Monday 05, November 2012

**MT01 / Half Day Tour – Treasures of Istanbul**
*(minimum 10 pax. Participation is required)*

**08:45** – Bus departure from the Congress Hotel

**09:15** – Arrival to **Hippodrome**; the Imperial Center, termed the Old City, evidence of the illustrious past that imbue the entire area with a sense of history

**09:45** – Arrival to **Blue Mosque**. One of the biggest mosques of Istanbul from 17th century architecture is one of the principal adornments on the skyline of Istanbul. Also famous for its blue tiles and 6 minarets.

**10:15** - Visit **Topkapı Palace Museum** (close on Tuesdays) the great palace of the Ottoman Sultans is the most extensive and fascinating monument of Ottoman civil architecture in existence. In addition to its architectural and historical interest, it contains as a museum, superb and unrivalled collections of porcelains, Armour, fabrics, jewels, illuminated manuscripts, calligraphy and many objects of art formerly belonging to the Sultans.

**11:45** – **Grand Bazaar** (closed on Sundays) In addition to its historical importance, it's a bazaar that will tempt with its rich collection of precious handmade carpets, jewellery, leather and souvenirs.

**13:30** - Return to the Hotel.

* St. Sophia Museum is closed on Mondays.
* Topkapi Palace is closed on Tuesdays.
* Grand Bazaar is closed on Sundays.

**Tour Price**: 45 € (per person)
*minimum 10 pax. Participation is required*
Tuesday, 06 November 2012

MT02 / Full Day Tour - Domes of Istanbul Tour
(minimum 10 pax. Participation is required)

09:00 - Bus departure from the Conference Hotel

09:45 – Visit The Turkish and Islamic Arts Museum. It was built in 1524, formerly it was the palace of Ibrahim Pasha, who was the first grand vizier to Suleyman the Magnificent.

11:00 - Visit the Visit Chora Church (Kariye Müzesi); the 11th Century church of St Saviour in Chora is after St Sophia, the most important Byzantine monument in Istanbul. Inside walls are decorated with superb 14th Century frescoes and mosaics.

12:30 - Istanbul Modern Art Museum (Istanbul Modern Sanat Müzesi), usually just called Istanbul Modern, is a museum for contemporary art on the European side of Istanbul, inaugurated on December 11, 2004. The museum, located in a converted warehouse in Tophane in the Karakoy district on the coast of Bosphorus, is the first of its kind in Turkey. It is easily reached by the Istanbul's tram system. Lunch on the way.

14:30 - Camlica Hill, The highest point of Istanbul where you will enjoy the panoramic view of Istanbul.

15:30 - Beylerbeyi Palace, The Beylerbeyi Palace is one of the mansions built on the shores of the Bosphorus under the influence of Western architecture in the 19th century. The rich and pompous exterior of the Palace complements the extravagantly decorated interior.

17:30 – Return to the hotel.

* Beylerbeyi Palace is closed on Mondays.

Tour Price : 70 € (per person) - minimum 10 pax. Participation is required
Thursday, 08 November 2012

**MT03 / Half Day Tour**
*(minimum 10 pax. Participation is required)*

**09:00** - Bus departure from the Congress Hotel.

**09:30** - Visit the impressive Yerebatan Sarayı *(Underground Cistern)*, which was built by the Emperor Justinian. This vast underground chamber, supported by rank upon rank of columns many of which were salvaged from pagan temples, once supplied the ancient city with water and it has been superbly restored.

**11:15** - Visit to Dolmabahçe Palace, a special arrangement - About three centuries ago there was a broad bay whose waters sheltered many ships in the place now occupied by Dolmabahçe Palace. Halfway between a Moorish castle, a Baroque Italian palazzo and a Hindu temple, the Dolmabahçe Palace was built from marble.

**12:30** - Visit the Ortaköy, Ortaköy is probably a district envied by other districts in the Bosphorus. It is located in such a beautiful spot. With its cafes stretching along the coasts, the bars in just one street from the back, street bazaars, the famous Ortakoy Mosque on its side, sellers of kumpir, gozleme and mussels side by side, Ortakoy is a popular place not only with Turkish and foreign tourists but also with its own residents.

**14:00** – Return to the hotel

**Tour Price**: 40 € (per person) - *minimum 10 pax. Participation is required*

**ALL ACCOMPANYING TOUR RATES INCLUDE:**
- Transportation by A/C deluxe vehicle + driver
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees to the sites and museums as stated on the program
- Lunch during the Full day tour
- VAT

**ALL ACCOMPANYING TOUR RATES EXCLUDE:**
- Personal expenses,
- Tips to the guide and driver
- Lunches during the Half day tours

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