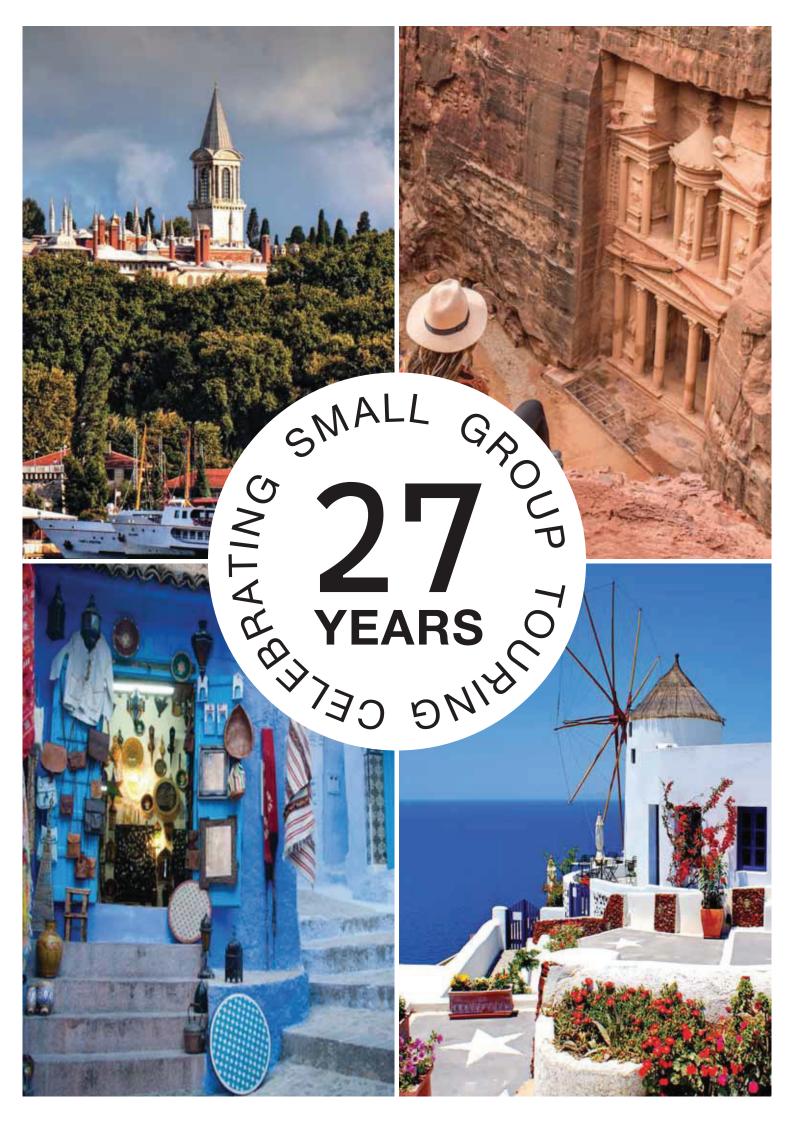


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### Our Experience

We've been around since 1997 and so we know the ropes and all the small things that help to make a tour great. When you book with us you have the peace of mind of knowing that we operate our own group tours - we hire our own guides and operate using our own vehicles and so we control our tour quality. We know every town we stop in like the back of our hand. This means we know the best places to stay, the best places to eat, and the best places to go in your free time.



### Quality and Value for Money

At every step of the way we aim to offer you great value for money. We have worked hard to get all of the ingredients that make up a great tour just right so that you have the best possible experience. All year round we check the quality of our suppliers, and we take a continuous improvement approach to all that we do, and constantly refine our itineraries and suppliers based on guest feedback.



### Small Groups

We believe that you can't really get to know a country if you are travelling in a really large group, and so our groups (with the exception of ANZAC Day tours) have a maximum size of 20 people. This gives you more flexibility when travelling, and more chances to learn more about local culture and traditions.



### Guaranteed departures

Our tours are guaranteed to depart, this means that they will depart regardless of how many people are booked. We don't cancel after you have booked and leave you with non-refundable flight tickets!

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### Our team

From our tour guides to our drivers and operation staff, we believe a good team is the key to a great tour. We employ a mix of staff who all love to travel, and who have broad experience across all aspects of the travel industry. We also invest in continuously developing our people. We have a large team on the ground to support our operations. The success of Fez is a direct result of the loyalty and dedication that our team has demonstrated over the years.

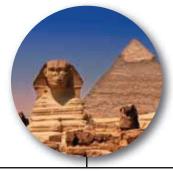


Our guides
We know that your tour guide is the difference between a good and a great trip, and so we carefully select our guides for their passion and knowledge and continually provide them with professional development. All of our guides have studied subjects such as archaeology, history and mythology at university and are passionate about showing their country to visitors



### Our vehicles

Unlike many tour operators, the bulk of our tours are operated using our own fleet of vehicles. This is because safety is important to us and so we prefer to directly manage the maintenance of our vehicles and the training of our drivers. Our fleet is modern, with our oldest vehicle being just 2 years old. If your group is up to 12 people, your vehicle is most likely to be a comfortable mini-bus such as a Mercedes Sprinter. For groups larger than this we move to a full size coach so there is plenty of room for you to spread out and enjoy your



### Our hotels

We have a vast range of hotels that have been carefully handpicked by our team, and we review these all year round to ensure they continue to provide our guests with a comfortable stay. While the bulk of our range are moderate 4 star hotels or an equivalent standard we always try to strike the perfect balance between location, comfort and character. In tours we emphasise more on character and traditional style hotels, and wherever possible we prefer to support family-run



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10 - 24

Sep

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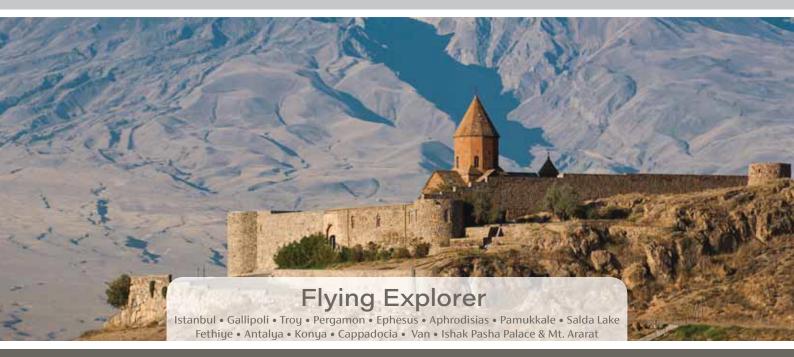
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### 17 Days AUD 5585

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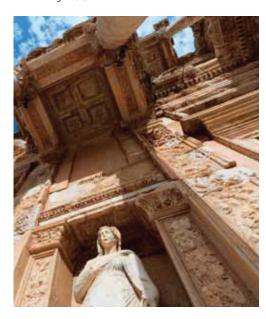
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Early morning departure to the nation's capital, Ankara where we visit Anitkabir, mausoleum of the famed Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, before returning to Istanbul.

Overnight Istanbul (B)

### Day 8 Monday Istanbul

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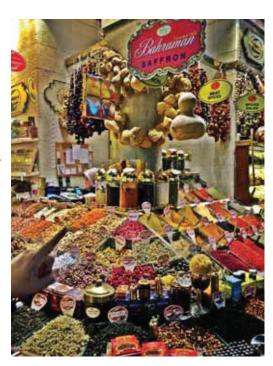
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### 7 Days aud **2099**

### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

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- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 6 nights accommodation
- ► 6 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- Suggested optional activities
- Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

Jan 01 - 08 - 15 - 22 - 29 Feb 05 - 12 - 19 - 26 Mar 04 - 11 - 18 - 25 Apr 01 - 08 - 15 - 22 - 29 May 06 - 13 - 20 - 27 Jun 03 - 10 - 17 - 24 Jul 01 - 08 - 15 - 22 - 29 Aug 05 - 12 - 19 - 26 Sep 02 - 09 - 16 - 23 - 30 Oc 07 - 14 - 21 - 28 Nov 04 - 11 - 18 - 25

### **Prices**

Twin Share AUD 2099
Single Room AUD 2755



### 12 Days aud **3799**

### TOUR OVERVIEW

#### Tour includes

- ► Inbound Airport Transfer Istanbul
- ► Outbound Airport Transfer Istanbul
- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Domestic flight between Cappadocia and Istanbul and transfers
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 11 nights accommodation
- ► 11 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

Jan 13 - 27

Feb 10 - 24

Mar 09 - 20

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May 11 - 25

Jun 08 - 22

Jul 06 - 22

Sep 14 - 28

Oct 12 - 26

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### Prices

Twin Share AUD 3799

Single Room AUD 4919

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Overnight Istanbul

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### Overnight Kusadasi (B, D)

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### Day 7 Friday Laodacia, Antalya

After breakfast we head for the resort town of Antalya, stopping along the way to visit isit the Laodicea which was the chief city of the Lycus River Valley region. The full name of the city was Laodicea ad Lyceum (Laodicea on the Lycus). The city was originally known as Diospolis ("the City of Zeus"). The Greek deity considered to be the greatest of the Olympian gods. Then, we will head to resort town, Antalya. We will visit Antalya Arecheological Museum in the afternoon. Overnight Antalya (B)

### Day 8 Saturday Perge, Aspendos

Full day tour of the ancient ruins of Perge and Aspendos. In Aspendos, you can see the Roman Theatre built in the 2nd century and seating 15,000 people. Side is one of the best classical sites in Turkey with its Temple of Apollo and ancient ruins. Overnight Antalya (B)

### Day 9 Sunday Antalya, Cappadocia

Today we travel to Cappadocia, through the central part of the country, visiting Sultanhani Caravansary and the Mevlana museum in Konya along the way.

Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)

### Day 10 Monday Cappadocia

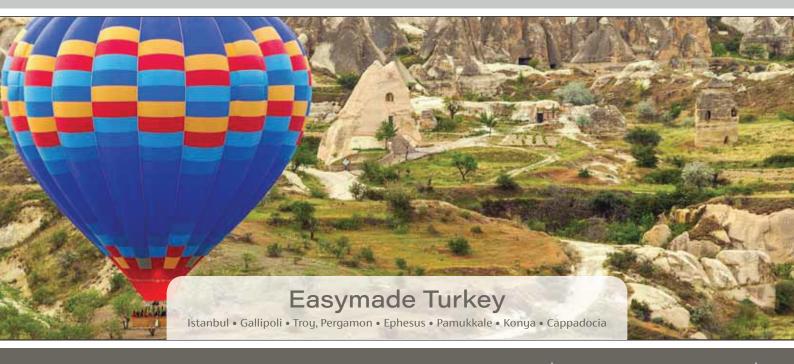
Today we will visit Pigeon and Red Valley and then we visit Cavusin village and lastly Avanos town where we will learn about hand-made pottery

Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)

# Day 11 Tuesday Goreme, Underground City, Istanbul Marvel at the lunar landscape of Cappadocia today as we visit the Goreme Valley Open Air Museum and the fairy chimneys, and explore the many levels of an underground city. Then, we will head to airport for an evening flight to

### Istanbul. Overnight Istanbul (B) **Day 12 Wednesday Istanbul**

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Overnight Kusadasi (B, D)

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Overnight Pamukkale (B, D)

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### Day 8 Saturday Cappadocia, Goreme, Underground City

Marvel at the lunar landscape of Cappadocia today as we visit the Goreme Valley Open Air Museum and the fairy chimneys, and explore the many levels of an underground city. Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)



### Day 9 Sunday Cappadocia, Istanbul

We will explore Mustafapasa (Sinasos), a former Greek village. You will see Greek Orthodox architecture samples and continue to Gomeda Valley. Here you will be able to see churches carved into rocks, shelters, vineyards and underground city. Finally, we will visit Sobeses ancient city with its unique geometric mozaic floors. Then we will take a flight to Istanbul. Overnight Istanbul (B)

### Day 10 Monday Istanbul

After breakfast our tour concludes and we say goodbye to our new friends and are transferred to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



### 10 Days aud **3205**

### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

- ► Inbound Airport Transfer Istanbul
- Outbound Airport Transfer Istanbul
- ➤ Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Domestic flight between Cappadocia and
- ► Istanbul and transfers
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 9 nights accommodation
- ► 9 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

Jan 06 - 13 - 20 - 27
Feb 03 - 10 - 17 - 24
Mar 02 - 09 - 16 - 23 - 30
Apr 06 - 13 - 20 - 27
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Jun 01 - 08 - 15 - 22 - 29
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Aug 03 - 10 - 17 - 24 - 31
Sep 07 - 14 - 21 - 28
Oct 05 - 12 - 19 - 26
Nov 02 - 09 - 16 - 23 - 30
Dec 07 - 14 - 21 - 28

### Prices

Twin Share AUD 3205
Single Room AUD 4139



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- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- ➤ Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide Entrance fees
- ► 10 nights accommodation
- ► 10 Breakfasts, 7 Dinners
- ► Wine Tasting
- ► Bosphorus Cruise
- ► Domestic flight between Istanbul and Cappadocia and transfers

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### **Departure Dates**

Mar 15 - 29

Apr 12 - 26

May 10 - 24

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Oct 11 - 25 Nov 08 - 22

### Prices

Twin Share AUD

AUD **3319** 

Single Room AUD 4339

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Tour the exotic city that spans both Europe and Asia visiting the Topkapi Palace (including Hagia Irene and the Harem), Blue Mosque, St Sophia Museum and the Hippodrome.

### Day 3 Saturday Ankara, Cappadocia

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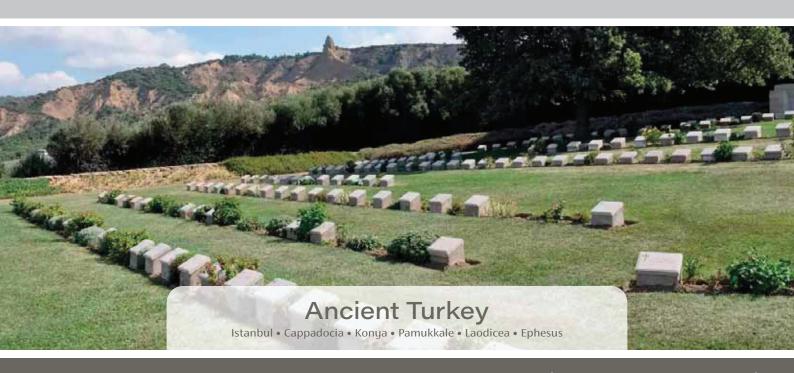
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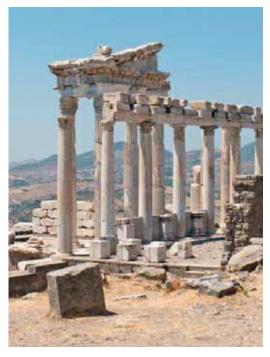
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# 9 Days

### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

- ► Inbound Airport Transfer Istanbul
- Outbound Kusadasi Adnan Menderes Airport (ADB)
- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 8 nights accommodation
- ► 8 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners
- ► Wine Tasting
- ► Bosphorus Cruise
- ➤ Domestic flight between Istanbul and Cappadocia and transfers

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### Departure Dates

Mar 15 - 29 Apr 12 - 26 May 10 - 24 Jun 07 - 21 Jul 05 - 19

Aug 02 - 16 - 30 Sep 13 - 27

Nov 08 - 22

### Prices

Twin Share AUD 2759

Single Room AUD 3599



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- ➤ Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- ➤ Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Domestic flight between Denizli and
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 7 nights accommodation
- ► 7 Breakfasts, 4 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

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### Low Season

Twin Share AUD 2299
Single Room AUD 2899
01 Jan 2024 - 15 Mar 2024

### High Season

Twin Share AUD 2575
Single Room AUD 3315
16 Mar 2024 - 31 Dec 2024

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### Day 7 Friday Istanbul

Today you head back to Istanbul. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight and be back in Istanbul, where you will be met and transferred to your hotel in time for a bit of last minute shopping or exploring. Overnight Istanbul (B) Day 8 Saturday Istanbul

After breakfast our tour concludes and we say goodbye to our new friends and are transferred to the airport for your onward flight. [B]











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### **Day 7 Friday Marmaris**

After breakfast you will be transferred to Marmaris and our tour concludes upon arrival in Marmaris at approximately 12:00, midday. (B)

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### 7 Days aud **2135**

### TOUR OVERVIEW

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- ► Professional English-speaking tour quide for the duration of the tour
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 6 nights accommodation
- ► 6 Breakfasts, 4 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

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Feb 03 - 10 - 17 - 24
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Nov 02 - 09 - 16 - 23 - 30
Dec 07 - 14 - 21 - 28

### Prices

Twin Share AUD 2135

Single Room AUD 2791



### 13 Days aud **2529**

TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ightharpoonup Transportation by Gulet boat
- ► Wine Tasting 3 local wines
- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide on the land section of the tour
- ► Tips except Captain and Gulet crew
- ► Services of Captain and supporting crew
- ► 12 nights accommodation
- ► 12 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 5 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Entrance fees
- ►7 nights accommodation
- ►7 Breakfasts, 4 Dinners

### **Departure Dates**

May 02 - 06 - 09 - 13 - 16 - 20 - 23 - 27 - 30

Jun 03 - 06 - 10 - 17 - 24

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Aug 05 - 12 - 19 - 26

Sep 02 - 09 - 12 - 16 - 19 - 23 - 26 - 30

Oct 03 - 07 - 10 - 14

### Low Season

Twin Share AUD 2529
Single Room AUD 3415

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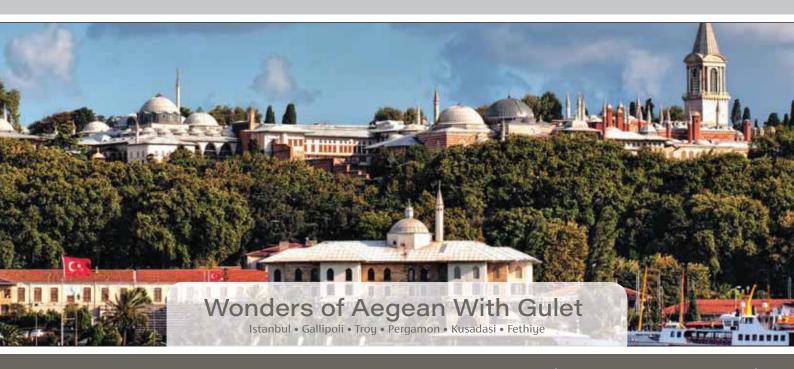
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### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
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- ► Wine Tasting 3 local wines
- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide on the land section of the tour
- ► Tips except Captain and Gulet crew
- ► Services of Captain and supporting crew
- ► 8 nights accommodation
- ► 8 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 4 Dinners

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- ► Suggested optional activities
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### **Departure Dates**

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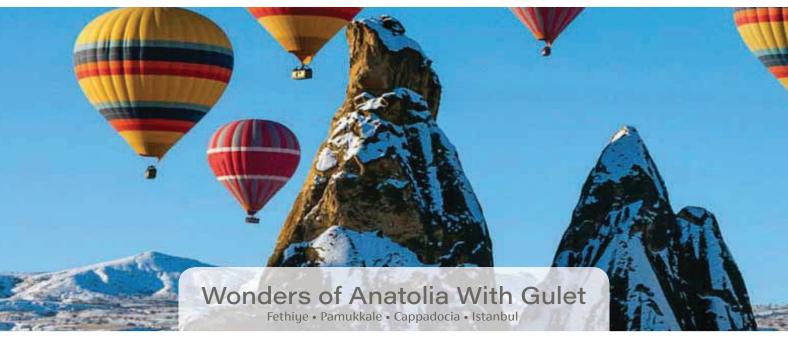
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After breakfast we head for the resort town of Antalya, stopping along the way to visit isit the Laodicea which was the chief city of the Lycus River Valley region. The full name of the city was Laodicea ad Lyceum (Laodicea on the Lycus). The city was originally known as Diospolis ("the City of Zeus"). The Greek deity considered to be the greatest of the Olympian gods. Then, we will head to resort town, Antalya. We will visit Antalya Arecheological Museum in the afternoon. Overnight Antalya (B) Day 8 Tuesday 30th April Perge, Aspendos
Full day tour of the ancient ruins of Perge and Aspendos. In Aspendos, you can see the Roman Theatre built in the 2nd century and seating 15,000 people. Side is one of the best classical sites in Turkey with its Temple of Apollo and ancient

ruins. Overnight Antalya (B) **Day 9 Wednesday 1st May Antalya, Cappadocia**Today we fly to Cappadocia, over the central part of the country.
The remainder of the day is free time to explore.
Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)

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Today we will visit Pigeon and Red Valley and then we visit Cavusin village and lastly Avanos town where we will learn about hand-made pottery Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)

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### 13 Days aud **4699**

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- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Domestic flight between Cappadocia and Istanbul and transfers
- Domestic flight between Antalya and Cappadocia (possibly via Istanbul) and transfers
- ► Entrance fees
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- ► 12 nights accommodation
- ► 12 Breakfasts, 7 Dinners

### Tour does not include

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### **Departure Dates**

23 Apr 2024

### **Prices**

Twin Share AUD **4699** 

Single Room AUD 5799



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### 5 Days aud **1689**

### TOUR OVERVIEW

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- Outbound Airport Transfer Istanbu
- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- Entrance fees
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- 4 nights accommodation
- ► 4 breakfast

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- Tips Driver and Guide
- Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

23 Apr 2024

### **Prices**

Twin Share AUD 1689
Single Room AUD 2115







### 5 Days aud **1445**

TOUR OVERVIEW

#### Tour includes

- ► Inbound Airport Transfer Istanbul
- ► Professional English-speaking local tour guides at each site
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► 1915 Çanakkale Bridge Toll
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 4 nights accommodation
- ► 4 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

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 01 - 05 - 08 - 12 - 15 - 19 - 22 - 26 - 29

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### Day 3 Istanbul - Troy Tour

We depart along the coast of the Sea of Marmara, crossing the Dardanelles on the new 1915 Canakkale Bridge, the world's longest suspension bridge, for our afternoon tour of Troy. After visiting the newly built Troy Museum, we step back in time today as we visit Troy, famous for the legendary Trojan Horse from the times of beautiful Helen, the Queen of Sparta, and Paris, the Trojan Prince. Overnight Çanakkale (B, D)

### Day 4 Gallipoli Battlefields - Istanbul

This morning we then depart for our tour of Gallipoli. The World War I battlefields of Gallipoli are now a serene site. Visit the Lone Pine Australian Memorial and Chunuk Bair New Zealand Memorial, ANZAC Cove, Brighton Beach, Beach Cemetery, Ari Burnu Cemetery, Johnston's Jolly (where you'll visit original Allied and Turkish trenches and tunnels), 57th Regiment Turkish Memorial and The Nek. Return to Istanbul. Overnight Istanbul (B)

### Day 5 Istanbul

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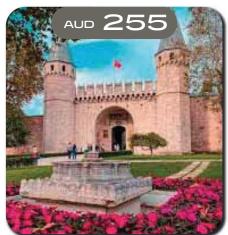


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### **Day Tours**

### Istanbul Classic



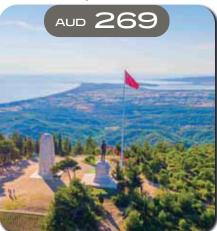
St. Sophia, Blue Mosque, Topkapi Palace & underground cistern...

### Istanbul Two Continents



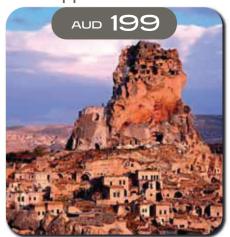
Bosphorous Cruise, Spice Bazaar, Beylerbeyi Palace, Bosphorous Bridge ....

### Gallipoli Tour



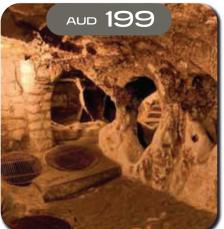
Lone Pine, Chunuk Bair, ANZAC Cove, Beach Cemetery, Johnston's Jolly...

### Cappadocia North



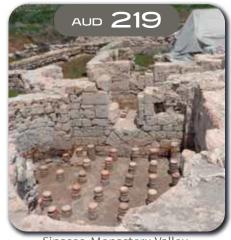
Esentepe, Uchisar, Goreme open-air museum, Ortahisar Castle...

### Cappadocia South



Pigeon & Red Valley, underground city, Cavusin Village and Avanos...

### Sinasos Tour



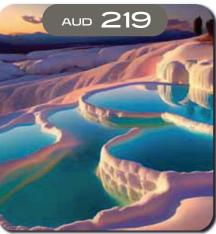
Sinasos, Monastery Valley, Sobessos, Soganli Valley...

### **Ephesus**



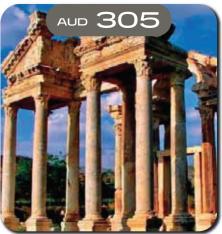
Ancient city of Ephesus & Sirince Village

### Pamukkale



Pamukkale travertines & Hierapolis

### Laodicea & Aphrodisias



Ancient city of Laodicea & Aphrodisias



4 Days aud **1459** 

Twin AUD 1459

Single AUD 1835

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**TOUR OVERVIEW** 

## 6 Days

Twin AUD **211**9

Single AUD 2679

#### Day 1 Sunday Van

On arrival to Van Airport, you will meet with your tour guide. Before we go to our hotel, we will explore the Citadel with its three thousand Urartian fortress of Van and witness the extraordinary sunset. Overnight Van

### Day 2 Monday Van, Akdamar Island

After breakfast, we will travel by ferry stopping at Akdamar Island to see a spectacular 10th century church built by an Armenian king, if there is time swim in Lake Van. Then, we will drive back to city centre to visit the largest Urartu Museum in the World. Artifacts from the Paleolithic, Neolithic, Chalcolithic, Urartian, Persian, Roman, Byzantine, Islamic, Seljuk, Turkish-Islamic, and Ottoman Periods are exhibited in chronological order taking our visitors on a unique historical journey. After the museum visit Van Cat House. Van cats are relatively large, have a chalky white coat, sometimes with ruddy coloration on the head and hindquarters, and have blue, amber eyes or one eye of each colour. This variety has been referred to as "the swimming cat", and has been observed to swim in Lake Van.

### Day 3 Tuesday Van, Dogubayazit, Ararat, Istanbul

Today we leave for Dogubayazit via Muradiye and the Bendimaahi Falls. In Dogubayazit, we visit the spectacular Ishak Pasha Palace, 1685 - 1784, which has a unique fusion of architecture from Seljuk, Ottoman, Georgian, and Armenian - Persian styles. In the afternoon we skirt around the western edge of Mt Ararat. Mt. Ararat is one of the great natural spectacles of the world. The name Ararat derives from the Bible (Jeremiah 51:27) and is a transliteration of 'Urartu' the name foreigners gave to this region and its inhabitants in Biblical times. Finally we arrive at Igdir Airport for our flight to Istanbul. Overnight Istanbul (B)

### Day 4 Wednesday Istanbul

After breakfast our tour concludes and we say goodbye to our new friends and are transferred to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

### Tour includes

- ► Inbound Airport Transfer Van
- ► Outbound Airport Transfer Istanbul
- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Domestic flight between Igdir / Kars and Istanbul transfers
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 3/5 nights accommodation
- ► 3/5 breakfast

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

Jan 07 - 14 - 21 - 28
Feb 04 - 11 - 18 - 25
Mar 03 - 10 - 17 - 24 - 31
Apr 07 - 14 - 21 - 28
May 05 - 12 - 19 - 26
Jun 02 - 09 - 16 - 23 - 30
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### Day 4 Wednesday Kars, Ani

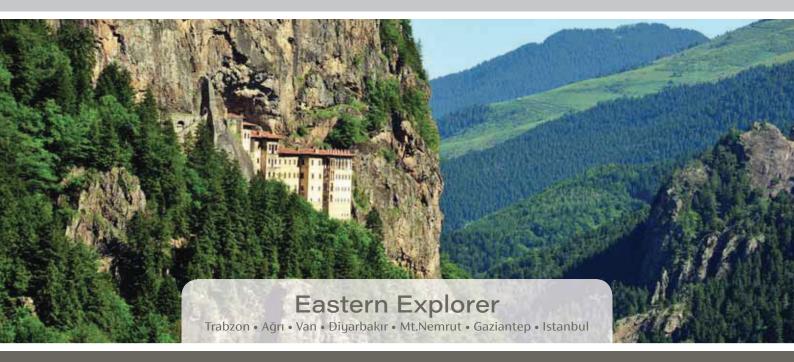
This morning we journey to the site of Ani, the former capital of the Armenian kingdom. In the mid 10th century, nothing in Europe could rival this capital of the Armenian kingdom in terms of either size or magnificence. The remains of the ruined city include several churches as well as the shell of the Cathedral of Ani, the citadel and a mosque. There are also some exciting remains of frescoes in the Church of St Gregory (Tigran Honentz) despite having been exposed to the elements for centuries. Afternoon, we will visit 12 Aposotles Church and Kars Castle. Overnight Kars (B)

### Day 5 Thursday Kars, Istanbul

Transfer to Kars Airport for your onward flight back to Istanbul. On arrival to Istanbul Airport, you will be transferred to your hotel. Overnight Istanbul (B)

### Day 6 Friday Istanbul

After breakfast our tour concludes and we say goodbye to our new friends and are transferred to the airport for your onward flight. [B]



TOUR OVERVIEW

#### Tour includes

- ► Inbound airport transfer Istanbul
- ► Outbound airport transfer Istanbul
- ► Professional English-speaking local tour guides at each site
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Domestic flight between Istanbul and Trabzon and transfers
- ► Domestic flight between Gaziantep and Istanbul anad transfers
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 13 nights accommodation
- ► 3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 8 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

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May 25

Aug 24

Sep 21

Oct

### **Prices**

Twin Share AUD 7129

Single Room AUD 8929

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Day 1 Istanbul
Welcome to Istanbul! You will be transferred to your hotel and
the remainder of the day is yours, free to explore.
Overnight Istanbul
Day 2 Trabzon, Hopa

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Overnight Istanbul

Day 2 Trabzon, Hopa

This morning you'll transferred to the airport for yor flight to Trabzon. Once in Trabzon, we visit the 14th-century Byzantine church of Hagia Sophia, perched majestically overlooking the Black Sea. Then, delve into the serene ambiance of Altindere National Park to explore the cliff-side monastery of the Virgin Mary at Sumela. Following this spiritual journey, our path winds along the captivating Black Sea coast, offering breathtaking views, until we reach Hopa near the Georgian border.

Overnight Hopa [B, D]

Day 3 Artvin, Ishan, Erzurum

Our journey continues from Hopa as we set forth towards Erzurum, traversing through the picturesque landscapes of Artvin, Ishan, and the awe-inspiring Georgian Valleys. Along this route, nature unveils its breathtaking beauty, treating us to spectacular vistas and scenic wonders that will undoubtedly leave a lasting impression on our adventure.

Overnight Erzurum (B, D)

Day 4 Kars, Ani

Prepare for a day filled with discovery in Erzurum before we head towards Kars. Our departure takes us through the captivating Aras River valley, passing by the poignant First World War battlefield site of Sarikamis. Upon arrival in Kars, our itinerary unfolds with an exploration of the ancient Armenian city of Ani, situated along the Arpacay River. This remarkable city is adorned with ancient ruins and steeped in historical significance.

Overnight Kars (B, D)

Day 5 Int Ararat, Dogubayazit, Van

Continuing our expedition, we journey towards Dogubayazit, tracing past the iconic Biblical Mount Ararat. Our visit includes the splendid Ishak Pasha Palace, an architectural gem steeped in history and cultural significance. Our voyage then leads us to the enchanting city of Van, where we'll settle for the night.

Overnight Van (B)

Day 6 Van, Lake Van, Akdamar Island

Embark on a day of exploration in the Van region, commencing with a visit to the 17th-century fortress at Hosap, a strategic landmark along

discover the historic 10th-century Church of the Holy Cross, an architectural treasure adorned with intricate reliefs, offering a glimpse into the region's rich cultural and religious heritage. Overnight Van (B, L) Day 7 Tatvan, Nemrut Crater Lake
Our journey progresses from Van along Lake Van's southern shore, leading us to Tatvan. From there, we'll venture to witness the impressive Volcano Crater of Nemrut, a natural marvel. Continuing our exploration, we'll visit the Seljuk monuments of Ahlat, significant remnants from the Seljuk era, offering insight into the region's historical and architectural legacy. Overnight Tatvan (B, D) Day 8 Batman, Hasankeyf, Mardin
Our journey proceeds via Bitlis, traversing the picturesque Bitlis Gorge and passing through the city of Batman, leading us to Hasankeyf, poised for submersion under the lake formed by a new dam on the Tigris, offers a glimpse into its history through its caves and remnants of the medieval Byzantine city. Continuing our westward route towards Mardin, we'll pause in Midyal to explore its captivating Silver Bazaar. Upon arriving in Mardin, our timerary includes a visit to the Kasimiye Medrese, an architectural gem steeped in history that stands as a testament to the region's cultural richness and scholarly heritage.



Day 9 Mardin, Diyarbakir
Following breakfast, our itinerary leads us to the iconic Deir-Al-Zafaran [Saffron Monastery] which historically served as the core of the Syriac Christian Patriarchy. This ancient site holds centuries of religious significance, originally constructed over a 1000 BC temple dedicated to sun worship. Remarkably, the monastery's main buildings are situated upon the foundations of this ancient sun temple, showcasing a captivating architectural fusion highlighted by a distinctive flat arch roof. Subsequently, we'll journey northwest from Mardin to Diyarbakir, where our sightseeing includes a visit to the 10 Arches Bridge spanning the majestic Tigris River. This historical bridge stands as a testament to ancient engineering and serves as a cultural landmark. Overnight Diyarbakir (B. D)

Day 10 Mt. Nemust
Commence the day with sightseeing in Diyarbakir, beginning with a visit to the Ulu Cami [Mar Thoma], a significant religious site encompassing both a mosque and a church. Subsequently, our journey proceeds as we depart for Nemrut via a ferry crossing over the Euphrates River, reaching Narlice Village in Nemrut National Park. Upon arrival, we'll ascend Mount Nemrut to explore the awe-inspiring Iombs of the Commagene Kingdom and the monumental Colossal Statues of Gods. Climbing further to the Turnulus of Antiochos, the capital of Kommagene, we'll witness the mesmerizing sunset from the summit of Nemrut. This ancient funerary monument atop Mount Nemrut, lost and forgotten for nearly two millennia, stands as a testament to history and offers a breathtaking vista that captures the essence of time and memory. Overnight Mt. Nemrut (B, D)

Day 11 Sanliurfa, Göbekil Tepe
Following breakfast, we continue towards Sanliurfa, with an extraordinary stop at Göbekil Tepe
Following breakfast, to doble the Promise Rusing back approximately 11,000 to 13,000 years, preceding the advent of pottery, writing, Stonehenge, and even the Pyramids! In the afternoon, our journey returns to Sanliurfa, where we'll visit th









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### Day 2 Istanbul Old City

After breakfast, you enjoy a fully guided tour of the only city to span two continents, visiting the Topkapi Palace (including Hagia Irene), Blue Mosque, Hippodrome, St Sophia Museum and the Grand Bazaar.

Overnight Istanbul (B)

### Day 3 Istanbul to Ephesus

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Izmir. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel in Kusadasi. We will then have a guided tour, visiting the site of Temple of Artemis, one of the Seven Wonders of the ancient world, and the ancient city of Ephesus. See the stadium where chariot and horse races were once held. Afterwards we experience some Turkish handicrafts. Your last visit will be the mountain village of Sirince, famous for its fruit wines that you can sample. Overnight Kusadasi [B]

### Day 4 Pamukkale

After breakfast, you will visit Pamukkale, calcium terraces and Hierapolis, including magnificently preserved necropolis, the main street, gates, the thermal baths, the Greco Roman theatre and the Basilica of St. Philippe. Swim in a therapeutic bath of hot spring mineral waters Overnight Kusadasi (B)

### Day 5 Kusadasi to Cappadocia

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Izmir airport for flight to Cappadocia. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel Overnight Cappadocia (B)

### Day 6 Cappadocia

Optional Hot Air Balloon flight will be available this morning. We will visit Goreme Open air museum, Uchisar Castle, Devrent Valley and the fairy chimneys. Overnight Cappadocia (B)

### Day 7 Cappadocia

This morning, we head to Pigeon Valley and then Red Valley. After visiting the cave churches and the village of Cavusin we head to Kaymakli Underground City, the biggest in the region. Overnight Cappadocia (B)

### Day 8 Cappadocia to Istanbul

After your breakfast, transferred to the airport for your flight to Istanbul where our services conclude. (B)

### 8 Days aud **3629**

### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

- ► Inbound Airport Transfer Istanbul
- ► Professional English-speaking local tour guides at each site
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ➤ Domestic flight between Istanbul and Izmir and transfers
- ► Domestic flight between Izmir and Cappadocia and transfers
- ► Domestic flight between Cappadocia and Istanbul and transfers
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 7 nights accommodation
- ► 7 breakfast

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

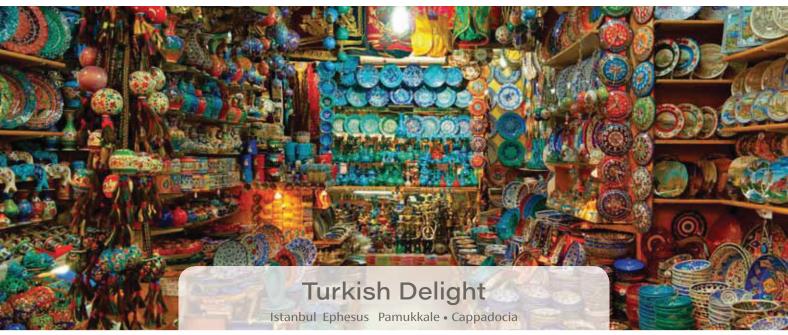
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Where the product includes accommodation, Single travellers must pay Single Supplement (S.S.).

### Prices

Twin Share AUD 3629

Single Room AUD 4719



### 9 Days aud **4029**

TOUR OVERVIEW

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- ► Inbound Airport Transfer Istanbul
- ► Professional English-speaking local tour guides at each site
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Domestic flight between Istanbul and Cappadocia and transfers
- ➤ Domestic flight between Cappadocia and Izmir and transfers
- ➤ Domestic flight between Izmir and
  Istanbul and transfers Bosphorus Cruise
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 8 nights accommodation
- ►8 breakfast

### Tour does not include

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- ► Tips Driver and Guide
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### **Prices**

Twin Share AUD 4029

Single Roomaud 5255

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### Overnight Istanbul

### Day 2 Istanbul Old City

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### Day 3 Bosphorus Cruise, Spice Bazaar, Asian Side of Istanbul

After breakfast, we will visit Spice Bazaar and cruise along the Bosphorus and sailing between Europe and Asia. After lunch, we will visit Asian side of Istanbul, Beylerbeyi Palace and Camlica Hill. Overnight Istanbul [B]

### Day 4 Cappadocia

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### Day 9 İstanbul

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### Tour includes

- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned,
- ► Transportation by Gulet boat
- ► Entrance fees
- ► Services of Captain and supporting crew
- ► Tips except Captain and Gulet crew
- ► Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► 14 nights accommodation
- ► 14 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches, 11 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips Captain and Gulet crew
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

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### **Prices**

Low Season

AUD 3269 Twin Share Single Room AUD 4799

27 Apr 2024 - 24 May 2024 & 28 Sep 2024 - 31 Oct 2024

Twin Share AUD 3549 Single Room AUD 5299

25 May 2024 - 21 Jun 2024 & 31 Aug 2024 - 27 Sep 2024

High Season

Twin Share AUD 3739 Single Room AUD 5639 22 Jun 2024 – 30 Aug 2024

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### Day 3 Monday Gallipoli Battlefields

One of the most emotionally touching places in Turkey, today we visit the WW1 Battlefields of Gallipoli including Lone Pine and Chunuk Bair Memorials, ANZAC Cove, The Nek, Johnston's Jolly, original trenches and tunnels.

#### Overnight Çanakkale (B, D) Day 4 Tuesday Troy, Acropolis of Pergamon

This morning, step back in time as we visit Troy, home of the famed Trojan Horse. We continue on to Bergama and catch the new cable car up to the magnificent acropolis of Pergamon. Its impressive temples and library made Pergamon a renowned cultural and political centre in its

time. Overnight Kusadasi (B, D)

### Day 5 Wednesday Ephesus, Kusadasi

Absorb yourself in history today with a guided tour of Ephesus and a visit to the site of the Temple of Artemis. Feel the mystical atmosphere of the ancient city and theatre before continuing to the former Greek village of Sirince, famous for its fruit wines. Carpet weaving has long traditions in Turkey and at the carpet village we learn how the carpets are made by hand and what determines their value. Overnight Kusadasi (B. D)

### Day 6 Thursday Pamukkale, Hierapolis, Fethiye

This morning we will enjoy a display of locally handcrafted leather goods before heading to the magnificent white calcium terraces, known as Travertines, in Pamukkale where we also tour the ancient city of Hierapolis. Take a dip, amongst ancient columns, in the hot springs that were used in Roman times for their therapeutic powers. After the tour you will be transferred to Fethiye. Overnight Fethiye (B)

Day 7 Friday Fethiye

Today is a free day to explore Fethiye. Overnight Fethiye (B)

### Day 8 Saturday Fethiye

We begin boarding the Gulet at Fethiye Harbour after 17.00pm. Relax at the pre-cruise information session. Enjoy an onboard dinner while meeting the other passengers. Overnight Fethiye - Harbour (B, D)



Day 9 Sunday Oludeniz, Butterfly Valley, St.Nicholas Island After breakfast set off along the coast of Fethiye Peninsular to Oludeniz and Butterfly Valley for visit and swim. The night is spent at St. Nicholas Island, where you can explore the ruins of a Byzantine settlement as the sun sets. Overnight St. Nicholas (Gemiler) Island (B, L, D)

Day 10 Monday Yesilkoy, Kas

An early start for Yesilkoy, where we have breakfast and time to swim in this quiet bay surrounded by olive groves. Then it's off to Kas, for a 1-2 hours visit, a small harbour town with a charming bohemian atmosphere. Afterwards, we cruise to Limanagzi Bay for another swim, dinner and overnight. Overnight Limanagzi Bay (B, L, D)

### Day 11 Tuesday Simena, Ucagiz

This morning, we cruise to Cayagzi, Demre. Optional transfer by car to Myra and St Nicholas Church (please inform your captain if you would like to visit at an extra feel.

Climb up to the castle on Simena for a spectacular view of the ancient city. Out in the bay, overlooked by a theatre carved into the rock, a single Lycian sarcophagus sits on its pedestal in the water. The night is spent in the wide bay surrounded by green hills, at nearby Ucagiz.

Overnight Üçagiz Bay (B, L, D)

Day 12 Wednesday Kekova, Tersane Bay, Gokkaya A short cruise along the Mediterranean coast to the ruins at Kekova - the Sunken City. Swim and lunch at Tersane Bay where you'll see the ruins of a Byzantine church and a Roman dockyard on the beach. Sailing to Gokkaya to spend

the night. Overnight Gökkaya Bay (B, L, D)

Day 13 Thursday Bayindir Limani, Kalkan

After breakfast, we cruise to the sheltered Firnaz Bay for a swim. We will spend 1-2 hours in Kalkan, a picturesque harbour town set on the hillside. Swim, dinner and overnight in Yesilkoy. Overnight Yesilköy (B, L, D)

Day 14 Friday Camli Burun, Boncuklu Bay, Fethiye Early start to Camli Burun, a natural bay edged with pine-clad hills, for breakfast and a swim. Then we cruise to Boncuklu Bay. Your last night on board is spent here or in Fethiye harbour, depending on the weather conditions.

Overnight Fethiye - Harbour (B, L, D)

Day 15 Saturday Fethiye

We disembark at approximately 09:00 am after breakfast. (B)

# Blue Cruises Turkey





# 8 Days

### 8 Days aud **1215**

#### Day 1 Saturday Fethiye

We begin boarding the Gulet at Fethiye Harbour after 17.00pm. Relax at the pre-cruise information session. Enjoy an onboard dinner while meeting the other passengers. Overnight Fethiye - Harbour (D)

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Overnight Fethiye - Harbour (B, L, D)

### Day 8 Saturday. Fethiye

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### Tour includes

► Services of Captain and supporting crew

TOUR OVERVIEW

- ► Tips except Captain and Gulet crew
- ► Transportation by Gulet boat
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 7 nights accommodation
- ► 7 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches, 7 Dinner

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ➤ Tins Cantain and Gulet crew
- ► Drink:
- Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

May 04 - 11 - 18 - 25 Jun 01 - 08 - 15 - 22 - 29 Jul 06 - 13 - 20 - 27 Aug 03 - 10 - 17 - 24 - 31 Sep 07 - 14 - 21 - 28

### Prices

01 May 2024 – 31 May 2024 & 01 Oct 2024 – 31 Oct 2024

Twin Share AUD 1215
Singl Roome AUD 2115

01 Jun 2024 - 30 Jun 2024 & 01 Sep 2024 - 30 Sep 2024

Twin Share AUD 1495
Singl Roome AUD 2695

01 Jul 2024 – 31 Aug 2024

Twin Share AUD 1679
Singl Roome AUD 2949

#### **Day 1 Saturday Fethiye**

We begin boarding the Gulet at Fethiye Harbour after noon. Relax at the pre-cruise information session. Enjoy an onboard dinner while meeting the other passengers. If our passengers arrive early, we will depart to Fethiye's Çiglik (Scream) Bay, Overnight Fethiye – Harbour (D)

### Day 2 Sunday Tersane Island, Panco Bay

After having breakfast, we will cruise to Tersane Island, swim and relax. Tea, dinner and fruit is served and then onto sleep overnight under the stars at Poncho Bay.

Overnight Panço Koyu (B, L, D)

### Day 3 Monday Hamam Bay, Binlik Bay

After a morning swim and breakfast we will head to Hamam Bay and anchor. After lunch we will cruise to Binlik Bay, one of the most beautiful bays of Gocek Gulf. In the evening, we will spend the night at Binlik Bay.

Overnight Binlik Bay (B, L, D)

### Day 4 Tuesday Sequence Bay, Bedri Rahmi Bay

After breakfast, we will move from Binlik Bay to Siralibuk Bay, via Sequence Bay, where you can swim at the beach. Grab an ice cream from one of the service boats before lunch and swimming at the beach. After having lunch we will cruise to Bedri Rahmi Bay, named after the famous Painter Bedri Rahmi. We will stay overnight in Bedri Rahmi Bay. Overnight Bedri Rahmi Bay (B, L, D)

**Day 5 Wednesday Gocek Harbour and Yassica Island**After breakfast at Bedi Rahmi Bay, we will cruise to Gocek
Harbour. Here we will refuel and resupply. Tea, dinner and
fruit is served on the island of Yassica where we will spend
the night. Overnight Yassica Island (B, L, D)

Day 6 Thursday Aquarium Bay and Boynuz Bay
After breakfast at Yassica island, we will move on to to
Akvaryum (Aquarium) Bay. Here we will have lunch and
swimming and the on to Boynuz Buku where dinner is
served and overnight that evening. Overnight Boynüz Bükü

### Day 7 Friday Red Island

Bav (B. L. D)

After having breakfast at Boynuz Buku, we will go to Red Island. Here we will have lunch on the boat after swimming at the unique beaches at Red Island.

Overnight Red Island (Kızıl Ada) (B, L, D)

### **Day 8 Saturday Fethiye**

As every good thing has an end, we came to an end of our unique holiday. After breakfast, say goodbye to the boat crew and leave the boat at Fethiye Harbour. (B)



TOUR OVERVIEW

#### Tour includes

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- ► Outbound transfer in Istanbul :- Istanbul Airport (IST) & Sabiha Gokcen Airport (SAW)
- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour in Turkey
- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide for Athens city tour
- ► Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle in Turkey
- ► Transportation by ferry within the Greek islands
- ► Transfers between ports and hotels
- ► Tips except driver, guide and transfer staff
- ► Entrance fees
- ► 13 nights accommodation
- ► 13 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Tips driver, guide and transfer staff
- ► Visas, border or port taxes
- ► Greece Hotel Residence Tax
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### Departure Dates

Jun 05 - 12 - 19 - 26 Jul 03 - 10 - 17 - 24 - 3<sup>2</sup> Aug 07 - 14 - 21 - 28

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### **Day 1 Wednesday Athens**

Welcome to Greece! You will be transferred to your hotel and the rest of the day is yours, free to explore this ancient city. Tonight a welcome meeting and meet your fellow travelling companions. Overnight Athens

### Day 2 Thursday Athens Acropolis

This morning you will have half day tour and visit Acropolis, stop at the stadium where the first Olympic Games of the modern era were held. Admire the Olympian Zeus and Hadrians Arch. At the Acropolis visit the museum, the towering entrance of Propylaia, the Temple of Nike and the most famous of Greek relics, the Parthenon. Overnight Athens (B)

### Day 3 Friday Athens to Santorini

Early morning departure today for the breathtaking Island of Santorini, where you can soak up the sun and relax on the beach or perhaps explore the picturesque capital, Fira. Overnight Santorini (B)

### **Day 4 Saturday Santorini**

Take an optional boat trip in the world's biggest volcanic crater above sea level. Visit the active volcano, swim in the warm thermal waters and take a therapeutic mud bath. Overnight Santorini (B)

### Day 5 Sunday Santorini to Mykonos

Arrive in Mykonos and explore the white-washed town or head for the beach before experiencing the completely outrageous Mykonian nightlife. Overnight Mykonos (B)

### Day 6 Monday Mykonos

Free day today. Spend the day on the beach, stroll around the town or take a trip to one of the small villages. This Mecca of Ancient Greece is today an island wide, open-air museum. Overnight Mykonos (B)

### Day 7 Tuesday Mykonos, Samos

Today you will catch a mid-day ferry heading towards the island of Samos and then another ferry to Kusadasi, Turkey. Overnight Kusadasi (B, D)

### Day 8 Wednesday Ephesus, Kusadasi

Absorb yourself in history today with a guided tour of Ephesus and a visit to the site of the Temple of Artemis. Feel the mystical atmosphere of the ancient city and theatre before continuing to the former Greek village of Sirince, famous for its fruit wines. Carpet weaving has long traditions in Turkey and at the carpet village we learn how the carpets are made by hand and what determines their value. Overnight Kuṣadası (B, D)

# GREECE Istanbul TURKEY Ankara Athens Samos Ephesus Ephesus Konya

### Day 9 Thursday Pamukkale, Hierapolis

This morning we will enjoy a display of locally handcrafted leather goods before heading to the magnificent white calcium terraces, known as Travertines, in Pamukkale where we also tour the ancient city of Hierapolis. Take a dip, amongst ancient columns, in the hot springs that were used in Roman times for their therapeutic powers.

Overnight Pamukkale (B. D)

### Day 10 Friday Silk Road, Konya

Today we travel the ancient Silk Road visiting Sultanhani Caravansary and the Mevlana museum in Konya along the way. Tonight, don't miss the optional traditional Turkish folklore evening! Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)

### Day 11 Saturday Cappadocia, Goreme, Underground City

Marvel at the lunar landscape of Cappadocia today as we visit the Goreme Valley Open Air Museum and the fairy chimneys, and explore the many levels of an underground city. Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)

### Day 12 Sunday Ankara

Early morning departure to the nation's capital, Ankara, where we visit Anitkabir, mausoleum of the famed Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, before returning to Istanbul.

Overnight Istanbul (B)

### Day 13 Monday Istanbul Old City

Tour the exotic city that spans both Europe and Asia visiting the Blue Mosque, St Sophia Museum, Topkapi Palace (including Hagia Irene) and the Hippodrome.

Cruise between two continents on the stretch of water that separates Europe from Asia in the afternoon with an optional 'Half day Bosphorus cruise'. Overnight Istanbul (B) **Day 14 Tuesday Istanbul** 

After breakfast our tour concludes and we say goodbye to our new friends. (B)

### Prices

01 Jun 2024 - 30 Jun 2024
Twin Share USD **5485**Single Room USD **7585** 

01 Jul 2024 - 31 Aug 2024 Twin Share USD **5779** Single Room USD **8219** 

01 Sep 2024 - 30 Sep 2024
Twin Share USD 5599
Single Room USD 7799





### Day 1 Friday Istanbul

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### Day 2 Saturday Istanbul Old City

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### Day 3 Sunday Istanbul, Cappadocia

After breakfast, cruise between two continents on the stretch of water that separates Europe from Asia in the afternoon with a 1 hour Bosphorus cruise by public ferry where your guide will explain the historical sites along the way. This afternoon there is a flight to Cappadocia, upon arrival you will be transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the day is free time to explore.

Day 4 Monday Cappadocia, Goreme, Underground City Marvel at the lunar landscape of Cappadocia today as we visit the Goreme Valley Open Air Museum and the fairy chimneys, and explore the many levels of an underground city. Photo opportunities are everywhere so have your cameras ready! Tonight, don't miss the optional Turkish folklore evening featuring folklore and belly dancers... a night you won't forget!

### Day 5 Tuesday Sultanhani Caravansary, Konya

Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)

Leaving Cappadocia we head south, towards Konya, along the ancient Silk Road, visiting Sultanhani Caravansary, just as the ancient traders did. Once in Konya we tour the Mevlana Museum, the mausoleum of Mevlana Celaleddin Rumi and Alaeddin Mosque. Overnight Konya (B, D)

### Day 6 Wednesday Pamukkale, Hierapolis

Today we head for Pamukkale and it's calcium travertines. Visit the ruins of Hierapolis, the Temple of Apollo, Necropolis, and stroll over the magnificent white calcium terraces of Pamukkale. Overnight Pamukkale (B, D)

### Day 7 Thursday Laodicea, Kusadasi

Today, we will explore Laodicea ancient city which was the chief city of the Lycus River Valley region. The full name of the city was Laodicea ad Lyceum (Laodicea on the Lycus). The city was originally known as Diospolis ("the City of Zeus"). The Greek deity considered to be the greatest of the Olympian gods. This afternoon we will enjoy a display of locally handcrafted leather goods. Overnight Kuşadası (B, D)

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Early departure for Olympia, the birth place of the Olympic Games. Visit the archéological site of Ancient Olympia, Sanctuary of Olympian Zeus, the Ancient Stadium and the Archaeological Museum, with the impressive statue of Hermes of Praxiteles. In the afternoon the journey continues to the north, over the Rio-Antirio Bridge, and to Delphi. Overnight Delphi (B, D)

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Day 14 Thursday Meteora, Athens

After breakfast we will visit Meteora. Meteora has unique rock

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Day 15 Friday Athens

After breakfast our tour concludes and we say goodbye to our new friends. (B)

### 15 Days AUD 4899

### TOUR OVERVIEW

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- Professional English-speaking tour guide for the duration of the tour
- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle Tips except Driver and Guide

- Entrance fees Wine Tasting
- Bosphorus Cruise Domestic flight between Istanbul and
- 14 nights accommodation 14 Breakfasts, 8 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ➤ Suggested optional activities Tips Driver and Guide ► International flight between
- Izmir andAthens Greece Hotel Residence Tax

### **Departure Dates**

### **Prices**

Twin Share AUD 4899

Single Room AUD 6339



### 7 Days aud **1699**

### TOUR OVERVIEW

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- ► Entrance fees
- ► 6 nights accommodation
- ► 6 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- ► Suggested optional activities
- ► Greece Hotel Residence Tax
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### **Departure Dates**

Jan 06 - 13 - 20 - 27 Feb 03 - 10 - 17 - 24 Mar 02 - 09 - 16 Apr 06 - 13 - 20 May 11 - 18 - 25 Jun 01 - 08 - 15 - 22 - 29 Jul 06 - 13 - 20 - 27 Aug 3 - 10 - 17 - 24 - 31 Sep 07 - 14 - 21 - 28 Oct 05 - 12 - 19 - 26

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01 Jan 2024 - 31 Mar 2024
Twin Share usp 1699
Single Room usp 2339

01 Apr 2024 - 31 Oct 2024
Twin Share usp 1999
Single Room usp 2789

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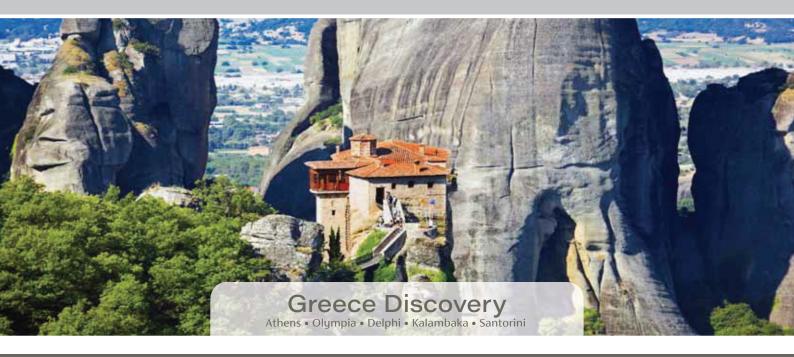
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### **Day 9 Sunday Santorini to Athens**

Today you will return back to main land, you will drive to port for your onward ferry to Athens. Upon arrival, you will drive to your hotel and the remainder of your day is free to explore. Overnight Athens [B]

### Day 10 Monday Athens

Transfer to the airport and our tour concludes (B)

### 10 Days aud **2869**

### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

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- Ferry ticket Santorini to Athens
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- Entrance fees
- ► 9 nights accommodation
- ► 9 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Tips Driver and Guide
- Suggested optional activities
- ► Greece Hotel Residence Tax
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### Departure Dates

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**Prices** 

Low Season Low -mid Season

1 Jan - 31 Mar 1 - 30 Apr
Twin AUD 2869 Twin AUD 3219
Single AUD 4045 Single AUD 4545

1-31 May
Twin AUD 3299
Single AUD 4695

Mid Season

Twin AUD 3449
Single AUD 4965

High Season

1 June – 31 Oct



### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

- Airport (CAI)

  ► Outbound Cairo Cairo International
- Airport (CAI)
- Professional English-speaking tour guide/
- and transfers

  Domestic flight between Aswan and Cairo

### Tour does not include

- Visas, border or port taxes
- ► Hotel gala dinners (if charged by the hotels on 24 & 31 Dec)
- ► Egypt Tipping kitty (allow US\$60) ► Tips Driver and Guide

### **Departure Dates**

### **Prices**

Twin Share AUD 3089 Single Room AUD 4049

Twin Share AUD 3285 Single Room AUD 4245

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#### **Day 1 Saturday Cairo**

Upon your arrival, our team will be present at the airport to greet you and facilitate your transfer to the designated hotel, marking the commencement of your trip. Our staff will assist you in getting comfortably settled, acquaint you with the surroundings, and provide a briefing regarding the plans and arrangements scheduled for the following day. Overnight Cairo

Day 2 Sunday Pyramids, Sphinx, Memphis and Sakkara We embark on our Egyptian journey with a visit to the Giza Plateau, housing Egypt's renowned Great Pyramids, celebrated among the Seven Wonders of the ancient world by the Greeks. Our exploration encompasses the iconic Pyramids of Giza alongside the revered Sphinx. Continuing our historical voyage, we proceed to Memphis, the initial capital of the ancient kingdom, to behold the statue of Ramses II. Subsequently, we venture to Sakkara, where the Step Pyramid awaits, showcasing the evolution of pyramid construction. Overnight Cairo (B)

Day 3 Monday Fly to Luxor, West Bank tour, Luxor Temple This morning, we embark on an early flight from Cairo to Luxor. Our journey kicks off with an exploration of Luxor's West bank, commencing at the Colossi of Memnon. Continuing our expedition, we delve into the ancient Pharaonic tombs housed in the renowned Valley of the Kings.

Further, we pay homage to the Temple of Queen Hatchepsut and immerse ourselves in the vibrant hieroglyphics at the Medinat Habu temple before returning to Luxor. Your afternoon offers leisure aboard your luxurious 5-star Nile cruise or an opportunity to explore the vibrant markets of Luxor. As night falls, we partake in a walking tour of the magnificent Luxor Temple, beautifully illuminated under the evening sky. Overnight Luxor - Harbour (B, L, D)

Day 4 Tuesday Luxor, Karnak Temple, sail to Edfu Begin your day with an optional breathtaking sunrise hot air balloon flight over the captivating West bank of the Nile. Following breakfast, we venture into Luxor to explore the vast Karnak temple complex, renowned for its towering columns, numerous temples, and grand structures, solidifying Luxor's status as the world's largest open-air museum. Later, our journey continues as the boat sets sail along the Nile, passing through the Esna lock and making way towards Edfu, where we'll spend the night. Overnight Edfu - Harbour (B, L, D)



Day 5 Wednesday Edfu, cruise to Kom Ombo and Aswan Following breakfast, our excursion leads us to the nearby Edfu Temple, a magnificent dedication to the god Horus. Continuing our journey upstream toward Kom Ombo, we witness the serene lifestyle of rural Egypt along the Nile's banks. Take time to unwind with a soothing dip in the plunge pool on the boat's sun deck. Upon reaching Kom Ombo, we explore its picturesque temple nestled along the Nile, known for housing mummified crocodiles among other fascinating relics. Our cruise then proceeds towards Aswan, promising further enchanting discoveries. Overnight Aswan - Harbour (B, L, D)

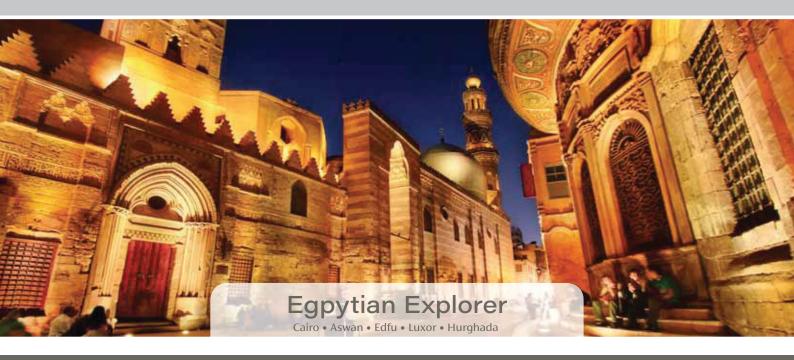
Day 6 Thursday Aswan and Philae Temple One option this morning is to explore the remarkable temples constructed by Ramses II at the awe-inspiring UNESCO World Heritage site of Abu Simbel. Departing early, the aim is to witness the breathtaking sunrise over these temples. For those not opting for Abu Simbel, the morning is free for leisure. In Aswan, our tours include a visit to the stunning island temple complex of Philae, accessed by boat. Philae Temple, relocated due to the Dam, exudes romantic charm and remains a picturesque site. Additionally, we'll explore the impressive Aswan High Dam, a marvel built to

Overnight Aswan - Harbour (B, L, D) Day 7 Friday Fly to Cairo, Egyptian Museum and optional

create Lake Nasser.

This morning, we'll transfer to Aswan airport for a return flight to Cairo. Our Cairo tour kicks off with a visit to the famed Egyptian Museum, a repository of Egyptian antiquities. Accompanied by a certified Egyptologist, you'll explore its halls, each showcasing a distinct historical period of this ancient civilization. The afternoon offers free time for personal exploration or an optional half-day tour. This tour includes discovering Cairo's old churches and synagogues in Coptic Cairo, visiting the Citadel with its commanding view, and navigating the maze-like streets of the Khan-el-Khalili bazaar. Additionally, an optional dinner cruise on the Nile awaits in the evening. Overnight Cairo (B)

Day 8 Saturday Cairo Your day is open until we arrange your transfer to the airport for your departure flight. (B)





### **Day 1 Saturday Cairo**

Day 1 Saturday Cairo
Upon your arrival at Cairo airport, our team will greet you, aid with visa procedures, and assist in collecting your luggage. We'll then arrange your transfer to the hotel. Our representative will facilitate your check-in, providing guidance as needed. The remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at your pace. Overnight Cairo
Day 2 Sunday Pyramids, Sphinx and Museum
Your Egyptian adventure begins with a visit to the enigmatic Sphinx and the awe-inspiring pyramids of Giza. Stand at the base of the Great Pyramid of Khufu (Cheops), a colossal structure constructed from enormous stone blocks and once clad in gleaming white limestone. Marvel at the smaller pyramids of Khafre (Chephern) and Menkaure (Mycerinus), their silhouettes etched against the desert horizon. You'll have the opportunity to explore the interiors of the pyramids, although unaccompanied as guides cannot join (limited pyramids, although unaccompanied as guides cannot join (limited tickets available for the Great Pyramid). Next, delve into the vast Egyptian Museum, a treasure trove of ancient artifacts. Wander Egyptian Museum, a treasure trove of ancient artifacts. Wander through the halls adorned with statues, sarcophagi, and the renowned Tutankhamun exhibit, each piece whispering tales of a bygone era. Your experienced Egyptiologist guide will be your companion throughout the tour, sharing their profound knowledge and passion for Egyptian history and culture. As the day concludes, we transfer to the airport for a domestic flight to Aswan, where we're warmly welcomed and escorted to our Nile-overlooking hotel. Overnight Aswan [B]

Overnight Aswan [8]

Day 3 Monday Nile cruise, Aswan

As dawn breaks over the Nile River, we awake to the captivating panorama of Aswan, a vibrant tapestry of African and Middle Eastern cultures. Our morning invites leisure and exploration, whether strolling along the picturesque Corniche, immersing ourselves in the bustling markets, or delving into the fascinating history of the Nubian people at the Nubian Museum.

We check out of our hotel and we embark on our Nile cruise boat to savor a delectable lunch, the Nile's mesmerizing scenery unfolds before us, its tranquil waters and palm-fringed shores captivating our senses. In the afternoon, we embark on an enthralling excursion to the Temple of Philae, a sanctuary dedicated to the goddess lsis. This architectural marvel, once threatened by the rising waters of Lake Nasser, was meticulously relocated to its current island location. As we approach the temple by boat, its majestic pylons and intricate carvings leave us in awe of the current island location. As we approach the temple by boat, its majestic pylons and intricate carvings leave us in awe of the ingenuity and artistry of ancient Egypt. With the rest of the day at our leisure, we can choose to embark on a camel ride through the sun-drenched sands or simply relax aboard our luxurious Nile cruise boat, soaking in the enchanting beauty of the surrounding landscape. As the sun begins to set, casting a warm glow over the Nile, we reflect on the day's enriching experiences, our hearts filled with wonder and admiration for the timeless beauty of Aswan. Overnight Aswan - Harbour (B, L, D)

Day 4 Tuesday Kom Ombo, Edfu

Embark on a leisurely sail down the Nile River, enjoying the tranquit

waters and the captivating scenery of rural Egyptian life. Our first stop is the Kom Ombo Temple, a unique double sanctuary dedicated to the gods Sobek and Horus. Continue sailing to the magnificent Temple of Horus at Edfu, where we overnight. Overnight Edfu - Harbour (B, L, D)

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Day 5 Wednesday Edfu, Luxor

We explore the Temple of Horus, known for its remarkable preservation and adorned with Coptic inscriptions and paintings before our Nile journey continues, carrying us through the Esna Lock, a marvel of engineering that links the upper and lower reaches of the river. We approach Luxor, the legendary city of Thebes, renowned as the cradle of ancient Egyptian civilization, Luxor boasts an upparalleled concentration of ancient ruins, each Luxor poasts an unparateled concentration of ancient ruins, each whispering tales of pharaohs, gods, and the enduring spirit of a bygone era. Luxor's rich history, with its abundance of ancient ruins, offers a unique glimpse into the past. Ending the day with a walking tour of Luxor Temple, illuminated at night, adds a touch of

tour of Luxor Temple, illuminated at night, adds a touch of enchantment to your explorations. Enjoy your time discovering these fascinating historical sites in Luxor!
Overnight Luxor - Harbour (B, L, D)
Day 6 Thursday Luxor, West bank tour, Karnak temple
The opportunity for an optional hot air balloon flight offers a breathtaking perspective of the West Bank's beauty, especially during sunrise. Today we cross the River Nile for an early morning tour of Luxor's West Bank, home to the Valley of the Kings and the temples of Queen Hatchepsut, Valley of the Artisans (Deir El-Medina), and the Colossi of Memnon, which promises an incredible insight into ancient Egypt's history and grandeur. After lunch we delve into the immense Karnak Temple Complex, with its sphinx-lined avenues, towering columns, and divine chapels, unveils sphinx-lined avenues, towering columns, and divine chapels, unveils the architectural marvels and spiritual significance of this ancient religious center. Your journey through these historical sites in Luxor is truly captivating! Overnight Luxor (B)

Day 7 Friday Luxor, Red Sea at Hurghada

Transitioning from the historic wonders of the Nile Valley to the coastal paradise of Hurghada offers a relaxing and indulgent experience at a 5-star resort. The "soft all inclusive" stay, providing meals, soft drinks, and snacks, ensures a comfortable and

meals, soft drinks, and snacks, ensures a comfortable and enjoyable time, although alcoholic beverages are be included. Enjoy the stunning Red Sea views and the leisurely atmosphere of Hurghada during your stay! Overnight Hurghada (B, D) Day 8 Saturday Red Sea at Hurghada, free day Unwind and embrace the allure of Hurghada, your Red Sea paradise. Dive into the crystal-clear waters and explore the vibrant coral reefs teeming with marine life, a haven for scuba diving and snorkeling enthusiasts. Embark on adventurous escapades, from windsurfice and little surfice to explicate time and bit incorporate. windsurfing and kitesurfing to exhilarating quad biking excursions. Discover the charm of Hurghada's old town and marina, where captivating stories and hidden gems await. Our local representative will be at your service to assist in crafting an unforgettable Red Sea experience. Overnight Hurghada (B, L, D)

Day 9 Sunday Cairo, Khan-ei-Khalili bazaar
Our journey culminates with a return to Cairo's vibrant heart. We Our journey culminates with a return to Cairo's vibrant heart. We check into our centrally located hotel, ready to immerse ourselves in the city's captivating energy. In the late afternoon, we embark on an enchanting guided walk through the labyrinthine alleys and bustling bazaars of Old Cairo. Through the imposing Bab al-Futuh gateway, we venture into a realm of sights, sounds, and aromas, where each street unveils a unique tapestry of treasures. From intricate metalwork and fragrant spices to vibrant pottery and dazzling jewelry, the bazaar offers an irresistible blend of craftsmanship and tradition. As we pause to savor a refreshing cup of mint tea and the gentle smoke of a shisha pipe, we cherish the opportunity to gather final souvenirs of our Egyptian adventure. Overnight Cairo [B] **Day 10 Monday Cairo, free day**Your day is yours to seize for any final sightseeing or shopping ventures until we accompany you to the airport for your departure flight. [B]

flight. (B)

### 10 Days AUD 3345

### TOUR OVERVIEW

#### Tour includes

- Inbound Cairo Cairo International Airport (CAI) Outbound - Cairo - Cairo International Airport (CAI)
- ► Professional English-speaking tour guide/
- Egyptologist for all sightseeing tours
  Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► Domestic flight between Cairo and Aswan and transfers
- ▶ 9 nights accommodation
  ▶ 9 Breakfasts, 4 Lunches, 5 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- ► Visas, border or port taxes
- ► Hotel gala dinners (if charged by the hotels on 24 & 31 Dec.
- Egypt Tipping kitty (allow US\$60)
- Suggested optional activities
- Tips driver, guide and felucca crew
- Entrance fees
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

Jan	13 - 27
Feb	10 - 24
Mar	09 - 23
Apr	06 - 20
May	04 - 18
Jun	01 - 15 - 29
Jul	13 - 27
Aug	10 - 24
Sep	07 - 21
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Nov	02 - 16 - 30
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### **Prices**

Low Season 01 Jan 2024 – 22 Mar 2024 & 20 Apr 2024 – 27 Sep 2024

Twin Share AUD 3345 Single Room AUD 4399

Mid Season

23 Mar 2024 – 19 Apr 2024 & 28 Sep 2024 – 27 Dec 2024

Twin Share AUD 3525 Single Room AUD 4579

> High Season 28 Dec 2024 – 31 Dec 2024

Twin Share AUD 3635 Single Room AUD 4689



### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

- ► Inbound Amman Queen Alia International Airport (AMM)
- Outbound Amman Queen Alia International Airport (AMM)
- ► Professional English-speaking guide in Jordan
- ➤ Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle
- ► 4 x 4 Desert Jeep Safari
- ► All camping equipment at Wadi Rum
- ► Tips except drivers and guides
- ► Entrance to Dead Sea beach with towel & showers
- ► 7 nights accommodation
- ► 6 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner

### Tour does not include

- ► Entrance fees
- ► Visas, border or port taxes
- ► Hotel gala dinners (if charged by the hotels on 24 & 31 Dec.
- ► Tips drivers and guides
- Suggested optional activities
- ► Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

Jan 14 - 28
Feb 11 - 25
March 10 - 24
April 07 - 21
May 05 - 19
June 02 - 16 - 30
July 14 - 28
Aug 11 - 25
Sept 08 - 22
Oct 06 - 20
Nov 03 - 17
Dec 01 - 15-22

### **Prices**

Twin Share AUD 2119
Single Room AUD 2619

### Dav 1 Sundav Amman

Welcome to Jordan! Upon arrival our staff will meet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel in Amman for the start of your trip. After helping you check in and pointing you to any local shops, cafes or restaurants, you're free to explore Amman independently before our sightseeing starts tomorrow. Overnight Amman

### Day 2 Monday As-Salt, Baptism Site at Bethany

The tour begins with a visit to As-Salt, situated about 40 minutes from Amman. As-Salt, a historic hilltop town, was a crucial trading hub and former capital. Renowned for its Islamic architecture using yellow limestone, the town preserves numerous remarkable buildings and narrow streets bustling with shops. As-Salt epitomizes religious and cultural harmony between its Muslim and Christian communities. Exploring the "Harmony Trail" unveils insights into local life and Jordanian culture. A local family hosts a delightful lunch, offering a taste of Jordan's cuisine, although larger groups might experience traditional Jordanian food at a local restaurant instead. Post-lunch, the tour descends to the Baptism Site at Bethany, a newly excavated historical site believed to be 'Bethany-beyond-the-Jordan,' where John baptized Jesus Christ. This site holds significance with its Roman and Byzantine period churches, caves, and pools. Notably, it's been visited by Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI. An electric minibus provides access to three key sites: Tell Mar Elias, the Baptism Pools, and John the Baptist's Church. After a busy first day, we'll return to our hotel in Amman

where we'll spend the night. Overnight Amman (B, L)

Day 3 Tuesday Amman, Jerash

We start our Jordan tour today with a drive north for a visit of Jerash, one of the largest and best preserved Roman sites outside of Italy. It is a excellent example of Roman architecture including paved and colonnaded streets, hilltop temples, amphitheatres, spacious public squares and plazas, bathhouses, fountains and a city wall pierced by towers and gates. In the afternoon was have a city tour of Amman. We'll make our way to the Citadel - the former home of the ancient Temple of Hercules, The Umayyad Palace, the Byzantine Church before we make our way to the 6000 seater Roman theatre, which was built during the Roman Period, when the city was known as Philadelphia. The ancient theatre is still in use today, playing host to numerous cultural events. Overnight Amman

Day 4 Wednesday Madaba, Mt. Nebo, Kerak Castle
We depart Amman for a scenic drive along the King's
Highway to Petra, crossing deep Wadis, including the
majestic Wadi al-Mujib, olive groves, and driving through
remote rural villages. En-route we see the Roman mosaics
at the Greek Orthodox Church of St. George in Madaba, enjoy
great views of Israel from Mt. Nebo, and visit Kerak Castle,

one in a chain of Crusader fortresses built across Jordan in

the 12th Century. Overnight Petra (B)

Day 5 Thursday Petra, Wadi Rum Bedouin camp

Explore Petra, an ancient Nabatean capital rediscovered in 1812 within the Wadi Aruba desert. Entry is through the narrow Siq, a passage amidst canyon walls. Admire rock-carved structures like the Khazneh (Treasury) during a guided tour and independent exploration. The Siq, rising 200 meters, reveals remnants of ancient water channels. Wander past tombs, a Roman amphitheater, and ascend to the 'Monastery' for panoramic views. Expect substantial walking, minimum 3km through the Siq, 8km to the main basin, and extra kilometers for the Monastery, involving 800 steps. Horse carriages ease travel; donkeys aid the Monastery ascent. Later, enjoy Wadi Rum's desert scenery at a welcoming camp hosted by Bedouins. Relax, stargaze, and savor traditional Jordanian cuisine, capping off a day of historical immersion and natural wonder. Overnight Wadi Rum (B, D)

### Day 6 Friday Wadi Rum jeep safari, Dead Sea swim

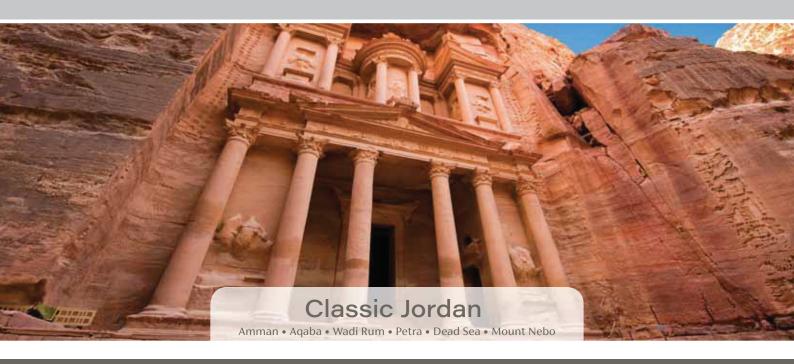
Commencing the day, we immerse ourselves in the captivating desert and mountain vistas of Wadi Rum. Embarking on a jeep safari, we traverse the stunning desert landscapes, encountering sheer cliffs and intriguing rock formations. Later, bidding adieu to Wadi Rum, our journey heads northward toward the Dead Sea, a globally acclaimed wonder. Being Earth's lowest point at 400 meters below sea level, this area boasts unparalleled spiritual landscapes and natural marvels. Nourished by various rivers, notably the River Jordan, the Dead Sea's unique land-locked nature causes water evaporation, leaving behind a concentrated blend of salts and minerals. The surrounding mountains and Jerusalem's rolling hills create an almost surreal ambiance, while historical records suggest it was once home to five Biblical cities, Sodom, Gomorrah, Adman, Zebouin and Zoar (Bela). Our stopover includes an experience in the sea's intensely salty waters, making traditional swimming impossible. Instead, floating, whether sitting or lying, is the preferred and visually stunning method. Overnight Amman(B)

### Day 7 Saturday Desert Castles, Aqraq Wetland Reserve, Shaumari Wildlife Reserve

Following breakfast, we depart Amman to explore Jordan's Desert Castles, remnants reflecting early Islamic art along Umayyad trade routes. These 'castles', more akin to forts, bathhouses, and palaces, showcase mosaics, frescoes, and carvings influenced by Persian and Graeco-Roman traditions, offering glimpses into 8th-century life. Our itinerary includes Qasr al-Kharrana, Qal'at al-Azraq, and Qseirr Amra, followed by visits to vital nature reserves managed by the Jordanian Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature (RSCN). The Agraq Wetland Reserve, an oasis nestled in the eastern desert, hosts lush marshland and pools, a haven for migratory birds. Meanwhile, the Shaumari Wildlife Reserve, initially established for the Arabian Oryx, now shelters rare species like Ostriches, Goitered Gazelles, and Persian Onagers, alongside diverse wildlife. An option for guided safaris into the reserve before our return to Amman might be available. For a final evening, Downtown Amman offers a taste of Jordanian cuisine, perhaps Mansaf, falafel with hummus, and the delectable dessert Knafeh, a fitting end to our Jordanian experience. Overnight Amman (B)

### Day 8 Sunday Amman

Your time is free today until we transfer you to Amman airport for your departure flight. [B]





**Dav 1 Saturdav Amman** 

Day 1 Saturday Amman
Welcome to Jordan! Upon arrival our staff will meet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel in Amman for the start of your trip. They'll help you settle in and introduce you to the local area. Overnight Amman
Day 2 Sunday As-Salt, Amman City
The tour begins with a visit to As-Salt, a hilltop town 40 minutes from Amman. Known for its historic Islamic architecture, narrow streets filled with shops, and symbolic

religious harmony between Muslim and Christian religious harmony between Muslim and Christian communities, the visit includes a guided walk along the 'Harmony Trail,' providing insights into local life in Jordan. Later, the tour proceeds to Amman for a city tour rich in historical significance. Exploring ancient sites like the Citadel, housing remnants of the Temple of Hercules and the Umayyad Palace, precedes a visit to the 6000 seat Roman theatre still used for cultural events today. The itinerary encompasses a food tasting tour in Downtown Amman, offering diverse dishes like Manakish, falafel sandwiches, Mansaf (Jordan's national dish), and the famous dessert Knafeh from renowned local sweet shops. Overninth Amman (R D)

Overnight Amman (B, D)

Day 3 Monday Dana Biosphere Reserve, Aqaba

Today, our journey leads us along the Desert Highway towards the Dana Biosphere Reserve, offering picturesque towards the Dana Biosphere Reserve, offering picturesque landscapes and hills for a leisurely hike. As Jordan's largest nature reserve, it boasts stunning vistas of valleys and hills along the restored Dana village trails. Spring unveils the terrain's lush greenery and vibrant flowers, adding to its allure. During a delightful included picnic lunch, we'll pause for a walk before heading towards Aqaba, a vibrant Red Sea city, where you'll enjoy a free evening and morning ahead. Overnight Aqaba (B, L) Day 4 Tuesday Aqaba, Wadi Rum

This morning offers you leisure time to unwind by the Red Sea's serene shores, explore the charming city of Aqaba, or partake in its array of thrilling water sports. Aqaba's crystal clear waters and vibrant reefs boast some of the

partake in its array of thrilling water sports. Aqaba's crystal clear waters and vibrant reefs boast some of the Red Sea's finest diving spots. Additionally, morning boat excursions for snorkeling amidst nearby reefs are available. Later in the day, we unite with our arrivals from Egypt and depart from Aqaba, embarking on a journey into the breathtaking desert landscapes of Wadi Rum. There, best labels Red with boats await use at a coay come pactical. hospitable Bedouin hosts await us at a cozy camp nestled beneath towering rocks and cliffs. An evening of relaxation ensues, accompanied by a delightful traditional Jordanian meal often featuring 'Zarb,' a Bedouin style dish typically comprising Lamb and Chicken cooked underground.

Evening activities include options like a sunset camel ride or stargazing using telescopes. Overnight Wadi Rum (B, D)

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**Day 5 Wednesday Wadi Rum, Petra**Post camp breakfast, we embark on a thrilling jeep safari in Post camp breakfast, we embark on a thrilling jeep safari in Wadi Rum, exploring sand dunes, unique rock formations, and a spectacular rock bridge. Engage in Bedouin inspired activities, walking with a shepherd to a Bedouin tent for traditional experiences like animal care, grain grinding, bread making, and coffee roasting. After this immersive journey, we head to Petra, making a stop at Petra Bakery for a peek into bread making and a light lunch. Optionally, experience the magical Petra by Night tour, walking through the candle lit Siq to the Treasury for a captivating introduction to Petra's ambiance. Overnight Petra (B, L) Day 6 Thursday Petra

**Day 6 Thursday Petra**Today's focus is on discovering Petra, once the Nabataean commercial empire's capital until Roman conquest in 106AD. Forgotten for centuries, Swiss explorer Johann Ludwig Burckhardt rediscovered this city in 1812. Situated on the edge of Wadi Aruba's desert, Petra's intricate carved sandstone dwellings lie amidst challenging canyon walls and hills accessible only via the Siq, a narrow rock cleft. Our exploration ontails a back route adventure, commencing at Little Patra. entails a back-route adventure, commencing at Little Petra before a short jeep ride to the mountain trail connecting Little Petra to Petra's main site, offering fewer crowds and stunning Holy Land views. This less traveled path includes monuments from the standard route, plus Little Petra and the Monastery, featuring rock hewn steps and paths along the mountainside, providing refreshment stops and photo opportunities. Upon entering Petra, the valley reveals carved tombs, a ruined Roman amphitheater, and colonnaded streets leading to the iconic Khazneh (Treasury). Although the back route hike involves ascents, descents, and steps, lasting 2-3 hours towards the Monastery and additional hours exploring Petra, it's not overly challenging. For those concerned about distance or mobility, 20JD horse carriages are available solely within Petra's main site, not on the hiking route, horses for riding are not recommended. Overnight Petra (B)

Day 7 Friday Wadi Mujib, Dead Sea

After breakfast at Petra, we travel north to Wadi Mujib for the Sig Trail hike, offering scenic views of the Dead Sea's Salt Flats.

After lunch at the Wadi Mujib visitor center, embark on a 2-3 hour hike through shallow waters and small waterfalls, ending at a serene large waterfall. For the hike, consider a dry bag and water shoes, available for rent at the center. Overnight Dead Sea - Sweimeh [B]

Day 8 Saturday Madaba, Mount Nebo, Roman Jerash, Amman Following a peaceful night, we venture to Madaba, where awe inspiring Byzantine mosaics and the 'Madaba Map', the oldest preserved map of the Holy Land, await our admiration. Proceeding from Madaba, we continue to Mount Nebo, revered as the place where the prophet Moses glimpsed the Promised Land and rests in burial. The vantage offers splendid views towards Jericho and beyond on clear days, which are frequent. Our ultimate stop leads us to Jerash, renowned as one of the largest and remarkably preserved Greco-Roman cities beyond Europe. Upon arrival, we explore Jerash's Forum, traverse its Roman colonnaded streets, witness the Nymphaeum, and behold the Temple of Artemis atop the city's elevated summit. The day concludes as we journey back to Amman, marking our final night in Jordan. Overnight Amman (B)

Day 9 Sunday Amman Your time is free in Amman today until we pick you up from your hotel and transfer you to the airport for your departure. (B)

### 9 Days AUD 3049

### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

- ► Inbound Amman Queen Alia International Airport (AMM)
- Outbound Amman Queen Alia International Airport (AMM)
- Professional English speaking local tour guides
- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle ► 4 x 4 Desert Jeep Safari
- ► All camping equipment at Wadi Rum
- Tips except drivers and guides
- ► 8 nights accommodation
- ► 8 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 2 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- Entrance fees
- Visas, border or port taxes
- Tips drivers and guides
- ► Hotel gala dinners (if charged by the hotels on 24 & 31 Dec.
- Suggested optional activities
- Compulsory Travel Insurance

### **Departure Dates**

Mar Apr May Jun Jul

Nov

### **Prices**

08 - 30 Aug 2024 Low Season

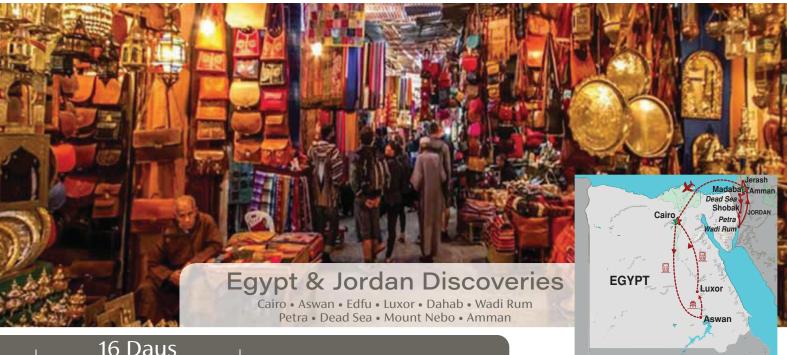
Twin Share AUD 3049

Single Room AUD 3625 01 Jan 2024 - 07 Jun 2024 & 31 Aug 2024 - 31 Dec 2024

High Season

Twin Share AUD 3249

Single Room AUD 3969



### TOUR OVERVIEW

### Tour includes

- Inbound Cairo Cairo International Airport [CAI]
- Courbound Amman Queen Alia International Airport (AMM)
   Professional English-speaking tour guide/
   Egyptologist for all sightseeing tours in Egypt
   Professional English-speaking guide in Jordan
   Transportation in a fully air-conditioned,

- non-smoking vehicle nternational Ferry from Taba (Egypt) to Aqaba
- (Jordan)
  Overnight Felucca cruise with support boat
  Overnight sleeper train Luxor to Cairo
  Overnight sleeper train Cairo to Aswan
  4 x 4 Desert Jeep Safari
  15 nights accommodation
  15 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 4 Dinners

### Tour does not include

- gypt Tipping kitty (allow US\$60)

### **Departure Dates**

Feb Mar

### **Prices**

Low Season 04 May 2024 – 18 Oct 2024

Twin Share AUD 5119 Single Room AUD 6595

Twin Share AUD 5299 Single Room AUD 6775

Mid Season 19 Oct 2024 – 27 Dec 2024

Twin Share AUD 5499 Single Room AUD 6975

High Season 28 Dec 2024 – 31 Dec 2024

Twin Share AUD 5799
Single Room AUD 7275

### **Tailor This Tour**

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#### **Day 1 Saturday Cairo**

Welcome to Cairo! Your Egyptian adventure begins upon landing at Cairo International Airport. Our dedicated staff will meet you there, assisting with your visa and luggage before transferring you comfortably to your hotel. Overnight Cairo

Day 2 Sunday Cairo, Pyramids, Sphinx, Cairo Museum
Cairo kicks off our Egyptian adventure! The iconic Egyptian Museum unveils
Tutankhamun's riches and countless ancient relics. Our Egyptologist guide leads us to Giza, where the Sphinx stands guard and the Great Pyramid of Khufu, an engineering marvel, dominates the desert. Khafre and Menkaure pyramids complete the majestic trio. An opportunity awaits to explore the Great Pyramid's inner chambers (tickets limited). Tonight, we board the 12-hour sleeper train to Aswan, anticipation buzzing for its wonders. Overnight Between Cairo - Aswan (B, D)

Day 3 Monday Aswan, Nubian Village, Philae Temple

Arrive in sun-drenched Aswan, greeted by a picturesque hotel with views of cascading rapids, green islands, and sailing feluccas. Dive into this lively city, its markets thrumming with activity. Immerse yourself in Nubian heritage with a village visit, tasting delicious lunch and experiencing their vibrant culture. Afternoon unfolds with a scenic boat ride to the Philae Temple, a captivating island monument dedicated to Isis, rescued from rising watersof Lake Nasser. Enjoy free time as the sun sets; browse spice markets, stroll the Corniche promenade, or take a thrilling camel ride to St Simeon's Monastery. Abu Simbel

adventurers, rest up - temple wonders await tomorrow. Overnight Aswan (B, L) Day 4 Tuesday Abu Simbel option, Nile Felucca Cruise

Adventure seekers, rise early! Witness the awe-inspiring UNESCO gems of Abu Simbel, temples built by Ramses II. For others, Aswan awaits: bustling markets, the scenic Corniche, or the Nubian Museum's historical treasures. Midday brings a serene Nile felucca cruise. Observe life on the banks and enjoy local crew stories and music. Sleep under stars on the deck, lulled by gentle water. Mattresses, blankets, and nets ensure comfort. A separate boat offers facilities and delicious meals prepared by our crew

Overnight On the Nile - Aswan - Luxor (B, L, D)

Day 5 Wednesday Felucca, Edfu, Luxor temple

After breakfast, we bid farewell to our felucca crew and visit Edfu temple before continuing to Luxor. This town, built upon Thebes' ancient site, harbours the Nile Valley's largest array of ancient ruins. To the west, the City of the Dead showcases mortuary temples and rock-hewn tombs, while to the east, Luxor and Karnak Temples stand tall. As night falls, we explore the beautifully lit Luxor Temple in the town center, an enchanting sight to behold. Overnight Luxor (B) Day 6 Thursday Luxor, West bank tour, Karnak temple

This morning, we cross the Nile for Luxor's West Bank tour. Home to the Valley of the Kings, this ancient burial site unveils ongoing secrets, remaining a pivotal archaeological marvel globally. Our expedition explores Pharaonic tombs, Queen Hatchepsut's temple, Deir-el-Medina, and the colossal Colossi of Memnon. Consider an early start for a breathtaking hot air balloon ride over the Nile's west bank at sunrise. Post lunch, we explore Karnak's vast temple complex, once Thebes' religious hub, featuring sphinx-lined avenues, grand pylons, and the monumental Hypostyle Hall adorned with intricate hieroglyphs and columns depicting gods and pharaohs. In the evening, we board the overnight sleeper train back to Cairo (approx. 9 hours). Overnight Between Luxor - Čairo (B, D) Day 7 Friday Cairo, Khan-el-Khalili bazaar

This morning, we arrive back to Cairo and transfer to our hotel. The day offers freedom to explore Cairo at your pace or join optional tours. Explore Coptic Cairo, the Citadel, and Mohamed Ali Mosque on a city tour, or delve into the history of pyramid building with a half-day tour to Saqqara, Dashour, and Memphis. For a , more extensive journey, venture to the World Heritage Site of the Valley of the Whales at Wadi Rayan. In the late afternoon, we embark on a guided walk through Cairo's back streets and bustling bazaars, passing Bab al-Futuh gateway and diverse markets. Enjoy tea, a shisha pipe, and savor Egypt's beloved dish, Kushari, before returning to our hotel. Overnight Cairo [B]

Day 8 Saturday Cairo, Dahab

This morning, we depart Cairo for Dahab, driving through the Sinai region under the Suez Canal. Overnight Dahab (B)

Day 9 Sunday Dahab - Free Day

Today offers freedom to explore Dahab and its wonders Overnight Dahab (B)

Day 10 Monday Dahab - Free Day
You have another free day in Dahab today, to relax or explore the local area further on another of our optional tours. Overnight Dahab (B)

The of another of our optional tours. Overnight Darial (s) **Pay 11 Tuesday Jordan, Wadi Rum Bedouin Camp**This morning, we journey from Dahab to Taba Heights (approx. 2 hours) for the Aqaba ferry (approx. 1 hour). Upon arrival in Jordan, we proceed through passport control and head into Wadi Rum's stunning desert. Welcoming Bedouin hosts await at a cozy camp nestled amidst towering rocks and cliffs. The evening invites relaxation, indulging in a delightful traditional Jordanian meal, often featuring 17 and 18 per page 18 per p 'Zarb'-a Bedouin-style dish of Lamb and Chicken cooked underground. Enjoy ontional activities like a sunset camel ride or stargazing with telescopes, embracing the enchanting atmosphere of the desert camp. Overnight Wadi Rum (B, D) Day 12 Wednesday Wadi Rum Jeep safari, Petra

Following camp breakfast, a jeep safari navigates Wadi Rum's sand and towering jebels, pausing for sand dune climbs and admiring unique rock formations, including a striking rock bridge. Engage in Bedouin-inspired activities, strolling with a local shepherd to a Bedouin tent.

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Embrace traditional Bedouin practices like shearing, milking, grain grinding,
bread-making, and coffee roasting, immersing in nomadic Bedouin life. Return
to camp by jeep and proceed to Petra, stopping en-route at Petra Bakery for a
glimpse of traditional breadmaking and a light lunch. Opt for an enchanting Petra by Night tour, walking the Sig illuminated by countless candles, offering a captivating introduction to Petra's ambiance. Overnight Petra (B, L)

Day 13 Thursday Little Petra, Petra
Today, we delve into Petra, the former Nabatean capital absorbed by the Romans in 106AD. Situated at the Wadi Aruba desert's edge, reaching Petra demands passage through the Siq's narrow cleft. Nabateans sculpted dwellings into multi-colored sandstone cliffs, making it a major tourist attraction. Wadi Musa village thrives due to tourism, but within Petra, a serene atmosphere prevails

with minimal vendors.

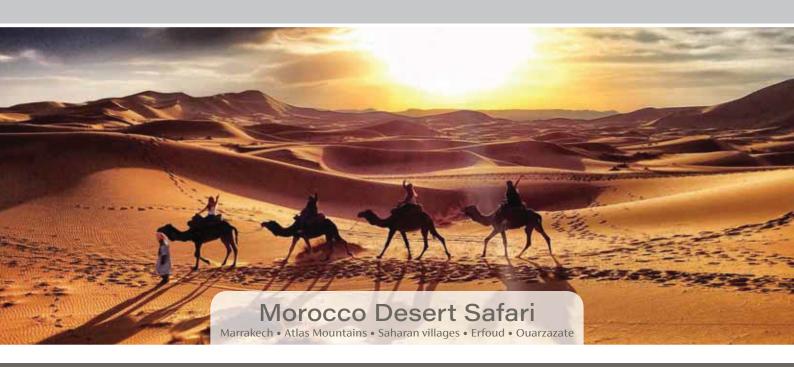
Exploration starts at Little Petra before embarking on the back-route, leading to the Monastery via a mountain trail. This less-crowded path offers stunning Holy Land vistas and includes Little Petra and the Monastery. Ascend rock-hewn Land visides and includes Little Petra and the Monastery. Ascend rock-newly steps, pause for photos, and witness iconic Petra monuments like The Treasury and Roman ruins, ending with a glimpse of The Monastery. Overnight Petra [B] Day 14 Friday Wadi Mujib, Siq Trail, Dead Sea
Today's focus is on exploring Petra, once the Nabatean capital seized by the

Romans in 106AD. Rediscovered in 1812, it lies at Wadi Aruba desert's edge, accessed solely through the narrow Sig. Nabateans crafted dwellings into accessed solely firmough the harrow Sid. Nabaleans craited diveilings into sandstone cliffs, minimizing free-standing structures. Following breakfast in Petra, we venture north along the Dead Sea road to Wadi Mujib, embarking on the thrilling Siq Trail hike. Revel in stunning views of the Dead Sea's Salt Flats en route to Wadi Mujib's visitor center. After lunch (not included), delve into the gorge within the Wadi Mujib Nature Reserve. Between April and October, experience an exhilarating hike through shallow waters, climbing small waterfalls. Bring a dry-bag and water shoes, available for hire/purchase. Note: In November to March, when Sig Trail hiking isn't viable, visit the Baptism site in Bethany, possibly the biblical site where John baptized Jesus. An electric minibus tour covers Tell Mar Elias, Baptism Pools, and John the Baptist's Church. End the day at a Dead Sea resort, enjoying a unique swim or float in its saline waters and relaxation by the hotel pool. Capture an iconic Dead Sea photo with a newspaper or magaziné for added flair. Overnight Dead Sea - Sweimeh (B)

Day 15 Saturday Madaba, Mount Nebo, Roman Jerash, Amman

After a restful night, our journey begins in Madaba, renowned for Byzantine mosaics including the ancient 'Madaba Map,' the oldest preserved Holy Land map. Next, we visit Mount Nebo, Moses' lookout and burial site, offering remarkable views of Jericho and surroundings on most days. Our final stop takes us to Jerash, famed for its well-preserved Greco-Roman ruins, including the Forum, Roman streets, the Nymphaeum, and the elevated Temple of Artemis We conclude the day with a return drive to Amman, our last stop in Jordan for the night. Overnight Amman (B)

Day 16 Sunday Amman
Your time is free in Amman today until we pick you up from your hotel and transfer you to the airport for your departure. (B)





### Day 1 Tuesday Marrakech

Welcome to Morocco! Upon arrival our staff will meet you at Marrakech airport (RAK) and transfer you to your hotel in Marrakech for the start of your trip. They'll help you settle in and introduce you to the local area. Overnight Marrakech (D) Day 2 Wednesday Marrakech City Tour

Today's excursion in Marrakech, the city's second oldest Imperial City, commences in the morning. Our itinerary includes visits to the Menara Gardens, the Saadian Tombs, the iconic Koutoubia Mosque featuring its symbolically significant minaret, the Dar Si Said Museum, and the Bahia Palace showcasing exquisite Arabic artistry. After a lunch break at the hotel, our afternoon is dedicated to exploring the vibrant old city center. This bustling area houses diverse traders, aromatic sougs, and artisan quarters, providing an authentic essence of Morocco. Our tour culminates at Djemaa el-Fna Square, a lively hub bustling with street food vendors, musicians, and performers-an unmissable highlight of Moroccan culture. Overnight Marrakech (B, L)

### Day 3 Thursday Atlas Mountains, Tich'n'Tichka pass, Ait

Following breakfast, we bid farewell to Marrakech and embark on a scenic drive through the High Atlas mountains, passing the Tich'n'Tichka pass. Our stop at UNESCO-protected Ait Benhaddou, famous from many films, precedes our journey to the desert via Ouarzazate and Kalaat Mgouna. The day concludes in Boumalne for an overnight stay, allowing a serene embrace of the desert's enchantment. Overnight Tinghir (B, D)

#### Day 4 Friday Saharan villages, Erg Chebbi Desert Sand Dunes, Erfoud

Today, departing from Boumalne, our journey unfolds with a visit to the renowned pottery center in Tamegroute village, renowned for its exquisite crafts. As we trace the edges of the desert, we pass through quaint pre-Saharan settlements like Tansikht, Nkob, Tazzarine, and Alnif, each revealing the authentic essence of the region. Later, we proceed toward Erfoud, situated near the iconic Erg Chebbi sand dunes. Experience the dunes' magic with a thrilling 4x4 drive before returning to your Erfoud accommodation. Tonight offers two options: a standard stay in an Erfoud hotel with a chance for a sunrise or sunset 4x4 safari to the dunes, or an adventurous evening at a cozy Berber Camp, complete with a sunset 4x4 safari and dinner amidst the dunes' tranquility. Overnight Erfoud (B, D)

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#### Day 5 Saturday Todra Gorge, Road of a Thousand Kasbahs, Ouarzazate

Embark on an early adventure as the day begins. Those nestled in the desert camp can relish an enchanting sunrise with a camel ride or a serene stroll through the Erg Chebbi dunes. Meanwhile, guests at the Erfoud hotel can opt for a 4x4 desert excursion to witness the breathtaking dawn over the dunes.

Post-breakfast, our path leads away from the desert to the captivating Tinjdad Oasis. Continuing our journey, we encounter the awe-inspiring Dades Canyon near Tinghir, with towering rock formations rising about 250 meters. Traverse the 'Road of a Thousand Kasbahs,' passing through Kalaat Mgouna and the scenic Skoura Valley before reaching Ouarzazate, renowned as the 'place of no noise.' This cinematic landscape has been a backdrop for famous films and hosts the prestigious Atlas movie studios. A brief city tour awaits in the afternoon, followed by a delightful dinner at the hotel. Overnight Ouarzazate (B, D)

### Day 6 Sunday Tizi N'tichka pass, Marrakech

Following breakfast, our journey leads us back through the Atlas Mountains and the Tizi N'tichka col en route to Marrakech. Upon arrival, seize the afternoon to delve deeper into Marrakech's lively sougs and vibrant bazaars, perfect for indulging in final sightseeing and picking up souvenirs. The day culminates with a delightful evening in Djemaa el-Fna Square, offering a charming end to the trip after a fulfilling dinner at the hotel. Overnight Marrakech (B. D)

### Day 7 Monday Marrakech

As our thrilling week in Morocco draws to a close, today marks the conclusion of the journey. You'll enjoy leisure time until your airport transfer for departure. (B)



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### TOUR OVERVIEW

#### Tour includes

- ► Inbound Marrakech Menara Airport (RAK)
- Outbound Marrakech Menara Airport (RAK)
   ► Professional English-speaking local tour guides
- ► English speaking tour leader throughout the
- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned,
- Tips except Driver and Guide
- ► 6 nights accommodation
- ► 6 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 5 Dinners

### Tour does not include

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