

# Heaven of Cappadocia

Tour Days : 2 Tour Departure From : Ankara Tour Departure End : Kayseri Tour Departure : Departure days are Sundays around the year

Tour Overview : 1 night Cappadocia accomodation with 2 full day tours

\*\* Our group tours can be operated with minimum 2 people.

\*\* For info about the private rates, please click Date & Price button.

### **Tour Highlights**

• Ankara Anatolian Civilizations Museum, Mausoleum of Ataturk, Kaymakli Underground City

• Optional Balloon Tour, Devrent Valley, Pasabagi (Monk's Valley), Avanos, Goreme Open Air Open Air Museum

### **Tour Itinerary**

#### Day 1 : Ankara Arrival - Cappadocia

In the morning visit to the Anatolian Civilizations Museum at which numerous remnants from Stone Age, Neolithic Age, Hittites, Urartians, Phrygians and many others are on display; Mausoleum of Ataturk, the burial place of the national hero who founded modern Republic of Turkey. Then continue on to Cappadocia. Overnight in Cappadocia. (L, D) **Day 2 : Cappadocia - Kayseri** 

Optional balloon tour. Meet at the hotel lobby in the morning and visit to Devrent Valley to see the unique fairy chimneys. Drive to Pasabagi (Monks Valley) to see the most interesting mushroom shaped pinnacles. Drive to Avanos which is known for the pottery, a craft dating back to the Hittite period. The red clay which is worked by local craftsmen comes from the residue in the Kizilirmak river, the longest river of Turkey. In the afternoon, visit Goreme Open Air Museum (Dark Church is excluded; entrance requires additional admission fee) to visit the churches where the remains of rock-cut churches and Christian settlements date back hundreds of years. Various panoramic viewpoints of castles and fairy chimneys such as Esentepe for Goreme valley, Uchisar and its castle, Pigeon Valley. Then to Kaymakli (or Ozkonak) Underground City, the place where early Christians hid from persecutors. Transfer to the airport in Kayseri or Nevsehir for your flight. (B, L).

#### **Optional: Balloon Tour**

Pick up from the hotel roughly one hour before the sunrise (App. 05:00 o'clock) and transfer to the base. After serving tea, coffee and cookies while waiting for the other participants proceed to the take-off field designated for that day. After a safety briefing delivered by the pilot, climb in to the baskets and take off. Rise to the altitudes of several hundred meters to have a good view of the area and drift through the valleys and canyons for some 60 minutes. On landing, have a traditional celebration party with champagne and cakes. Thereafter transfer back to the hotel.

## **Tour Inclusions**

- 1 night hotel accommodation at the above mentioned hotels
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- All escorted transfers
- 1 breakfast, 2 lunch, 1 dinner
- Transportation by A/C vehicle
- English speaking government licensed professional tour guide
- All entry fees to the sites & museums
- Service charges & local taxes

# **Tour Excludes**

- All flights
- All drinks and any other meals which are not mentioned in the itinerary
- All personal expenses
- Turkish Visa Fee
- Tips to the tour guide and driver
- Everything which is not particularly mentioned in "Including" section

### Tour Map :

