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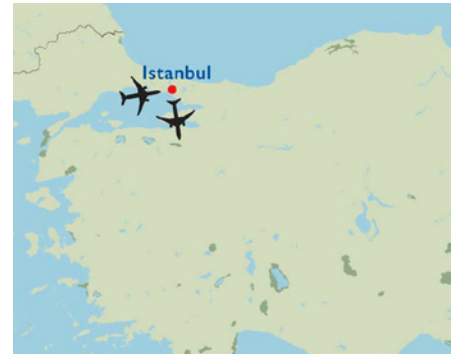
Istanbul

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## ISTANBUL: EAST MEETS WEST

SUGGESTED ITINERARY ONLY  
6 DAYS & 5 NIGHTS ISTANBUL

Straddling Europe and Asia, Istanbul is a city with many faces. “Istanbul’s greatest virtue is its people’s ability to see the city through both western and eastern eyes,” says native author Orhan Pamuk. Experience the unique qualities and artistic treasures of Istanbul’s Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman heritage during your in-depth exploration of the Turkish metropolis. Along the way, discover the spectacular palaces of the sultans, beautiful mosques and vibrant bazaars.



### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

Discover the Süleyman and Rüstem Pasha mosques and elegant Topkapi Palace

Tour the cool depths of the largest surviving Byzantine cistern in the city

Identify the distinct architectural styles that have shaped Istanbul with your expert local guides

Search for carpets, clothing, jewelry and other treasures at Istanbul’s Grand Bazaar

Visit the grand 17th-century Aynalikavak Palace in Hasköy

Explore the Asian side of Istanbul and wander through some of its many markets

See the city from the water on a private cruise on the Bosphorus

### COX & KINGS RECOMMENDS:

Experience the natural beauty of the Aegean on a private Turkish gullet cruise

### EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY

Greece

Departure Date:

Through March 2020

Note: Prices listed are per person, based on double-occupancy

Price From:  
\*Two People

\$5,130

#### Day 1: Arrive Istanbul

Upon arrival, you will be met and assisted through immigration formalities, then escorted to your hotel. **The St. Regis Istanbul – 5 nights**

#### Day 2: Istanbul

After breakfast, explore the 5th-century AD Theodosian Walls, Chora Church, the Basilica Cistern, the Hagia Sophia and the Archeological Museum. **(B)**

#### Day 3: Istanbul

Dedicate today to Istanbul’s Ottoman legacy, including Topkapi Palace and harem, the 17th-century Aynalikavak Palace and the neoclassical Dolmabahçe Palace. **(B)**

#### Day 4: Istanbul

Visit the Süleyman and Rüstem Pasha mosques. Hone your skills bargaining with friendly shopkeepers at the Grand Bazaar, one of the world’s oldest markets. **(B)**

#### Day 5: Istanbul

Stroll the fashionable Pera district and ride a historic tram. Visit Üsküdar on the Asian side of the city, where you will have the opportunity to explore the local markets. In the afternoon, enjoy your journey with a private cruise on the Bosphorus. **(B)**

#### Day 6: Depart Istanbul

Today, you will be escorted to the airport for your onward flight. **(B)**