

# TRAVEL PACKAGES

**CAPPADOCIA - ISTANBUL** 

# Post - Race Packages 21 - 28 October 2015

#### 21 October

Welcome you at Kayseri or Nevsehir Airport and transfer you to your hotel.

Overnight in Cappadocia.



#### 22 October

Transfer from your hotel to race village and race day. For 30K and 60 K runners; After you finish the race, massage and open buffet will be waiting for you at Race HQ. Transfer back to your hotel. Overnight in Cappadocia.

## 23 October

After you finish the race, massage and open buffet will be waiting for you at Race HQ. Transfer back toyour hotel. Overnight in Cappadocia.



## 24 October

Meet with your guide at your hotel and re-discover Cappadocia.Our first real encounter with

Cappadocia's almost Martian landscape is in the Dervent valley, where the rock formations are amazing. A walk through the Zelve Open Air Museum is a journey into the past, with itstroglodyte houses. This is one of the earliest inhabited and latest abandoned monastic settlements in Cappadocia. After Zelve we visit Pasabag's "fairy chimneys", where the voice of the wind harmonizes with the songs of the fairies. From here we pause at Avanos, a centre of terracotta art since 2,000 BC, for a demonstration in a traditional pottery workshop.

After lunch in Avanos, we visit the famous Goreme Open Air Museum to see the best examples of Byzantine art in Cappadocia. These are found in rock-cut churches with frescoes and paintings dating from as early as the 10th century.

# Overnight in Cappadocia



## 25 October

Our first stop on second day is the Soganli valley, which is one of the earliest settlements in Cappadocia.

After this, we drive back to Urgup through the unspoiled villages of Cappadocia, surrounded by the "table-top" mountains. On the way we visit the Medrese in Taskinpasa, a Theological School of the Seljuk Turks. After lunch in Mustafapasa at an old Greek house hosted by a local family, We visit Kaymaklı Under ground city and Uchisar Castle afterwards.

Transfer to Kayseri Airport to fly to Istanbul at 19:30 and welcome you at Ataturk Airport and transfer to your hotel.

Overnight in Istanbul.







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# **Alternative Balloon Flight**

At five in the morning, smoke is beginning to rise from the village chimneys below you. The barking of dogs startled by the balloon, attracts sleepy villagers outside to wave enthusiastically. The weird twisted landscape of corroded rock to which you have partially become accustomed from the ground level, becomes even more unearthly when viewed from several hundred feet above. A 90-minute hot air balloon flight culminating in a champagne breakfast on landing. In two words? Breathtaking and Unforgettable!

# **Options and Prices:**

90 minute deluxe flight (maximum 12 people in the basket): Euro 250 per person, (Euro 230 if paid in cash).

60 minute comfort flight (maximum 16 people in the basket): Euro 180 per person, (Euro 170 if paid in cash).

60 minute standard flight (up to 24 people in the basket): Euro 160 per person, (Euro 150 if paid in cash).

## 26 October

We start our day in Istanbul by strolling to the great square which was once the Byzantine Hippodrome.

Now it is a great park like area surrounded by the Blue Mosque, Hagia Sophia, and the Underground Cistern, commonly called the Basilica Cistern. After lunch at a local restaurant, we retrace our steps and visit Istanbul Archaeological Museum. We end our day with a visit to Grand Bazaar.

Overnight in Istanbul.

# 27 October

On Second day of your Istanbul visit, we first walk to

the Rustem Pasha Mosque, then visit Spice Market, where the Genoese and Venean goods used to be sold at a me where there was no Suez Canal, and all spices from the East were also brought here aer being loaded on vessels in Egypt. Aer Spice Market, we get on board and take a leisurely Bosphorus Cruise from Eminonu. Aer having lunch, we visit Topkapi Palace.

More than a palace, it is an assemblage of museums containing the collecons amassed by the Sultans over almost five centuries.

Overnight in Istanbul

### 28 October

Transfer from your hotel to Ataturk Airport.

### Price includes:

- Transfers from/to Kayseri or Nevsehir Airport
- 4 nights Accommodation in Cappadocia
- Guided Tours in Cappadocia including lunch, entrance fees and transfers
- Domestic Flights to Istanbul
- 3 nights accommodation in Istanbul
- Domestic Flights to Cappadocia
- Guided Tours in Istanbul including lunch, entrance fees and transfers
- Airport Transfers in Istanbul

## **Price 1: 1199 Euros**

per person sharing double room with breakfast Istanbul - Acra Hotel / Cappadocia - Urgup Evi Cave Hotel or similar

## Price 2:979 Euros

per person sharing double room with breakfast Istanbul - Erboy Hotel / Sirkeci / Cappadocia - Akuzun Hotel or similar





