



## Active Turkey

A bridge between continents and cultures, Turkey has always been a meeting place for travellers eager to exchange just about everything. Swap your trusty walking stick for a bike and a kayak as you hike, pedal, paddle, and ride your way through Turkey.



YOUR  
ADVENTURE  
AWAITS

10 days/9 nights

### ITINERARY

#### Day 1: Istanbul

Arrive at any time. Your adventure begins tonight. Feel free to explore before your welcome meeting, but make sure you're back in time to meet the group. After introductions, your tour leader will review the details of your tour.

Please note that normal check-in times apply at your hotel, but you can usually store your luggage for the day if you arrive early.

#### Day 2: Istanbul/Fethiye

After breakfast, you will enjoy a guided orientation walk around Istanbul. Your guide will give you some tips on finding things like supermarkets, main squares, and ATMs. For more specific or in-depth information, an official guided tour is recommended.

In the afternoon, fly to Dalaman and take a short transfer to Fethiye on the Turquoise Coast.

#### Day 3: Fethiye

Hike along the Lycian Way from the ghost town of Kayakoy to the blue lagoon of Oludeniz. you will pass through pines and along the coast with views of the beautiful lagoon below. Enjoy an easy walk – the gently undulating path is well-marked and easy to follow.

Walking along the coast gives spectacular views of the water below and the rugged coastline. After enjoying a swim at Oludeniz, take a public bus to Fethiye.

#### Day 4: Fethiye/Minare

After a free morning to wander through the coastal harbor of Fethiye, depart for Minare. On arrival, hike around the Lycian-era ruins of Pinara. Overnight in a village homestay.



Fethiye is a popular tourist destination, and it's easy to see why. Head to Fethiye Museum to discover the area's past and be sure to soak in the scenic views of Fethiye's beautiful harbor, which boasts a speckling of charming islands.

In the evening, enjoy a village homestay and delicious home-cooked food.

#### **Day 5: Minare/Kekova**

Transfer to town of Kas. Take to a sea kayak to get the best possible view of the sunken city of Kekova, which is visible beneath the water off the coast of Kas. Receive a full safety briefing before heading off to tour the area.

The water is so clear here, it's possible to clearly make out the ruins of this once fine city.

#### **Day 6: Kekova/Olympos**

Take to two wheels and cycle through the villages and hillsides around Kas. With views all the way down to the sea and some tough ascents and descents, this is a thrilling ride along the coast.

Continue to Olympos and enjoy a short walk to Chimera, where flames magically rise out of the earth through cracks in the rocks.

#### **Day 7: Olympos/Göreme**

Enjoy a free day in the small coastal village of Olympos. A small village on the coast of Turkey and home to unspoilt beaches and ancient ruins. Local attractions include the flames of Chimaera (Yanarta or 'burning stone'), natural gas flames that rise from the rocks of Mt Olympos, and the ancient ruins of Olympos.

In the evening take an overnight bus to Göreme.

#### **Day 8: Göreme**

Enjoy hiking among Cappadocia's impressive and unusual rock formations. Discover caves and fairy chimneys and soak in the natural beauty of this fascinating region.

Cappadocia is a historical region in Central Anatolia. Boasting unique geological, historic, and cultural attractions, it's well known for its underground cities, historic mansions, and cave houses. Explore this interesting area on foot or horseback, or take to the skies in a hot air balloon for spectacular views. Hot-air ballooning is very popular in Cappadocia and definitely worth doing!

#### **Day 9: Göreme**

Head out and try horseback riding in the area. Opt to take a hot air balloon ride for unparalleled views of the region at



sunrise.

Touring on horseback is a fantastic way to experience the surrounding countryside, and offers a great opportunity for novices to learn how to ride. After a free afternoon, walk in the hills to enjoy the sun setting over Cappadocia.

#### Day 10: Göreme

Depart at any time today.

### Details

#### Group Size:

Max 16, average is 12

#### 2019 Departures:

April: 05  
May: 03, 31  
June: 28  
August: 16  
September: 06, 27  
October: 18

#### 2019 Pricing:

From CA\$1549

#### 2020 Departures:

April: 03  
May: 01, 29  
June: 26  
August: 14  
September: 04, 25  
October: 16

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From CA\$1549

Prices are shown in CA\$, per person, based on two people sharing a twin room and one person in a single room. Solo travellers may opt to share a room with another solo traveller of the same gender for the per person twin price.

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### INCLUDED

- Horseback riding
- Entrance to Pinara
- Guided hike on the Lycian Way
- Entrance to Kayakoy village and Oludeniz Blue Lagoon
- Hike to Chimera
- Mountain biking excursion
- Half-day guided sea kayaking excursion
- Internal flight

- Transport between destinations and to/from included activities
- Nine nights accommodation
- Meals as specified

### NOT INCLUDED

- Flights to and from Istanbul
- Optional Tours
- Driver/Guide Gratuities
- Travel Insurance
- Items of a personal nature

### TOUR NOTES

This is an active trip that is physically demanding. There are some high-altitude hikes or more strenuous activities, but accessible to most healthy travellers.

The optional activity of hot air ballooning over Cappadocia is weather dependent and may be postponed or cancelled due to conditions.

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