

5 Days in Istanbul, Turkey



Istanbul is a city that will captivate your senses and leave you with memories that will last a lifetime. The Bosphorus Strait, which separates the European and Asian sides of the city, is a must-see destination. You can take a boat tour to see the beautiful waterfront mansions and ancient fortresses that line the shore or take a walk across the Bosphorus Bridge to take in the stunning views. The Galata Tower is another iconic landmark that offers panoramic views of the city. A visit to the historic neighborhood of Ortakoy is also a must, known for its picturesque streets lined with trendy cafes, restaurants, and shops. And don't forget to indulge in the city's famous Turkish baths, known as hammams, for a relaxing and rejuvenating experience.

With this 5-day itinerary, you will not miss a thing, and experience the best attractions this incredible city has to offer.

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Day 1

① 09:30 - 11:00 Grand Bazaar, Istanbul

Beyazıt, 34126 Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

The Grand Bazaar is one of the largest and oldest covered markets in the world. It is a great place to shop for Turkish souvenirs and also to experience the local culture.



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② 11:00 - 12:00 Sultanahmet Square, Istanbul

Binbirdirek, Sultan Ahmet Parkı No:2, 34122 Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

Sultanahmet Square is a historic square that is located in the heart of Istanbul's Old City. It is home to several famous landmarks, including the Blue Mosque and Hagia Sophia. The square is a great place to relax and people-watch, and it is surrounded by several shops and restaurants.



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③ 12:00 - 13:00 **The Blue Mosque, Istanbul**

Binbirdirek, At Meydanı Cd No:10, 34122 Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

The historic Blue Mosque is known for its blue tilework and six minarets. It was built in the early 17th century and is one of the most famous landmarks in Istanbul.



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④ 13:00 - 13:30 German Fountain, Istanbul

Binbirdirek, At Meydanı Cd, 34122 Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

A fountain that was built in Germany and gifted to Istanbul in the late 19th century.



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⑤ 13:30 - 15:30 Sultanahmet, Istanbul

Sultanahmet, Alemdar, 34110 Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

Sultanahmet is a historic neighborhood that is located in the heart of Istanbul's Old City. It is home to several famous landmarks, including the Blue Mosque and Hagia Sophia. Visitors can take a stroll through the neighborhood and enjoy the views of the city and the Bosphorus Strait.



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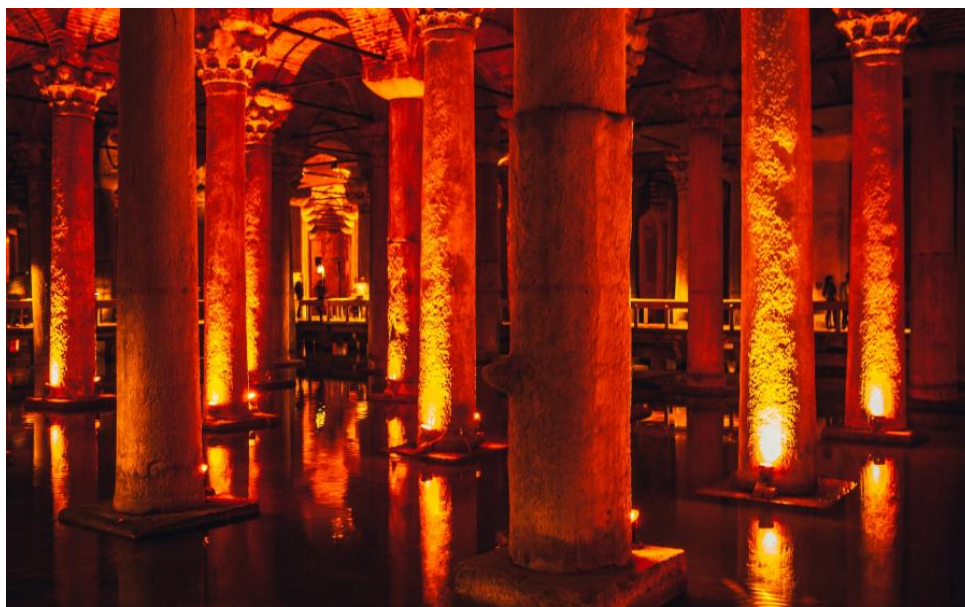
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⑥ **15:30 - 16:30** **Basilica Cistern, Istanbul**

Alemdar, Yerebatan Cd. 1/3, 34110 Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

Basilica Cistern is an underground cistern that was built in the 6th century. It is a unique place to visit and offers a glimpse into the engineering skills of the ancient Romans.



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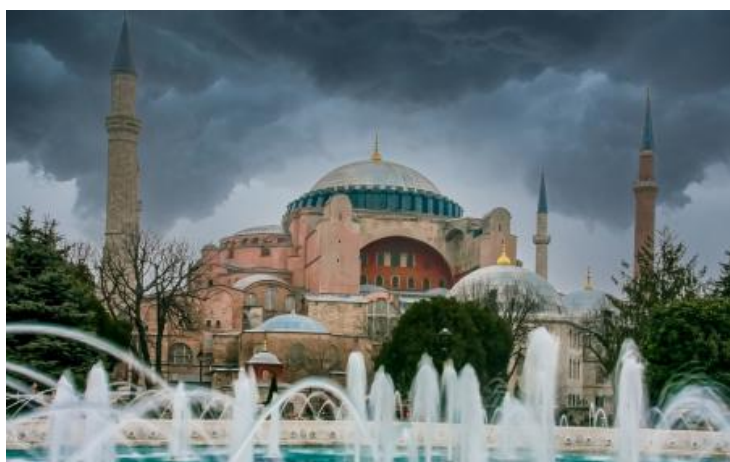
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⑦ **17:00 - 18:30** **Hagia Sophia, Istanbul**

Sultan Ahmet, Ayasofya Meydanı No:1, 34122 Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

Hagia Sophia (or Ayasofya) is a remarkable historic landmark in Istanbul. It was originally built as a cathedral in 537 AD and later converted into a mosque in 1453. It is now a museum and a must-

see destination in Istanbul.



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① 10:00 - 12:00 Topkapi Palace, Istanbul

Topkapi Palace was the primary residence of the Ottoman sultans for almost 400 years. It is now a museum and a great place to learn about the history of the Ottoman Empire.



② 12:00 - 14:00 Topkapi Palace Museum, Istanbul

Cankurtaran, 34122 Fatih/Istanbul, Türkiye

Topkapi Palace is the primary residence of the Ottoman sultans for almost 400 years. It was built in the 15th century and it is now a museum. Visitors can explore the palace's many courtyards, gardens, and buildings, which are full of treasures, including jewelry, ceramics, and manuscripts.



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③ **15:00 - 18:30** **Istanbul Archaeological Museums, Istanbul**
Cankurtaran, 34122 Fatih/Istanbul, Türkiye

Istanbul Archaeological Museums is a complex of museums that houses a large collection of artifacts from the ancient world, including the famous Alexander Sarcophagus.



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① 09:30 - 11:00 **Gülhane Park, Istanbul**

Cankurtaran, Kennedy Cd., 34122 Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

Gülhane Park is a splendid park that is located just outside the Topkapi Palace Museum. It is a great place to relax and enjoy the outdoors. Visitors can take a stroll through the park and enjoy the views of the Bosphorus Strait.



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② 11:30 - 12:30 **Suleymaniye Mosque, Istanbul**

Süleymaniye, Prof. Sıddık Sami Onar Cd. No:1, 34116

Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

Suleymaniye Mosque is a historic mosque that was built in the 16th century by the famous Ottoman architect Sinan.



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③ 13:00 - 14:30 Egyptian Bazaar, Istanbul

Rüstem Paşa, 34116 Fatih/İstanbul, Türkiye

Egyptian Bazaar is an ancient market that is located in the heart of Istanbul. It is also known as the Spice Bazaar, and it is one of the oldest and most famous markets in Istanbul. Visitors can find a wide variety of items, including spices, herbs, teas, sweets, and souvenirs.



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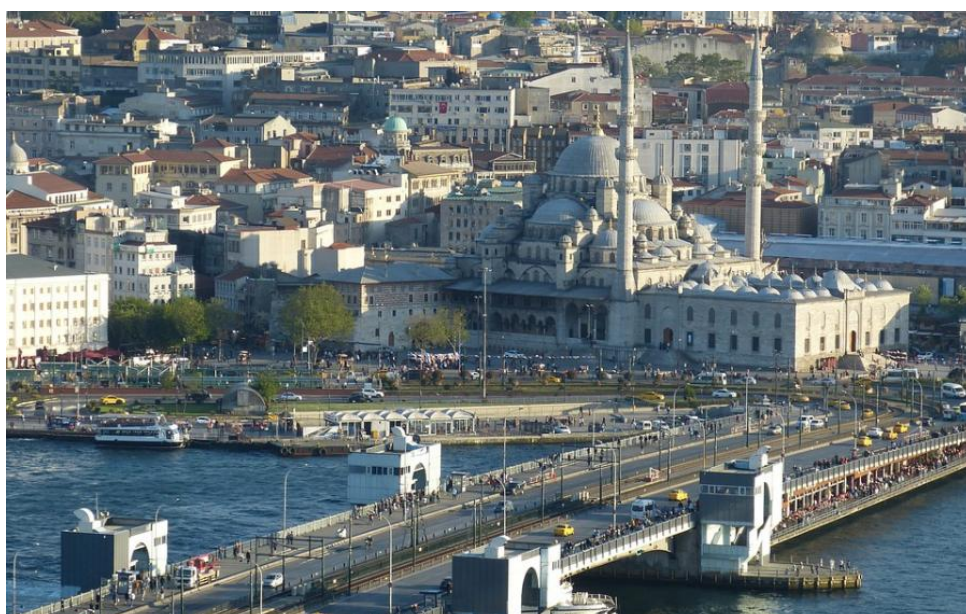
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④ 15:00 - 15:30 Galata Bridge, Istanbul

Kemankeş Karamustafa Paşa, Galata Köprüsü, 34425 Beyoğlu/İstanbul, Türkiye

Galata Bridge is a historic bridge that spans the Golden Horn, a narrow waterway that separates the old city of Istanbul from the new city. It is a great place to take a walk and enjoy the views of the city, and it is surrounded by several shops and restaurants. Visitors can also take a boat tour to see the views of the bridge from the water.



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⑤ 16:00 - 17:00 Galata Tower, Istanbul

Bereketzade Mahallesi Büyük Hendek Caddesi, Numara: 2, Bereketzade, 34421 Beyoğlu/İstanbul, Türkiye

Galata Tower is a medieval tower that offers a wonderful panoramic view of the city. It was built in 1348 and is one of the most iconic landmarks in Istanbul.



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Day 4

① 09:30 - 13:00 Dolmabahçe Palace, Istanbul

Vişnezade, Dolmabahçe Cd., 34357 Beşiktaş/İstanbul, Türkiye

Dolmabahçe Palace is a grand palace that was built in the 19th century by the Ottoman sultan Abdülmecid. It is located on the European side of Istanbul, on the Bosphorus Strait, and it is known for its marvelous architecture and impressive decoration. Visitors can explore the palace's many rooms, including the ornate throne room and the opulent harem.



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② 13:30 - 14:30 Taksim Square, Istanbul

Gümüşsuyu, Tak-ı Zafer Cd., 34435 Beyoğlu/İstanbul, Türkiye

Taksim is a modern square that is considered the heart of the city. It is a lovely place to relax and people-watch.



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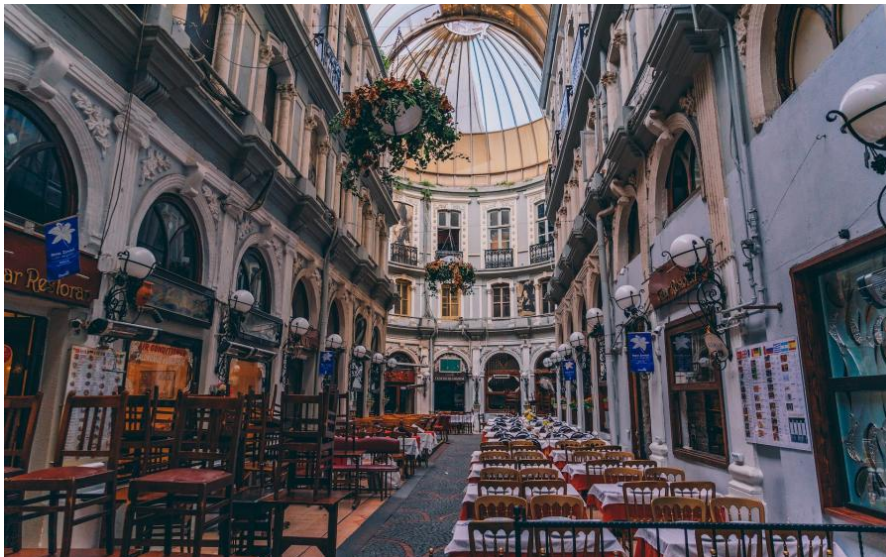
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③ 15:00 - 16:00 Çiçek Pasajı, İstanbul

Hüseyinağa Mah. İstiklal Cad. Saitpaşa Geçidi No:176,
Hüseyinağa, 34435 Beyoğlu/İstanbul, Türkiye

Çiçek Pasajı is a historic arcade that is located in the heart of Istanbul's Old City. It is known for its lovely architecture and decoration, and it is a great place to relax and enjoy a cup of coffee or a meal. Visitors can also find a wide variety of shops and restaurants in the arcade.

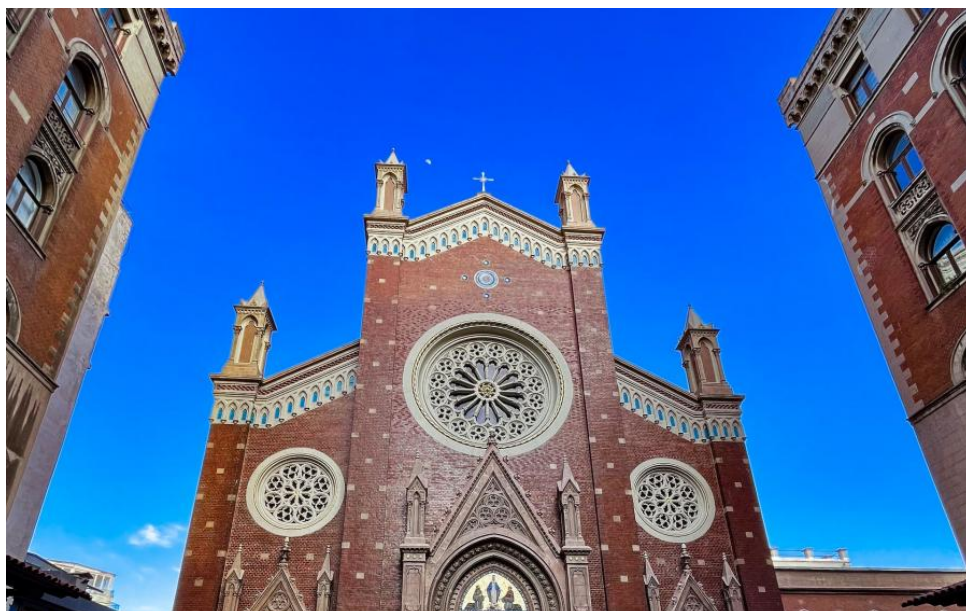


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④ **16:00 - 17:00 Sent Antuan Kilisesi, Istanbul**

Tomtom, İstiklal Cd. No:171, 34433 Beyoğlu/İstanbul, Türkiye

Saint Anthony of Padua Church is a historic Catholic church located in Istanbul. It was built in the 19th century and it is known for its magnificent architecture and decoration. The church is open to visitors and it is also used for mass.

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⑤ **17:00 - 19:30 İstiklal Caddesi, Istanbul**

İstiklal Caddesi is a famous street that is located in the heart of Istanbul. It is known for its lively atmosphere and it is a great place to take a stroll, do some shopping, and enjoy a meal. Visitors can also find a wide variety of shops and restaurants on

the street.



Day 5

① 09:30 - 11:00 Beylerbeyi Palace, Istanbul

Beylerbeyi, Beylerbeyi Kavşağı, 34676 Üsküdar/İstanbul, Türkiye

Beylerbeyi Palace is a grand palace that was built in the 19th century by the Ottoman sultan Abdülaziz. It is located on the Asian side of Istanbul, on the Bosphorus Strait, and it is known for its impressive architecture and magnificent decoration. Visitors can explore the palace's many rooms, including the ornate throne room and the opulent harem.



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② 11:30 - 12:30 Grand Mecidiye Mosque (Ortaköy Mosque), Istanbul

Mecidiye, Mecidiye Köprüsü Sk. No:1 D:1, 34347

Beşiktaş/İstanbul, Türkiye

Grand Mecidiye Mosque (also known as Ortaköy Mosque) is a grand mosque that was built in the 19th century by the Ottoman sultan Abdülmecid. It is located on the Asian side of Istanbul, and

it is known for its remarkable architecture and impressive decoration. Visitors can explore the mosque's many rooms, including the ornate prayer hall and the impressive dome.



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③ 12:30 - 13:00 Bosphorus Bridge, Istanbul

Ortaköy, 34347 Beşiktaş/İstanbul, Türkiye

The Bosphorus Bridge is a suspension bridge that connects the European and Asian sides of Istanbul. It spans the Bosphorus Strait and offers stunning views of the city, the water, and the surrounding landscape. The bridge is a major transportation link in Istanbul, and it is also a popular spot for tourists to take photos and admire the views.



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④ **13:30 - 16:30 Ortaköy, Istanbul**

Ortaköy, 34347 Beşiktaş/İstanbul, Türkiye

Ortaköy is a lively neighborhood located on the European side of Istanbul, situated on the banks of the Bosphorus Strait. It is known for its picturesque streets lined with trendy cafes, restaurants, and shops. Visitors can also find a variety of art galleries and historic buildings in the area, including the Ortaköy Mosque and the Ortaköy Square. It is also a popular place for locals and tourists to gather and watch the sunsets over the Bosphorus.



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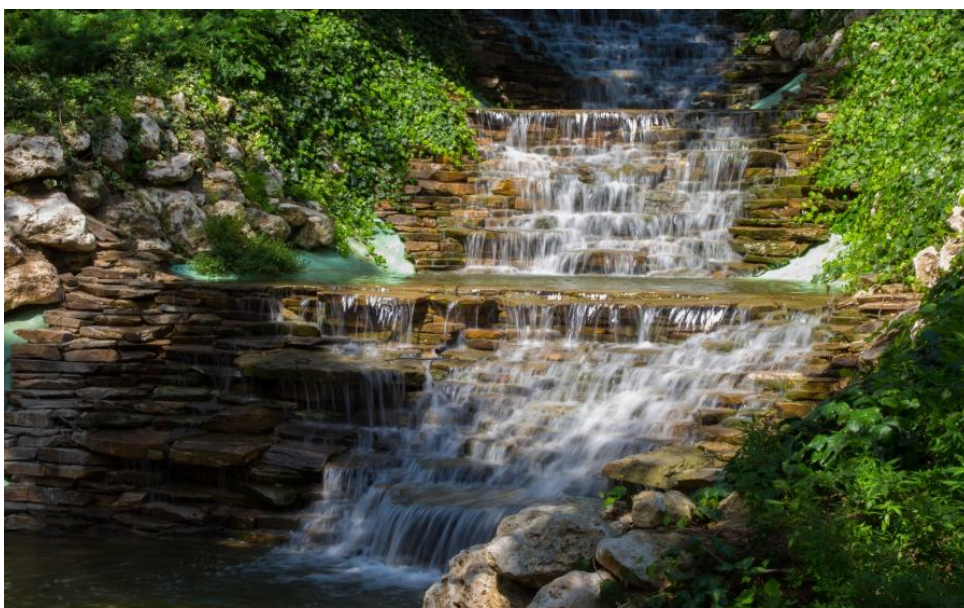
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⑤ **17:00 - 18:00** Yıldız Park, Istanbul

Yıldız, 34349 Beşiktaş/İstanbul, Türkiye

Yıldız Park is a charming park that is located on the European side of Istanbul. It is a fantastic spot to relax and enjoy the outdoors. Visitors can take a stroll through the park and enjoy the views of the Bosphorus Strait, and also visit the historic Yıldız Palace.



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