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SOLO TRAVELLERS**



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Take off on a **TURKISH DELIGHT**

**DEPART 27 APRIL 2027
19 DAYS - 18 NIGHTS**

INCLUDES

- ✓ Small group touring - Maximum of 20 guests
- ✓ Private single rooms in Luxury[^] accommodation - no single supplement
- ✓ Most Meals
- ✓ Must see highlights & transfers* as per itinerary
- ✓ Solo Connections Tour Host
- ✓ Local Driver & Tour Manager
- ✓ Complimentary backpack, travel wallet, fully printed document and a memento Photo Book*

HIGHLIGHTS

- Blue Mosque & Hagia Sophia Church
- Basilica Cistern
- Bosphorus Cruise
- Spice Bazaar
- ANZAC Cove
- Kusadasi & Canakkale
- Ephesus
- Bodrum
- Pamukkale
- Cappadocia & so much more!

**FROM
\$14,220*
SOLE USE
ROOM**



For more information and to book your Solo Connections tour, please contact your **local travel agent** today.

**^Terms & Conditions Apply. Prices are correct as at 22 July 2026, in Australian dollars and are per person, based on single room sole use occupancy. Airfares not included. Tour requires minimum number of passengers to depart. Return airport transfers on the first and last day are scheduled at set times to align with the tour host's flights. Transfers outside these times can be arranged at an additional cost. A complimentary memento photo book will be provided to guests who consent to and participate in group photography during the tour. ^Luxury accommodation is considered 4-5 star hotels. Further booking conditions apply, please check all prices, availability and other information with your travel agent at time of or before booking. Package cancellation fees apply. Denise Marie Falsay trading as Solo Connections. ATAS Accredited A11424. ABN 92 582 582 996



Solo Connections tours are fully hosted, unique small group tours designed specifically for solo travellers over 50... Together we travel!

Day 1, Arrive Istanbul

Upon at Istanbul International airport, our local guide and driver will be waiting to transfer us to our hotel. This evening we meet for a Welcome Dinner. Accommodation: Burdock Hotel Istanbul - 4 star or similar (5 nights)

**Please do not book any flights prior to speaking with Solo Connections or your travel agent. There will only be one group arrival transfer provided, in conjunction with our Tour host flight times.*

Day 2, Istanbul

(B-D)

Following breakfast this morning we will venture to Piere Loti for a morning coffee. We begin our touring with famous sites such as the Suleymaniye Mosque and the Golden Horn. We then explore the wooden buildings at the base of the towering ramparts of the Old City, where the practitioners of three distinct religions lived together harmoniously in one single neighbourhood. We return to the hotel to freshen up before meeting for dinner.

Day 3, Istanbul

(B-D)

This morning, we visit the famous Topkapi Palace, the home of the Ottoman Sultans, and the world famous treasury sections to view the impressive collection of jewels and artefacts. We will also visit the Blue Mosque, Hagia Sophia Church and the Basilica Cistern. We'll have some time at leisure this afternoon and come together for dinner.

Day 4, Istanbul

(B-L-D)

Today we will enjoy a later start after a leisurely breakfast. We'll also be changing continents by travelling from Europe to Asia as we cross the Bosphorus Bridge, drive to Camlica Hill and then continue by boat from Camlica on a Bosphorus cruise. After disembarking we'll enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. The Egyptian Spice Bazaar is our next adventure, to experience the smells rising from every store. We then drive back to hotel to freshen up before this evenings dinner.

Day 5, ANZAC Cove & Canakkale

(B-D)

After check out, we board the coach and cross the Dardanelles waterway on our journey to Gallipoli. We will visit ANZAC Cove, the landing site, Ceremonial Platform and Lone Pine as well as many trenches. We'll hear some legendary stories, reflect and remember those who paid the ultimate sacrifice here. We continue on to Canakkale, which is an approx. 5 hour drive, and go straight to dinner before checking into our hotel. Accommodation: Kolin Hotel - 5 star or similar (1 night)

Day 6, Canakkale & Kusadasi

(B-D)

Following an early breakfast, we depart for Pergamon, the remains of one of the Seven Churches of Revelation. We then continue to Bergama to the Asclepion and Acropol. We arrive in Kusadasi this afternoon and come together for dinner. Accommodation: Korumar Hotel - 5 star or similar (3 nights)

Day 7, Ephesus

(B-D)

After breakfast today we will enjoy an entire day at Ephesus, one of the Ancient Wonders of the World. We'll spend time walking the ancient roads, exploring the temples, gymnasiums and the amphitheatre. We will also visit the famous Library of Celcus, the remains of the Temple of Artemis and the Basilica of St. John the Evangelist. After returning to our hotel, we'll have time to freshen up before dinner.

(D) Day 8, Sirince Village

Enjoy breakfast this morning before we journey to Sirince village. Arriving in the village we are greeted by 200 year old Greco-Turkish houses where we have about half an hour to explore the village before making our way by foot to a cooking class, which will be held in a typical village house. Under local guidance we will have chance to create a variety of delicious foods from simple recipes with quality ingredients. In wonderful surroundings with a view of the old village we'll sit down and taste what we've prepared followed by a Turkish tea or coffee. Upon returning to our hotel, have some time to relax before come together for this evening's dinner.

Day 9, Bodrum

(B-D)

After breakfast and check out, we will drive to Bodrum. Enroute we stop at Miletus. The size and the magnificence of the Theatre is striking, originally standing right on the port and it accommodates 15000 spectators. We continue on to Bodrum, checking in upon arrival and then meeting for dinner. Accommodation: Hillstone Bodrum - 5 star or similar (3 nights)

Day 10, Bodrum

(B-L-D)

This morning we have a short drive to the Bodrum Marina where we board our Gulet boat. Enjoy two swimming breaks at Tavsan and Green Bay, before lunch is served on the boat. After lunch we will continue sailing and stop at Karaada, Yildirim, and Goktasi bays. Our final stop will be Camel Beach and then the boat will take us back to our pier. Transferring back to the hotel there will be time to freshen up before dinner.

Day 11, Bodrum

(B-D)

After breakfast, we visit Bodrum Underwater Archeological Museum. There are five main towers in the castle, reflecting the architectural styles of the nations by whom they were constructed - the English Tower, French Tower, Spanish Tower, Italian Tower and German Tower. The museum collections are housed in those towers. After the castle visit we will see the Myndos Gate of ancient Halikarnassus (Bodrum Peninsula) which dates from 364 B.C. The 7 km long city wall surrounded the town from the west side of the harbour to Göktepe. We then visit the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus, built between 353 and 350 BC for Mausolus, a satrap in the Persian Empire and Artemisia II. of Caria, who was both his wife and his sister. Returning to the hotel, we have some time to relax before meeting for dinner.

Day 12, Pamukkale

(B-D)

After breakfast today we check out and depart for Pamukkale, a beautiful and spectacular natural site, unique in the world with its fairy-like, dazzling white cascade. Pamukkale's terraces are made of travertine, which is a sedimentary rock deposited by water from hot springs. We will see the thermal spring water plunging down the mountain side which has created this natural formation of stalactites, cataracts and the basin. The thermal water has been used since the Roman period for its therapeutic powers. We also visit the Roman city of Hierapolis with its Apollo-Temple competing with Delphi, the monumental Nymphaeum, a 4th century Basilica and the Theatre. We then visit the best-preserved Necropolis before being transferred to our hotel to check in and enjoy dinner together. Accommodation: Doga Thermal Hotel - 5 star or similar (1 night)

(B-L-D)

Day 13, Konya

(B-D)

Following this mornings' breakfast we check out and board the coach for a full travel day driving to Konya. Upon arrival we will visit Mevlana Museum which started life as the dervish lodge of the Mevlevi order, better known as the Whirling Dervishes. We'll then make our way to the hotel, check in and meet in the evening for dinner. Accommodation: Bayir Diamond - 5 star or similar (1 night)

Day 14, Cappadocia

(B-D)

We have early breakfast before departing for Cappadocia today. Enroute, we visit the 13th century Caravanserai of Sultanhan. We continue to Nevsehir, in Cappadocia, where we will arrive in the evening. We'll meet for dinner once we've settled into our rooms. Accommodation: Barcelo - 5 star or similar (3 nights)

Day 15, Cappadocia

(B-D)

This morning there is the option to begin the day very early on a hot air balloon ride (at own expense) that takes you soaring over the magnificent landscape. Following breakfast, we enjoy a full day exploring Cappadocia with a visit the Göreme Open Air Museum and the Özkonak Underground City. Early evening we come together for dinner at the hotel.

Day 16, Cappadocia

(B-D)

After breakfast today we take the Cappadocia Tour. Our first stop is the Soganli valley, which was one of the earliest settlements in Cappadocia. After this, we drive to Urgup through the unspoiled villages, surrounded by the "table-top" mountains. On the way there we will visit the Medrese in Taskinpasa, a Theological School of the Seljuk Turks. We continue towards Mustafapaşa (Sinassos), an ancient Greek town with spectacular old houses. Following lunch (at own expense) in Mustafapaşa we return to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure. We'll meet again this evening as we go out for dinner at a local restaurant.

Day 17, Ankara

(B-D)

Following breakfast this morning we depart to the Turkish capital of Ankara. We will see the Mausoleum of Kemal Ataturk, founder of the modern Turkish Republic. We also visit Museum of Anatolian Civilizations. The museum has the finest archaeological collection in all of Turkey and contains records of every civilization that passed through Anatolia, which are priceless items from as far back as 7,500 years. We arrive at our hotel, check in and then meet for dinner tonight. Accommodation: Grand Mercure Ankara - 5 star or similar (1 night)

Day 18, Istanbul

(B-D)

Enjoy breakfast this morning before we check out and transfer to Ankara airport for our flight to Istanbul. Upon arrival we are transferred to the Grand Bazaar. In addition to its historical importance, it's a marvelous place with 60 streets, over 4000 shops where you will be enchanted by the glancing colorful atmosphere. We then check in to the hotel before our final evening together at a local restaurant for a Farewell Dinner. Accommodation: Burdock Hotel Istanbul - 4 star or similar (1 night)

Day 19, Depart Istanbul

(B-L)

After breakfast we enjoy some time at leisure and a late check out before a final lunch and then being transferred to Istanbul International airport.