Welcome to Turkey! Nemrut Mountain is a significant attraction. At the top of Mount Nemrut, King Antiochus I Theos of Commagene built his tomb-sanctuary along with huge statues (8-9 meters high). Visit the Commagene Kingdom with its sunrise and sunset to see the monumental stones in the best possible light. It has been designated a World Cultural Heritage site by UNESCO, and is one of the most important National Parks in the country.

**ITINERARY**

Day 1 : Goreme & Avanos - Arrival Day

Lunch and Dinner Included
Today you will commence your tour of Cappadocia including Goreme Open-air Museum, Old village of Cavusin, Ortahisar rock castle, Urgup (Fairy chimneys with caps), Avanos Pottery town and finish your day marvelling at Esentepe - a panoramic view of Goreme valley. Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia.

**Day 2 : Dervent Valley, Pasabagi Valley & Damsa Dam**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

Today you will visit the sites of Dervent imagination valley (lunar landscape), Zelve (first Christian village), Pasabagi (The best fairy chimneys of Cappadocia), Mustafapasa / Sinasos (old Greek houses), Damsa dam (Picnic lunch with swimming) and Soganli valley (old settlement and churches). Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia.

**Day 3 : Derinkuyu, Ihlara Canyon, Avanos & Pasabag Valley**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

After breakfast, depart for Derinkuyu underground city and Ihlara canyon (4 km trek) before visiting Belisirma village. After a lunch stop in Belisirma Village, visit Selime (Panoramic view point), Selime monastery, Agzikarahan (Seljukian caravansaray on the Silk Road), Avanos - Historical pottery town and the best fairy chimneys of Cappadocia in Pasabagi. Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia.

**Day 4 : Cappadocia to Mount Nemrut**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

After breakfast, depart from hotel, to visit the Seljukiian caravanserai Karatay on the way to Kayseri. Have a Tea break in Pinarbasi, Lunch in Tekir before making a stop in Kahramanmaras to sample the authentic Maras beatan ice cream. Have a tea break on the way to Kahta before arriving at your hotel at around 6 pm. Dinner and overnight in Kahta.

Mount Nemrut is a 2,150 meters high mountain in eastern Anatolia. At the top of Mount Nemrut, King Antiochus Theos of Commagene built his tomb-sanctuary along with huge statues (8-9 meters high) of himself and various Greek and Persian gods in 62 BC. This tomb contains stone carvings of gods, such as the head of an eagle. The arrangement of such statues is known by the term hierothesion. We will then depart for Commagene, the forgotten Kingdom. The West terrace is the most sacred place on the mountain. From this terrace, you look out on the edge of the plain of Mesopotamia, the cradle of our civilization. The sun, the moon and all stars of the zodiac rise on your left, reaching their zenith directly in front of you, before descending to your right.

Cendere Bridge is a surviving Roman bridge from 3rd century built in the time of Septimus Severus. It spans the Kahta River in one single arch. It is constructed of 92 stones each weighing about 10 tons. The three columns (two at one end and one at the other) are 9-10 metres in height. Next we will visit the Holy Town Urfa. Urfa, also known as Sanli Urfa, is a city in eastern Turkey, and the provincial capital of Urfa Province. The city of Urfa is situated about eighty kilometres east of the Euphrates River. It's a very ancient city, for you can visit the cave where Abraham was born. Urfa is a great city where you can both walk in the dark streets of past and touch the bright future that you can see in the warm eyes of the innocent kids. Harran is an archaeological site in south-eastern Turkey, 24 miles (39 kilometres) southeast of Urfa famous for its beehive shaped traditional houses.

**Day 5 : Mount Nemrut to Urfa**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included
Departure early morning to drive up to Mount Nemrut for the spectacular sunrise over the stone heads and god statues of the Roman King Antiochus. On the way back to Kahta we will see Arsemia (summer capital of Commagene kingdom), Cendere (Roman Bridge from 3rd century), Karakus (Monumental tombs of Commagene) before our departure to Urfa around 11 am o'clock. Visit Ataturk dam on the way to Urfa (3rd largest dam in the world) before our arrival to the hotel in Urfa. Take Lunch in Urfa before visiting the old covered bazaar, The Prophet Abraham's cave and the Holy carp pools. Dinner and overnight in Kahta.

Day 6 : From Urfa - Harran - Cappadocia - End of Tour

Breakfast and Lunch Included

After breakfast at hotel, we make our departure to Harran to see the Inner castle, bee-hive houses in Harran, the bald - ibis breeding farm in Birecik and will stop for a tea break on Taurus Mountains. After lunch in Pozanti we will depart back to Goreme Cappadocia where your tour ends. We hope you had a memorable tour and we look forward to seeing you in the future on another Tour. Have a safe trip back home and thanks for choosing us.

Includes

- Professional English-speaking tour guides
- All entrance fees mentioned in the itinerary
- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking coach
- 3 nights hotel in Cappadocia
- Transfer from and to your hotel in Avanos, Goreme or Urgup
- 2 nights hotel in Kahta
- 5 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 5 dinners
- 3 different fully guided Cappadocia tours
- Guided Seljukian, Karatay, Kayseri, Pinarbasi, Tekir, Kahramanmaras and Kahta tour
- Guided Nemrut, Arsemia, Cendere, Karakus, Ataturk dam and Urfa tour
- Guided Harran, Birecik and Taurus Mountains tour
- Famous ice cream taste

Excludes

- City tax
- International Flights and Domestic Flights
- Alcoholic beverages
- Tipping and personal insurance
- Personal climbing equipment
Routes

Available On Dates

1 September, 2020 - 1 April, 2022
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Hotels

SILVER TOUR PACKAGE CATEGORY HOTELS Kahta Hotel Antique Cave House Hotel or 5 Star Suhan Hotel
GOLD TOUR PACKAGE CATEGORY HOTELS Hilton Garden Inn Adıyaman Cappadocia Cave Resort & Spa or Wyndham Hotel Kayseri or Gamirasu Cave Hotel