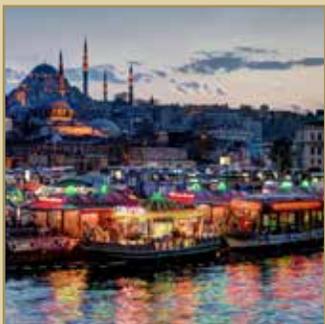


TURKEY



Turkey truly offers something for everyone. Monuments and landmarks that depict historic tales from ancient times through the 20th century – Turkey holds some of the most impressive Biblical sites in the world. The incredible scenery is captivating, from the Bosphorus River and incredible Mediterranean coastline, to the fairytale like rock chimneys in Cappadocia. And the sites are all accented with savory cuisine, captivating cultures and exotic dances (Turkey is home to the whirling dervishes).

Turkey is welcoming to independent travelers and families, sightseers and active adventurers. You can easily fill two weeks, or get a rich taste on an extended stop-over. Lakani World Tours can create a travel itinerary best suited for you – depending on your time, interests, and budget. Here are the main highlights:

Istanbul – Ancient Constantinople, the opulent capital city sits on the line between Europe and Asia. Cruise the Bosphorus River that divides the city. Explore the incredibly varied and vast Grand Bazaar. And be sure to tour the Hagia Sofia, Topkapi Palace and the iconic Blue Mosque.

Cappadocia – home to otherworldly rock formations and underground cities, as well as the Goreme Open-Air Museum and rock carved churches and monasteries. Take a hot air balloon ride to see it from above; and discover the historic culture as you enter into the depth of the mountainsides. The Whirling Dervishes mesmerize you.

Pamukkale – The “Cotton Castle,” known for hot springs, where water cascades down white terraces.

Izmir – The birthplace of Homer, it’s an ancient port city still important today. It is also the gateway to the ancient city of Ephesus, to visit the ancient temples and House of Virgin Mary.

Troy & Gallipoli – A day trip from Istanbul, explore the ruins of legendary Homer’s Troy with its famous Trojan wooden horse, and tour the Gallipoli War Museum.

Turquoise Coast Cruise – Take a cruise on a gullet, a traditional Turkish handcrafted wooden boat. You can swim, kayak or snorkel in azure seas, and disembark to explore incredible archaeological sites. Most embark from Bodrum, Fethiye, or Marmaris.