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Timeless Cities Study Tour of Turkey

6 Sept – 20 Sept 2014



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Itinerary

6 September – 20 September 2014

The Australian Intercultural Society

(Subject to Change)

Travel Arrangements

The Australian Intercultural Society's Travel to Timeless Cities Study Tour to Turkey will take place during the abovementioned dates.

Departure/Arrival Day Melbourne /Istanbul - 6 September Saturday

Departure from Melbourne en route to Istanbul to Urfa, Turkey

1st Day Istanbul/Urfa - 7 September Sunday

Hotel Check-in

Breakfast

The birthplace of Prophet Abraham



Lunch

Gobekli Tepe, the world's oldest known temple. Amazing!!



Visit to the pool of Sacred fish (Balikgol)



Sira Gecesi - Traditional Urfa night program with music, singing, conversation, poetry and friendship



Dinner

Overnight in Urfa

2nd Day - Urfa - 8 September Monday

8 September Monday Urfa

Hotel breakfast

Visit to Harran, the location of the first university



Visit the station of Prophet job

Lunch

Visit Abraham's Cave (birthplace of Abraham)



Dinner at local family or Restaurant

Overnight in Urfa

3rd Day Urfa / Gaziantep (Edessa) - 9 September Tuesday

Hotel Breakfast

Travel to Antep

Lunch in Antep & shopping in Historical Copper and Silver Market



City tour including the city Museum

Dinner with Local Family

Overnight in Antep

4th Day Gaziantep - Kahraman Maras – Kayseri - 10 September Wednesday

Hotel breakfast

Bus travel to Kahraman Maras

Lunch and Ice Cream in Kahraman Maras



Bus travel to Kayseri

Hilton Hotel check-in Kayseri

Cifte Medrese - the first Seljuk school of anatomy, now known as Gevher Nesibe Medical History Museum



Visit to the 13th century Hunat Hatun Mosque which comprises the first Seljuk complex



Dinner at Local Family

Overnight in Kayseri

5th Day Kayseri - Nevsehir 11 September Thursday

Hotel breakfast

Bus travel to Nevsehir

Hotel check-in

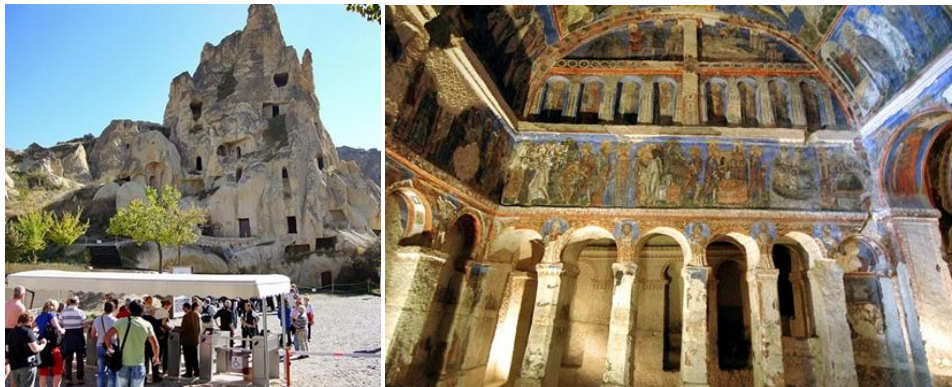
lunch

Bus tour of Nevsehir and surrounds

Avanos



Goreme open air museum



Dinner / Local Family

Overnight in Nevsehir

6th Day Cappadocia/ Nigde - 12 September Friday

Hot Air Balloon- Cappadocia



Hotel Breakfast

Visit to Uchisar



Visit to Underground cities



Dinner with Local Family

Overnight in Nigde

7th Day Nigde / Konya - 13 September Saturday

Breakfast

Bus travel to Konya

Lunch in Konya

Visit to Alaeddin Hill



Visit to the Green Mausoleum of Mawlana Jalaluddin Rumi



Attending the Sema Program on the evening

Dinner at Local Family

Overnight in Konya

8th Day Konya / Antalya - 14 September Sunday

Hotel Breakfast

Bus travel to Antalya

Hotel check in

Lunch in Old Antalya-the old Roman harbor



Duden Waterfalls



Bus tour of Antalya and surroundings

Dinner at Local Family

Overnight in Antalya

9th Day Antalya - 15 September Monday

Hotel Breakfast

Visiting Demre (Kale)



Lunch in Demre

Visiting Rock tombs in Myra



the Roman theatre and other remains of Roman Myra in the town of Demre

Dinner at Local Family

Overnight in Antalya

10th Day Antalya - 16 September Tuesday

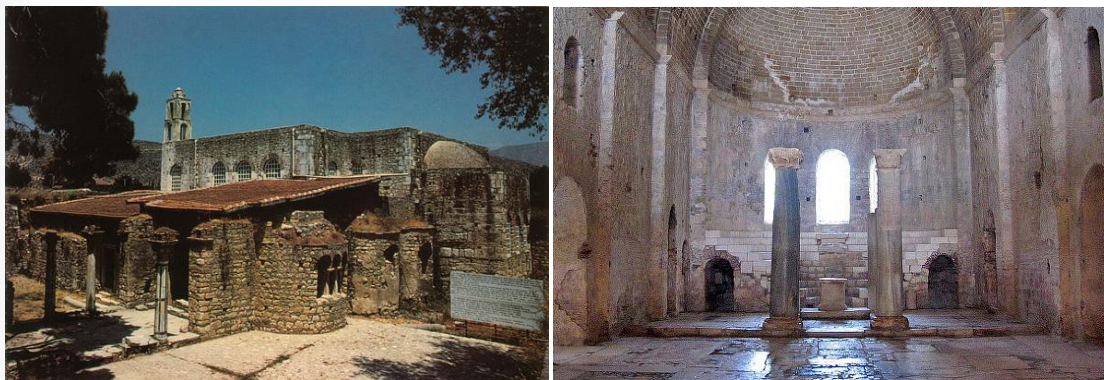
Hotel Breakfast

A wonderful ancient city- Perge



Lunch in

Tracing the Origins of Santa Claus -The St. Nicholas Church



Manavgat waterfalls

Visiting the Side Museum



Aspendos

Dinner at Local Family or Restaurant

Overnight in Antalya

11th Day Antalya - 17 September Wednesday

Hotel Breakfast

Boat Tour to Kekova - Kas –Kemer



Lunch on the boat

Dinner with Local Family or restaurant

Overnight in Antalya

12th Day Antalya - Istanbul - 18 September Thursday

Hotel breakfast

Travel to Istanbul by flight

Hotel check-in

Lunch

Sightseeing and coffee at the Galata tower, Taksim, Istiklal Street



Boat tour of the Bosphorus -2 hours

Visit to the Miniaturk



Grand Covered Bazaar and Spice Bazaar





Dinner at local family or Restaurant

Overnight in Istanbul

13th Day Istanbul – Melbourne - 19 September Friday

Hotel breakfast

Lunch

Visit Yildiz Saray



Departure from Istanbul en route to Melbourne

14th Day - Melbourne - 20 September Saturday

Arrival to Melbourne, Australia

The Australian Intercultural Society wishes you an enjoyable and enriching *Intercultural Study Tour of Turkey*.

