

# Sample Travel Itinerary for Istanbul, Izmir, Bodrum

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## Turkey

All travelers will be asked to present a negative PCR test result document and complete a [Form Entry to Turkey](#)

- <http://register.health.gov.tr>
- <https://tr.usembassy.gov/covid-19-information-2/>

Other suggested links for U.S. citizens:

- **Smart Traveler Enrolment Program:** <https://step.state.gov/>
- **Traveler' s Checklist:** <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-checklist.html>

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**Assistance:** Arrival Assistance

**Description:** Meet your assistant at the arrival gate who will be holding a signboard with your name. Priority assistance through passport control/ security (if applicable) and to baggage claim. You will then be escorted directly to your private driver.



**Accommodation:** Pera Palace Hotel

Pera Palace Hotel is more than just one of Turkey's most elegant hotels; it is a historic monument that represents the character, style, and spirit of Istanbul. It held its opening ball in 1895, the clientele often arrived on the Orient Express train and, over the years, the hotel hosted such luminaries as Atatürk, Agatha Christie, Ernest Hemingway and Greta Garbo. Recently, it has undergone a full restoration and has re-opened its doors for you to experience the nostalgia of that glamorous era. The hotel overlooks the Golden Horn inlet of the Bosphorus – a picturesque harbor that once sheltered Greek and Persian ships. Atatürk's favorite room – Room 101 – has been preserved in its vintage glory and features some of the famous man's own possessions. The Pera Palace Hotel is a place where East meets West and classic meets modern.





### **Private Tour with Car:** Byzantine and Ottoman Marvels

- Meeting Time: 9:00AM
- Meeting Point: Pera Palace Hotel

**Description:** Your tour of the most renowned sites in Istanbul will start with the Hippodrome, which was one of the largest chariot race grounds of the Byzantine Empire. Explore the Blue Mosque within a complex that includes tombs, fountains, kitchens, and a bath. The blue Iznik Tiles covering the walls have given the mosque its popular name. You will also explore St. Sophia (the Church of Divine Wisdom) and one of the greatest marvels of architecture. This monument was constructed as a basilica in the 6th century by Emperor Justinian. Your adventure will then continue through the Grand Bazaar, the largest and oldest covered Bazaar in Turkey with more than 4,000 shops. A variety of handicrafts, carpets, rare jewels, and souvenirs are all sold in small shops next to each other, with merchants selling everything from antiques, homewares, books, copperware, ceramics, gold, and inexpensive trinkets. Venture into the hidden courtyards, and look out for marble fountains and ornate kiosks.

**Duration:** Half Day

**Inclusions:** Private Transportation, Licensed Guide, Entrance Fees

**Disclaimer:** Given that some of the sites you will be visiting are of religious importance, proper attire must be worn to enter.



### **Private Single-Day Cruise:** Bosphorus Cruise and Spice Bazaar Tour

- Meeting Time: 9:00AM
- Meeting Point: Pera Palace Hotel

**Description:** Start your tour with an exciting insight into the world of spices and aromas at the renowned Spice market. Discover spices from all over the world and practice your bargaining skills as you explore the stalls within this lively 17th-century market. Your tour will then continue with a thrilling Bosphorus sailing trip on a private yacht through the narrow straight of water separating Asia and Europe. Take in the sites as you pass magnificent palaces, Ottoman villas restored to their former glory, impressive fortresses, and waterside residences. Sit back, relax, and sip on soft drinks and tea as you revel in an entirely different perspective of Istanbul.

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Inclusions:** Private Transportation, 2 hrs Bosphorus Cruise (by Private Boat), Licensed Guide, Entrance Fees



**Private Transfer:** Transfer from Pera Palace Hotel, arriving at Istanbul Airport (

**Flight:** Passengers departing from Istanbul Airport to Izmir Airport

**Private Transfer:** Transfer from Izmir Airport arriving at Charisma De Luxe Hotel

**Remarks:** Upon your arrival at Izmir Airport, you will meet your transfer assistant at the arrival hall, just outside the baggage claim, holding a signboard with the lead name or party's last name on it.





**Accommodation:** Charisma De Luxe Hotel

Welcome to Charisma De – Luxe Hotel, a destination where comfort and luxury are intertwined with the unique view of the sea and sky. Located 900 meters from a beach, the property features rooms with stylish decor and modern amenities along with jaw-dropping views of the Aegean Sea. Spend your days relaxing on the Blue-Flag beach, discover Aegean’s unique seafood in the Charisdes Sea Food A la Carte restaurant or Moonlight restaurant, sip on your favorite drink in one of 3 bars, unwind in the Spa Center, or soak up the sun by the swimming pool.



**Private Tour with Car:** Tour of Izmir and the Acropolis of Pergamon

- Meeting Time: 9:00AM
- Meeting Point: Charisma De Luxe Hotel

**Description:** Start your tour by heading from Kusadasi to Izmir, where you will see the historic synagogues from the outside. You will then enjoy a quick tour of Izmir to see its main sites, including the Ancient Agora and the ruins of Alexander the Great's Castle, Kadifekale. From Izmir, you will continue your tour to Pergamon, which was founded in the 3rd century BC and was once a cultural epicenter of the East Roman Empire. Here you will see the Acropolis, which is perched on a hill and offers amazing views.

**Duration:** 8 hours

**Inclusions:** Private Transportation, Entrance Fees



**Private Transfer:** Transfer from Charisma De Luxe Hotel, arriving at Izmir Airport to Istanbul Sabiha Gökçen

**Flight:** Passengers departing from Izmir Airport to Istanbul Sabiha Gökçen

**Flight:** Passengers departing from Istanbul Sabiha Gökçen Airport, TK 7342 at 11:25AM, to Bodrum Airport at 12:40PM

**Private Transfer:** Transfer from Bodrum Airport arriving at Swisshotel Resort Bodrum Beach

**Remarks:** Upon your arrival at Istanbul Airport, you will meet your transfer assistant at the arrival hall, just outside the baggage claim and customs control area, holding a signboard with the lead name or party's last name on it.



**Accommodation:** Swissotel Resort Bodrum Beach

**Description:** Located directly on the waterfront in Turgutreis, approximately 22 km from the centre of Bodrum, the Swissotel Resort Bodrum Beach offers ideal conditions for water sports, culture and Aegean relaxation. The main two-storey hotel comprises 66 rooms and suites, with minimum 40 m<sup>2</sup> per room. With indoor and outdoor pools and Pürovel Spa & Sport facilities, you'll have sport and leisure opportunities as inspiring as the waterfront views. The restaurants and bars are places of entertainment, where the ambience runs from formal to casual and dishes are prepared with the best local products.





### Private Tour with Car: Bodrum City Tour

- Meeting Time: 9:00AM
- Meeting Point: Swissotel Resort Bodrum Beach

**Description:** Explore the historic riches of Bodrum during this half-day tour accompanied by a private English-speaking guide. After meeting your guide at the hotel, you will start the tour with a visit to Bodrum Castle which occupies the tip of the wedge-like peninsula in the center of the city. It is a splendid example of medieval military architecture, built at a time when the European Middle Ages were over, and castles of this type were fast becoming objects of nostalgia. It has a massive conglomeration of courtyards, turrets, galleries, and sunken gardens. You will see the collections of the Museum of Underwater Archeology, located inside the Castle. The museum, the most important of its kind in the world, contains treasures from a series of historic wrecks discovered along Turkey's southern shores. Mycenaean and Canaanite artifacts recovered from an 12th century B.C. wreck found off Cape Gelidonya (Antalya) in 1960 formed the original core of the museum. On display in the castle's Gothic Chapel is a full-scale reconstruction of one-third of an Eastern Roman wreck from the 7th century A.D. You will also see the finds from the world's oldest known shipwreck, a 14th century B.C. vessel excavated off Uluburun (Kas). In the castle, you will also visit the Glasswreck Hall. During the summer of 1977, the Institute of Nautical Archaeology (INA) with the Bodrum Museum of Underwater Archaeology excavated a medieval shipwreck at Serce Limani, a natural harbor on the southern Turkish Coast. The ship had set sail in around 1025 A.D from the southern part of the Syrian coast then ruled by the Fatimid caliphs and was carrying a variety of cargoes, including 3 tons of glass cullet in the form of raw glass and broken glassware.

**Duration:** Half Day

**Inclusions:** Private Transportation, Licensed Guide, Entrance Fees



**Private Transfer:** Transfer from Swissotel Resort Bodrum Beach, arriving at Bodrum Airport

**Flight:** Passengers departing from Bodrum Airport to Istanbul Airport