


Istanbul is a city of contrasts, a city that stands on two continents - Europe and Asia, a city that will amaze you with its scale, energy and beauty.

The multi-million city has a lot of incredible sights, rich in history and shrouded in legends. So, here is our list of recommendations for places you must visit!



To search for locations, you need to use

[Google maps](#) or any other navigator\*, click on the name of the attraction and you will automatically go to  Google maps to build a route to the desired location.

All routes include attractions located close to each other.

Each route will take one day, calculate the time of your stay in the city so that you have time to see everything, you will not regret it!

\* - the list of places to visit is selected both for guests who like to explore the surroundings on their own, and for those who are fully immersed in the historical and cultural life of the city (guided tours)

\*\* - the price for the provision of services and the schedule of guided tours may change, please check when booking

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# INDEPENDENT WALKS

# HISTORICAL ROUTE

ALL ATTRACTIONS ARE LOCATED IN THE SULTANAHMET AREA AND ARE WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE FROM EACH OTHER

## Hagia Sophia Mosque

Hagia Sophia Mosque or Hagia Sophia (Ayasofya ) is one of the main attractions of Istanbul often called the “Eighth Wonder of the World”. It is one of the greatest buildings of Byzantine culture.



## Blue Mosque

The Blue Mosque or Sultanahmet Mosque (Sultanahmet Camii) is a masterpiece of Islamic and world architecture, one of the main symbols of Istanbul. It is so majestic that during prayer it can accommodate up to 10,000 people at a time



## Basilica Cistern

Basilica Cistern (Yerebatan Sarnici) is a unique ancient monument, a reservoir from the 4th century. It was kept here an inexhaustible supply of water in case of drought or siege of the city



## Topkapi Palace

Topkapi Palace (Topkapı Sarayı) is the main residence of many Turkish sultans, famous people walked within its walls and many issues of global importance were decided. Area 7000 thousand sq. m.



## Grand Bazaar

Grand Bazaar (Kapalıçarşı) is a market where you can find absolutely everything and in unlimited quantities. The market occupies more than 66 streets and has about 4,000 shops.

The territory of the Grand Bazaar is a small town that even has a cemetery



# GALATA ROUTE

## Karakoy

Karakoy (Karaköy) is one of the best areas of Istanbul. Central, prestigious, expensive and bohemian. The epicenter of nightlife is located right here, located in the European part of the city



## Galata Tower

Galata Tower (Galata Kulesi)

This is where you can start exploring the old city.  
Height 140 m, (height of the tower 67 m and height of the hill 73 m)



## Istiklal Street

Istiklal street (Istiklal Caddesi) is the most popular street of the city.

On Istiklal Caddesi, religious buildings of different faiths peacefully coexist. The street is no more than 1.5 km long, but you can walk here endlessly





# WALKING THE BOSPHOROUS

Istanbul "from the water" is something incredible. The Bosphorus Strait simultaneously connects and separates Europe and Asia.

A cruise along the Bosphorus is a "must do" for a tourist in Istanbul. There are many cruises along the strait, everyone chooses the most suitable one for themselves. The walk can be organized both by private and public transport, because there are Vapuru ferries - the same urban transport as a trolleybus or tram in your city.



The ferry ride is paid for with the Istanbul Card, so before the "cruise" be sure to buy and top up the card.

The advantage of Vapuru is that you can get off at absolutely any stop and explore the area. For those who do not like to move around the city on their own, there are excursion boats.

Before the trip, be sure to buy a simit (bagel), the local seagulls will be grateful to you. And do not forget to take tea with you for the road, it is sold right there, in front of the ferry. Enjoy!

## Dolmabahçe Palace

Dolmabahçe Palace it is a symbol of the rise and decline of the empire, there is nothing more majestic and grandiose in the whole world.

Huge areas, rich decoration and luxury, you will see all this when visiting the palace



## Mosque Ortaköy

Mosque Ortaköy is the only large temple standing right on the seashore.

On the busy street of Istanbul you can admire the sea view, have a bite of delicious local street food



## Arnavutköy

Arnavutköy is a fashionable area of the city, with charming wooden "palaces", previously it could only be approached from the strait. There are many fish restaurants here where you can have a tasty snack



## Khedive's Palace

The Khedive Palace (Hidiv Kasrı) is a palace complex and former residence of the Viceroy of Egypt in Turkey located on a hilltop in the middle of a large forest area on the coast of the Bosphorus Strait.



# ASIAN ROUTE

## Maiden Tower

Maiden's Tower (Kız Kulesi) - according to historians, a piece of land broke away from the mainland and eventually became an island.

It is believed that the tower was once built to control the movement of ships and collect taxes



## Kuzgundzhuk

Kuzguncuk is a beautiful, non-tourist, unique neighborhood with an interesting history. People of different nationalities have lived here for hundreds of years: Greeks, Jews, Armenians, Turks.

They say that due to such a close multinational connection, Kuzguncuk acquired its own unique flavor; the neighborhood even has its own "surzhik"



## Majestic Chamlydza

The majestic Çamlıca Camii is the largest mosque in Istanbul and Turkey.

It will impress you with its size and beauty.

The mosque can accommodate more than 60,000 people.

The building also houses a library, a museum of Islamic art, art galleries, and conference rooms. Visible from many places in Istanbul



# GROUP TOURS WITH GUIDE



## PRINCES ISLANDS

The Princes' Islands (Prens Adaları) are 9 picturesque islands, here you will find peace and quiet after the crazy rhythm of the huge city.

There is no transport on the islands, there are pine forests and Byzantine landmarks around. In the warm season, cultural recreation can be combined with beach recreation.



## MINIATURE PARK

### Miniature Park

Miniature Park (Miniatürk) location for those who have limited time in Istanbul, it will be especially interesting for young tourists. Here in a couple of hours you can see absolutely all the sights of the city. 135 miniature copies of Turkish historical monuments at a scale of 1:25. In total, the park's territory is about 60,000 sq.m.



## FUR AND LEATHER FACTORY

Especially for our guests who want to buy fur and high-quality Turkish leather products, we can organize a shopping tour to a store at a fur and leather factory. A free transfer picks you up and then brings you back to the hotel. Remember that in Turkey you need to bargain. This skill will help you save on your purchase.



# HISTORICAL CENTER - 50\$

8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday

**PRICE INCLUDES:** transfer by comfortable minibus, services of a licensed guide, entrance to the palace.

The tour will allow you to see Istanbul in all its historical beauty.  
The program includes the following attractions:



Basilica Cistern



Hippodrome Square



Blue Mosque



Hagia Sophia



Hammam Hurrem Sultan  
(external view)



German Fountain

At the end of the tour there is an opportunity to go shopping.



# FROM EUROPE TO ASIA - 90\$

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday

**IN THE PRICE INCLUDES:** transfer in a comfortable minibus, services of a licensed guide, entrance to the Palace.

You will be offered a half-day program that includes the following attractions:



Topkapi Palace



Church of Saint Irene



Bosphorus Bridge  
(view from the  
Bosphorus)



Bosphorus Boat  
Trip



Rumeli Fortress  
(view from the  
Bosphorus)

At the end of the tour there is an opportunity to go shopping.



# THE CAPITAL OF THE OTTOMANS - 100\$

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8:30 AM - 5:00 PM  
Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday

THE PRICE INCLUDES: transfer in a comfortable minibus, services of a licensed guide, entrance to the Palace, boat ticket, lunch.

This tour includes:



Basilica Cistern



Hagia Sophia Mosque



Hippodrome



Blue Mosque



German Fountain



Hammam Hurrem Sultan  
(external view)



Palace of Saint Irene



LUNCH  
Topkapi Palace



Bosphorus Boat Trip



Bosphorus Bridge  
(view from the Bosphorus)



Rumeli Fortress  
(view from the Bosphorus)

At the end of the tour there is an opportunity to go shopping.

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# ALL COLORS OF ISTANBUL - 120\$

8:30 AM - 5:00 PM  
Tuesday, Friday, Sunday

**THE PRICE INCLUDES:** transfer in a comfortable minibus, services of a licensed guide, lunch, entrance to museums.

This tour includes:



Suleymaniye Mosque



Tombs of Suleiman and Roksolana



Sultan's Harem



Dolmabahce Palace



Boat trip  
Golden Horn Bay



DINNER ON THE BOAT  
Miniaturk Park



Pierre Loti Hill

At the end of the tour there is an opportunity to go shopping.

# TWO CONTINENTS - 70\$

8:30AM - 3:00 PM  
Monday, Thursday

**THE PRICE INCLUDES:** transfer in a comfortable minibus, services of a licensed guide, entrance to the museum.

This tour includes:



Bosphorus Bridge



Maiden Tower (external view)



Taksim Square



Istiklal Street



Galata Tower



Church of St. Anthony of Padua

# AQUARIUM - 30\$

**9:30 AM - 1:00 PM**  
**daily visit**

**PRICE INCLUDES: transfer by comfortable minibus, guide services, lunch, entrance ticket to the Aquarium.**

AQUARIUM in Istanbul is very popular not only among tourists, but also among local residents. An educational tour of the themed oceanarium will be interesting for children and adults. It will allow you to get much closer to the underwater world, which is still unknown to the end. The aquarium is divided into 16 geographical zones, each of which, is inhabited by underwater inhabitants of different regions of the world. About 1500 species and 15,000 sea and land inhabitants live in this marine oasis.



The highlight of the oceanarium is a huge aquarium with sharks, rays, tunas and other large creatures, where you can dive accompanied by an instructor. There is another amazing place here - a tropical rain forest (hall), where its imitation is reproduced in an exact copy. The climate, the noise and smell of the forest, the chirping of tropical birds and the rain, which sometimes pours "like from a bucket", just like in the tropics. Don't be afraid to get wet, you can find an umbrella at every step.

At the end of the tour there is an opportunity to go shopping.



# BUYUKADA ISLANDS - 70\$

**8:30 AM - 6:00 PM**  
**Monday, Thursday**

**(held in the summer from May 1 to September 30)**

**THE PRICE INCLUDES: a tour of the island in an electric car, Aya Yorgi Church, lunch, transfer, guide services.**

The Princes' Islands are picturesquely located in the Sea of Marmara and cannot leave the city's guests indifferent. The largest and most beautiful island of Buyukada will surprise you with its features. The lack of transport and picturesque nature will give you peace. The island is very rich in interesting stories.





# NIGHT WALK ALONG THE BOSPHORUS ON A SHIP

**50\$**

**MENU**  
soft drinks

**70\$**

**MENU**  
unlimited alcoholic drinks

**7:30 P M 12:00 AM**  
**daily visit**

You can see Istanbul at night in all its glory during a night boat trip along the Bosphorus Strait. You will be between two continents - Europe and Asia, admire the views of the night metropolis, sailing under the Bosphorus Bridge, do not forget to make a wish - it will definitely come true! During the walk, you will have a delicious dinner of Turkish cuisine and an incendiary program "Turkish Night " with live music, belly dancing, national folklore, and dervish dancing.



- MENU:**
- traditional Turkish appetizers
  - seasonal salad of fresh vegetables and greens
  - main course of your choice: grilled fish, grilled chicken or cutlets
  - dessert of your choice: Turkish sweets or fruits
  - Turkish coffee, tea

# OLD ISTANBUL - 80\$

**8:30 AM - 1:00 PM**  
**Tuesday, Friday, Sunday**

**THE PRICE INCLUDES:** transfer in a comfortable minibus, guide services, entrance ticket to the Museum and the Palace.

This tour includes:



**Dolmabahce Palace**



**Suleymaniye Mosque**

At the end of the tour there is an opportunity to go shopping.

# FROM ISTANBUL TO CONSTANTINOPLE - 100\$

**8:30 AM - 5:00 PM**  
**Tuesday, Friday, Sunday**

**PRICE INCLUDES:** transfer by comfortable minibus, guide services, entrance ticket to Museums, lunch.

This tour includes:



Dolmabahce Palace



Suleymaniye Mosque



Blachernae Church



**LUNCH**  
Basilica Cistern



Museum Panorama 1453



Walls of Constantinople

At the end of the tour there is an opportunity to go shopping.

# PANORAMA OF THE BOSPORUS - 30\$

**3:00 PM - 6:00 PM**  
**Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday**

THE PRICE INCLUDES: transfer in a comfortable minibus, services of a licensed guide, boat ticket.

**This tour includes:**



**Bosphorus Boat Trip**

**Bosphorus Bridge  
(view from the Bosphorus)**



**Rumeli Fortress  
(view from the  
Bosphorus)**

At the end of the tour there is an opportunity to go shopping.



# HELICOPTER TOUR

Duration and cost of helicopter tour over Istanbul for 1-6 people:

**1 300\$**

**15 MINUTES**  
for 6 people

**2 500\$**

**45 MINUTES**  
for 6 people

**1 900\$**

**30 MINUTES**  
for 6 people

**3 100\$**

**60 MINUTES**  
for 6 people

**1:00 AM**  
**Sunday**

You will fly over the Blue Mosque, see the Hagia Sophia, Galata Fortress, Maiden Tower, Bosphorus Bridge, Rumeli Fortress, Sultan's Palace - Dolmabahce.

At the end of the program, you will see the "Istanbul Manhattan" - the Maslak district - from a bird's eye view.



# PRIVATE YACHT RENTAL for a walk along the BOSPHORUS from **130\$**

Duration minimum 2 hours, it is possible to choose a convenient time for you.

Want a private tour of the Bosphorus? Write/call us:

**+90 533 194 59 90**  
(WhatsApp / Viber / Telegram)





# PHOTO WALKING IN ISTANBUL - 130\$

Duration from 4 hours

- PROFESSIONAL PHOTO SHOOT,
- GUIDE ASSISTANCE,
- BREATHTAKING VIEWS



## #1 THE HEART OF ISTANBUL

Explore Karakoy and bustling Taksim Istiklal with the option of a photo boat trip on the Bosphorus



Karakoy



Taksim-Istiklal

## #2 GALATA PANORAMA

Galata Port and Cihangir Tour with the Possibility of Yacht Charter on the Bosphorus



Galata port



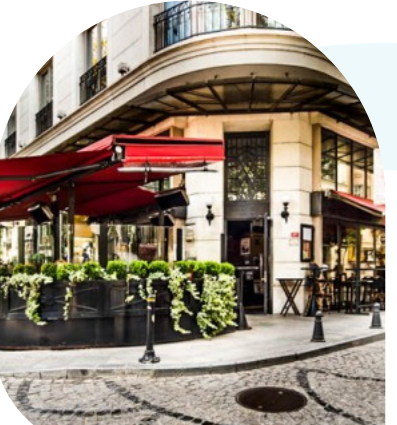
Cihangir district

## #3 ELEGANT ISTANBUL

Tour the stylish districts of Osmanbey, Nisantasi and picturesque Besiktas



Osmanbey district



Nisantasi district



Besiktas district

## #4 ASIAN CHARM

Travel to the Asian side of Istanbul: Kadikoy and Moda, with the possibility of crossing the Bosphorus



Kadikoy



Fashion

## #5 BOSPHORIAN HORIZONS

Walk along the Bebek embankment with a visit to the cozy Arnavutköy district



Bebek



Arnavutkoy district

## #6 SPIRITUAL BALAT

A tour of the historic churches of Balat, possibly ending with a yacht cruise on the Bosphorus



## #7 BOSPHORUS JOURNEY

Bosphorus Cruise on a Private Yacht for Unforgettable Views



## #8 FOUR ROOFS OF ISTANBUL

A tour of the best observation points of the city: the Sapphire center, the roofs of restaurants on Taksim and Sultanahmet, as well as near the Galata Tower and the Suleymaniye Mosque, with a photo shoot and a meeting with seagulls. Transfer, entrance tickets to Sapphire, coffee or tea are paid additionally.



We also offer you individual and group yacht trips along the Bosphorus from 130\$ per hour. The price depends on the selected yacht model and additional wishes.

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# WHERE TO GO SHOPPING?

CLICK ON THE NAME OF THE SHOPPING  
CENTER AND GET DIRECTIONS

## EUROPEAN SIDE

İstinye Park

Zorlu Center

Kanyon

Metro City

Özdilek Park İstanbul

İstanbul Cevahir

## ASIAN SIDE

Emaar Square Mall

Palladium

Buyaka Shopping Center

Akasya

Hilltown



## WHAT TO BRING FROM TURKEY?



Sweets: Turkish delight, baklava



Turkish coffee and coffee brewin set



Sesame paste



Turkish tea



Spices and herbs



Pomegranate sauce for salads



Rose Petal Jam



Turkish textile products

## ADVICE:

- ✦ Be prepared for long walks in the fresh air and long distances
- ✦ Set aside 1 day for each route
- ✦ Keep in mind that entrance to locations may be paid + you need to count on purchasing an audio guide or paying for a tour guide
- ✦ Before visiting attractions, plan the most convenient route for you
- ✦ Do not hesitate to ask questions to the Turks, they are very responsive people and will always help in finding anything
- ✦ Wear comfortable shoes
- ✦ Treat yourself to street food and drink coffee (for a deeper immersion in the flavor of the country)

**We will help you organize any kind of vacation!**

**Enjoy the wonderful atmosphere of the metropolis and don't forget to feed the cats!**

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