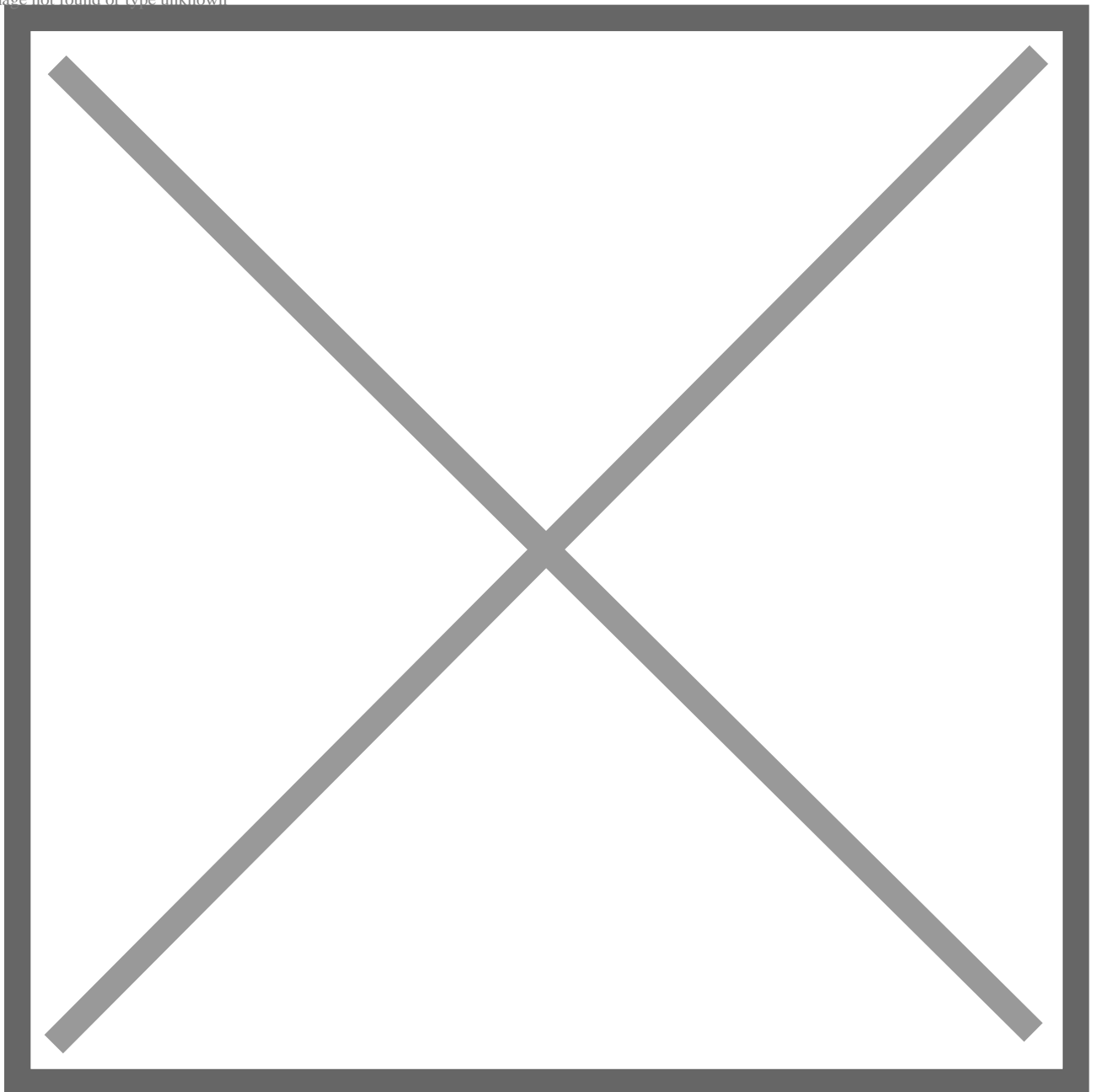


## Full Itinerary & Trip Details

# 6 Day Christmas Holiday Istanbul 2020

This 6 day tour is a perfect way to reward yourself with a break on New Year's Eve and make a fresh start with new resolutions. You will enjoy Istanbul to the fullest with a boat trip on the Bosphorus and a relaxing traditional Turkish Bath.

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**PRICE STARTING FROM**

€0 €0

**DURATION**

6 days

**TOUR ID**

709

## ITINERARY

### Day 1 : Istanbul - 22nd December 2020

Meet at the airport Transfer to your hotel. You will be given your room key and the rest of the day is yours to explore Istanbul. Overnight in Istanbul.

### Day 2 : Istanbul City Tour - 23rd December 2020

Breakfast Included

Pick up at 08:30am from your hotel for the a day tour of old Istanbul city.

Visit to TOPKAPI PALACE The great palace of the Ottoman sultans from the 15th to the 19th centuries housing an exquisite collection of crystal, silver, and Chinese porcelain, robes worn by the sultans and their families, the famous jewels of the Imperial Treasury, miniatures, the Holy Mantle; enshrining relics of the Prophet Mohammed.

SULTANAHMET IMPERIAL MOSQUE Across from St. Sophia built in the 16th century by the architect Mehmet, is known as the BLUE MOSQUE because of its magnificent interior decoration of blue Iznik tiles.

HIPPODROME Ancient Hippodrome, the scene of chariot races, with the three monuments; the Obelisk of Theodosius, the bronze Serpentine Column and the Column of Constantine.

Lunch break at 13:00pm after the lunch Murtis Tour will then take you to the Bosphorus Cruise tour. Enjoy the array of sites you can see from the boat including: GRAND SPICE BAZAAR. BOSPHORUS BY BOAT a traditional excursion by boat along the waterway separating Europe and Asia.1. Overnight in Istanbul.

### Day 3 : Christmas Day & Turkish Bath - 24th December 2020

Breakfast Included

Merry Christmas! We start our morning with a Hamam, that's the word for the Turkish bath and is surely an unforgettable part of your holiday and the best way to start Christmas day. Receive a pummeling from head to toe, let the expert scrub of all those dead cells, relax and drift away.

Late afternoon we start our Christmas celebrations, and yes Santa will visit you at the Hotel, the festive atmosphere is in the air. You will definitely have a Christmas night to remember. Enjoy a big Christmas feast of rich Turkish cuisine and party the night away with your new friends with Turkish live music.

### Day 4 : Shopping Tour - 25th December 2020

Breakfast Included

Christmas Eve and it's a chance for some last minute Christmas gifts, or even to treat yourself. We will make a shopping tour in which you will be aware of the ancient arts of Turkey like carpet weaving, leather manufacturing and jewellery. As this will be a guided tour, you will avoid being hassled which will enable you enjoy the shopping experience whilst gaining the knowledge of the ancient craftsmen.

We will then visit the GRAND COVER BAZAAR. In this labyrinth of streets and passages are more than 4,000 shops with each trade having its own area: the goldsmiths' street, the carpet sellers, Turkish arts and crafts, such as hand painted ceramic plates, hand-honed copper ware, brass ware and trays, water ewers, onyx-ware and meerschaum pipes.

### **Day 5 : Bosphorus Cruise - 26th December 2020**

Breakfast Included

We have a leisurely start this morning with departure of 13:00. Bosphorus Cruise: a traditional excursion by boat along the waterway separating Europe and Asia. The shore is lined with old wooden villas, palaces of marble, fortresses, and small fishing villages. During the excursion you will pass the magnificent Dolmabahce Palace, and further along, the parks and imperial pavilions of Yildiz Palace.

On the coastal edge of this park, is Ciragan Palace, 300 meters of its marble facade faces the shore. At Ortakoy a great variety of artists gather every Sunday to display their work along the street. Ortakoy is a symbol of tolerance with a church, a mosque and a synagogue existing side by side for centuries.

RUMELI FORTRESS Built by Mehmet the Conqueror in 1452 prior to the conquest of Istanbul, was completed in only four months to control and protect Bosphorus. It is one of the most beautiful works of military architecture anywhere in the world.

BEYLERBEYI PALAS The summer residence of ottoman sultans with its original furniture and magnificent gardens with the Harem on the Asian. BOSPHORUS BRIDGE unique change to step from one continent (Asia) to another (Europe).

### **Day 6 : End of your Tour - 27th December 2020**

Breakfast Included

After breakfast check out from your hotel, transfer to the airport. We hope your tour was a memorable one 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
- Transportation in a fully air - conditioned, non - smoking coach
- 5 open buffet very rich continental breakfasts
- Return airport transfer
- Arrival airport transfer from Istanbul airport
- 5 nights' hotel accommodation in Istanbul
- Turkish Bath in Istanbul
- Shopping Tour
- Christmas Party with Turkish cuisine and Turkish Show
- Bosphorus Cruise
- Istanbul City Tour

## **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
- City tax

## **Routes**

## **Available On Dates**

22 December, 2020 - 22 December, 2020

Monday

## **Hotels**

GOLD TOUR PACKAGE CATEGORY HOTELS Ramada Hotel & Suite Golden Horn PLATINUM TOUR  
PACKAGE CATEGORY HOTELS The Marmara Pera Hotel