



Tour 6 - Combination of tour 4M & 5A. Full day / lunch included. Bosphorus Cruise & Two Continents Tour.

**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 conceivable herb and spice.

**BOAT TRIP ON THE BOSPHORUS** A traditional excursion by boat along the waterway separating Europe and Asia. The shore is lined with old wooden villas, palaces of marble, fortresses, and small fishing villages. During the excursion you will pass the magnificent Dolmabahce Palace, and further along, the parks and imperial pavillions of Yildiz Palace. On the coastal edge of this park, is Ciragan Palace, 300 meters of its marble facade faces the shore. At Ortakoy a great variety of artists gather every Sunday to display their work along the street. Ortakoy is a symbol of tolerance with a church, a mosque and a synagogue existing side by side for centuries.

**RUMELI FORTRESS (FROM THE SEA, NO INTERIOR VISIT)** Built by Mehmet the Conqueror in 1452 prior to the conquest of Istanbul, was completed in only four months to control and protect Bosphorus. It is one of the most beautiful works of military architecture anywhere in the world.

LUNCH

**BOSPHORUS BRIDGE** Unique chance to step from one continent (ASIA) to another

(EUROPE)

**BEYLERBEYI PALACE** The summer residence of Ottoman Sultans with its original furniture and magnificent gardens with the HAREM on the ASIAN.

**CAMLICA HILL** The highest point in Istanbul. At the top of it you can rest and admire the magnificent panorama of Istanbul and the Bosphorus from the beautiful gardens, landscaped in traditional style.

**SHOPPING** As Turkey is one of the best leather producing countries in the world. We will watch a fashion-show in an outlet center which produces and manufactures different various of great quality leatherware. So it's a good opportunity to have a look at the reasonable priced good quality leather accessories.

also visioned during the tour

**ÇIRAĞAN PALACE HOTEL KEMPINSKI**

**ORTAKOY MOSQUE \* MILITARY HIGHSCHOOL**

**BOSPHORUS BRIDGE** connecting EUROPE & ASIA continents

**DOLMABAĞÇE PALACE** from the sea

**CLOSED**

**Spice Bazaar on Sunday / Replaced with Pierre Loti**

**Beylerbeyi Palace on Monday and thursday / Replaced with Chora Museum**

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