SOLO TRAVELLER FRIENDLY TOUR

PHT EXCLUSIVE ESCORTED JOURNEY

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discover turkey

Phil Hoffmann travel

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15 Day escorted tour

When you set foot in Turkey, you'll be astonished by its beauty, history and gastronomy. In Istanbul, a city that straddles Europe and Asia, discover bazaars and haggle for carpets and kilims, enter harems and palaces and discover the striking Blue Mosque. Pay your respects at ANZAC Cove and Gallipoli; explore legendary Troy, the ruins of Pergamum and Ephesus. Explore Cappadocia – a region pocked with valleys full of fairy chimney rock formation and troglodyte cities, plus the modern-day capital – Ankara. And, to help contemplate Turkey's extraordinary history, consider a little relaxation at a hammam and allow life's worries to be scrubbed away.

Day 1 Fri 01 Nov Adelaide to Istanbul.

Fly from Adelaide to Istanbul, via Dubai

Day 2, Sat 02 Nov Dubai to Istanbul

Welcome to Istanbul. Enjoy a transfer to the hotel. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Dinner at the hotel.

Stay Grand Hyatt—3 Nights* (D)

Day 3, Sun 03 Nov Istanbul

Good morning Istanbul! Officially founded by Emperor Constantine in AD326, Istanbul is the only city on earth that straddles both the Continents of Europe and Asia. Formally known as Constantinople, the city boasts an illustrious past and is positively studded and pocked with mosques, churches, underground cisterns, a hippodrome (site of ancient chariot races), a hotel called the Pera Palace where Agatha Christie penned Murder on the Orient Express, a gargantuan bazaar, hundreds of restaurants, shops and ruins. Istanbul is quite literally a feast for the senses. Today, enjoy a beautiful overview of the city including a visit to the Blue Mosque, with its beautiful Iznik tiles and the Hippodrome where Roman chariot races were once held. Later, continue Karpali Carsi – aka the Grand Bazaar. An institution in Istanbul, it is one of the largest and oldest covered markets in the world with 61 streets and over 4,000 shops. (B)

Day 4, Mon 04 Nov Istanbul

Visit and explore Hagia Sophia, once the biggest church in Christendom, and now a magnificent museum. Later, embark on a Bosphorus cruise. Travelling towards the old city from close to the Black Sea, the scenery complements the grandeur of the Ottoman palaces and mansions. (B)

Day 5, Tue 05 Nov Istanbul to Canakkale via Gallipoli and ANZAC Cove

Drive along the shores of the Sea of Marmara to the Peninsula of Gelibolu—Gallipoli. It was here during WW1 that ANZAC and troops fought for nine disastrous months against the Turks to gain control of the Dardanelle Straits. Visit key sites such as Anzac Cove, Lone Pine, Chunuk Bair and the Turkish and Allied trenches. A 30-minute sea crossing to Canakkale takes us from Europe to Asia. Tonight, enjoy a lecture on the history of the Gallipoli Campaign by a local expert.

Stay Kolin hotel* (B,D)

Day 6, Wed 06 Nov Canakkale to Troy, Pergamum and Kusadasi

Drive to Homer's legendary city of Troy, where archaeological excavation has established nine levels of habitation, including the great city captured in 1200BC by means of the legendary Trojan Horse. A huge replica of the horse stands beside the city's ancient walls. Continue to Pergamon, visit the Asklepion, an ancient therapeutic centre. Continue to lively, coastal Kusadasi.

Stay Charisma De Luxe Hotel*—2 Nights (B,D)

Day 7, Thu 07 Nov Kusadasi and Ephesus

En route to Ephesus, visit the Archaeological Museum at Selcuk where many of the excavated artefacts of Ephesus are displayed. Visit the House of the Virgin Mary and tour the ruins of Ephesus. Walk the colonnaded Arcadian Way, see the splendid façade of the Library of Celsius and the vast Amphitheatre. Learn about the flavours of the region,

with a cooking class and lunch at Bizem Ev. (B,L,D)

Day 08, Fri 08 Nov
Kusadasi to Pamukkale

Follow the Maeander River Valley to Pamukkale, so full of twists and turns it actually gave us the word 'meander'! En route a stop is made at Buldan, famed for its textiles. With its dazzling chalk-white array of limestone terraces, Pamukkale offers you the chance to swim and relax in the hotel's thermal pools and spa facilities.

Stay Doga Thermal Health and Spa* (B,L,D)

Day 09, Sat 09 Nov
Pamukkale to Hierapolis and Konya

This morning, visit the ancient Roman spa resort of Hierapolis, before continuing to pious Konya, erstwhile capital of the Anatolian Seljuk Empire and home to the mystical Whirling Dervish sect. Visit Mevlana Tekke, a beautiful museum and monument.

Stay Alfina Hotel*—2 nights (B,L,D)

Day 10, Sun 10 Nov
Konya to Cappadocia

See the Karataye Medrese and Ince Minaret before travelling across the fertile plains to Urgup, in the heart of Cappadocia. En route, visit one of the best-preserved caravanserais in Antolia. Enjoy lunch at Uchisar Kadineli restaurant. (B,L)

Day 11, Mon 11 Nov
Cappadocia

Cappadocia—a jewel in Turkey's illustrious crown. The utter improbability of the surreal landscapes of this region have to be witnessed to be believed. Whole troglodyte villages including churches and fortresses have been hewn from the soft porous rock and the landscape has been whipped into dozens of fairy chimney sculptures. In Goreme, explore volcanic landscapes and rock-hewn churches, and in the Pasabag Valley drink in scenery dotted with mushroom-shaped 'fairy chimneys' and troglodyte dwellings, and explore the underground city of Ozkonak. Stop at a Turkish carpet centre, experience Turkish hospitality at the home of a legendary local Fatma Teyze (Aunty Fatma). Enjoy dinner, followed by a cultural night at a 13th century Seljuk caravanserai, where we'll bear witness to a spectacular Sema ceremony of Whirling Dervishes – devout followers of Sufism. (B,D)

Day 12, Tue 12 Nov
Cappadocia to Ankara

Learn about pottery production in Avanos, before continuing to Ankara – the modern capital of Turkey. Visit the Hittite Museum and Anit Kabir – the mausoleum of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk – Turkey's great modern leader.

Stay Ankara Hilton* (B,D)

Day 13, Wed 13 Nov
Ankara to Istanbul

Continue through the Turkish countryside to Istanbul. Later, visit the fabulous Topkapi Palace, a walled city perched above the Bosphorus and the Golden Horn. Tonight, enjoy a celebration dinner at a local restaurant.

Stay Grand Hyatt Istanbul* (B,D)

Day 14, Thu 14 Nov
Istanbul to Adelaide

Today, transfer to Istanbul Ataturk airport for the flight to Adelaide via Dubai arriving in Adelaide on day 15. (B)

**or similar*

Ask your consultant about extending your holiday in Europe, or a stopover in Dubai on the way home!

Tour inclusions

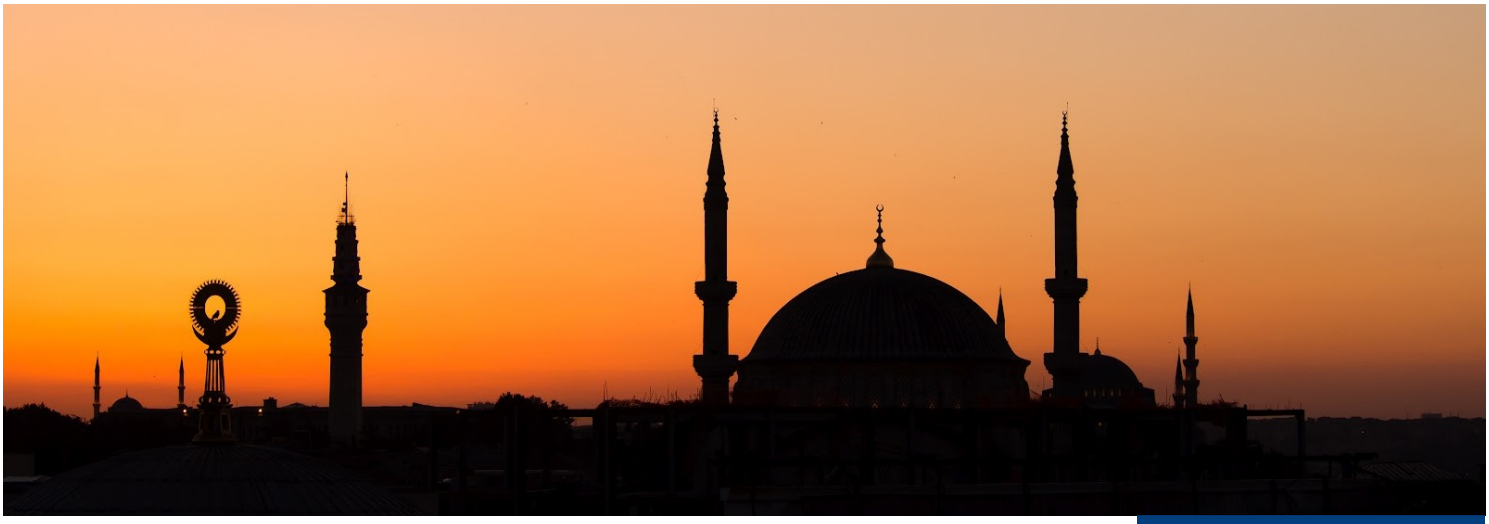
- Return economy class flights from Adelaide including taxes[1]
- 12 nights first class accommodation
- Travel by coach, motorboat and car ferry
- Sightseeing per itinerary with entry fees
- Arrival and departure transfers[2]
- 25 meals
- Luggage porterage
- Escorted from Adelaide
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour director
- One-way home to airport transfer[3]
- Pre-departure function, tour documentation

[1] departures from other capital cities available
[2] when arriving/departing on group flights/dates
[3] departure transfer within Adelaide metro area

Tour costs:

Twin* Share	$4,999
Single Supplement	$999

*Per person twin share



Refined itineraries meticulously tailored to offer a wealth of authentic experiences with a touch of luxury and added value.

Phil Hoffmann Travel 'Point of Difference'

A combination of expertise, intuition and passion for travel underpins every tour we design. With our own people on the ground helping orchestrate our Escorted Journeys program, we encapsulate the best of every destination, affording our travellers exclusive, individual and authentic experiences that no one else can offer. Into the mix, we add

Group tour booking conditions

Tour Changes: We endeavor to provide an accurate itinerary however, local operators, hotels and airlines sometimes change arrangements and our itinerary would then be adjusted to suit however, the same standard will always be used.

Not Included on tour: Travel insurance; tips & gratuities for formal group tour arrangements (unless stated as included); tips during non-group arrangements; items of a personal nature eg drinks, laundry, phone calls, meals other than those indicated, additional sightseeing or optional tours;extensions/stopovers/amendments; Turkish Visa [1]additional flight cost from other cities, if applicable [2]arrival & departure transfers at destination/s when not arriving/departing on group flights/dates; [3]departure transfer transfer if outside Adelaide metro area and greater than a value of $50 per person - not all areas covered.

Reservations: A deposit of $400 per person is required within 7 days of confirmation of your booking. The balance is due no later than 24 July 2019. If a booking is made after this date, the full tour price is due at the time of confirmation. Prices are subject to change at anytime until full payment has been received for entire group and tickets have been issued.

Booking Forms & Booking Conditions: You are required to complete some forms when booking which provide essential information we require to process your booking. Your consultant will provide you with all relevant forms. Please ensure you read these booking conditions in conjunction with the Phil Hoffmann Travel 'Schedule of Professionalism' booking conditions.

Passport & Visas: It is necessary for all passengers to be in possession of a valid passport which has at least 6 months validity beyond your return into Australia. A Visa is required for Australian passport holders travelling to Turkey. The cost of the eVisa is not included in the tour cost.

Minimum Numbers: Group fares quoted for this tour are subject to a minimum 15 paying and maximum 40 passengers travelling together. Phil Hoffmann Travel reserve the right to increase the tour price or cancel the this tour should the numbers travelling not meet the required minimum.

Tour Escort: Escort travels when minimum numbers of 15 are reached.

Price Alterations: Tour prices specified are based on airfares, taxes and land arrangement tariffs applicable at the time of printing, therefore they may be subject to alteration with or without prior notice until final payment date, as per brochure final payment date (02 Aug 2019).

Extensions/stopovers: An amendment fee of $100 per person will apply for any changes to group flight arrangements. You may also need to pay any applicable additional taxes.

Amendments/changes: A fee of $100 per amendment will be charged for any reservation changes after your booking is confirmed, unless change increases the value of your booking. This fee is in addition to any charges from airlines, land operators or cruise lines.

Twin share Room Match Policy: In the event of a cancellation for a twin share room match, the travelling passenger may be required to pay for a single room supplement cost, which will not be covered under their travel insurance policy. Similarly, if a traveller decides whilst travelling that they do not want to share any longer, they will be required to pay the full costs for a single room.

Refunds/Credits: No refund is available in respect of any sightseeing tours, accommodation, meals or any other services not utilised or required during this tour. No refund is available for cancellations after the tour has commenced. Credit offers cannot be refunded or taken as cash.

Cancellations: Cancellations of firm bookings will be subject to $400 per person service fee plus any charges imposed by principals involved in operating the tour.Therefore, the cancellation fee may be up to the total cost for land and/or airfares. Cancelled bookings are non-transferable.

Baggage: The free baggage allowance on flights is strictly limited to 30kgs per person for economy passengers and 40kgs per person for business class passengers. Hand luggage is restricted to 1 piece per person weighing less than 7kg. Airlines may charge you for baggage in excess of these allowances, which will be at passenger's expense. Whilst on tour one main bag and 1 piece of hand luggage per person is allowed.

Medical Advice: It is wise to seek medical advice before travelling. We recommend seeking advice from a travel specialist doctor, or from your own GP. Travellers must meet Phil Hoffmann Travel 'Statement of Fitness' standards to participate.

Insurance: Insurance is compulsory for cover against loss of deposit and loss of airfares, personal accident, medical cover etc. If you have an ongoing medical condition you may be required to complete a pre-existing medical form. If you are over 70 years of age, you are required to complete a seniors medical form. Your consultant will provide all details.

Children: participants must be over the age of 15.

Responsibility: Phil Hoffmann Travel reserves the right to alter or omit any part of the itinerary or change of reservation, features and/or means of conveyance without any notice and for any reason whatsoever. Phil Hoffmann Travel does not accept liability for failure on the part of transportation companies, hotel contractors and other principals whose responsibility is confined to their own operations. Phil Hoffmann Travel reserves the right to alter hotels used should the necessity arise. The transportation companies or firms shall be exempt from all liabilities in respect of any detention, delay, loss, damage, sickness or injury and by whom so ever caused and whatever kind occurring of or to the passenger at any time when the passenger is not on board a conveyance used or operated by the transportation companies or firms.

We reserve the right to take any reasonable action should your health, actions or behaviour impinge on the rights, welfare or enjoyment of other passengers. Phil Hoffmann Travel reserve the right to cancel or withdraw any person as a member of the tour at any time.

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