

**ESCORTED  
TOUR**

**13 - 30 June 2025**

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# Turkey

*More than just a taste*





**TURKEY - A MELTING POT OF CULTURES, CITIES DOTTED WITH MOSQUES AND CASTLES AND CUISINE TO DIE FOR. WHERE BETTER TO BEGIN THAN THE 'OLD CITY OF ISTANBUL'.**

**Go back in time in Canakkale, Ephesus and the ANZAC connection in Gallipoli and hot air balloon over moon-like landscapes in Cappadocia. Walk along the same roads and see where the Romans lived in ancient Ephesus.**

**This is a significant region – the axis between Asia and Europe and an amalgam of cities, historic places, islands and villages. A tour not to be missed!**

**June 2025**

**Friday 13 Auckland – Dubai**

An evening departure on Emirates Airlines for Dubai

**Saturday 14 Dubai – Istanbul D**

Change plans in Dubai and fly onto Istanbul. On arrival transfer to our inner city hotel with time to relax before dinner.

**Sunday 15 Istanbul B D**

The morning walking tour includes Topkapi Palace and the incredible underground Cistern used to water the palace gardens and was rediscovered in 1545AD. Our guide will take us to the Grand Covered Bazaar and recommend the best way to experience this bustling activity. Time is your own this afternoon with dinner in a typical local restaurant.

**Monday 16 Istanbul B L**

Our morning walking tour takes in the must-see Hippodrome, Blue Mosque and Hagia Sophia. Lunch is at a local restaurant. This afternoon enjoy a private two hour Bosphorus cruise with the highlights being passing summer palaces of the Ottoman Sultans and a 15th century fortress.

**Tuesday 17 Istanbul – Cappadocia B D**

Transfer to the airport for a morning flight to Cappadocia. On arrival we explore the Goreme Open-Air Museum and admire the fairy chimneys, cave churches and Goreme Valley. Dinner in our hotel tonight.

**Wednesday 18 Cappadocia B L**

Early this morning an optional hot air balloon is available where you can glide silently over the moon like land scape of Cappadocia. Later we explore the Kaymakli Underground City with an extensive network of chambers, kitchens and living quarters. We continue onto the Pasabagi Valley made famous as the 'Valley of the Monks' and the Uchisar Castle sitting on top of Cappadocia's highest point dating back 8,000 BCE.

**Thursday 19 Cappadocia – Konya B D**

This morning we begin our journey to Konya and stop along the way at Sultanhan. A historic caravanserai with intricate Seljuk decorations. Arriving early afternoon in Konya we explore the city which dates back to prehistoric times and includes the tomb of famous mystic Rumi.

**Friday 20 Konya – Kas B L**

Today we travel onto Kas with a stop for lunch at a local restaurant in Antalya. The drive combines coastal roads and inland highways offering scenic views.

**Saturday 21 Kas B L**

We enjoy a private boat trip to relax and enjoy the stunning views of Simena Castle and the underwater ruins of the sunken City of Kekova. There will be time for a swim at the stunning Aquarium Bay and Burc Bay. A day to relax.





**Sunday 22 Kas B**

This morning a walking tour of Kas which boasts charming narrow streets, whitewashed buildings, and a laid-back atmosphere. After lunch a free afternoon to follow your own interests.

**Monday 23 Kas – Selcuk B L**

We continue onto Selcuk today for a two night stay.

**Tuesday 24 Selcuk – Ephesus – Selcuk B L**

After breakfast travel to Roman-influenced Ephesus with its Temple of Artemis Museum, the Library and forum. One of the seven wonders of the world. After lunch a free afternoon to relax.

**Wednesday 25 Selcuk – Ayvalik B D**

Today we travel to Pergamum, once one of the middle east’s richest and most powerful Kingdoms. An impressive theatre with the steepest seating known in the ancient world is a sight to behold, along with the Sanctuary of Athena. We continue onto Ayvalik. Dinner in the hotel tonight.

**Thursday 26 Ayvalik – Canakkale B D**

The archaeological city of Troy awaits. Settled in 3,600BC the city was added to the UNESCO world heritage list in 1998. Arrive mid-afternoon in Canakkale with time to relax.

**Friday 27 Canakkale – Gallipoli – Istanbul B D**

A tour highlight as we travel to Gallipoli and ANZAC Cove. A fully guided tour of the region includes WWI New Zealand War Graves, Lone Pine Hill and ANZAC Cove. We continue onto Istanbul this afternoon. Farwell dinner tonight.

**Saturday 28 Istanbul – Dubai B**

A leisurely morning before a mid-afternoon flight to Dubai. Arrive Late evening. Overnight in Dubai.

**Sunday 29 Dubai – Auckland**

Depart Dubai mid-morning

**Monday 30 Auckland**

Arrive Auckland mid-morning.



## Cost per person\*

Twin share	\$14,675
Single	\$16,855
Premium Economy	P.O.A
Business Class	+\$9,331
Early booking discount (if paid by 01 December 2024)	\$150
Previous Pukekohe Travel International Tour Client Discount	\$100

\*This is a cash or internet banking price. Credit cards will incur a 1.5% fee \*Itinerary and costs subject to change, airline and fuel charges and currency fluctuations prior to final payment.



### Inclusions

- Return Economy Class Airfares Auckland – Dubai – Istanbul with Emirates Airlines
- Domestic flight Istanbul to Cappadocia
- First class hotels throughout
- Transportation by luxury air-conditioned coaches
- All international transfers
- Breakfast daily
- Six Lunches
- Seven dinners
- English speaking guides
- Private day cruise from Kas
- Fully guided Gallipoli and ANZAC Cove Tour
- Ephesus Guided Tour
- Istanbul and Cappadocia Guided Tours
- All entry fees for included sightseeing as detailed in the itinerary
- Pukekohe Travel escort – subject to 15 persons travelling

### Exclusions

- Airport and security taxes [approx. NZD\$210]
- Items of a personal nature
- Travel Insurance [please ask us for a quote]
- Airline and government taxes

### Booking Conditions

- A non-refundable deposit of \$750 per person will secure a place on this tour.
- Full payment is due by 14 March 2025

### Cancellations and Refunds

- From date of booking until 14 March 2025 – loss of deposit
- After 14 March 2025 – no refund

### Documentation

- A current passport is required, valid six months beyond the date of travel
- No Visa is required for NZ passport holders
- All other passport holders please ask

### Health and Mobility

- No mandatory inoculations are required.
- To ensure the tour is enjoyable for the whole group a good standard of health and fitness is required.
- Clients should be independently mobile with the ability to walk on uneven surfaces and stairs without hand rails.
- This tour is not suitable for those who require airport wheelchair assistance or any mobility aids.
- It is essential that you arrive on tour fit, healthy and ready to travel.

### General Information

Pack for a summer holiday while travelling in some conservative countries, shoulders and knees must be covered. A scarf for visiting mosques is a must and shoes that are easily to slip on and off at religious sights are recommended. Comfortable easy-wash and wear clothes for touring are best along with TEVA-type sandals.

### Weather / Climate – August

	Max	Min
Istanbul	27°c	18°c
Cappadocia	29°c	15°c
Kas	30°c	23°c

### Food

Turkish and Middle Eastern food is fresh, light and delicious [Tomatoes, cucumber and yoghurt, olives, falafels]. Flat bread and grilled meat and fish are often served. Breakfasts are westernised in most places. Tea is always available in Turkey and Greece. Care will need to be taken to prevent stomach upsets. The included meals are at restaurants with a good reputation. If you like a morning cup of tea – take your own cup as around half of the hotels have tea making facilities.

### Currency / Money

Turkey – Lira To obtain the best prices at markets etc, always use the local currency. Take USD or Euro to exchange into Lira. ATMs are available in all the cities.

### Travel Insurance

- Travel insurance is essential – please ask for a quote.

### Terms and Conditions

For full terms and conditions please visit our website [www.pukekohetravel.co.nz/termsandconditions](http://www.pukekohetravel.co.nz/termsandconditions) or please ask our tour consultant for a copy

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