

## 6 DAYS TURKEY WORLD DAY TO COMBAT DESERTIFICATION & DROUGHT CONFERENCE, TOKAT in TURKEY ITINERARY

### Summary

The earth needs kindness, care, and compassion, we should take care of it because we have no other home. All art, science, and technology are an imitation of nature, and nature is protected not by a guard but by love. Nature can live without man, but man cannot live after nature is destroyed. We will visit Tokat, with this tour to draw attention to desertification and drought. Tokat is located geographically at the intersection of the Black Sea and the Eastern Region all the way to central Anatolia and has a lot to offer as far as Ecological & Gastronomical aspects.



### Day 1 Istanbul Arrival Day (14 June 2022, Tuesday)

Welcome to Turkey! Meeting at the airport, transfer to your hotel. Check-in to the hotel and the rest of the day is yours to explore Istanbul. Overnight in Istanbul.

### Day 2 - Istanbul Half Day City Tour - Istanbul to Tokat (15 June 2022, Wednesday)

*(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Included)*

After breakfast, we have Istanbul City Tour. Our first visit will be to HIPPODROME. Ancient Hippodrome was the scene of chariot races, with the three monuments; the Obelisk of Theodosius, the bronze Serpentine Column, and the Column of Constantine.

Then we will visit SULTANAHMET IMPERIAL MOSQUE. Across from Hagia Sophia Grand Mosque, it was built in the 16th century by the architect Mehmet, is known as the BLUE MOSQUE because of its magnificent interior decoration of blue Iznik tiles.

Lunch break at 13:00 pm. After lunch, our team will take you to the ASIL EFENDI which is a unique atmosphere with reasonable prices for your shopping. Here you will find; Exotic Spices and Herbs, Turkish Baklava, Turkish Delights, Turkish Coffee, nuts and fruits, small souvenirs such as Ceramic Handicrafts, Evil Eyes totems, all-natural olive oil, soaps, and many other goods in Souvenir Shops and stores.

After Tour, transfer to Istanbul Airport for flight to Tokat, upon arrival at Sivas Airport. We will have transfer to Tokat approximately 1 hour & 15 min to the hotel, dinner at the Local Restaurant. Overnight in Tokat.

### Day 3 - Tokat City Tour Planting a Sapling (16 June 2022, Thursday)

*(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Included)*

Today we have a city tour, visiting the historical places of Tokat such as historical lodging and dwelling points, forums and religious educational centers, Tokat Museum, Ethnography Museum, world-renowned Turkish Baths as well as Clock Tower downtown. While sightseeing in the city, you will notice the sincere hospitality and honest warmth of the local people. You will also get a chance to visit local shops with very affordable prices for shopping souvenirs.

For lunch, we will taste the most delicious Tokat Kebap for lunch that of a reputation that has exceeded its borders. This afternoon, we will contribute to the beautification and protection of nature by planting a sapling for each of us in the name of you. Overnight in Tokat.

**Day 4 Desertification & Drought Conference and A Traditional Village Visit & Cherry Pickin (17 June 2022, Friday)**

*(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Included)*

Today after breakfast at 09:00 am, we will see Lake Almus where is one of the biggest lakes in Turkey where we will witness a variety of fish. After a short walk, we will be visiting a village to enjoy all-natural & organic food along with villagers and take a part in Folkloric and traditional dances, depart for Cherry and seasonal veggie-fruit Picking at its source. You will feel nature at the palm of your hands and that empathizes the sense of being part of the soil. Eating the fresh Cherry off the branch appreciating the greatness and witnessing the earth truly. After the village tour comes back to Hotel for world day to combat desertification & drought conference at 15:00 pm.

- 15:00 Guest Speaker Session
- 17:15 -17:30 Coffee Break
- 17:30 to 19:30 Final Speaker Session

The desertification and drought will be the focus of the conference that all the earth needed to be more sensitive. We organize a Special program for world day to combat desertification & drought in Turkey. After the conference, we will have dinner at the hotel. Overnight in Tokat.

**Day 5 Ballica Caves, Kaz Lake and Zile Castle (18 June 2022, Saturday)**

*(Breakfast, Lunch Included)*

After breakfast at 09:00, we will be visiting the famous Ballıca Caves which are known to have healing powers for Asthma patients. Then depart for Zile where the Romans Emperor Caesar said his famous words Veni Vidi Vici.

The region at the same time has historical texture through traditional homes. After the tour, transfer to hotel, overnight in Tokat. Dinner at Local Turkish Restaurant.

**Day 6 Tokat - End of Tour (19 June 2022, Sunday)**

*(Breakfast Included)*

After breakfast, we will depart for Sivas airport. We hope your tour was a memorable one and we would like to see you in the future on one of our tours again. Have a nice trip back home and thanks for choosing Workshoptravelshop.

**INCLUDES**

- Arrival airport transfer from Istanbul Airport
- Arrival airport transfer from Tokat & Sivas Airport
- 1-night hotel in Istanbul
- 4-night hotel in Tokat
- Desertification & Drought Conference
- 5 breakfasts
- 4 lunches
- 4 dinners
- Guided Istanbul City Tour
- Guided Tokat City Tour

- Guided Ballica Caves, Kaz Lake, and Zile Castle
- Guided A Traditional Village Visit & Cherry Picking Tour
- Planting trees for you
- All entrance fees mentioned in the itinerary
- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking coach
- Professional English-speaking tour guides
- Return airport transfer to Istanbul Airport
- Return airport transfer to Sivas Airport
- Hotel room taxes

#### EXCLUDES

- International flights
- Domestic flights
- City Tax
- Meals plan not in the program
- Insurance: All types
- Turkey entry visa
- Items of a personal nature such as alcoholic drinks, cold drinks, laundry
- Any other expenses which are not mentioned in the included section
- Tipping: Tips for guides and drivers
- Tours with domestic flight cancellation policy: Booking day 50 % Non-refundable, 5 Weeks before 50% credit, 4 Weeks before Non refundable P.S Whether you have altered the dates and/or any Event and Fam Trip purchases made by you from our product selection, you may use the credit by the rates as indicated above towards your purchases for the duration of 1 years on Workshop TravelShop events.
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- Accommodations assigned should be taken into consideration and may not be altered during the trip in Turkey.
- Flight details to be registered on the system and we are not responsible of transfer services for the ones that are not registered.