



8-DAY TRABZON & BLACK SEA ITINERARY OFFER

8-Day (7 Nights)
Uzungöl, İyidere, Rize
& Trabzon highlights



Discover the misty magic of Turkey's Black Sea coast! Explore Trabzon's Byzantine treasures, hike Uzungöl's emerald valleys, and tour Rize's lush tea plantations. Marvel at Sumela Monastery clinging to cliffs, unwind in Ayder's thermal pools, and savor fresh seafood by the shore. A perfect blend of nature, history, and authentic local culture!

Focus: A journey through misty mountains, Ottoman heritage, and tea-scented valleys

Accommodation:

1N Istanbul, 2N Uzungöl, 2N Rize, 1N Trabzon, 1N Istanbul.

KEY INCLUSIONS

Hotels:

- Budget: 3★ hotels, half-board (breakfast + dinner).
- Luxury: 5★ hotels, half-board (breakfast + dinner).
- Transport:
 - All ground transport (Private vehicle + driver included "group fee")
 - Domestic flights: IST-TZX-IST
- Guides: Licensed English-speaking guide (group fee).
- Last Night: All end in Istanbul for departure prep.

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ITINERARY DETAILS

Day 1:
Arrival in
Istanbul -
Gateway to
Turkey

Evening:

- Transfer to your hotel in Sultanahmet, where Byzantine walls whisper tales of empires
- Optional first taste of Turkish cuisine at a rooftop restaurant with Bosphorus view.
- Overnight: Istanbul
 - Budget itinerary: 3★ hotel
 - Luxury itinerary: 5★ hotel

Day 2:
Flight to
Trabzon -
Black Sea
Beginnings

Morning:

- Short flight over the Pontic Mountains to Trabzon (1.5 hours)
- Meet your private driver and luxurious Mercedes Vito van

Afternoon:

- Hagia Sophia of Trabzon Tour
- Discover this 13th-century Byzantine church-turned-mosque, where frescoes of the Last Judgment share walls with Islamic calligraphy
- Atatürk Mansion Visit
- Wander the art deco halls where modern Turkey's founder spent his final summers

Evening:

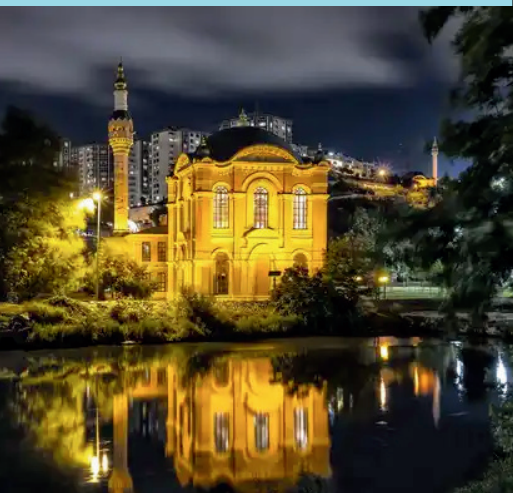
- Scenic 2.5-hour drive to Uzungöl through Macka Forest's winding roads
- Dinner featuring Black Sea specialties like kuymak (cheesy cornmeal) and hamsi (anchovies)
- Overnight: Uzungöl lakeside hotel

Day 3:
Uzungöl -
Emerald Valley
Exploration

- Morning:
- Şekersu Plateau Hike
- Trek through alpine meadows to a shepherd's hut (1.5 hours moderate walk) with panoramic valley views



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Afternoon:

- Demirkapı Waterfall Picnic
- Enjoy lunch by this 30-meter cascade hidden in spruce forests
- Traditional Wooden Boat Ride
- Glide across Uzungöl's mirror-like surface surrounded by saw-toothed peaks

Evening:

- Free time to explore the village's handicraft shops
- Overnight: Uzungöl

Day 4:
Tea Road to
Rize - From
Mountains to
Coast

Morning:

- Drive along the Hemsin River (2 hours) stopping at:
- Zil Kale Castle - Climb the vertigo-inducing stairs of this 14th-century Armenian fortress
- Firtına Valley Bridges - Ottoman-era stone arches over turquoise rapids

Afternoon:

- Ayder Plateau Thermal Baths
- Soak in 40°C mineral pools surrounded by cloud-forest
- Honey Tasting at a local yayla (mountain pasture)
- Evening:
- Check-in to Rize's tea plantation guesthouse
- Overnight: Rize

Day 5: Tea
Capital
Immersion
Morning:

Morning:

- İyidere Tea Factory Tour
- Witness the journey from leaf to cup in Turkey's tea heartland
- Tea Garden Experience
- Sip freshly brewed çay while learning the "kıtlama" sugar ritual from local experts

Afternoon:

- Pazar Rock Monastery
- Visit this 6th-century Georgian cliff monastery overlooking the sea

Evening:

- Seafood dinner in Rize harbor
- Overnight: Rize

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- Day 6: Morning:
Sumela Monastery & Trabzon Return
- Sumela Monastery Adventure
 - Hike the final 300 steps to this 4th-century marvel clinging to a 300-meter cliff
- Afternoon:
- Boztepe Hill Tea Break
 - Panoramic views of Trabzon with traditional Black Sea music
 - Ortahisar District Walk
 - Explore Trabzon's old town with its Byzantine-era streets
- Evening:
- Farewell dinner featuring Akçaabat köfte (spiced meatballs)
 - Overnight: Trabzon city hotel
- Day 7: Morning:
Return to Istanbul - Final Discoveries
- Sera Lake Stroll
 - A peaceful morning walk around this crater lake surrounded by hydrangeas
 - Trabzon Bazaar Shopping
 - Hunt for silver Hamsiköy spoons and hand-woven Laz textiles
- Afternoon:
- Flight back to Istanbul
 - Free evening in the old city
 - Overnight: Istanbul
- Day 8:
Free morning
- Departure prep, airport transfer

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Package Tour Price:

The package price would include:

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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 \$1,350 per person for budget accommodation.
- Starts from \$2,050 per person for luxury accommodation.

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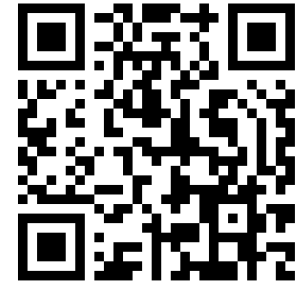
- Transport:
 - Solo traveler \$10-50 (Tram, Metro, Taxi, self pay)
 - Group travel \$185 / day (Private vehicle + driver included (12 hrs/day, fuel + tolls covered, group fee)
- Tour guide (7 days):
 - Licensed English-speaking guide: \$165/ day (group fee)
- Lunches: \$20-\$100 / day (self pay)

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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