

BYZANTINE & OTTOMAN RELICS TOUR (Full Day)

(Walking Tour)

Full Day Tour

Lunch Included

Spanish Tour Days: Monday, SaturdayEnglish Tour Days: Monday,Wednesday,Thursday,Saturday,Sunday

HIPPODROME, The center of sport activities with its four monuments; The GERMAN FOUNTAIN OF WILHELM II, Egyptian Obelisk, SERPENTINE COLUMN and the WALLED OBELISK.

BLUE MOSQUE The most famous mosque of Istanbul which is known as the **BLUE MOSQUE** as well because of its beautiful blue Iznik tiles. (Information is given from outside when the line is excess.)

HAGIA SOPHIA GRAND MOSQUE This ancient basilica, built by Constantine the Great, in the 4th century and reconstructed by Justinian in the 6th century, is one of the architectural marvels of all time. (Information is given from outside when the line is excess.)

GRAND COVERED BAZAAR In this labyrinth of streets and passages are more than 4000 shops with each trade having its own area; the goldsmiths' street, the carpet sellers, Turkish arts and crafts, such as handpainted ceramic plates, hand-honed copperware, brasware and trays, water ewers, onyxware and meerschaum pipers.

LUNCH (Drinks are extra)

HAGIA IRENE CHURCH Built during the same period (4th century) as its neighbour the Hagia Sophia. The name Hagia Irene Church means "Godly" or "Holy Wisdom" in Greek. After the conquest of Istanbul it was incorporated into the grounds of Topkapı Palace and like many other churches was converted into a mosque. However there were no major changes made to the building's structure.

TOPKAPI PALACE The great palace of the Ottoman Sultans from the 15th to the 19th centuries, housing an exquisite collection of precious gems, jewellery thrones of sultans, costumes worn by the sultans and their families; miniatures, the **Holy Mantle; CHABER OF SACRED RELICS**. (Harem is not included in the program and visit is due to extra entrance fee.)

Also visioned during the tours

*OBELISK OF THEODOSIUS *SERPENTINE COLUMN *GERMAN FOUNTAIN OF WILHELM II *WALLED OBELISK

CLOSED

Grand Bazaar closed on Sunday / Replaced with Arasta Bazaar Blue Mosque & Hagia Sophia Mosque closed on Friday due to Prayer Topkapı Palace & Hagia Irene Church on Tuesday

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This tour is not operated on Tuesday & Friday

Information is given from outside when the line is excess in Hagia Sophia Grand Mosque and Blue Mosque

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