

# 13D10N AMAZING TURKEY

ISTANBUL – CANAKKALE – TROY – PERGAMON – SELCUK – KUSADASI –  
PAMUKKALE – KONYA – CAPPADOCIA – ANKARA – SAFRANBOLU  
(Tour code : TUH13)



## ISTANBUL TULIP FESTIVAL SPECIAL DEPARTURE

**APR 03 & 07 (2020)**

### MEAL PLAN

10 Breakfasts  
10 Lunches  
10 Dinners  
30 Total Meals

### DAY 1

#### SINGAPORE –ISTANBUL

Welcome to a unique experience!

- Assemble at Singapore Changi Airport for your flight to **Istanbul**.

### DAY 2

#### ISTANBUL

- Embark on a tour of **Sultanahmet district** (old historic Istanbul).
- Visit **Hippodrome**, the sporting and social centre of Byzantine life for over 1000 years; where chariot races, court ceremonies, coronations and parades took place. Tour the remains of Egyptian Obelisk, Serpentine Column, the Column of Constantine Porphyrogenitus and the Kaiser Wilhelm II Fountain.
- Visit the **Basilica Cistern** (Yerebatan Sarayi), also known as the “Sunken Palace” which was constructed in 532AD. It is one of the hundreds of ancient cisterns hidden underneath the streets and houses of Istanbul. It has appeared in many movies like that of James Bond, Jackie Chan and many more.
- Visit the **Sultanahmet Mosque**, one of the largest religious complex and icon of Istanbul. It is also known as

**Blue Mosque** because of the blue Iznik tiles used to decorate the walls of the interior.

- Visit **St. Sophia Church Museum**, constructed by Emperor Justinian as a church in the 6th century, which was converted to a mosque in 1453 and subsequently into a museum by Ataturk.
- After lunch, the afternoon is free at leisure
- Dinner and overnight in Istanbul  
*Lunch / Dinner*

### DAY 3

#### ISTANBUL (TULIP GARDEN) - CANAKKALE

- Visit **Emirgan Park** for the annual Tulip Festival (Spreading over more than 100 acres of land and boasting an extensive variety of flora and fauna, Emirgan Park is especially well known for its vibrant collection of tulips, which appear on mass every April during the Istanbul Tulip Festival)
- Free time to stroll in the park, take picture with the tulips display or enjoy performances by local music band
- After lunch, drive approximately 4.5 hours to **Eceabat**.
- Cross the **Dardanelles** in an approximately 30 minutes' car ferry ride to **Canakkale** for the night.  
*Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner*

### DAY 4

#### CANAKKALE - TROY – PERGAMON - KUSADASI

- Visit the ruins of ancient **Troy** (dated since 3000 BC). Before its discovery in 1863, people assumed that Homer's Iliad was fiction, and that Troy (Truva in Turkish) never existed.

- Picture taking with the iconic **Trojan Horse**.

- Approximately 2 hours' drive to **Bergama**.
- Ascend by **cable-car** to the site of **ancient Pergamum**, renowned in Hellenic and Roman times for its great library and as the medical centre where Galen laid the foundation for medical practice.
- Walking tour of the ruins of the **Acropolis**.
- Approximately 3 hours' drive to the Aegean coastal town of **Kusadasi**.  
*Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner*

### DAY 5

#### KUSADASI - SELCUK - PAMUKKALE

- Approximately 30 minutes' drive to the town of **Selcuk**.
- Visit a famous **leather showroom** where you have a chance to purchase some of Turkey's finest leather products.
- Walking tour of the marble city of **Ancient Ephesus**, one of largest and most outstanding archaeological site in existence.
- Visit the **House of Virgin Mary**, the final resting place of Virgin Mary, the mother of Jesus Christ.
- After lunch, drive approximately 3.5 hours to **Pamukkale**, another major attraction of Turkey, well known for “**Cotton Castle**”, a cliff of travertine and pools formed by hot calcium laden waters that spring from the earth and cascade over the cliff.  
*Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner*

### DAY 6



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## **PAMUKKALE - KONYA - CAPPADOCIA**

- Tour the **travertine** and enjoy dipping your feet in the thermal pools.
- Visit the ancient Roman “spa city” - **Hierapolis**.

• Depart for Konya, the famous old capital city of the Seljuk Turks.

• Visit the **Mausoleum of Mevlana**, a great philosopher, poet and the father of the Mevlevi Order (Whirling Dervishes).

• Visit **Sultanhani**, a prime example of the Seljuk Turkish caravanserai.

• Continue to **Cappadocia** - “The Land of Beautiful Horses”, a region covered with volcanic lava that eroded over millions of years, sculpting it into one of the most beautiful landscapes in the world.

*Breakfast | Fish Lunch | Dinner*

## **DAY 7 CAPPADOCIA**

• Enjoy a full day’s tour of **Cappadocia**.

• Visit **Goreme Valley**, a region created from erosion of volcanic rocks with the iconic “Fairy Chimney”.

• Visit **Goreme Open Air Museum**, a compound of rock cut churches since 6th century.

• Visit **Uchisar** (an old village) consisting small dwellings carved into huge rock.

• Picture stop and viewing of the **Uchisar Castle**.

• Picture stop at **Monks Valley** (Pasabag) and Honey Valley, one of the most picturesque spots of Cappadocia.

• Picture stop at **Imaginary Valley** (Devrent) to view more lunar landscape and rock formations.

• Visit **Avanos ceramic & pottery showroom**, a chance to learn the making of handmade ceramic arts.

• Enjoy a local specialty lunch – pottery kebab.

• Visit **Turkish carpet showroom**, a chance to witness the making of the famous Turkish carpets.

• Visit Cappadocia’s famous Turkish jeweller where you can admire the fine work of Turkish craftsmen.

• Visit **Underground Cities** – these are amusing and mysterious underground settlements which have existed since the Bronze Age.

• After dinner, proceed to a cave restaurant for an exotic night of **Belly dancing and folklore**.

*Breakfast | Lunch | Chinese Dinner*

## **DAY 8 CAPPADOCIA (FREE DAY)**

• After breakfast, the day is free at leisure. There are a lot more to offer in Cappadocia than just beautiful landscape. You may wish to pick up some exciting and adventurous optional activities like the hot air balloon, jeep safari or quad biking off the beaten track?

*Breakfast | Pottery Kebab Lunch | Dinner*

*Recommended Optional Tour:*

1. *Sunrise Hot Air Balloon Tour over Cappadocia*

2. *Off Road Jeep Safari Adventure*

## **DAY 9 CAPPADOCIA - ANKARA - SAFRANBOLU**

• Approximately 4 hours’ drive to **Ankara**, the capital of Turkey.

• Picture stop at **Lake Tuz** (or Salt Lake, the second largest lake in of Turkey).

• Visit **Ataturk Mausoleum** (the final resting place of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk - “Father of modern Turkey”).

• Continue to another of Turkey’s UNESCO Heritage town - **Safranbolu**. There are about 1008 monuments of historic interest rooted in this beautiful old town filled with “Ottoman” atmosphere.

*Breakfast | Lunch - Chinese | Dinner*

## **DAY 10 SAFRANBOLU - ISTANBUL**

• Embark on a city tour of **Safranbolu**.

• Visit **Hidirlik Hill** to catch a panoramic view of the castle, clock tower and old houses

• A walking tour through the old town, **Cinci Inn, Cinci Bath, Arasta Bazaar, Koprulu Mosque and see The Sundial Clock, Old Government Building and Clock Tower**.

• Visit a local Turkish delight shop.

• After lunch, take an approximately 5 hours’ drive back to **Istanbul** where you will spend the next 2 nights.

*Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner – Chinese*

## **DAY 11 ISTANBUL**

• Enjoy a leisure cruise on the famous **Bosphorus River** that separates Asia and Europe continent.

• Visit **Topkapi Palace**, one of the major residences of the Ottoman Sultans for nearly 400 years

• After lunch, it’s shopping time at the 500 years old **Grand Bazaar**, one of the largest and oldest covered markets in the world, with 61 covered streets and over 4,000 shops. (Closed on Sunday and religious holidays)

• Proceed to **Taksim** area to see the city’s most popular strolling, shopping and snacking street. You may wish to take a short ride on the vintage tram or walk through the historic Beyoglu district.

• Enjoy a seafood dinner at the famous **Kumkapi Fish Market**.

*Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner*

## **DAY 12 ISTANBUL – SINGAPORE**

• Free at your own leisure.

• Transfer to airport for onwards flight.

*Breakfast*

## **DAY 13 ARRIVE SINGAPORE**

We hope that you have had an enjoyable vacation with Dynasty Travel and look forward to bring you to your next holiday destination.

**Note:** The sequence of the itinerary is subject to change without prior notice. During major conferences, fairs and festivals, accommodation may be located outside the city or in an alternate city without prior notice.

### **Flight Details:**

TK55 SIN-IST 2325 / 0525 (11hr 35min)

TK54 IST-SIN 0200 / 1750 (10hr 50min)

### **Hotel Information:**

1nt Istanbul: Movenpick Istanbul or similar 5\*

1nt Canakkale: Kolin Hotel or similar local 5\*

1nt Kusadasi: Charisma Deluxe or sim local 5\*

1nt Pamukkale: Doga Termal or sim 5\*

3nts Cappadocia: Goreme Kaya or sim Cave Hotel

1nt Safranbolu: Hilton Garden Inn or sim 4\*

2nts Istanbul: Movenpick Istanbul or similar 5\*