enjoy a comfortable overnight stay

## Day 11: Departure from Istanbul

- Enjoy a tasty breakfast and complete the hotel check-out.
- Get a comfortable transfer from your hotel to Sabiha Gokcen International Airport in a private Big Sedan. Board your return flight from Sabiha Gokcen International Airport and cherish fond memories of your trip.

### Cancellation policy

- In the event of a cancellation, 10% of the holiday amount is non-refundable
- Cancellation prior to 45 days or more of departure, cost of the services provided would be deducted, which includes airline cancellation
- Cancellation prior to 44 - 31 days prior to departure would be 25% of the total amount
- Cancellation prior to 30 - 15 days prior to departure would be 50% of the total amount
- Cancellation prior to 14 - 10 days prior to departure, 75% of the total amount
- Cancellation within 10 days of the departure, 100% of the total amount will be deducted

### Term and Conditions

- Bookings will be confirmed only upon receipt of full payment
- Rate is based on per person on a sharing basis
- These prices are a guide to the best price and are subject to change without notice
- Seasonal surcharges and blackout dates may apply depending on date of travel
- Passengers are solely responsible for meeting the passport & visa conditions of the country of travel
- Passport must be valid for at least six months from the date of departure
- Due to matters outside our control, such as adverse currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges, taxes and airfare increases, Prices are subject to change without notice
- You are urged to read complete details of the tour, itinerary, price inclusions, exclusions, terms and conditions and the like in the brochure/Website before filling and signing the official Booking Form
- All photos and videos shown are illustrative. Actual services may differ. Terms apply
- The passengers must ensure on their own, that they have a valid passport remains valid for the necessary period according to the travelling destination immigration rules and arranged visas before travelling with this holiday package

### Visa

- **Al Saqer Tourism** does not accept any responsibility if the passenger cannot travel because of any passport or visa issues.