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LEGENDARY TURKEY

FROM ISTANBUL TO THE TURQUOISE COAST

15 days for \$4,295 from San Francisco — air, land & cruise inclusive



April 23 - May 7, 2011
An Exclusive Small Group Tour for The Commonwealth Club



Dear Members and Friends of the Commonwealth Club,

Join us on an exclusive 15-day tour to legendary Turkey and its magnificent Turquoise Coast. You'll explore this vast country where Europe and Asia — past and present — meet to form the "cradle of civilization." Accompanied by a seasoned Turkish tour director, you'll visit remote villages, explore fascinating archaeological sites, and cruise the Turquoise Coast in a privately chartered *gulet*. Through these in-depth experiences shared with your tour director and guest lecturers along the way, your understanding of this unique country will be thoroughly enriched.

This educational odyssey begins in Istanbul with its many treasures: the legendary Blue Mosque, Topkapi Palace and the 6th-century Hagia Sofia. Then travel south to explore the World War I battle-field of Gallipoli, the fabled ruins of ancient Troy, the Greco-Roman ruins at Pergamum, and spectacular Ephesus, the world's best-preserved classical city. The heart of the journey takes place on the sea during a four-night private cruise aboard beautifully-crafted replicas of traditional Turkish fishing boats. Today's *gulets* are built with modern comforts in mind and include individual cabins with private bath. With your own crew and cook, cruise in and out of pristine coves along the renowned Turquoise Coast and disembark occasionally for a tour of old ruins, an island hike, or an Aegean swim. The tour concludes with three nights in the seaside resort town of Antalya. An optional 5-day/4-night post-tour extension to Cappadocia and Ankara is also available. In Cappadocia visit the ethereal landscapes and ancient Christian churches carved into the rock. Then, end your journey with a visit to Ankara, Turkey's modern-day capital.

Space will fill up fast; your early reservations are encouraged.

Sincerely,

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Kristina Nemeth Director of Travel

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Enclosed is my/our deposit for \$_____(\$500 per person) for _____ person/people on Legendary Turkey departing April 23, 2011. I/we understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure (or by January 18, 2011). Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA or by personal check. Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and send to: Commonwealth Club Travel, 595 Market Street, 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94105. For reservations and information, call (415) 597-6720, or email travel@commonwealthclub.org. You may also fax your reservation to (415) 597-6729.

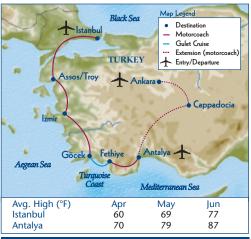
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xotic sights, scents, and sounds reign in this fascinating land where Europe and Asia meet. From Istanbul, magnificent "Empress of the World," to ancient ruins, stunning landscapes, and the dramatic Turquoise Coast where we board a privately chartered gulet for a distinctive four-day voyage, Turkey engages and beguiles, offering us an unparalleled small group travel experience.



Your Small Group Tour Highlights

Exotic Istanbul, including Blue Mosque, Topkapi Palace, Hagia Sofia ... Private Bosphorus cruise ... WWI battlefield of Gallipoli ... Ruins at ancient Troy, Pergamum, Ephesus ... Rustic village of Sirince ... Four-night "Blue Voyage" aboard privately chartered *gulet* ... Cruising to secluded coves and hidden sites that few visitors see ... Opportunities for swimming, snorkeling, hiking ... Sunken Baths of Cleopatra ... 6"-century Byzantine monastery on Gemiler Island ... Ancient sites of Perge, Aspendos, Myra ... Three-night stay in Mediterranean resort of Antalya

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. f	or Istanbul	
2-4	Istanbul	Grand Hyatt Istanbul	Deluxe
5	Assos/Troy	Nazlihan Hotel	Not rated
6-7	Izmir	Swissotel Grand Efes	Deluxe
8-11	Turquoise Coast cruise	Gulet	Not rated
12-14	Antalya	Divan Talya	Sup. First Class
15	Depart Antal	ya for U.S.	

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference. Unrated hotels may be too small, too new, or too remote to be listed.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Istanbul, Turkey

Day 2: Arrive Istanbul We arrive in Turkey's cultural and spiritual heart late this morning and transfer to our hotel. After time to relax, we have a briefing on our journey then take a short walking tour. Tonight we enjoy an authentic Turkish dinner at a local restaurant. **D**

Day 3: Istanbul Here where the waters of the Marmara, Bosphorus, and Golden Horn meet, Europe greets Asia; past and present collide. We taste Istanbul's allure on a full-day tour that begins with the Roman Hippodrome, the 3,500-year-old obelisk brought from Egypt in 390 AD; the Blue Mosque, with its 20,000 blue Iznik tiles and signature six minarets; and Hagia Sofia, the 6th-century church that was Christendom's most important before becoming a mosque in the 15th century. After lunch at a local restaurant, we tour splendid Topkapi, medieval palace of sultans that today is one of the world's richest museums. **B,L**

Day 4: Istanbul This morning we encounter the vast Grand Bazaar, housing 4,000 shops selling goods of all kinds; and the Spice Market, with exotic spices, nuts, and dried fruits from around the world. Next we visit to the renowned Museum of Turkish & Islamic Art, housed in a restored palace. Then we take a private cruise on the Bosphorus Strait, the waterway that separates Europe from Asia. We stop in the village of Ortakoy, known for its trendy art scene, cafés, and boutiques. There's time to have lunch on our own before we return to our hotel mid-afternoon for an exclusive lecture by a local expert on Turkey's political past and present. *B*

Day 5: Istanbul/Gallipoli/Troy/Assos Leaving Istanbul this morning, we travel to



We spend four days aboard our privately chartered gulets on the stunning Turquoise coast.

the northern Aegean Coast for a brief visit to Gallipoli, haunting site of 31 Allied cemeteries from World War I. Then we ferry across the Dardanelles to Troy, once believed to exist only in Homer's epic poem until the present site was discovered in the 1870s. After touring here we continue south to Behramkale, ancient Assos, where we spend the night. *B*₁*L*₂*D*

Day 6: Assos/Pergamum/Izmir Today we explore one of Turkey's most spectacular ancient sites: windswept Pergamum, a major power in the 3rd and 2nd centuries BC, with a wealth of Hellenistic ruins. Then we continue on to Izmir. *B*,*L*,*D*

Day 7: Izmir/Ephesus Set off today to explore ancient Ephesus, Turkey's premier classical city dating to at least 1300 B.C. Tour the immense ampitheater, the Temple of Hadrian, the library of Celsus, which once held 12,000 scrolls, and enjoy an exclusive lecture about the Terrace Houses. Also, visit the acclaimed Ephesus Archaeological Museum before enjoying lunch in the rustic village of Sirince. *B,L*

Day 8: Izmir/Göcek Today we journey south to coastal Göcek, stopping along the way at a carpet factory to watch a demonstration of this age-old craft. Late afternoon we board our *gulets* for our first night on board. *B,L,D*

Day 9: Cruising – Aga Limani/Cleopatra Baths Our route for the next few days is along the stunning coastline Antony is said to have given Cleopatra as a wedding gift. We begin our "Blue Voyage" this morning as we cruise to the hidden cove of Aga Limani. From here we have the option of taking a three-hour hike to

the Greco-Roman ruins at Lydea, ending at the Sunken Baths of Cleopatra. Set in a breathtaking inlet, the Baths offer crystal-clear waters for swimming and snorkeling. Those who prefer a less strenuous day can stay aboard the *gulets* as they sail to the Sunken Baths. *B*,*L*,*D*

Day 10: Cruising – Ekincik Cove/Dalyan

This morning we disembark and drive to Dalyan, an environmentally protected area known for its loggerhead sea turtles. Here we board a small skiff for a trip through a maze of channels; high on the hills above we see well-preserved ancient Lycian rock tombs. After lunch we drive back to our *gulets* for a relaxing afternoon in this stunning setting. *B,L,D*

Day 11: Cruising – Gemiler Island/Kayakoy Today we cruise to Gemiler Island to tour its 6th-century Byzantine monastery. After lunch

on board our *gulets* we drive to the Greek "ghost

Post-Tour Extension: May 7-11, 2011

CAPPADOCIA & ANKARA

5 days/4 nights for \$795 Single Supplement: \$195

We explore the bizarre rock formations and underground cities of Cappadocia and the Goreme Valley; and also tour Ankara, Turkey's capital.

Your Tour Price Includes

- 4 nights accommodations: 3 nights in Cappadocia at Uchisar Kaya Hotel (First Class); 1 night in Ankara at Hilton Ankara (Deluxe)
- 11 meals: 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 4 dinners
- Extensive included sightseeing
- Services of a Professional Turkish Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation
- Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

town" of Kayakoy, which was abandoned after World War I and is now preserved as a historical monument. We explore the town and its churches then return to our *gulets* for our last night on board. *B*,*L*,*D*

Day 12: Fethiye/Demre/Myra/Antalya

This morning we have a short cruise to Fethiye, disembark, bid farewell to our crew, and begin the drive to Antalya. Along the way we visit Demre to tour the striking Roman ruins at nearby Myra and visit the 12th-century Church of Saint Nicholas. After lunch in Demre we continue the drive along the Turquoise Coast to the resort town of Antalya. *B,L,D*

Day 13: Antalya On a walking tour, we encounter highlights of Antalya's charming Old Town, including the extravagantly carved Hadrian's Gate and the lovely Yivli Minare (fluted minaret). After a visit to the Archaeological Museum, this afternoon is at leisure. Tonight we enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. *B,D*

Day 14: Antalya/Perge/Aspendos This morning we visit the ruins at ancient Perge,

Our Private Turkish Gulets





Indoor & outdoor public areas

Crew: 4 Passenger Capacity: 14

Avg. Length: 85 ft Avg. Width: 21 ft

This tour includes a four-night cruise aboard privately chartered gulets. Gulets are teakwood with a broad sun deck plus both indoor and outdoor dining areas. Cabins are small but comfortable, each with private facilities.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 13 nights' accommodations: 9 nights in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and unrated hotels; 4 nights aboard privately chartered gulet
- 32 meals: 13 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 10 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of a Professional Turkish Tour Director
- Services of a Commonwealth Club Host with a minimum of 12 guests
- Several lectures given by local experts
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

which reached its apex during the reign of Alexander the Great. We continue on to Aspendos, whose huge theater is considered among the best preserved in all of antiquity. This afternoon is at leisure before we gather for a farewell dinner this evening. *B*,*D*

Day 15: Depart for U.S. We board early flights to return to the United States. *B*



The spectacular ruins at Ephesus, which we visit on Day 7.

Tour Departs: April 23, 2011

San Francisco, Los Angeles	\$4,295
Atlanta, Detroit, Minneapolis	\$4,195
Boston, Chicago, Washington, DC	\$4,095
New York	\$3,795
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$3,295

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Single travelers please add \$995. Please note that single room availability is very limited. All prices above are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: \$4,995 per person (Business Class upgrade is subject to availability and the pricing is subject to change.) Airline taxes and departure fees of \$397 per person will be listed separately on your invoice, and are subject to change.

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking on uneven or cobblestone streets and at sites of ancient ruins. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.

For information and reservations, please contact the Commonwealth Club at 415-597-6720, or email travel@commonwealthclub.org.

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