



# ISTANBUL + BURSA ITINERARY OFFER

7-Day (6 Nights)  
Two Empires,  
One Journey



Dive deep into Turkey's imperial history, from Istanbul's Hagia Sophia and Topkapı Palace to Bursa's Ottoman gems. Cruise the Bosphorus, bargain in the Grand Bazaar, then savor Bursa's legendary Iskender kebab. Ride Uludağ's cable car, unwind in thermal baths, and explore UNESCO-listed Cumalıkızık village. A perfect blend of vibrant cities and mountain serenity! Here's your itinerary:

Focus: Two Empires, One Journey.

Accommodation: 4N Istanbul, 2N Bursa.

## KEY INCLUSIONS

Hotels:

- Budget: 3★ hotels, half-board (breakfast + dinner).
- Luxury: 5★ hotels, half-board (breakfast + dinner).
- Transport:
  - Solo traveler (Tram, Metro, Taxi, self pay)
  - Group travel (Private vehicle + driver included (12 hrs/day, fuel+tolls covered, group fee)
- Guides: Licensed English-speaking guide (group fee).
- Last Night: All end in Istanbul for departure prep.



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## ITINERARY DETAILS

### Day 1: Byzantine & Ottoman Wonders

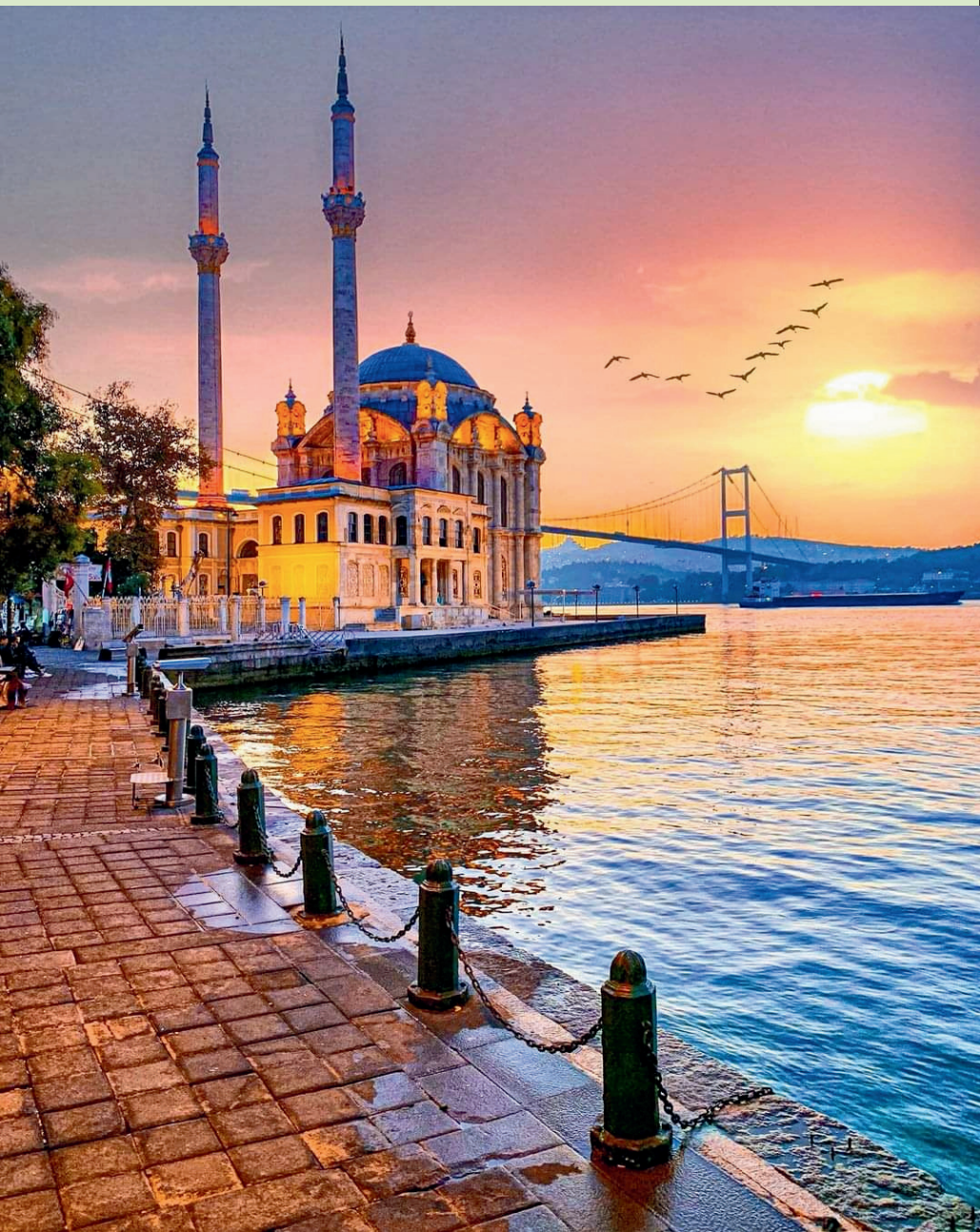
- Guided tour of Hagia Sophia: Marvel at this 1,500-year-old architectural marvel, where Byzantine mosaics blend with Islamic calligraphy under a soaring dome that redefined sacred space.
- Visit the Blue Mosque: Step into Istanbul's iconic mosque, adorned with 20,000 hand-painted Iznik tiles and bathed in the soft glow of 260 stained-glass windows.
- Explore the Basilica Cistern: Wander through this subterranean palace of 336 marble columns, where Medusa-head pillars and eerie lighting create an atmosphere of mystery.

### Day 2: Palaces & Bazaars

- Tour Topkapı Palace: Delve into the opulent world of Ottoman sultans in their former residence, treasury (home to the 86-carat Spoonmaker's Diamond), and Harem's gilded chambers.
- Get lost in the Grand Bazaar: Navigate 4,000 shops in this labyrinthine market, bargaining for spices, lanterns, and Turkish carpets amid the scent of apple tea.
- Sunset at Süleymaniye Mosque: Climb the terrace for panoramic views of the Golden Horn, then step inside Sinan's masterpiece, where light filters through Ottoman stained glass.

### Day 3: Bosphorus & Beyoğlu

- Dolmabahçe Palace tour: Walk the 4.5-ton crystal chandelier-lit halls where Atatürk spent his final days, then stroll the palace gardens along the European shoreline.
- Galata Tower ascent: Climb this 14th-century Genoese tower for 360° views, then explore bohemian cafés in the artsy Karaköy district below.





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### Day 4: Crossing to Bursa – Ottoman Birthplace

- Scenic ferry-bus transfer to Bursa: Watch the Sea of Marmara sparkle as you journey to Turkey's first Ottoman capital.
- Explore Koza Han: Sit under mulberry trees in this 15th-century silk market, sipping tea while vendors unfurl shimmering scarves.
- Dine on Iskender Kebab: Taste Bursa's famed dish—succulent lamb over pita, drowned in browned butter and yogurt—at its birthplace, Kebapçı Iskender.

### Day 5: Green Bursa & Uludağ

- Visit the Green Mosque & Tomb: Admire the emerald-green tiles and intricate arabesques of this early Ottoman gem.
- Cable car to Uludağ: Soar above pine forests to Turkey's legendary ski resort (2,300m), hiking to glacial lakes in summer or sipping salep by firepits in winter.
- Relax in a Çelik Palas thermal bath: Soak in 40°C mineral waters where Atatürk once took the cure, beneath a 1920s stained-glass dome.

### Day 6: Cumalıkızık & Return

- Walk cobbled streets of Cumalıkızık: Photograph pastel Ottoman houses, then buy homemade jams from villagers in this UNESCO-listed hamlet.
- Tophane viewpoint: Pause for a final Bursa panorama before your VAN returns to Istanbul.

### Day 7: Free Morning

- Departure prep, airport transfer





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The price would vary depending on the hotel category and specific inclusions, but as an estimate, the package could start from

- Starts from \$1,770 per person for budget accommodation.
- Starts from \$2,600 per person for luxury accommodation.

Add:

- Transport:
  - Solo traveler \$10~50 (Tram, Metro, Taxi, self pay)
  - Group travel \$185/ day (Private vehicle + driver included (12 hrs/day, fuel+tolls covered, group fee)
- Tour guide (6 days):
  - Licensed English-speaking guide: \$165 / day (group fee)
- Lunches: \$20~\$100 / day (self pay)

We aim to provide a seamless experience for our clients, combining the best of leisure with the rich cultural heritage and attractions that Istanbul has to offer.





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All prices quoted are estimates and subject to change without prior notice. Seasonal fluctuations (high/low season), availability, currency exchange rates, and unforeseen circumstances may affect final costs. We reserve the right to adjust pricing or modify itineraries as needed. For the most up-to-date rates and confirmed bookings, please contact us directly. Thank you for your understanding.



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