

## OTTOMAN HERITAGE TOUR in ISTANBUL FULL DAY

### Tour Code – IST2

**Tour Days** - Everyday ( According the available weather conditions )

**Itinerary** - Topkapi Palace – Blue Mosque – Turkish & Islamic Art Museum – Süleymaniye Mosque - Grand Bazaar – Hipodrom Square

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**Hippodrome Square** - The large, open square was the site of a Roman circus that rivaled the Colosseum during the Roman Empire and was able to occupy more than a quarter of a million spectators. Among the monuments are the Snake Column from Delphi and an Egyptian obelisk of German Fountain at Luxor. Saint Sophia, Topkapi Palace, the Blue Mosque and the Cistern basilica are all around the Hippodrome square.

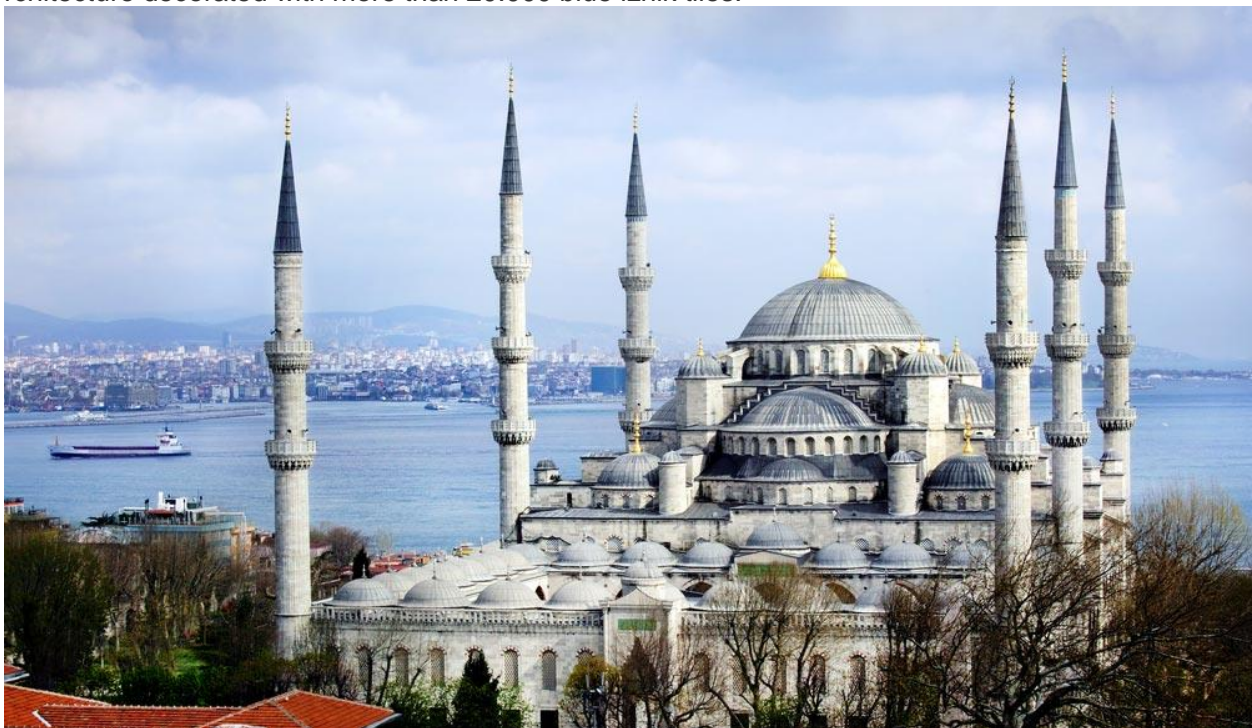


**Topkapi Palace** – Topkapi palace is a giant walled complex that embraces the Bosphorus and is the old palace of the Ottoman sultans. During the 400 years of the 600-year history of the Ottoman Empire, the palace was used as the administrative center of the state and inhabited by the Ottoman sultans and their families. Nearly 4,000 people lived once. Topkapi Palace is a museum with an extraordinary collection of precious diamonds, daggers, weapons, slaves and objects used by the sultans and families, original precious Chinese porcelain, portraits, arts and precious jewels. Blue

Mosque - Six graceful minarets adorn the elegant mosque, one of the city's most recognizable landmarks. More than 20,000 blue Iznik tiles highlight the superb interior.



**Blue Mosque** – (Called Sultanahmet Camii in Turkish) Built between 1609-1617 by the Ottoman Sultan Ahmed I on the historical peninsula in Istanbul, the architect Sedefkâr Mehmed Ağa. The mosque, which has six elegant minarets, impresses the visitors with its magnificent interior and architecture decorated with more than 20,000 blue iznik tiles.





**Turkish and Islamic Art Museum** - The Museum of Turkish and Islamic Arts is the first Turkish museum in the Fatih district of Istanbul, encompassing Turkish and Islamic art collectively.

It was built in 1524 by the Vizier Ibrahim Pasa's residence. It was the grandest private residence in The Ottoman Empire.

The museum, which has the richest carpet collection in the world, has many carpets from the Seljuk and Ottoman Empire periods.

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works with mythological figures, superb collection of ceramics, metalwork, miniatures, calligraphy.



**Süleymaniye Mosque** - It was built by the Ottoman architect Mimar Sinan in Istanbul between the years 1551-1557 on behalf of the Ottoman Sultan Suleiman the Magnificent. The mosque has many features. One example; Mimar Sinan created an incredible acoustics inside the mosque with 65 cube circles around the dome and the mosque was able to make the voice of the imam all over the mosque without even the technological devices such as microphones. Your guide will tell you other features. The graves of Kanuni Sultan Süleyman and his wife Hurrem Sultan ( Rolexana ) are found in Süleymaniye Mosque.





**Grand Bazaar – ( Kapalı Çarşı 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 jewelry, fabrics, carpet, antique shops, leather wear, spices and local crafts.



**Full Day Ottoman Heritage Tour in Istanbul Prices includes**  
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- Professional licenced tour guide
- Private air-conditioned transportation, parking and VAT.

## PRICES

**\*Regular tour mix group prices per person : 70 EURO**

**\* 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 €	75 €

- Please kindly contact us for your high group requests

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### **Prices excludes**

- Beverages
- Tips
- Personel expences

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