

Full Itinerary & Trip Details

13 Day Trans Mt Kackar - Mt Ararat Climbing Tour

Welcome to Turkey! A wonderful combination and unforgettable experience for hill walkers and history lovers at the meeting point of nature, history and culture. Two different regions, Kackar Mountains - the wildest part of northeastern Turkey and Mount Ararat - the legendary highest mountain of Turkey, will allow us to meet the highest mountains of Turkey, the earliest periods of history and the mixture of different cultures. Ideal for those who enjoy intensive trekking, this tour includes 2 summit days with a level of difficulty at high altitude. The highlights of this tour include Mount Kackar (3937m) climb the highest summit of the Kackar (Little Caucasus) range with full portorage - difficulty II, Mount Ararat (5165m) climb the legendary mountain with full portorage - difficulty III, Isahk Pasha palace visit the 17th century Ottoman palace.

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PRICE STARTING FROM

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DURATION

13 days

TOUR ID

402

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Day 1 : Erzurum - Yusufeli - Arrival Day

Dinner Included

You will be met by our tour leader at the Erzurum airport and then transfer to Yusufeli. Overnight in Yusufeli.

Day 2 : Yaylalar - Korahmet Valley

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

Transfer to Yaylalar village. In the afternoon, we depart for our warm-up trek in Korahmet Valley, where the Bulut Mountains dominates the view ahead. There is an opportunity to meet with the local villagers. Return for Dinner and camp overnight in Yaylalar.

Day 3 : Uzumlu - Modut Valey

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

One of the best treks in the Kackar Mountains, this day trip is not very challenging but the scenery makes you glad to be in Kackar. Return for Dinner and camp overnight in Yaylalar.

Day 4 : Yaylalar - Dilberduzu

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

We trek up to Dilberduzu via High Mountain pastures following the stream comes from the glaciers. During the trek we may encounter the villagers that live here during the summer to graze their flocks. Dilberduzu campsite (2900m) is a flat meadow by the stream surrounded by the steep hills. Camp Overnight at Dilberduzu.

Day 5 : Mount Kackar - Summit Day (3937m)

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

Today we will ascend Kachkar summit (3917m) - this takes around 5-6 hrs and involves some walking on snow but very little actual climbing. After breakfast, we have an early start departing for the Mount Kackar Summit. An easy but demanding ascent over rock and scree without any technical difficulties. The view from the summit above the clouds is simply stunning with views over the whole Kackar range, and beyond to the Caucasus. On a clear day, you may have chance to see the legendary Mount Ararat. After a short break on the summit, return to our Dilberduzu campsite. If you do not wish to participate in the summit ascent, there are many day trips that you can do instead. There are many stunning lakes in the area for swimming opportunities. Overnight camp at Dilberduzu.

Day 6 : Yaylalar - Yusufeli

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

In the morning descend to Yaylalar village and transfer to Yusufeli. This is your day of relaxation after your trek, the small town known as one of the best rafting centres in the world. Dinner and overnight in Yusufeli.

Day 7 : Dogubeyazit

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

After breakfast, we make a half day drive to Dogubeyazit, enjoying free time in the afternoon. Dinner and overnight at hotel in Dogubeyazit.

Day 8 : Dogubeyazit - Mount Ararat (3200m)

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

In the morning, transfer to Eli Village by truck where our Mount Ararat trek will start. Then trek to Mount Ararat base camp at 3200 m. Camp overnight at Mount Ararat.

Day 9 : Mount Ararat Acclimatization Day

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

Today we will make our acclimatization trek to the Second Camp (4100m) and then return back to Base Camp. Camp overnight at Mount Ararat.

Day 10 : Mount Ararat

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

Trek up to Second Camp (4100.) where we spend the night. Camp overnight at Mount Ararat.

Day 11 : Mount Ararat - Summit Day (5165m)

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

An early start to the Summit, crossing the upper snow covered slopes to finally reach the summit of one of the world's most enigmatic peaks. The ascent is demanding, however those attempting it should be confident in their own physical ability. Although previous experience with ice axe and crampons is not essential, but it is recommended. We return to the Base Camp for overnight at Mount Ararat.

Day 12 : Dogubeyazit - Van

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

According to weather conditions on Day 11, a second summit attempt will be made. Otherwise; in the morning, descend to Eli Village and transfer to Dogubeyazit. Visit Ishak Pasha Palace, the Ottoman governor Ishak Pasa constructed the palace in 17th century with a mixture of architectural styles. Then we drive to Van, the ancient Urartian capital of Tushpa. It is located on the east coast of Turkey's biggest Lake Van. Dinner and overnight at hotel in Van.

Day 13 : Van - End of Tour

Breakfast Included

End of the tour in Van, transfer to airport. We hope you had a memorable tour and we look forward to seeing you in the future on another Turkey 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
- VAT and Hotel Taxes
- Arrival airport transfer from Erzurum Airport
- 2 nights hotel in Yusufeli
- 2 nights camp at Yaylalar
- 2 nights camp at Dilberdizu
- 1 night hotel in Dogubeyazit
- 4 nights camp at Mount Ararat
- 1 night hotel in Van
- Additional English speaking mountain guide
- Guided Yaylalar village, Korahmet Valley, and Bulut Mountains tour
- Guided Kackar Mountains tour
- Guided Dilberduzu trekking tour
- Guided Kachkar summit trekking tour
- Guided Yusufeli and Dogubeyazit tour
- Guided Mount Ararat trekking tour
- Guided Eli Village, Dogubeyazit, Ishak Pasha Palace, Van, and Lake Van tour
- Return airport transfer to Van Airport

Excludes

- International flights
- Insurance: All types
- Turkey entry visa
- Items of a personal nature such as alcoholic drinks, cold drinks, laundry
- Any others expenses which are not mentioned at the included section
- Tipping: Tips for guides and drivers

Routes

Available On Dates

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