Istanbul Bosphorus on Boat Tour (Half Day Morning)
(TOUR 4M)

CITY WALLS The first breach of the walls was by the Fourth Crusade in 1204, the second by the cannons and troops of Sultan Mehmet the Conqueror in 1453.

**DRIVE BY BUS TO** GOLDEN HORN As natural and extremely secure harbor, the Golden Horn has played an important role in the development of Istanbul. The inlet separates the European shore into two. It is approximately 8 km long, and the widest part is the entrance from the Bosphorus. Two streams drain into this inlet at its far end.

**SPICE BAZAAR(Egyptian Bazaar):** The air here is filled with the enticing aromas of cinnamon, caraway, saffron, mint, thyme and every other concievable herb and spice.

**BOAT TRIP ON THE BOSPHORUS** An amazing cruise between the two continents, EUROPE and ASIA, along the Bosphorus by the Dolmabahçe and Beylerbeyi Palaces, wooden villas and mansions up to the Rumeli Fortress near the Black Sea.

**RUMELI FORTRESS (FROM THE SEA, NO** INTERIOR VISIT) Istanbul had been besieged many times before Mehmet the Conqueror took the city in 1453, but it managed to defend itself with the help of the Roman city walls.

## **CLOSED**

Spice (Egyptian) Bazaar on Sunday / Replaced with Pierre Loti

