

## Turkey In-Depth 12-Day(Sanfranbolu)

Departure date: 2023: 10/20, 11/10, 12/15, 2024:1/26, 2/23, 3/22

### 【Package Included】

- ✓ 9 nights in 4-5 stars hotel
- ✓ Round-trip transfer from the airport to the hotel
- ✓ Chinese speaking guided tour
- ✓ Meals mentioned per itinerary
- ✓ Attraction tickets, ferry tickets & train tickets

### 【Package Excluded】

- ✗ U.S.-Turkey round-trip international airfare
- ✗ Flights within Turkey
- ✗ Daily gratuities for tour guide, driver, recommended USD 10 per day/person
- ✗ Expenses of personal in nature (telephone charges, laundry fees etc)

Double Room: USD\$2,699 per person

Single Supplement: \$650

### Day 1 USA ➔ Ankara, Turkey

Today take overnight flight to Ankara Turkey, arrive the next day.

### Day 2 Ankara

Upon arrival, transfer to restaurant for dinner and then to hotel and check-in.

Dinner: Western Cuisine, 3 courses at hotel

Hotel: 5\* New Park Hotel or similar

### Day 3 Ankara - Sanfranbolu - Ankara

Safranbolu: The Old Town preserves many historic buildings, with 1008 registered historical artifacts.

Visit :Kaymaklar Museum (including entrance ticket) is a traditional house, which reflects the history, culture, and lifestyle of Turkish society in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, which has the characteristics of a typical Turkish house, in terms of design, size and shape.

Hıdırlık Hill (Hıdırlık Tepesi ) including entrance ticket) is a small hill overlooking the [UNESCO World Heritage listed old town of Safranbolu](#).

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel | Lunch: Local cuisine | Dinner: Local cuisine

Hotel: 5\* New Park Hotel or similar

### Day 4 Ankara - Cappadocia

One of Turkey's most notable examples of modern architecture, the Atatürk Mausoleum sits high on a hilltop in Ankara, the country's capital. The mausoleum complex is mammoth, with a grand staircase known as the Path of Honor, flanked by reclining Hittite lions, leading up to the Court of Honor where the mausoleum itself and a museum dedicated to Atatürk's life both sit.

Visit Museum of Anatolian(inside)have many priceless collections from Mesopotamian, Hitti Mesopotamian, Hittite Empire, Greek, Roman and Byzantine era

Visit Mausoleum of Ataturk(inside), which serves as a tribute to the founder of modern Turkey. You will see Ataturk's tomb and museum

©Later, depart for Cappadocia via Tuz Golu— One of the largest hypersaline lakes in the world.

This evening, enjoy wonderful★ Turkish folk music and belly dance.

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel | Lunch: Local cuisine | Dinner: Local cuisine

Hotel: 5\* Exedra Hotel or similar

### **Day 5 Cappadocia**

Early morning you can take hot air balloon tour at your own expense (about USD300 per person), watch sunrise and rock formations

©We will explore Mushroom Valley, Camel Rock, Uchisar Castle, and Hunting Valley

Visit Goreme open air museum(including entrance ticket): Medieval orthodox Christian monks carved the cave from volcanic stone and decorated with elaborate Byzantine frescoes. And Visit Kaymakli Underground City(including entrance ticket), where people of Kaymakli built their living spaces, kitchen, storage rooms, cellars, stable etc. under the hill thousands of years ago. Cappadocia is an area in central Turkey known for its unique moon-like landscape

Later, a brief stop at Turkish carpet studio

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel | Lunch: Local cuisine | Dinner: Local cuisine

Hotel: 5\* Exedra Hotel or similar

### **Day 6 Cappadocia - Konya**

Drive through hilly region to Konya (the old capital of Turkey, birthplace of Whirling Dervishes dance)

via ©Sultanhanı Caravansarai. After lunch, visit Mevlana Museum(including entrance ticket): and Alaeddin

Mosque. Visit Alaeddin Hill, a hill in Turkey's city center of Konya, which contains important historical structures, including the Alaeddin Mosque and the tomb of eight Anatolian Seljuk Sultans in its courtyard.

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel | Lunch: Local cuisine | Dinner: Local cuisine

Hotel: 5\* Anemon Konya or similar

### **Day 7 Konya - Pamukkale**

Drive to Pamukkale. Deriving from springs in a cliff almost 200 m high overlooking the plain, calcite-laden waters have created at Pamukkale (Cotton Palace) an unreal landscape, made up of mineral forests, petrified waterfalls and a series of terraced basins. At the end of the 2nd century B.C. the dynasty of the Attalids, the kings of Pergamon, established the thermal spa of Hierapolis. The ruins of the baths, temples and other Greek monuments can be seen at the site. Visit Hierapolis(including entrance ticket) , this old city was likely founded in the 3rd century BC by the Seleucid Empire but also features prominent Roman and Byzantine era structures as well. It is also known as the site where the Apostle Philip was supposedly martyred and buried.

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel | Lunch: Local cuisine | Dinner: Local cuisine

Hotel: 5\* Richmond Pamukkale Thermal Hotel or similar

### **Day 8 Pamukkale - Kusadasi**

Visit Ephesus(including entrance ticket), famous for its spectacular temples, library, and amphitheater. Overnight in Kusadasi—a popular vacation destination in Turkey.

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel | Lunch: Local cuisine | Dinner: Local cuisine

Hotel: 5\* Le Bleu Hotel or similar

### **Day 9 Kusadasi - Sirince - Izmir ➔ Istanbul (Reference flight: 2:45P/3:45P)**

Drive to Sirince. Sirince also known as Kirkintzes , is a village in İzmir Province, Turkey, located about 8 kilometres east of the town Selçuk and about 8 kilometres from Ephesus. The area around the village has history dating back to Hellenistic period (323–31 BC).

Afternoon flight to Istanbul.

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel | Lunch: Local cuisine | Dinner: Local cuisine

Hotel: 5\* Wyndham Grand Istanbul Europe or similar

### **Day 10 Istanbul**

Istanbul City Tour: Hippodrome › Dikilitaş › Yılanlı Sütun › Theodosius Dikilitasi

Sultanahmet Mosque(including entrance ticket) was built between 1609 and 1617 and is also known as the Blue Mosque because of the blue tiles used to decorate the walls of its interior.

Ayasofya Camii(inside) as know as St. Sophia church is the grandest red dome structure of Byzantine art, now is a museum

Yerebatan Cistern (including entrance ticket) this underground water cistern was the major water reservoir of Constantinople.

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel | Lunch: Local cuisine | Dinner: Local cuisine

Hotel: 5\* Wyndham Grand Istanbul Europe or similar

### **Day 11 Istanbul**

Dolmabahce Palace (including entrance ticket) › Turkey's largest mono-block palace, was commissioned by Sultan Abdül Mecit in 1843.

Built to belie the military and financial decline of the Ottoman Empire, Istanbul's first European-style palace was an opulent one, excessive in size and filled with gold and crystal.

Topkapi Palace (including entrance ticket) is an architectural marvel that celebrates the rich culture and history of the Ottoman Empire.

Take Bosphorus cruise(including cruise ticket) for panoramic view of castles, grand palaces and villas. After returning from cruise

Grand Bazaar is the largest covered market in Turkey with over 3000 stores.

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel | Lunch: Local cuisine | Dinner: Local cuisine

Hotel: 5\* Wyndham Grand Istanbul Europe or similar

### **Day 12 Istanbul ➔ USA**

After breakfast, depart to airport and flight to US and ends this unforgettable journey.

Breakfast: Buffet at hotel