

Short Break in Istanbul - 3 days

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This three-day break in Istanbul offers the chance to explore a city founded in 660BC and rich in history. Founded as Byzantium, renamed Constantinople and finally Istanbul, this fascinating place straddles the Bosphorus. The resultant blend of east and west, Asia and Europe, makes for a heady mix of sightseeing. From mosques to palaces, underground cisterns to panoramic views, Istanbul's rich heritage will ensure no visitor leaves disappointed.

DEPARTURE DATES:

26.09.2020; 03.10.2020; 10.10.2020; 17.10.2020; 24.10.2020; 31.10.2020; 07.11.2020; 14.11.2020; 20.03.2021; 27.03.2021; 03.04.2021; 10.04.2021; 17.04.2021; 24.04.2021; 01.05.2021; 08.05.2021; 15.05.2021; 22.05.2021; 29.05.2021; 05.06.2021; 12.06.2021; 19.06.2021; 26.06.2021; 03.07.2021; 10.07.2021; 17.07.2021; 24.07.2021; 31.07.2021; 07.08.2021; 14.08.2021; 21.08.2021; 28.08.2021; 04.09.2021; 11.09.2021; 18.09.2021; 25.09.2021; 02.10.2021; 09.10.2021; 16.10.2021; 23.10.2021; 30.10.2021; 06.11.2021; 13.11.2021.

ITINERARY

Day 1. Istanbul. Arrival

On arrival, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. Free time. Overnight in Istanbul.

Day 2. Istanbul. City Tour

Today you will enjoy a city tour in Istanbul. We start from the Topkapi Palace - the residence of the Ottoman sultans from the 15th to the 19th century. Originally a church, later a mosque and now a museum, Hagia Sophia is the next stop. The Blue Mosque, formally known as Sultan Ahmed Mosque, is equally magnificent, boasting six minarets and beautiful marble latticework. Also on today's itinerary is the Byzantine Hippodrome, once the stage for chariot races, and the atmospheric Basilica Cistern, an underwater reservoir that used to provide the city's drinking water. No tour of Istanbul could be complete without a visit to the Grand Bazaar. Overnight in Istanbul.

Day 3. Istanbul. Egyptian Market. Bosphorus Cruise. Departure

This morning you'll board a boat for a cruise along the Bosphorus. This important river is lined with palaces and grand mansions - look out for the Dolmabahçe Palace, Beylerbeyi Palace, Çırağan Palace and Rumeli Fortress as you chug by at a leisurely pace. Later, you'll transfer to the airport for your flight to your next destination.

TOUR INCLUSIONS AND OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Included

International flights
Accommodation
Guided tours & cultural programme
Daily breakfasts
Ground transportation
Airport transfers

Not included

Personal travel insurance
Optional excursions and services

AVAILABLE PACKAGES

COMFORT - 3* PACKAGE

Dates	Excl. flights	Incl. flights*	Single suppl.
26/09/2020 - 28/09/2020	£595	£895	£295.00
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PREMIUM - 4* PACKAGE

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ALTERNATIVE TOURS AND TAILOR-MADE ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to organized group tours, we also offer individual trips. This could be an entirely separate holiday arrangement or an extension to a regular "Best of Caucasus" trip. Whether you would like to travel independently, or just with the group of your friends or colleagues, we can help to realise your holiday plans. Depending on your preference for either comfort or budget, we can help you to design the ideal itinerary and provide the optimal value-for-money quote. Please [contact us for a quote](#).

Based on your chosen tour we believe you might be interested in alternative trips listed below:

- > [Best of Istanbul - 5 days \(TR-04\)](#), Price from £1095, 5 days
- > [Short Break in Istanbul with a Visit to Cappadocia - 6 days \(TR-02\)](#), Price from £945, 6 days
- > [Best of Turkey Tour - 13 days \(TR-05\)](#), Price from £3495, 13 days
- > [Classical Turkey Tour - 8 days \(TR-03\)](#), Price from £2695, 8 days
- > [Highlights of Azerbaijan - 6 days \(AZ-01\)](#), Price from £945, 6 days
- > [Discover Armenia, Georgia and Azerbaijan - 16 days \(CT-02\)](#), Price from £2745, 16 days
- > [Best of Armenia and Georgia - 12 days \(CT-05\)](#), Price from £1945, 12 days
- > [Great Georgian Discovery - 11 days \(GE-03\)](#), Price from £1695, 11 days

HOW TO BOOK

Step 1 - Choose Your Holiday & Departure Dates

It is important that you choose a trip that is well suited to your interests, capabilities and experience. All our staff has first hand experience of a range of Best of Caucasus holidays and will be happy to talk to you about your chosen trip, enabling you to assess its suitability. We also recommend that you read the descriptions of the relevant region, general information about our services, booking conditions, and trip dossiers carefully. Once you know what tour is right for you, as well as your departure dates, you can start your booking.

Step 2 - Complete the Booking Form

Online: log on to www.best-of-caucasus.co.uk and open the tour you wish to book and click "Book now". To provide you with a more personalised and relevant experience in all your contact with Best of Caucasus, when you book online we ask you to register on our system. Once registered you can retrieve your bookings, update newsletter subscriptions, passenger and emergency contact details, submit special dietary requests, view invoices and receipts, download trip documents.

Email: alternatively, you can book your tour per email - info@best-of-caucasus.co.uk, or

Phone: call us on +44 (0)20 30 51 76 40

When booking by email or over the phone please confirm your personal details (full name and address), chosen tour, departure date, package type (hotel category), and available upgrades.

Step 3 - Confirmation of your booking

On receipt of your booking form, we will make any necessary reservations for you and send you confirmation invoice, including the flight details, and additional information about your destination: advice on visas, vaccinations and what to take. The invoice will also show you the exact due date of the payment.

Step 4 - Payment

Please note, if your departure date is more than 56 days you will need to pay the deposit, which should cover the full cost of the flight (if applicable), plus 10% of the land-only arrangements (minimum £100) per person towards your tour. The outstanding payment must be made 56 days prior to departure. If you book less than 56 days before departure, full payment must be made at the time of your booking. You can make your payment by bank transfer, debit or credit card, cheque, bankers draft or postal order. You will find all relevant payment details in your invoice.

