



# Istanbul and Beyond

## A Turkish Encounter

### PROPOSED TOUR ITINERARY

#### International Itinerary

Friday, March 26

Depart San Diego, Delta 1984, 6:30 A.M.  
Arrive JFK 4:24 P.M. EST  
Depart JFK, Delta 72, 5:30 P.M.  
Fri., Mar. 29 Arrive Istanbul, 10:10 A.M.

Sunday, April 4

Depart Istanbul, Delta 73, 11:55 A.M.  
Arrive JFK, 3:50 P.M. EST  
Depart JFK, Delta 1985, 5:40 pm  
Arrive San Diego, 10:28 P.M.

#### Daily Itinerary in Istanbul

Saturday, March 27

10:10 am Arrive Atatürk International. Airport  
Pay visa fee (\$20)  
Check in at Hotel Fehmi Bey, Üçler Sokak 15, Sultanahmet  
Change money on Divan Yolu boulevard  
Lunch at at Doy Doy restaurant on Divan Yolu  
Take taxis to Askeri Müze (Military Museum), visit museum  
3-4 P.M. mehter band concert in museum, meet the players  
Dinner near hotel

Sunday, March 28

Turkish breakfast on hotel terrace, with Marmara Sea view  
Visit Sokollu Mehmet Pasha Mosque and Little Aya Sofya  
Visit Haghia Sophia museum and the Underground Cistern  
Lunch on Divan Yolu  
Visit record and musical instruments shops in Unkapani

Monday, March 29

Visit Süleymaniye Mosque  
Walking tour of Taksim area, Istaklal Caddesi street  
Lunch at Taksim Square  
Visit Galata Tower, walking tour of Beyoglu (old Pera)  
Dinner at Darüzziyafe Restaurant, with classical fasil music

Tuesday, March 30

Visit Blue Mosque and At Meydan monuments  
Kamil's carpet tour at Museum of Turkish and Islamic Art  
Lunch in the area  
Afternoon visit to Kapili Çarshi (Covered Bazaar)  
Dinner at leisure

Wednesday, March 31

Visit to Archaeological Museum and Topkapi Palace  
Dinner at leisure

Thursday, April 1

Morning free for shopping at the Egyptian bazaar market area  
Lunch at Borsa Kafeteria or Pandeli restaurant  
Take ferry to Asian side for afternoon sightseeing and dinner  
Evening visit to Sufi dervish meeting in Üsküdar (Asia side)

Friday, April 2

#### Alternative 1

Bosphorus boat tour in morning if the weather is good  
Lunch in a fish restaurant near the Black Sea (Sariyer or Anadolu Kavagı)  
Return by boat, alight near Dolmabahçe Palace  
Visit Dolmabahçe Palace on the Bosphorus  
Dinner in Besiktash (Iskander kebab) or dine in Ortaköy  
Evening visit to a taverna in Arnavutköy

#### Alternative 2 (cost about \$300)

Fly to Izmir in the morning  
Spend the morning visiting the Greco-Roman site of Ephesus  
After lunch, visit the museum in Seljuk and Basilica of St. John  
After dinner, fly back to Istanbul

Saturday, April 3

Visit the Kariye Cami (Chora) and the Byzantine city walls  
Afternoon free for shopping, or Byzantine Mosaics Museum  
Optional late afternoon tea at Pierre Loti Café, with a view of  
the Golden Horn at sunset  
Farewell Ottoman banquet at Darüzziyafe

Sunday, April 4

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### Cost

Total cost for the ten day tour is \$2,495\*

### Included in the price

Round-trip air fare, San Diego/Istanbul (or other departure city)  
Eight nights at the Fehmi Bey Hotel, Istanbul\*  
Very substantial Turkish/European buffet every morning  
Full-time services of a government licensed guide, 8 days  
Airport transfer on arrival and departure  
Full day trip to Edirne by minibus, picnic and entertainment

### Not included in the price

Lunch and dinner (also reasonable)  
Trip to Ephesus and Seljuk (about \$300)

\* Based on two people per hotel room. Single supplement is \$300 more.