



# Asia Discovery Tours

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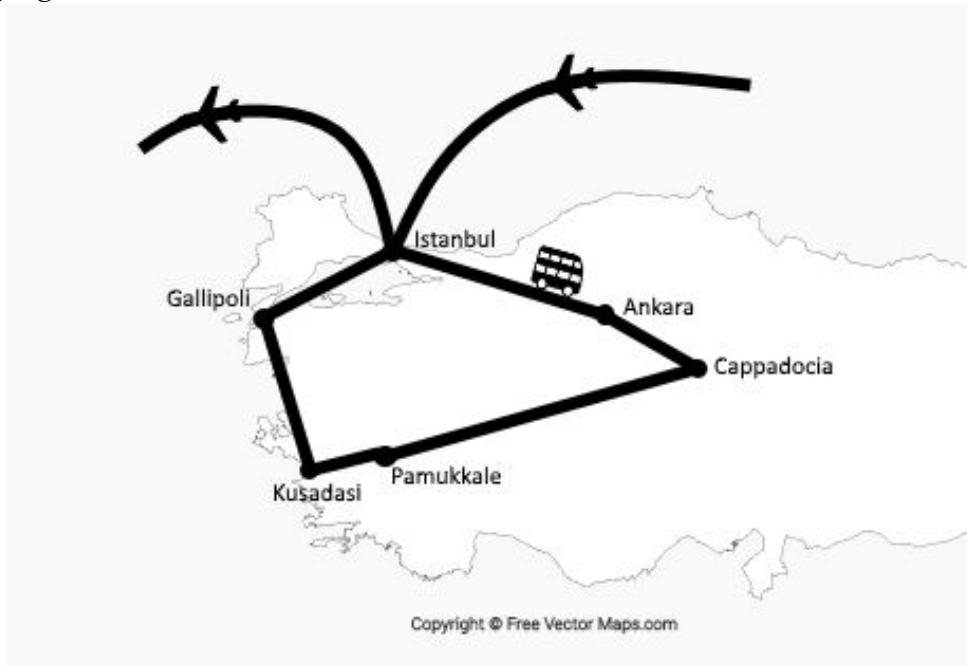
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## 19 Day Turkey and Jordan Highlights Tour (Tour Code: TJT)

*With our Turkey and Jordan combined tour, you will have a 19 day tour package taking you from Ottoman Istanbul, Cappadocia's fairy chimneys, the stunning mineral pools of Pamukkale, the Roman ruins in Kusadasi, the classic wooden horse of Troy and the battlefields of Gallipoli in Turkey to Jordan including Amman, Petra, Wadi Rum, Aqaba, Dead Sea, Madaba and Mt. Nebo. Our Turkey and Jordan tour with a possible stopover in the United Arab Emirates is a sensory overload and an experience never forgotten.*



### Day 01: AUSTRALIA – DUBAI – ISTANBUL

Depart Australia in the evening on Emirates via Dubai to Istanbul, Turkey and fly overnight.

### Day 02: ISTANBUL

Arrive in Istanbul in the afternoon. Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to the hotel. You are free at leisure for the rest of the day. Stay overnight at Istanbul.

**Accommodation: Park Dedeman Levent Hotel \*\*\*\* or similar**

### Day 03: ISTANBUL (B)

You can enjoy a full day optional tour which includes Topkapi Palace (excluding harem), Hippodrome, Blue Mosque and the Grand Bazaar. Optional: Dinner with belly dancing entertainment. Stay overnight at Istanbul.

**Accommodation: Park Dedeman Levent Hotel \*\*\*\* or similar**

### Day 04: ISTANBUL – ANKARA (B.D)

This morning there will be an Optional tour of St. Sophia with Bosphorus cruise. In the afternoon, you will depart for Ankara at around 3:00pm and arrive at Ankara late in the evening. Stay overnight at Ankara.

**Accommodation: Holiday Inn Kavaklıdere\*\*\*\* or similar**

### Day 05: ANKARA – CAPPADOCIA (B.D)

In the morning, depart to view Hittite Artefacts at the Museum of Anatolian Civilizations. Visit the

Mausoleum of Ataturk, father of modern Turkey. Drive to Cappadocia and tour a 13th century caravan inn en-route. Stay overnight in Cappadocia.

*Accommodation: Cappadocia Lodge Hotel\*\*\*\*\* or similar*

**Day 06: CAPPADOCIA (B.D)**

Tour the rock-cut Churches of Goreme decorated with 6th Century frescoes, Zelve's cliff-side Byzantine monastic complex and Uchisar's Castle, Saratli underground city. Have dinner and stay overnight in Cappadocia.

*Accommodation: Cappadocia Lodge Hotel\*\*\*\*\* or similar*

**Day 07: CAPPADOCIA – PAMUKKALE (B.D)**

Drive to Pamukkale. En-route, visit the famous Mausoleum of Sufi philosopher Mevlana. Have dinner and stay overnight in Pamukkale.

*Accommodation: Colossae Hotel\*\*\*\*\* or similar*

**Day 08: PAMUKKALE – KUSADASI (B.D)**

Today is the day we pay an early morning visit to the unique Cotton Castle, the white calcium cascades, and also pay a visit to one of the first modern spa centres of the ancient world, Hierapolis. Then we will drive to Kusadasi. Have dinner and stay overnight in Kusadasi.

*Accommodation: Carina Hotel\*\*\*\*\* or similar.*

**Day 09: EPHEBUS & ST. MARY'S HOUSE – KUSADASI (B.D)**

In the morning, you can choose a half day optional tour to the famous ruins of Ephesus and St. Mary's Cottage. Have dinner and stay overnight in Kusadasi. Afternoon Optional: tour of Sardis or Sirince. Stay overnight at Kusadasi.

*Accommodation: Carina Hotel\*\*\*\*\* or similar*

**Day 10: PERGAMUM – TROY – CANAKKALE (B.D)**

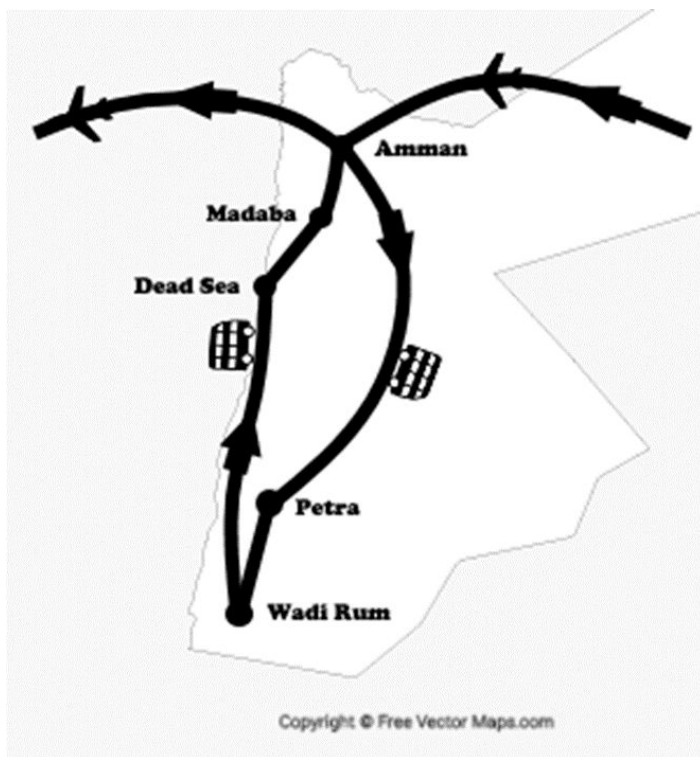
Visit Pergamum (Bergoma), where we visit Acropolis, Asclepion and the museum. Continue to Troy and tour with its famous wooden horse before we proceed to Canakkale for the night. Stay overnight at Canakkale.

*Accommodation: Iris Hotel\*\*\*\*\* or similar*

**Day 11: DARDANELLES – GALLIPOLI – ISTANBUL (B)**

In the morning, depart for Gallipoli and visit ANZAC Cove, Lone Pine Cemetery, Chunuk Bair, Kabatepe War Museum. Continue to drive back to Istanbul for the night. Stay overnight at Istanbul.

*Accommodation: Park Dedeman Levent Hotel \*\*\*\*\* or similar*



#### **Day 12: ISTANBUL – AMMAN (B.D)**

***RJ166, Istanbul (IST) – Amman 13:35/15:50 (subject to change)***

You are at leisure until transfer to airport for your flight to Amman, capital of Jordan. Upon arrival, you are met and assisted at Queen Alia International airport, transfer to Amman, Begin your Jordan tour. Proceed to hotel for overnight.

***Accommodation: Opal Hotel\*\*\*\*\* or similar***

#### **Day 13: AMMAN – PETRA – WADI RUM (B.D)**

After breakfast, transfer along the desert way, start your visit to the Rose Red City of Petra for a day visit. First established sometime around the 6th century BC by Nabataean Arabs, a nomadic tribe who settled in the area and laid the foundations of a commercial empire that extended into Syria. Despite successive attempts by the Seleucid king Antigonos, the Roman emperor Pompey and Herod the Great to bring Petra under the control of their respective empires, Petra remained largely in Nabataean hands until around 100AD, when the Romans took over. It was still inhabited during the Byzantine period, when the former Roman Empire moved its focus east to Constantinople, but declined in importance thereafter. The Crusaders constructed a fort there in the 12th century, but soon withdrew, leaving Petra to the local people until the early 19th century, when it was visited by the Swiss explorer Johann Ludwig Burckhardt. Upon arrival at Petra, you will begin an unforgettable trip to the Siq by foot until you reach the Treasury. Our guide will give a brief history of the city. After that, we set out for Wadi Rum, the wild desert landscape that fascinated the British officer Lawrence of Arabia, who described it as "vast, echoing and god-like"; we believe he could not have said it better. We drive for one and a half or two hours in a 4-wheel drive Jeep through the desert to see Lawrence's spring, passing majestic mountains and exploring a gorge with ancient rock drawings. You may have free time to hike on your own enjoying the silence of this awesome desert. Have dinner and stay overnight in a Camp.

***Accommodation: Wadi Rum Night Camp or similar***

#### **Day 14: WADI RUM – AQABA (B.D)**

After breakfast, drive to Aqaba city, with its splendid weather during more than eight months of the year, allows you to enjoy sailing, water skiing, and swimming. Diving and snorkeling will certainly fulfil your heart's delight, as you spot the colourful and varied marine life in the Red Sea. You will visit Aqaba Castle, also known as Mamluk Fort, was rebuilt in 1587 AD under one of the last Mamluk Sultans, and it has been substantially altered several times since then. The Aqaba Museum lies adjacent to Aqaba Castle and houses an important collection of the Islamic periods from the mid seventh to the beginning of the twelfth century AD. Rest of the day will be free time on your own. Stay overnight in the hotel in Aqaba.

**Accommodation: Double Tree by Hilton\*\*\*\*\* or similar**

**Day 15: AQABA – DEAD SEA (B.D)**

After breakfast, you are transferred to the lowest point on earth where you will float like a boat! You will have time at leisure for relaxation. Stay overnight by the Dead Sea.

**Accommodation: Holiday Inn\*\*\*\*\* or similar**

**Day 16: DEAD SEA – MADABA – MT. NEBO – AMMAN (B.D)**

After breakfast, transfer to visit Madaba, visiting the old mosaic city of Madaba and Mt. Nebo. After that, drive back to Amman for overnight.

**Accommodation: Opal Hotel\*\*\*\*\* or similar**

**Day 17: AMMAN (B.D)**

After breakfast, start visiting the old and new parts of the city including Roman Theatre, Citadel and archaeological museum. Stay overnight in Amman.

**Accommodation: Opal Hotel\*\*\*\*\* or similar**

**Day 18: AMMAN – DUBAI – AUSTRALIA (B)**

You are at leisure until transfer to airport for your flight back to Australia to fly overnight.

**Day 19: AUSTRALIA**

You arrive in Australia in the evening. Your unforgettable Turkey and Jordan tour ends.

**Departure Dates:** 17/04, 15/05, 14/08, 18/09, 20/11/2020

**Tour price:** ~~\$6,580~~, NOW \$5,680 per person, twin or double share

**Single supplement:** \$1,280

**Price includes:**

1. Emirates Airlines return economy class air-ticket: Australia – Dubai – Istanbul//Amman – Dubai – Australia;
2. Airport tax and fuel surcharge (currently \$310, subject to change);
3. Royal Jordanian Airlines international air-ticket with tax from Istanbul – Amman;
4. Twin or double share accommodation at 4-star hotels in Turkey and 5-star hotel in Jordan as listed in the itinerary or similar;
5. Meals as stated in the itinerary;
6. Sightseeing tours with admission fees included in the itinerary;
7. Transfers and transport throughout the trip by A/C vehicle;
8. Service of professional English-speaking local guide.

**Price excludes:**

1. Travel insurance;
2. Turkey visa fees (\$100, subject to change), Jordan (\$90);
3. Optional tours;
4. Personal expenses;
5. Tip to guide and driver (US\$5 per person per day to your guide and driver to share);
6. Any meals or services not mentioned in the itinerary.

**Extension tour to UAE:**



**Day 01: AMMAN – DUBAI**

We are at leisure until transfer to Queen Alia International Airport for flight to Dubai. You will arrive in Dubai. Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to hotel.

**Accommodation: Carlton Tower Hotel\*\*\*\* or similar**

**Day 02: DUBAI – ABU DHABI – DUBAI (B.L.D)**

Explore the history of Abu Dhabi on an insight tour of the largest city in the United Arab Emirates. En-route pass by the largest man-made harbour- the Port of Jebel Ali. Continue travelling to Abu Dhabi, upon arrival, drive by Ferrari World, Federal National Council building and have a photo stop at the opulent Emirates Palace Hotel. After lunch, visit Jumeirah at Etihad Tower and the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque to see a masterpiece of Islamic architecture. Return to Dubai for the night. (Optional tour, traditional Arabian dhow ride: a journey with a contrast of the old and new Dubai, while cruising on Dubai Creek and enjoying a sumptuous feast of Arabic and international cuisine)

**Accommodation: Carlton Tower Hotel\*\*\*\* or similar**

### **Day 03: DUBAI (B.L.D)**

Enjoy a whole day sightseeing tour in Dubai. First start our visit to including Dubai Gold Souk, Dubai Spice Souk (outside only), Greek Bay, Miraj Islamic Art Centre, Dubai Sheikh's Palace, Burj Al Arab Jumeirah, Dubai's most iconic hotel and Dubai Marina, an affluent residential neighbourhood known for The Beach at JBR, a leisure complex with all fresco dining and sandy stretches to relax on. Continue to visit a Palm Jumeirah by tourist train (outside observation only) and Atlantis the Palm (outside photo only).

**Accommodation: Carlton Tower Hotel\*\*\*\* or similar**

### **Day 04: DUBAI – AUSTRALIA (B.L)**

After breakfast, start to visit Sharjah Archaeology Museum (outside observation only), Quranic Park, a handicrafts market, Burj Khalifa, the world's tallest tower, the Dubai Mall and Dubai Fountain. We will be then transferred to airport for our flight homeward to Australia and fly overnight.

### **Day 05: AUSTRALIA**

We arrive in Australia in the afternoon. Our unforgettable United Arab Emirates tour ends.

**Tour price:** \$780 per person, twin or double share

**Single supplement:** \$290

#### **Tour price includes:**

1. Three-night accommodation at 4-star hotels with breakfast as indicated in the itinerary;
2. Transfers and transport as mentioned in the itinerary;
3. Sightseeing tours with entrance fees as stated in the itinerary;
4. Meals as stated in the itinerary;
5. Local English-speaking guide.

#### **Tour price excludes:**

1. Travel insurance;
2. Tips to guide, driver, restaurant and hotel staff;
3. Any services not mentioned in the itinerary;
4. Personal expenses.