



OTTOMAN 14 Days / 13 Nights

Istanbul, Ankara, Cappadocia, Pamukkale, Ephesus, Izmir, Athens, Mykonos, Santorini & much more From € 2,635.23

Guaranteed departures from Istanbul on Sunday and Monday & from Athens on Monday and Tuesday from March to October.

Free Cancellation up to 31 days before your arrival, except for the air tickets

What is included in this Package

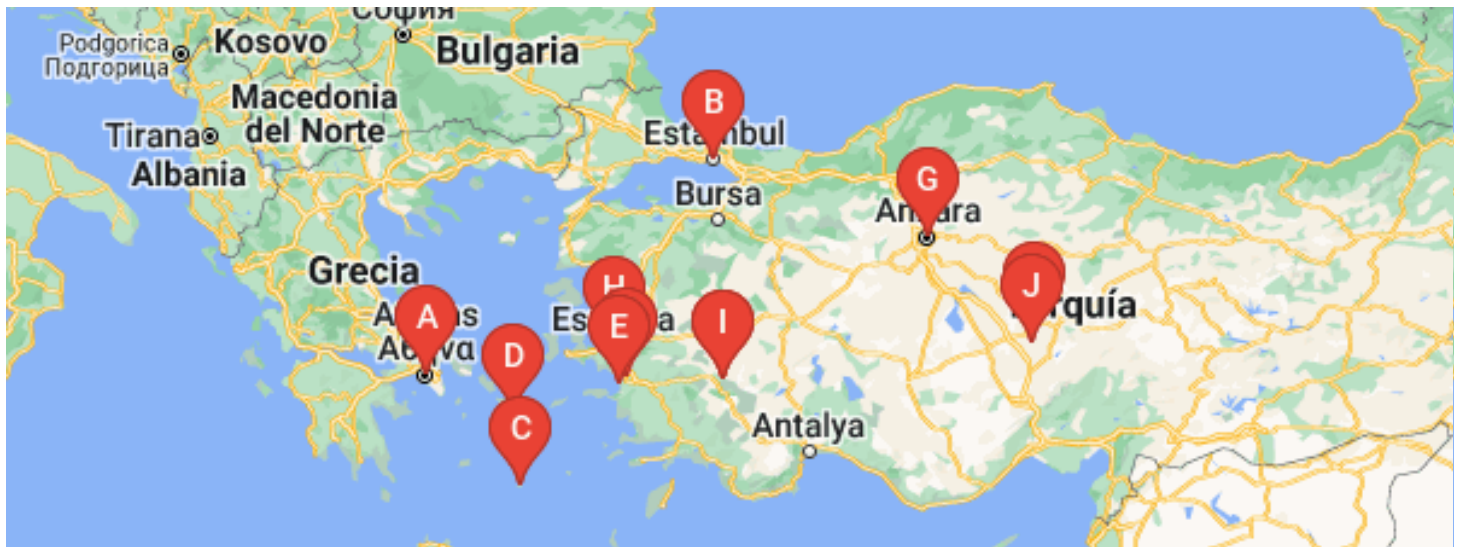
- ✓ 3-night accommodation in Istanbul.
- ✓ Tour through inland Turkey with local English-speaking guides and Half Board.
- ✓ 2-night accommodation in Cappadocia in 4* or 5* hotels.
- ✓ 1-night accommodation in Pamukkale in 4* or 5* hotels.
- ✓ 1-night accommodation in Izmir in 4* or 5* hotels.
- ✓ 2-night accommodation in Athens.
- ✓ 2-night accommodation in Mykonos.
- ✓ 2-night accommodation in Santorini.
- ✓ Full-day city tour with an official English-speaking guide and lunch in Istanbul.
- ✓ Half-day city tour with an official English-speaking guide in Athens.
- ✓ Acropolis Museum tour with an official English-speaking guide.

Not included Package & Optionals

- + Personal expenses, gratuities (optional), tourist city tax in Greece, & hotel taxes in Istanbul.
- + Drinks during meals as mentioned in the itinerary.
- + International air tickets.
- + Book more nights in Istanbul, Athens, Mykonos or Santorini by clicking on "Customize your Program" or by clicking on "Additional nights" during step 1 of your booking.
- + Book a fast ferry or flight by clicking on "Customize your Program" or on "Customize your transportation" during step 1 of your booking.
- + Travel with absolute peace of mind by adding our cancellation and/or health insurance in step 1/3 of your booking.
- + Check our [FAQs](#) for more information, including hotels in this package according to

- ✓ Evening walking tour through Monastiraki, Plaka and Anafiotika.
- ✓ Entrance fees to all the archaeological sites and museums as per description.
- ✓ Air ticket Istanbul - Cappadocia - Istanbul.
- ✓ Air ticket Istanbul - Athens (23 kg + 8 kg).
- ✓ Air ticket Santorini - Athens (23 kg + 8 kg).
- ✓ Ferry tickets with numbered seats Piraeus-Mykonos.
- ✓ Fast ferry tickets with numbered seats Mykonos-Santorini.
- ✓ All transfers as mentioned in this itinerary.
- ✓ 24/7 emergency phone line.
- ✓ Daily breakfast.

destination and category.



Itinerary Ottoman



1 ARRIVAL IN ISTANBUL

No visit to Turkey would be complete without immersing yourself in the enchanting allure of **Istanbul**. As you step into this vibrant metropolis, prepare to be captivated by its rich history, stunning architecture, and vibrant culture.

Upon your arrival in the captivating city formerly known as Byzantium and Constantinople, our English-speaking assistant will greet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel in a private vehicle.

He will assist with check-in, provide trip details, offer insights about the city, and answer your questions. The rest of the day is yours, free to relax and explore.

Alternatively, you can choose to join a **Night Cruise on the**

Bosphorus or indulge in an hour of pampering at the **Hamam Cimberlitas**.

Greca Tip: For a unique culinary experience, head to **Ortaköy**, known for its upmarket chic atmosphere. Treat yourself to *kumpir*, a Turkish version of a jacket potato, while enjoying picturesque seaside views.



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ISTANBUL - ANKARA - CAPPADOCIA

In the morning, your friendly English-speaking assistant will pick you up and transfer you to Istanbul airport for your **flight to Ankara**, the capital of Turkey.

In **Ankara**, you'll have the opportunity to visit the renowned **Museum of Anatolian Civilizations**, which showcases the fascinating history and culture of the Anatolian region.

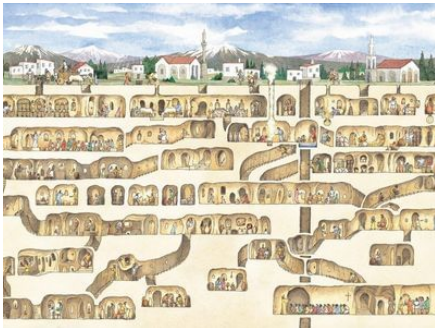
You'll also **explore the Mausoleum of Kemal Atatürk**, honoring the nation's revered founding father and first president.

Afterward, you'll embark on a picturesque journey toward the enchanting region of **Cappadocia**, known for its surreal landscapes and captivating cave architecture.

Along the way to your hotel, you'll make a stop at one of the region's largest underground cities, marveling at its intricate tunnels and chambers.

Upon arriving at your hotel, you can settle in, enjoy a delicious dinner, and relax, preparing for the adventures that await you in Cappadocia.

Greca Tip: Don't forget to consult with your guide about the possibility of joining an unforgettable hot air **balloon tour in Cappadocia** (subject to weather conditions). It's an experience that promises breathtaking views and lasting memories.



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CAPPADOCIA - CENTRAL ANATOLIA

After enjoying a hearty breakfast, we will dedicate the entire day to exploring the remarkable region and Turkish cities of **Kirsehir**, **Nigde**, and **Kayseri**.

Our journey begins in the **town of Uçhisar**, where we'll delve into its troglodyte villages and venture deep into the **Underground City of Kaymakli**. This expansive underground settlement, one of the largest in the region, will leave us in awe with its intricate network of tunnels and chambers.

Continuing our adventure, we'll make our way to the awe-inspiring **Göreme Valley**. Here, we'll be enchanted by the open-air museum, which showcases churches intricately carved into the rock and adorned with beautiful frescoes. The rich history and

spiritual atmosphere of this site will undoubtedly captivate us. In the afternoon, we'll be treated to the breathtaking landscapes of **Pasabag Valley**. As we explore the area, we'll marvel at the incredible cave dwellings and the famous limestone fairy chimneys that dot the scenery.

Our next stop will be **Avanos**, a town renowned for its pottery heritage that dates back to the Hittites. We'll have the opportunity to immerse ourselves in the artistic ambiance of countless pottery factories. Notably, Avanos recently revealed an underground city, boasting three floors, homes, tunnels, and places of worship.

As the late afternoon approaches, we'll return to our hotel for a delicious dinner and a well-deserved rest.

Greca Tip: Let's remember to refrain from using flash photography inside the caves to preserve the intricate wall paintings for future generations to appreciate.



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FROM CAPPADOCIA TO PAMUKKALE

In the early morning, following a delightful breakfast, we will commence our **journey to Pamukkale**, which translates to 'cotton castle' in Turkish.

En route, we will make a stop at the Old Palace and **Medieval Fort of Caravanserai**, located along the historic trade route leading to Persia. This remarkable site served as a haven for merchants, providing them with an opportunity to rest, replenish their supplies, and connect with fellow travelers.

Upon reaching Pamukkale, you will have ample free time to explore the city and uncover its treasures. Be sure not to miss the chance to visit the awe-inspiring travertine terraces, where you can witness the breathtaking white calcium cascades created by the hot thermal springs in the vicinity. The natural beauty of **Pamukkale** is truly mesmerizing.

After a day filled with exploration, we will indulge in a delicious dinner and retire to our hotel for a well-deserved rest.

Greca Tip: During your leisure time, why not take a dip in the thermal pool located at our hotel? It provides the perfect opportunity to unwind and experience the therapeutic benefits of natural thermal waters.

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FROM PAMUKKALE TO KUSADASI

After breakfast, we'll **explore Hierapolis**, an ancient Hellenistic city recognized as a World Heritage Site. Witness the fascinating ruins of the **Necropolis**, ancient **Roman baths**, and the breathtaking



natural park known as the "Cotton Castle," famous for its thermal waters and stunning beauty.

During our free time for lunch, we'll savor a delicious meal before visiting the pilgrimage site of **Meryamana**, believed to be the final resting place of the Virgin Mary.

Our journey continues to **Ephesus**, the ancient Roman capital of Asia Minor. Roam the streets where historical figures like Cleopatra, Marc Anthony, and Saint Paul once walked.

Besides, we'll marvel at **well-preserved ruins**, including the Odeon, the Arch of Hercules, the Library of Celsus, the Greco-Roman Theater, the Agora, and the Basilica of Saint John.

In the late afternoon, we'll transfer you to your hotel for **check-in**, followed by a delightful dinner and a well-deserved rest.

Greca Tip: "Kusadasi" means "Island of the Birds," although today it's known for its vibrant cruise ship scene!



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KUSADASI - IZMIR - ISTANBUL

Early in the morning, after a delicious breakfast, we will head towards **Izmir** to catch our **flight back to Istanbul**.

Once we arrive, we will transfer you to your hotel, and the rest of the day will be yours to freely explore the city at your own leisure.

Greca Tip: As a farewell treat, take the opportunity to search for hand-painted pottery, carpets, or traditional-style clothing made in Izmir. Remember, haggling is a common practice, so don't hesitate to negotiate prices with vendors for each item you're interested in.



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FULL-DAY ISTANBUL CITY TOUR

After you've fueled up with breakfast, we'll swing by your hotel or the nearest meeting spot to kick off a full-day adventure **exploring Istanbul**, an incredible city.

Get ready for an epic experience with our friendly English-speaking guide, all-inclusive tickets, a scrumptious lunch at a fantastic central city restaurant, and visits to the most awe-inspiring landmarks passed down by the Ottoman, Byzantine, and Roman empires.

Also, brace yourself for the grandeur of **Hagia Sophia**, the **thrilling Constantinople Racecourse**, the stunning **Blue Mosque**, the majestic **Topkapi Palace**, and the bustling **Grand Bazaar**, where you'll find a whopping 4,000+ stores to explore.

Once the tour concludes, you're welcome to soak up the enchanting ambiance of the old city a little longer, savoring every moment. When you're ready, you can make your way back to

your hotel.

Greca Tip: For a jaw-dropping panoramic view of Istanbul, make sure to **visit Camlica Hill** on the Asian side. Feast your eyes on the sprawling cityscape, the Golden Horn, and the mesmerizing Bosphorus. It's a sight you won't want to miss!



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FROM CONSTANTINOPE TO ATHENS

When it's time, we'll make sure you reach Istanbul International Airport smoothly for your **flight to Athens**.

Upon your arrival in this historic European capital, we'll arrange a comfortable transfer to your hotel using one of our **private vehicles**.

To help you settle in, your friendly **English-speaking assistant** will warmly welcome you and provide a quick overview of the city and its vibrant daily life. They'll also share all the important details about your trip and gladly address any questions you may have.

The rest of the day is yours to unwind and explore this renowned city at your own pace.

Greca Tip: Want a **breathtaking view of Athens** that stretches all the way to the coastline? Hop on the funicular railway to Lycabettus Hill and treat yourself to a panoramic vista that's sure to leave you in awe.



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ATHENS SIGHTSEEING: ACROPOLIS, TEMPLE OF ZEUS, TRILOGY, AND NIGHT TOUR

Start your day with a delicious breakfast. Then, we will embark on our panoramic tour of the **Athenian Neoclassical Center**.

We will visit iconic landmarks. Some are the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Gate of Hadrian, and the Panathenaic Stadium. Our knowledgeable English-speaking guide will provide fascinating insights into their history and significance.

We will also experience the breathtaking Acropolis and Acropolis Museum. The tour includes entrance fees.

Afterward, you can return to your hotel or explore the charming streets of Plaka at your own pace.

In the evening, we'll go on a **walking tour** through Anafiotika, Thissio, Monastiraki, and Plaka. We'll witness the capital's true beauty during the night.

Greca Tip: Be sure to seize the opportunity to explore the delightful shops in Plaka. There, you'll find ceramics, musical instruments, and handmade jewelry. You can also delight in specialty food shops filled with olives and spices. There's

something for everyone to discover!



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FROM ATHENS TO MYKONOS - NAVIGATING AS ODYSSEUS

Embark on an exciting journey as we transfer you to the vibrant **port of Piraeus**. From there, you'll set sail on a ferry bound for the famous island of Mykonos. Bask in the perfect timing of the crossing, enjoying the sun-drenched deck and immersing yourself in the captivating shades of the Aegean Sea.

Mykonos, known as the "heap of stones" or the "rocky place," holds a rich history. According to legend, it was named after Mykonos, the heroic son of King Anius of Delos. As you arrive on this cosmopolitan island, our friendly English-speaking representative will warmly welcome you. They'll assist with your hotel transfer and introduce you to the enchanting charms of Mykonos.

The remainder of the day is yours to unwind and embrace the laid-back island lifestyle. Immerse yourself in the unhurried pace embraced by the locals, allowing yourself to truly relax and soak in the beauty of Mykonos.

Greca Tip: For a swifter journey, consider selecting a fast ferry during the reservation process.



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MYKONOS: RELAX, SUN, BEACH, AND HISTORY

Free day to savor the wonders of this magnificent island.

Mykonos is renowned as a hotspot for the international "jet set," boasting breathtaking beaches, vibrant shops, and a thriving nightlife.

Indulge in the island's delectable **Mediterranean cuisine**, where fresh vegetables, olive oil, and a variety of spices like oregano and basil take center stage. Delight in the abundance of fish and seafood dishes that grace the menus, reflecting the rich coastal heritage.

A short ferry ride away lies the historic **island of Delos**, believed to be the birthplace of Apollo and Artemis according to Greek mythology. This small island has been inhabited since 3000 B.C. and holds significant cultural significance as one of the most prominent centers of antiquity.

Greca Tip: To fully immerse yourself in the local customs and **experience life as a Mykonian**, we recommend renting a car or motorcycle to explore the island at your own pace. It's a wonderful way to uncover hidden gems and create unforgettable memories.



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FROM MYKONOS TO THE MAGICAL SANTORINI

Having enjoyed a tasty breakfast, our representative will pick you up at the agreed time, in one of our **private vehicles**, to drive you to the port, where you will continue to your next destination, the island which is an inexhaustible source of inspiration, **Santorini**. Approaching the island, you will have the opportunity to admire the capital city of **Fira**, with its white houses perched on the cliffside and facing the volcano.

Upon your arrival, one of our **English-speaking representatives** will be waiting for you at the port to welcome you, escort you to your hotel, and comment a little more on the attractions of this picturesque island. The rest of the **day is free** to wander through the narrow streets and become part of this amazing world.

Greca Tip: Sit back and enjoy one of the most beautiful sunsets in the world from one of the coffee shops in glamorous **Oia**.



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DISCOVERING SANTORINI

Today, we have a free day to discover the wonders of this mystical island, **Santorini**, often referred to as the lost continent of Atlantis. Take your time to immerse yourself in its captivating beauty and embrace the sense of adventure.

Optionally, you can embark on an unforgettable sailboat tour that will transport us to the breathtaking Nea and Palea Kameni islands within the caldera. Discover the natural hot springs with their mesmerizing green and yellow waters. Throughout the tour, the splendid capital city of Fira will serve as a picturesque backdrop, adding to the charm of the experience.

Greca Tip: For a more comprehensive exploration of the island, we recommend renting a car. This will allow us to discover hidden gems, indulge in the island's renowned wine, and savor the exceptional local cuisine. It's the perfect way to fully embrace the essence of this remarkable destination.



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FROM SANTORINI TO ATHENS - THE RETURN

As the time arrives, we will transfer you to **Santorini Airport** for your return **flight to Athens**. Rest assured that your arrival at the airport will align conveniently with your international flight, ideally scheduled for departure **after 12:30 PM**.

It has been a pleasure hosting you during these wonderful days with Greca, and we eagerly look forward to welcoming you back in the future to create more extraordinary moments that will forever hold a special place in your heart.

Wishing you a pleasant journey! Or, as the Greeks say, "Kalo taksidi!"

If you wish to extend your stay in Santorini, feel free to add more nights during the reservation process.

Greca Tip: Consider purchasing the classic Assyrtiko wine or the sweet Vinsanto from Santorini. You can find them at local shops or take advantage of the duty-free selection at Athens Airport, which offers a delightful array of Greek wines and spirits.

What other travelers say about us



Excellent Personal Service

I went on a tour of Delphi and Meteora with GRECA VIAJES and my experience was exceptional. The tour took place according to plan, very punctual, our guide Maria was in charge of making the trip very pleasant with her stories and anecdotes about Greece and especially all the information she gave us about the sites themselves, highly recommended.

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