

## Tour Option 1:

### CAPPADOCIA and IHLARA VALLEY 23-24 October 2010

Some three million years ago, violent volcanic eruptions covered the plateau in this area with tufa, a soft stone comprised of lava, ash and mud. Subsequently, the wind and rain have eroded the brittle rock to form a spectacular surrealistic landscape of rock cones and capped pinnacles, called *fairy chimneys* that are painted in colors ranging from warm reds and gold to cool greens and grays. During Byzantine times, Christian chapels and monasteries were hollowed out of the rock and later these dwellings served as a refuge for Christians, persecuted by the Romans.



## Tour Program

### DAY 1 :

Meeting and departure at 08:00 a.m.

Drive to Cappadocia along the picturesque Salt Lake.

Visit to:

- Ihlara Valley (walking in the valley and visiting beautiful churches)
- Kaymaklı Underground City, Pigeon Valley and the citadel of Uçhisar.

Dinner at the hotel.

\* Optional Turkish Night (unlimited amount of spirituous beverages, folkloric and belly dance) (*Extra*)

### DAY 2:

Departure from the hotel after the breakfast.

- Open Air Museum of Göreme with its churches hewn out of rock and colorful frescos
- Karanlık Church which has recently presented to be the treasure of the world by UNESCO.
- Turasan Winery in Ürgüp,
- The pottery town of Avanos

Drive back to Ankara.

## Tour Fee:

Double Room: 150€

Single Room: 190€

### Tour Fee Includes:

\* Private transportation, Accommodation at 4\* hotel (H.B-Breakfast & Dinner), Entrance fees to ruins and museums, Professional English speaking tour guide, VAT