



1-844-749-0725 info@womens-travel-club.com https://www.womens-travel-club.com



# Classic Turkey Tour & Yacht Cruise #1 2024 Itinerary

May 7, 2024 - May 25, 2024

Turkey is home to one of the world's oldest civilizations and is the meeting place of the Eastern and Western worlds. Join us on a journey to this fascinating land between not only Europe and Asia but also between yesterday and today. Our journey starts in Istanbul where we will explore the interior and the treasures it holds. Then on to the vibrant resort beach town of Marmaris, a little bit mediterranean, a little bit Middle East and a little bit European but unlike any where else in the world. Finally, relax on a 7 day cruise on a private traditional Turkish Gullet.

## May 7 - Pre-Tour Day



#### Pre-night accommodation at Levni Hotel

Ankara Caddesi No: 12 Sirkeci - Istanbul

Phone: +90 212 519 10 19

Levni Hotel check-in time: 2:00 PM (local time)

### May 8 - Day 1



#### **Welcome to Turkey**

Transfer in private service from international airport to the hotel. You will have today at your leisure to relax or explore this vibrant city. We will meet in the evening for a brief welcome meeting and then on to a fabulous welcome dinner.



#### Dinner



#### Levni Hotel

Ankara Caddesi No: 12 Sirkeci – Istanbul

Phone: +90 212 519 10 19

Levni Hotel check-in time: 2:00 PM (local time)

### May 9 - Day 2



#### Istanbul

After breakfast we will embark on a tour of Istanbul. Together we will visit Hagia Sophia (often referred to as the 8th wonder of the World), the Blue Mosque, the Hippodrome and Basilica Cistern. Cisterna Basilica is the largest of several hundred ancient cisterns that lie beneath the city of Istanbul. After lunch (not included) at a local restaurant we will continue to Grand Bazaar, one of the largest and oldest covered bazaars in the world. After spending time at the Bazaar you will head back to the hotel.



#### **Breakfast**



#### Levni Hotel

## May 10 - Day 3



#### **Bosphorus Tour**

After the breakfast we will visit Topkapi Palace including the Harem section. Then we will have lunch at a local restaurant (not included) you will head to the Spice Market and then continue to Golden Horn to do a Bosphorus Tour by boat. Bosphorus forms part of the continental boundary between Europe and Asia. You will get off on the Asian side of Istanbul and explore Uskudar market place.



#### **Breakfast**



#### Levni Hotel

## May 11 - Day 4



#### Cappadocia

You will fly to Cappadocia today. When you get there, you will visit Kaymakli Underground City, Ortahisar view point, Three Beauties and Dervent. Then, you will drive to the hotel.



### **Breakfast, Dinner**



#### **Karlik Evi Hotel**

Karlık Mah. Karlık Sok. No:1, Uçhisar - Kapadokya - Nevşehir (HARITADA GÖR)

Phone: +90 384 219 29 95

Karlik Evi Hotel check-in time: 2:00 PM (local time)

### May 12 - Day 5



#### **Hot Air Balloon**

Early in the morning we will enjoy a hot air balloon ride over Cappadocia. Even the most stunning photos fail to capture the true beauty of Cappadocia. It is a landscape like no other in the world. Because of its surreal, otherworldly features, it is one of the most popular destinations in the world for hot air ballooning.

After a late breakfast, you will visit Goreme Open Air Museum, Uchisar Castle and Pasabag. You will also do panoramic view stops to see the region from different angles.



#### **Breakfast**



#### Karlik Evi Hotel

### May 13 - Day 6



#### Cappadocia - Izmir - Selcuk

You will fly to Izmir today. After getting our new van, you will drive to Selcuk, where you will have 2 nights.



#### **Breakfast, Dinner**



#### **Hotel Kalehan**

Ataturk Cad. No: 98 Ephesus Selcuk Turkey

Phone: +90 532 677 79 88

Hotel Kalehan check-in time: 2:00 PM (local time)

## May 14 - Day 7



#### Selcuk

Today you will visit Virgin Mary's House and Ephesus. After lunch at Sirince Villgae you will also have time to explore this lovely place which was founded by Greeks. Then back to the hotel. You can rest at your hotel or continue exploring Selcuk.



Breakfast, Lunch



**Hotel Kalehan** 

### May 15 - Day 8



#### Pamukkale - Marmaris

Today, you will drive to Pamukkale first. Here, you will visit Hierapolis and the white terraces of Pamukkale. Then you will drive through Taurus Mountains to get to Marmaris. Dinner is included tonight.



#### Breakfast, Dinner



#### **Candan City Beach Hotel**

Kemeralti Mah. Ataturk Caddesi No:44, Marmaris, Turkey

Phone:

Candan City Beach Hotel check-in time: 2:00 PM (local time)

## May 16 - Day 9



#### **Marmaris**

Today is free to enjoy Marmaris with it's beautiful coastline, friendly people, good fresh foods and delicious local wines, that could easily compete against many European vineyards. Relax, shop or explore this amazing town that will easily become one of your favorite places in the world.



**Breakfast** 



**Candan City Beach Hotel** 

## May 17 - Day 10



#### **Marmaris**

After breakfast in our hotel, enjoy a free day to explore Marmaris. There is so much to do in this beautiful seaside village, you will very much enjoy your free time here.



**Breakfast** 



#### **Candan City Beach Hotel**

## May 18 - Day 11



### **Sogut - Embarkation**

We will transfer from Marmaris to Sogut where we will board our home for the next 7 nights, the ES Canada. This gulet is very spacious with a large salon and a dining area on both the forward and aft decks. All cabins are ensuite. A number of water sports is on board such as kayaking, stand up paddleboarding, snorkel, and fishing.



**Breakfast, Dinner** 



**ES Canada** 

## May 19 - Day 12



#### **Loryma Bay**

Today we will visit the lovely Bay of Loryma. This large, sheltered bay is easily identified by the ancient citadel on the western headland as you approach. This bay is perfect for a relaxing afternoon swimming, paddle boarding or snorkelling.



Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



**ES Canada** 

### May 20 - Day 13



### **Ekincik Bay**

Spend the day sailing and end in Ekincik Bay.



Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



**ES Canada** 

## May 21 - Day 14



#### **Tersane Island**

Tersane Island is the largest island in the gulf of Fethiye and is often also called Dockyard Island. Today you can still find the ruins of abandoned homes over this picturesque island.



Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



**ES Canada** 

### May 22 - Day 15



#### Gemiler Island - Kas Bay

On your way to Gemiler Island you will enjoy the morning in Kalkan, a beautiful and lively resort town. Explore, shop or relax. Welcome to Gemiler Island, this historical island is filled with history, incredible views onto the Mediterranean and is even though to be the birthplace of Saint Nicholas (Father Christmas!)

Here we will have a self-guided tour – they will drop us on the island approximately 1.5 hours before sunset where we will climb to the top of the island. As we climb you will walk past all the ruins. Once on top, at the lighthouse, we will enjoy a spectacular sunset.



Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



**ES Canada** 

### May 23 - Day 16



#### Kas Bay - Demre

Kas is everything that a typical Mediterranean seaside resort in Turkey should be. White washed houses cascade down the winding mountain roads to show the way to beautiful beaches and a harbor that reminds you that life is in fact quite good and while in Kas, the best thing to do is to adapt quickly to the Mediterranean lifestyle. Explore this quaint village or relax on the yacht, the day is yours to enjoy. On the way to Kas we will view the sunken city.



Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



**ES Canada** 

## May 24 - Day 17



#### Demre - Kekova

Enjoy a day in this beautiful secluded bay with crystal blue waters. This is the perfect opportunity to take advantage of the many water activities offered by the yacht.



Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



**ES Canada** 

## May 25 - Day 18



#### **Kekova Departure**

It is time to say good-bye to this beautiful destination and fabulous new friends. Please make sure flights are booked for after 2:00 PM. After breakfast we will have a group transfer to Dalaman.



**Breakfast** 



## Post-night accommodation at Dalaman Airport Lykia Thermal & Spa Hotel

Ege Mah. Kenan Evren Bulvarı Susam Sok. No:21 Dalaman / Mugla

Phone: +90 0850 885 07 28

Dalaman Airport Lykia Thermal & Spa Hotel check-in time: 2:00 PM (local time)