Day 1  Welcome to Istanbul

There is something magical in the very air of Istanbul – a confluence of East and West that boasts the legacy of the legendary silk road and a culinary heritage that will leave you craving for more! A walk through the streets of this city leaves one in awe of its beauty and instils a sense of timeless history of generations, both past and present. On arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Day 2  Historic Sights and An Ancient Bazaar

After breakfast, step out into the world of decadent palaces, bedazzling jewels, colourful harems and royal sultans as we explore the historic city of Istanbul. Visit Hagia Sophia, which served as the cathedral of Constantinople and the Topkapi Palace, the residence of the Ottoman Sultans between 15th and 19th centuries. Explore Constantinople’s Hippodrome also known as “Square of Horses” – the lively centre of life under the Byzantine empire. Right next to the Hippodrome is the magnificent Sultanahmet Mosque, popularly known as the Blue Mosque for its interiors decorated with 21,000 blue Iznik tiles. And end the day at the vibrant and bustling marketplace of “Grand Bazaar” where you will get some free time for shopping.
Day 3  **Bosphorus Cruise and Panoramic Views**

Start your day touring the city! Pay a visit to the exotic Spice Market, where you can pick up local herbs, nuts, spices and feast on flavour-loaded street food. Next, take a cruise along the Bosphorus and get spellbound by the scenic beauty of old seaside mansions, mosques, palaces, restaurants and beaches along its shores. Visit the neighbourhood of Beylerbeyi, one of the wealthiest areas of Turkey and home to the awe-inspiring Beylerbeyi Palace, an imperial structure that was the summer residence for the Ottomans. And get a panoramic view of the city from the highest point atop the Camlica Hill, which offers beautiful vistas of the Bosphorus and the Marmara Sea.

Day 4  **Off the Beaten Track (Istanbul – Kayseri – Cappadocia)**

Today, we start early for the morning flight to Kayseri from Istanbul, with a packed breakfast on route. Our representative will meet you at the Kayseri airport, from where we will drive into Cappadocia. Here, we will visit Red Valley, one of the most beautiful trekking spots in the area, and explore its famous rock-cut churches on a hike through the region. After the hike, take a pit stop at Old Cavusin, one of the oldest Greek Villages in Cappadocia, known for its quaint houses and churches. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit the fascinating underground city of Kaymakli, built under the hill known as the Citadel of Kaymakli and opened to visitors in 1964. And end with a visit to the idyllic Pigeon Valley, before heading to your hotel for check in, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 5  **Countryside Cappadocia**

After breakfast, step out for a full-day exploration of Cappadocia. We start at the whimsical and untouched terrains of Devrent Valley and Pasabaglari (also called Monk’s Valley). Suffused in hues of pink and rose, the valleys are known for their extraordinary rock formations and unusual "fair chimneys". Next visit Avanos, a historical city dating back to the Bronze Age, renowned for its carpet weaving and pottery ateliers. After lunch as a local restaurant, explore the Goreme Open Air Museum, a monastic complex built between 900 and 1200 AD, home to some of the finest rock-cut churches with exquisite frescoes. Stop by the Citadel of Uchisar and Esentepe for beautiful views of Cappadocia – a great spot to click photos. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight stay.

Day 6  **Farewell Turkey! (Cappadocia – Kayseri – Istanbul)**

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to catch your flight back home.

### Cost Includes:
- Accommodation
- Daily buffet breakfast
- Sight-seeing tours on Seat in Coach
- Services of an experienced English-speaking driver-guide
- All arrival and departure transfers as per itinerary
- All meals as indicated in the itinerary

### Cost Excludes:
- Airfare
- Visa charges
- Lunch/Dinner
- Cost of any optional tours/excursions
- Any expense of personal nature like tips, mineral water, laundry charges, telephone charges, food and drinks not forming part of the group menus and optional tours
- Any items not specifically mentioned in "cost includes"
- Travel Insurance
- GST 5%

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