

## Full Itinerary & Trip Details

# 12 Day Cappadocia - Taurus Mountains Trekking Tour

Welcome to Turkey! This 12 days' trek starts from the fantastically eroded landscapes of Cappadocia - a unique hiking experience in the land of "Beautiful Horses". There will be short walks here exploring the ancient troglodyte dwellings, rock churches and fairy chimneys. We then embark on an adventurous trek through the stunningly beautiful Taurus Mountains. The trek leads from high mountain pastures occupied by nomadic families in summer, to magnificent soaring peaks and deserted mountain lakes. This tour is ideal for those who enjoy camping and walking.



**PRICE STARTING FROM**

€595 € 595

**DURATION**

12 days

**TOUR ID**

395

## ITINERARY

### Day 1 : Cappadocia - Arrival Day

Dinner Included

You will be met by our tour leader at the Kayseri airport and transfer to Goreme. According to arrival

time, there might be a chance for a warm up walk in one of the hidden valleys of Goreme. Overnight in Goreme.

## **Day 2 : White Valley - Uchisar - Pigeon Valley**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

We'll walk in Akvadi (White or Love Valley) following an old river, with fruit gardens, vineyards and interesting shaped fairy chimneys. At noon, arrive in Uchisar village and visit the high viewpoint known as "fortress" (a volcanic ash peak). In the afternoon, we walk in the pigeon valley, called so because of the numerous "pigeon houses" in Goreme. There may be an opportunity to have a relaxing "Turkish Bath-Hamam" (Optional). Overnight in Goreme.

## **Day 3 : Ihlara Valley - Derinkuyu**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

Drive to Ihlara Valley for our full day walk in this hidden valley. Lunch will be at one of the riverside restaurants. In the afternoon, we will visit Derinkuyu Underground city on the way back to our pension in Goreme. Time allowing, we visit a craft workshop where we are given a lecture on the art of Anatolian carpet weaving. Overnight in Goreme.

## **Day 4 : Red Valley - Bozdag Mountin - Cavusin**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

In the morning, there is an opportunity to take a hot air balloon flight over the Cappadocia region, a lifetime unforgettable experience, through the rock settlements to the Cappadocia's well known Red Valley (Kizilcukur). Lunch will be in the valley. In the afternoon we will walk up to the Bozdag Mountain for a view of the 360° scenery of the region and finish our walk in Cavusin village. Overnight in Goreme.

## **Day 5 : Emli Valley (Mount Taurus)**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

After our warm-up days in Cappadocia, we head to the Taurus Mountains. After lunch in Cukurbag village at the foot of Taurus, we will start our trek to our first camp in Emli Valley (1850m). Camp Overnight at Emli Valley.

## **Day 6 : Emli Valley - Alaca Plateau**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

In the morning we start trekking east through the pine forest, then climb up to south to the Alaca Plateau (2450m) over rock and scree. In the plateau we may meet with the nomads that live here during the summer to graze their flocks. Then descend to our camp in Emli Valley (1850 m). Camp Overnight at Emli Valley.

### **Day 7 : Emli Valley - Sokulupinar**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

After breakfast start trekking east through the pine forest to Aksam Pinari and then climb up to northwest to the Eznevit Plateau (2500m), another summer nomad place. After lunch we will descend to our campsite at Sokulupinar (2000 m). Camp Overnight at Sokulupinar.

### **Day 8 : Cimbar - Sokulupinar**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

In the morning, we will walk up to north to the Arpalik Pasture where will start our Cimbar Canyon descent. This rocky and narrow canyon starts from the foot of the highest mountain of the range - Mount Demirkazik and goes to Demirkazik village. After lunch return to our campsite at Sokulupinar (2000 m). Camp Overnight at Sokulupinar.

### **Day 9 : Sokulupinar - Mount Emler (3723m) - Yedigoller**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

Today we'll walk up to southeast till the Celikbuyduran pass (3450m) over rock and scree. After a short break by the spring, we will ascent the last passage of the Mount Emler summit. This is a non-technical trek. The view from the summit is simply stunning. Then we'll descend to the Yedigoller plateau (Seven Lakes). The area is covered with snow until mid July and the scenery is spectacular. Our final stop is next to where local nomad families dwell (3100m), camp Overnight at Yedigoller.

### **Day 10 : Sogukpinar**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

After breakfast we'll trek to the east around the lakes on the gradually plateau. Our trek will take us to the steep descent of Hacer Valley. After lunch in the forest we'll walk to our Sogukpinar camp. Camp Overnight at Sogukpinar.

### **Day 11 : Kapuzbasi Waterfalls**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

In the morning we'll walk through the pine forest where we'll have chance to enjoy cold waters of the river at lunch time. By following the river our trek will reach to Kapuzbasi camp by the waterfalls of many strength and sizes flooding from the rocks. Camp Overnight at Kapuzbasi.

### **Day 12 : Kapuzbasi - Cappadocia - End of Tour**

Breakfast Included

Transfer to the Kayseri airport. We hope you had a memorable tour and we look forward to seeing you in the future on another our Turkey Tour. Have a safe trip back home and thanks for choosing us.

## **Includes**

- All entrance fees mentioned in the itinerary
- Return airport transfer to Kayseri Airport
- Private Professional English speaking tour guide
- Arrival airport transfer from Kayseri Airport
- 4 nights pension in Goreme
- 2 nights camp at Emli Valley
- 3 nights camp at Sokulupinar
- 1 night camp at Yedigoller
- 1 night camp at Kapuzbasi
- Guided Akvadi, Uchisar village and Goreme tour
- Guided Ihlara Valley and Derinkuyu Underground city tour
- Guided Bozdag Mountain and Cavusin village tour
- Guided Taurus Mountains, Cukurbag village and Emli Valley trekking tour
- Guided Alaca Plateau trekking tour
- Guided Aksam Pinari, Eznevit Plateau (2500m), Sokulupinar (2000m) trekking tour
- Guided Arpalik Pasture, Cimbar Canyon, Mount Demirkazik and Demirkazik village trekking tour
- Guided Celikbuyduran pass (3450m), Mount Emler summit, and Yedigoller plateau (Seven Lakes) trekking tour
- Guided Hacer Valley and Sogukpinar trekking tour
- Guided Kapuzbasi Waterfalls tour

## **Excludes**

## **Routes**

## **Available On Dates**

24 August, 2020 - 1 April, 2022

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday,  
Saturday

## **Hotels**

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