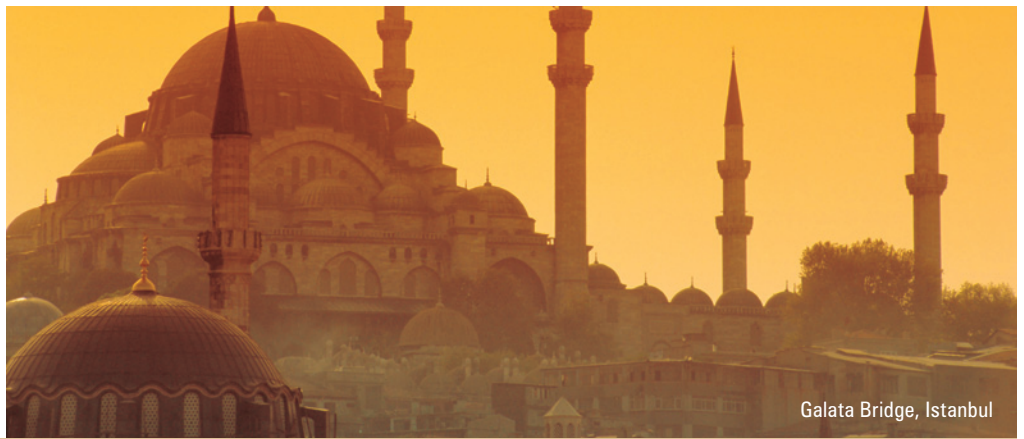




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## Day 1: Arrive Istanbul

Upon arrival in Istanbul, you will be welcomed by your Cox & Kings local representative and transferred to your hotel. *Barcelo Saray Hotel* – 2 nights

## Day 2: Istanbul

On your morning exploration of Istanbul, visit elegant Hagia Sofia, built as a church by Emperor Justinian in the sixth century, the Blue Mosque with its exquisite blue tiles, and the ancient Hippodrome. This afternoon, enjoy a tour of Topkapi Palace and the underground cistern. (B)

## Day 3: To Canakkale

Morning drive to Canakkale. Tour of the Gallipoli battlefield, scene of the aborted Allied invasion of 1915. Visit Cape Helles, Suvla Bay and Anzac Cove. *Kolin Hotel* – 1 night (B, D)

## Day 4: To Izmir

Depart from Canakkale and drive to Izmir, stopping en route to visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of Troy. Continue to Pergamon for a tour of the historic town, including visits to the Acropolis, the Asclepion and the Red Basilica. *Izmir Movenpick* – 1 night (B)

## Day 5: To Pamukkale

Discover the ruins of Hierapolis and the other worldly mineral terraces of Pamukkale hot springs. Continue to Laodicea, home to the ruins of one of the seven biblical churches of Asia. *Spa Hotel Colossae Thermal, Pamukkale* – 1 night (B, D)

## Day 6: To Aphrodisias & Kusadası

Drive to Aphrodisias to see the Temple of Aphrodite and the most complete stadium to have survived from the ancient world. Continue to Kusadası and transfer to your hotel. *La Vista Boutique Hotel & Spa* – 2 nights (B)

## HIGHLIGHTS

- SEE THE SIGHTS IN ISTANBUL
- VISIT THE ANCIENT SITE OF TROY
- SURVEY GALLIPOLI BATTLEFIELD
- MARVEL AT THE HOT SPRINGS OF PAMUKKALE
- EXPLORE CLASSICAL SITES OF APHRODISIAS AND EPHEBUS

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### Day 7: Ephesus

Embark on a half-day tour of Ephesus, once the main city of the Roman province of Asia. See one of the original Seven Wonders of the World, the Temple of Artemis, as well as the main site. Afternoon optional visit to the hillside town of Priene and the ancient Ionian ports of the Menderes valley. (B)

### Day 8: Depart Ephesus

Transfer from Ephesus to Izmir for your onward flight. (B)

#### Notes:

**Private Journeys:** In addition to the Escorted Group Tour departures, this itinerary may be taken at any time as a Private Journey, subject to availability.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- All hotel accommodations as per the itinerary
- Meals as noted in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch & D=Dinner)
- All transfers and transportation
- Sightseeing as described in itinerary including entrance fees and services of professional local guides

### WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International air travel
- Airport departure taxes
- Visa fees
- Travel insurance
- Excess baggage fees
- Personal items and alcoholic beverages
- Gratuities to your guides, drivers, porters and hotel service



Terraces, Pamukkale