

# Istanbul & Cappadocia Quickie Tour {4 Nights /5 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.

**Cappadocia**, a semi-arid region in central Turkey, is known for its distinctive "fairy chimneys," tall, cone-shaped rock formations clustered in Monks Valley, Göreme and elsewhere. Other notables sites include Bronze Age homes carved into valley walls by troglodytes (cave dwellers) and later used as refuges by early Christians. The 100m-deep Ihlara Canyon houses numerous rock-face churches.

This **5 Days** / **4 Nights package** includes Return Air tickets in Air Arabia & Domestic Return air tickets for Cappadocia. 2 nights' accommodation in Istanbul & 2 nights in Cappadocia Selected hotel with daily breakfast. Return airport transfer. Full day Istanbul City Tour& Half day Bosphorus Cruise tour as well as Full Day South Cappadocia Tour.

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Duration	{4 Nights /5 Days}				
Validity	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 2,899** Per person on Double / Twin room
- **AED 2,799** Per person on Tripe room
- AED 3,599 Per person on Single room
- AED 2,199 Per Child with Extra Bed
- AED 1,799 Per Child Sharing Parents Bed
- AED 588 For Infant

#### Included

- Return air tickets in Air Arabia
- Domestic Return air tickets from Istanbul to Cappadocia
- 2 Nights accommodation in Istanbul 4\* Ramada Grand Bazaar Hotel
- 2 Nights accommodation in Cappadocia 5\* Suhan Hotel
- Daily Buffet Breakfast
- 2 Local Dinners & Lunches
- Return airport transfer
- Domestic flight tickets from Cappadocia to Istanbul
- Full Day Istanbul City tour
- Half Day Bosphorus Cruise Tour
- Full Day South Cappadocia Tour



### Excluded

- Early check-in & Late check-out
- Lunch or Dinner during a tour except mentioned in the itinerary
- Optional tours & Add-on services
- Any expenses of a personal nature such as alcoholic drinks, cold drinks, laundry
- 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 2: Full Day Ottoman & Byzantium Relics Tour with Lunch

# (Lunch included)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Guests will be picked up around 8:00am, and brought to the Sultan Ahmet 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 sites 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
- We will make a brief stop for lunch.
- In the afternoon, we will visit Topkapi Palace, the primary residence of the Ottoman sultans
  for nearly 400 years. Afterward, we will visit the Little Hagia Sophia, the final stop on the tour
  before guests are returned to their hotels.

# Day 3: Half Day Bosphorus Cruise Tour – Flight to Cappadocia

# (Dinner included)

- Breakfast at the 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 the17th 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-centuryfortress Rumelihisari; the Beylerbeyi
  Palace, the summer home of Ottoman sultans; and many more.
- After tour, you will be transferred to airport to catch flight to Cappadocia.
- Arrive &transfer to hotel.

# Day 4: Full Day South Cappadocia Tour with Lunch

## (Lunch and Dinner included)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Today will be another mystical day, we will start with a visit and walk in the Red Valley and discover rock-cut churches and hike 5 km through the Valley of Gulludere. Then keep going on with a visit to Cavusin village. Ancient Cavusin was already abandoned several about 11th Century.
- Lunch will be selection of Turkish Cuisine. In the afternoon
- Drive to the Pigeon Valley for panoramic view, Underground City, dated back to the Hittites than used by the early Christians. Under Ground city specially carved to be used during the war time to save their lives as well as early Christians hide themselves from the Roman pressure, you can still see stables kitchen living room bedroom and more.
- Transferred back to your hotel for overnight stay

# Day 5: Cappadocia to Istanbul to Home

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Free time until we depart to airport for our domestic flight to Istanbul and then switch to international terminal to catch home-bound flight.
- We hope your tour was a memorable one and we would like to see you in the future in one of our tours again.
- Have a nice trip back home and thanks for choosing us.

# Notes

- Please Note: St. Sophia Museum is closed on Mondays, Topkapi Palace is closed on
- Tuesdays and the Grand Bazaar is closed on Sundays

# **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

# <u>Visa</u>

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