JEWISH HERITAGE MITZVAH TOUR in ISTANBUL FULL DAY

Tour Code- IST5Tour Days- Everyday (Acording the available weather conditions)Highlight- Ahrida Synagogue – Neva Shalom Synagogue – Scheneider Temple – TurkishJews Museum – Grand Bazaar

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Ahrida Synagogue – Neva Shalom Synagogue – Scheneider Temple – Turkish Jews Museum – Grand Bazaar Meet your guide in hotel lobby or Istanbul Port to start the first tour in Istanbul. End of the tour drop

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Where To Visit

Ahrida Synagogue - The Ahrida Synagogue is located in the Balat district of Istanbul near the famous Golden Horn. The synagogue, which was built in the early 15th century from the city of Ohrid in the Republic of Macedonia, where its founders migrated to Istanbul. One of the two remaining synagogues in Balat. It is the oldest, most beautiful and the largest capacity synagogue in Istanbul.

Neve Shalom Synagoguge - The Neve Shalom Synagogue is the main and the most famous synagogue of the Turkish Jews. Located in Büyük Hendek Street in the Karaköy district of Beyoğlu in Istanbul. Neve Shalom Synagogue, which was opened to worship on March 25, 1951, is also the newest synagogue of the community. In this synagogue, the congregation is used in the social ceremonies such as bar mitvahs, weddings and funerals.

Schneider Temple – Schneider Sinagouge Located near the Galata Tower in the Beyoglu districh in Istanbul. In the 19th century, most of the Ashkenazi Jews in Istanbul were practicing the profession of tailoring. Schneidertempel was one of the three synagogues founded by Ashkenazlar in Galata. The German word "schneider" means "tailor" in Turkish. For these reasons, the synagogue known as the Tailors Synagogue is called "**Beth ha Kenesseth Tofre Begadim**".

It was founded on 8 September 1894 by the Ashkenaz Tailors Association. In this structure, which is in the name of queue, the shopkeepers of the period, especially the tailors, were worshiping. The synagogue continued its religious function until the 1960s, but since 1964 the community population was diminished and closed.

The building was converted into an art center in 1996. The Bank, located between Banker Street and Felek Street, is a typical example of 19th century eclectic architecture.

Turkish Jews Museum - The museum was established by the Year Foundation to provide information to the community in terms of the traditions and history of Turkish Jews. Opened on November 25th 2001. The Zulfaris Synagogue was restored and remodelled to serve as the museum building. It contains a huge collection of old photographs, documents and religious objects relating to Istanbul's Jewish population.

Visiting Days : Monday - Thursday between 10.00 - 16.00, Friday 10:00 - 13:00 and Sunday between 10.00 - 14.00 hours. Saturday Sabbath is closed on national and religious holidays.

Grand Bazaar - (Kapali Çarsi in Turkish) The Grand Bazaar is the largest covered bazaar in the World. Grand Bazaar's colors, lights and sounds create an exotic and unique atmosphere. in the 61 covered streets and over 4,000 shops which attract colorful shops offering an endless range of jewelery, fabrics, carpet, antique shops, leather wear, spices and local crafts. * End of the tour drop to hotel or Istanbul Port.

PRICES

* **Private Tour prices** : Rates are based on per person

2 Pax	3 - 4 Pax	5 - 6 Pax	7 - 8 Pax	9 Pax over
147 €	112€	88 €	80 €	65 €

- Please kindly contact us for your high group requests

Prices includes

- Transfer pick-up and drop back to your hotel or Istanbul Port.
- All Entrance Fees and Donations for all the Synagogues and sites.
- Professional licenced tour guide.
- Special Authorisation is required from the Rabbinate
- Upon request kosher food can be suplied.
- Private air-conditioned transportation, parking and VAT.

Prices excludes

- Personel expences
- Beverages
- Tip for guide and driver

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