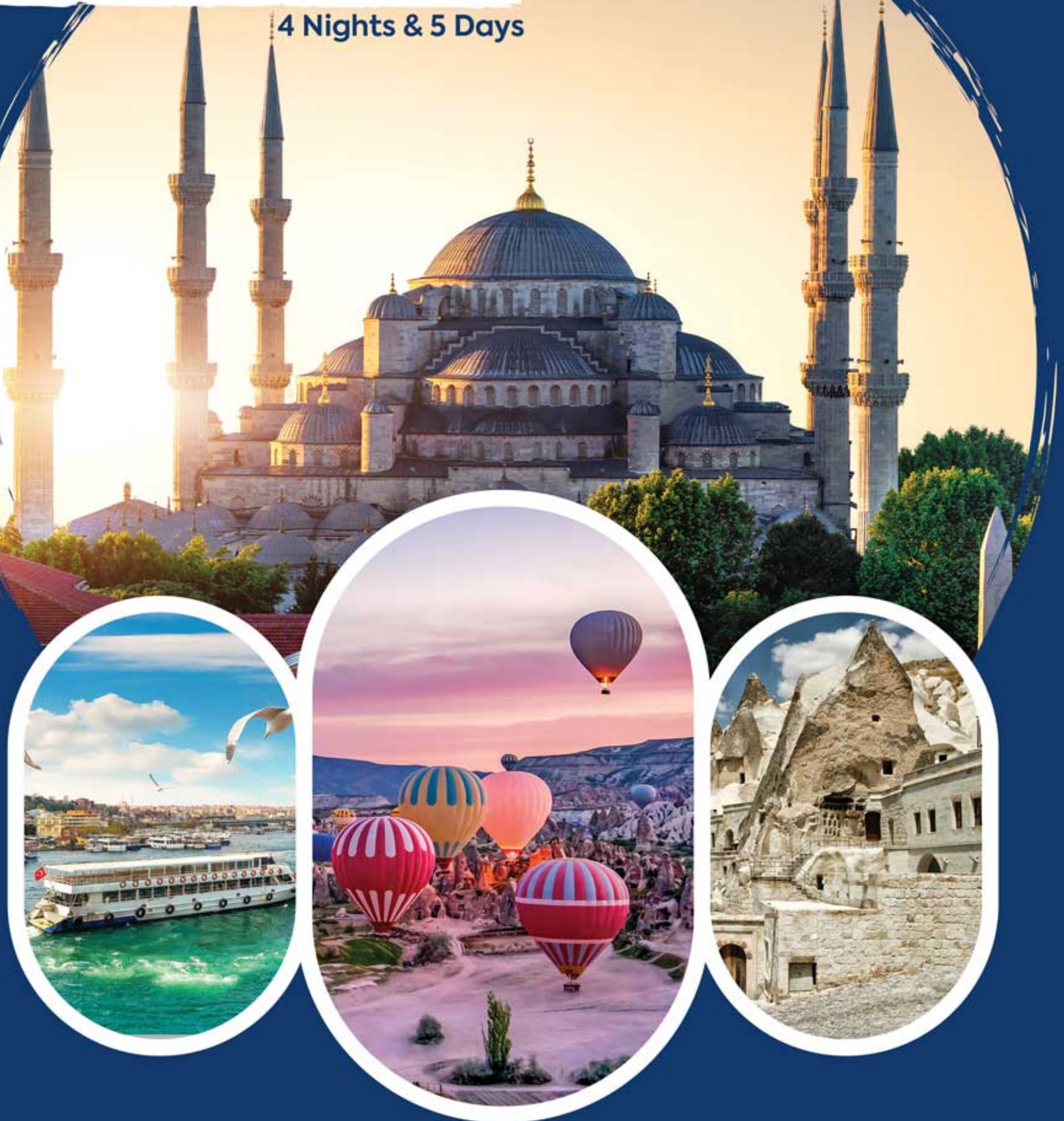


PAUL MERCHANTS

TURKEY

Istanbul - Cappadocia

4 Nights & 5 Days



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Day 1 - Istanbul - Arrival Day

Arrive at the Istanbul Airport and be ready to experience the historic beauty gracefully at the crossroad between Europe and Asia. After the immigration process which will take around 20-25 minutes depending upon the count of people in the queue. Meet the representative at the airport, who will help you get transferred to your pre-booked hotel/resort in shared transport. On your way to the hotel, witness the captivating beauty of the vibrant streets that this place has to offer. Reach the hotel and proceed with the check-in formalities. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. You can go to the beaches, stroll around the markets or simply take a rest at the hotel. Overnight stay at the hotel in Istanbul.

Day 2 - Istanbul City Tour

Wake up with a delicious breakfast and get ready for the Istanbul city tour. The representative will pick you up around 8:30 Am from the hotel in a shared transport and take you to explore the ancient charm of the city. You will be brought to Sultan Ahmet district, the oldest, most historic part of the city. Visit the timeless architectural genius of Hagia Sophia which is referred to as the "8th Wonder of the World" is another amazing site that is more than 1,500 years old. Head towards the Hippodrome of Constantinople and marvel at the site's impressive obelisk, before reaching the Blue Mosque. Blue Mosque offers a blend of Christian Byzantine and Islamic Ottoman, making it one of the most unique structures in the world and the blue Iznik tile design on the interior of the domes perfectly describes its brilliance of it. Next, Lunch at 13:00. After lunch, you would continue to the ASIL EFENDI Exotic Spices and Herbs, Turkish Baklava, Turkish Delights, Turkish coffee, nuts and fruits, small souvenirs such as Ceramic Handicrafts, and more. After this eventful day, you'll head back to your hotel.

Overnight stay in Istanbul. **(Breakfast and Lunch included)**

Day 3 - Istanbul Bosphorus Cruise and Flight to Cappadocia

Delicious breakfast at hotel and get ready for a wonderful cruise along the Bosphorus Strait. The representative will pick you up from the hotel at around 09:30 AM in a shared transport and take you to Eminönü pier/Kabatas pier/Besiktas pier to board the cruise. Enjoy a beautiful session of a half-day cruise ride along the Bosphorus Strait and witness the division of the European side and Asian side. Feel the wind in your hair as you cruise between two continents that offer panoramic views of charming towns with traditional wooden Ottoman houses, palaces and castles along the European and Asian shores of the Bosphorus strait. Historic wooden houses, churches, synagogues, mosques and remains of the Roman Wall will be viewed from the cruise as you pass through Golden Horn Bay. Next, witness the charm of Rumeli Fortress, a 550-year-old fortress located on the European side of the Bosphorus. After lunch we will then take you to the **GRAND SPICE BAZAAR**, which is a unique atmosphere with reasonable prices for your shopping. Here you will find; Exotic Spices and Herbs, Turkish Baklava, Turkish Delights, Turkish Coffee, nuts and fruits, small souvenirs such as Ceramic Handicrafts, Evil Eyes totems, all natural olive oil, soaps and many other goods in Souvenir Shops. After this, Depart for Istanbul Ataturk airport for a domestic flight to Cappadocia. Transfer from the airport and check in to your hotel in Cappadocia.

Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia. **(Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)**

Day 4 - Cappadocia Underground City & Goreme Open Air Museum

Wake up in the morning, have a toothsome breakfast. Those who are ready to experience the Hot Air Balloon Tour, we will pick you up from your hotel in the most beautiful and unique area of the world at 05:30 am. in the morning before the sunrise. And, will move towards the area where 100's of Hot Air Balloon are ready to make your morning memorable for your whole life. While watching the sunrise over those splendid fairy chimneys and valleys, that galvanize people with their exquisiteness. Then, up you go! As you fly through the Cappadocia valleys, take a close look at the rock formations and listen to your pilot's interesting commentary about Cappadocia's history and geological formations. After making our flight in about 1 hour, we will celebrate our experience with champagne when we land and collect our flight certificate. Then we will return to our hotel and have our delicious breakfast. After breakfast at 09:30 you will head towards Ozkonak Underground City A supernatural and amazing masterpiece, Underground City is situated around Avanos, town of Nevsehir. After that you will visit Goreme Open Air Museum, the Heart of Cappadocia. Goreme Open Air Museum is famous for frescoes dating to 10th century describing the life of Jesus Christ and monks. Next stop is Cavusin, which is an abandoned village with old cave Greek houses. After Cavusin you go to the restaurant in Avanos to have lunch. After lunch, you visit a pottery workshop, to see how to make potteries. Then you go to Love valley where you can see three-headed fairy chimneys. The next stop is Devrent Valley, which is also called Imagination Valley, where you can see natural rock formations looking like animals. Last stop is Three Beauties, three beautiful fairy chimneys with their hats, which is the symbol of Cappadocia. This tour will end approximately at 17.30 and you will be returned back to your accommodation.

Reach the hotel and enjoy an overnight stay in Cappadocia. **(Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)**

Day 5 - Cappadocia to Istanbul - End of the Tour

Wake up with a mouth-watering breakfast and pack your bags full of unforgettable memories. Free till departure. Hotel check-out latest at 12:00hrs. Today we depart for Kayseri Airport for our domestic flight to Istanbul and then back to home. We hope your tour was a memorable one. Board the flight and treasure the moments you have spent in this beautiful country.

(Breakfast included)