

# Gallipoli & Giza 13 days



ANZAC Day Tours, Gallipoli 2013. Starts: 23rd April. Our Gallipoli and Giza is a ready made 13 day combo tour! Sightsee Istanbul and attend the ANZAC Day memorials at Gallipoli then onto sunny Egypt - for pyramids, a 2 night felucca cruise and more ancient relics than you can shake a stick at!

## TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Istanbul / Ends in: Cairo
- Departs: 23 April 2013
- No local payment required
- Breakfast: 11, Lunch: 3, Dinner: 2
- Hotel Rating: 4 and 5 star
- Tour Guide: Yes

## ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - [click here](#)
- To book this trip - [click here](#)
- To enquire about this trip - [click here](#)

## TOUR MAP:



## QUICK WEB LINKS

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## Day 1:

Tuesday 23rd April 2013. Welcome to Turkey and the start of your awesome ANZAC experience! Choice of shuttle transfers to hotel. Rest of the day free in Istanbul – a city that straddles both Europe and Asia! Overnight - [Istanbul](#)

## Day 2:

Istanbul - Gallipoli. This morning we drive to the WW1 battlefields on Gallipoli Peninsular. This afternoon, enjoy a guided tour (subject to ANZAC Cove opening hours and traffic conditions) of the evocative war memorials that dot the region, for example; Lone Pine, Chunuk Bair, Johnston's Jolly, the trenches and Kabatepe - the modest ANZAC museum. Early this evening, we'll relax at our exclusive ANZAC Eve Turkish BBQ before later taking our places amongst the many at the Dawn Service site for the atmosphere charged ANZAC Eve vigil. Overnight - Dawn Service site (ANZAC Cove)



## Day 3:

First light heralds a poignant bugle call and commencement of the Dawn Service. After the service and armed with your maps, you've a chance to independently explore many of the trenches and memorial sites as you head up to Lone Pine or Chunuk Bair for the Australian or New Zealand National services. Later this afternoon, we return to Istanbul, where upon our late evening arrival, we check into our hotel for a well-earned rest after such an emotion-filled day. (Timing on 25th April subject to coach traffic). Overnight - [Istanbul](#)



## Day 4:

This morning we spend a couple of hours cruising the Bosphorus before embarking on a guided sightseeing tour of the old city, taking in the stunning Iznik tiled Blue Mosque, Hippodrome area, Topkapi Palace, the 6th century Hagia Sofia (exterior only) and more. This afternoon time is given for you to explore the mammoth Grand Bazaar and exotic Egyptian Spice Market, the later located opposite from the ferry terminal. From here you can opt to stay and discover the old city by night or return with your guide to our hotel for a little R&R.

When the sun sets, why not enjoy our optional **Istanbul by night bolt on!** With dinner, belly dancers and entertainment at a great Istanbul venue. It's an entertaining evening and a great farewell fling! (transportation included). Overnight - [Istanbul](#)

## Day 5:

Saturday 27 April 2013. Today, make your own way to Cairo where your Egyptian adventure begins. Turkish Airlines offers open jaw flights between London, Istanbul and Cairo, check the THY website for more details or we can arrange flights on your behalf! If you provide us with your incoming flight details to Egypt we will be there to meet you at Cairo airport and transfer you to our hotel. Remainder of the day and evening at leisure Overnight - [Cairo](#)



## Day 6:

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Cairo - Aswan. Visit to the famous pyramids and lion-headed Sphinx at Giza Plateau. Sole survivors from the ancient Greek-listed Seven Wonders of the World, the pyramids are the planet's oldest tourist attraction! Gaze in awe at Cheops (Khufu) - the largest of the three great pyramids. Constructed from over 2.5 million limestone blocks it is thought to have taken more than 20 years to construct. Continuing to Saqqara, we can explore the myriad tombs and temples at this site and see Zoser's step pyramid - constructed by Imhotep, the pharaoh's chief architect in 27BC! We later enjoy a chance to freshen up then catch the overnight seater train to Aswan. Sleeper cabin upgrade available. Overnight - seater train



## Day 7:

Aswan. Arrive and check into our hotel. A visit out of town takes us to the mighty High Dam - a modern feat of engineering - creating the world's largest artificial lake, Lake Nasser! This afternoon's highlight is a leisurely boat trip to Agilika Island for Philae Temple for a guided tour of the romantic Philae Temple - dedicated to the goddess Isis. As the sun sets, free time to shop in the colourful souqs and markets or simply relax and watch an amazing sunset in Egypt's southern most town straddling the River Nile. Overnight - [Aswan](#)



## Days 8 - 9:

Aswan - Nile felucca cruising. Optional early morning air excursion to famous Abu Simbel. This afternoon, we board our Nile felucca for a 2 night cruise upstream toward Kom Ombo. Relax, top up your tan and chat with new friends as the felucca gently plies its route. Stops are made en route at local villages and at the waterside Temple of Kom Ombo. If sailing by felucca is not your style, consider upgrading to a 5 star luxury Nile Cruise with our Nile Cruise Upgrade. Overnight - [Felucca Cruise](#)

## Day 10:

Kom Ombo - Edfu - Luxor. Disembarking in Daraw we drive to Kom Ombo to explore the waterside temple dedicated to the crocodile headed god - Sobek. After we visit the Temple of Horus at Edfu, before driving north to Luxor. Home of the legendary Valley of the Kings and Temple of Karnak, 4000 year-old Luxor is ancient Egypt at it's best. Enjoy some rest and relaxation. Tonight, an optional visit is available to the Temple of Luxor, spectacularly illuminated at night. We travel to the temple by traditional horse and carriage with restaurant dinner afterwards. The excursion is payable locally. Rest of evening free to enjoy the facilities of our hotel. Overnight - [Luxor](#)

## Day 11:

Luxor - Cairo. An early start allows us to avoid some of the fierce midday heat as we venture to the tomb strewn Valley of the Kings. Consider opting to join our hot air ballooning excursion over ancient Thebes - fabulous at sunrise! Highlights of the visit include the Colossi of Memnon, a massive pair of statues that stand silent against the backdrop of history, the Valleys of the Kings, the Valley of the Queens and the awesome ramped and colonnaded Temple of Queen Hatshepsut. The Valley of the Kings is studded with often highly decorated tombs, constructed to once house the regal sarcophagi enclosed mummies of the mighty pharaohs awaiting passage into the after-life. This afternoon after lunch and time to relax we visit the colossal Temple of Karnak. Lose yourself in the stone-columned Hypostyle Hall and go crazy with your camera. This is ancient Egypt at its best. Tonight, we return by overnight train to Cairo. Sleeper cabin upgrade available. Overnight - seater train

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## Day 12:

Arrival and hotel check-in. Later, we visit the famous Egyptian Museum, famed for the treasures of King Tutankhamen and his famous solid gold funerary mask. This afternoon is free - perhaps spend the remainder of the day exploring Cairo your way.

Overnight - [Cairo](#)

## Day 13:

Sunday 5th May 2013. Hotel check out and included onward departure transfer to airport.

## WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

### Trip Highlights

- Istanbul - old city, Blue Mosque, Topkapi Palace, Hippodrome, Hagia Sofia and the Underground Cistern
- Bosphorus Strait - the strategic waterway dividing Europe and Asia
- Gallipoli Peninsular - ANZAC Cove, Lone Pine and Chunuk Bair memorials, National services of Australia or New Zealand
- Battlefields and trenches
- ANZAC Dawn Service
- Cairo - Pyramids and Sphinx at Giza Plateau, Necropolis of Saqqara, Egyptian Museum
- Aswan - High Dam and Philae Temple
- Nile felucca cruising - islands en route
- Kom Ombo - Temple of Kom Ombo
- Edfu - Temple of Horus
- Luxor - Temple of Karnak
- Luxor - West Bank - Valley of the Kings, Colossi of Memnon, Temple of Queen Hatshepsut

### What's Included

- 11 breakfasts, 3 lunches (including ANZAC Eve Turkish BBQ) and 2 dinners
- 4 nights 4 - 5 star hotels (Egypt), 2 nights Special Class Hotel (Turkey)
- 2 nights aboard felucca (open deck)
- 2 nights train: Cairo - Aswan and Luxor - Cairo (seater train). Sleeper train upgrade available
- Airport arrival transfer on day 1 from Ataturk International Airport at any time of day or from Sabiha Gokcen Airport at 2.30pm and 8pm.
- Airport arrival transfer to Cairo on day 5 and departure transfer to Cairo airport on day 13.
- Guided sightseeing of the Blue Mosque, Underground Cistern, Topkapi Palace, Hagia Sofia and Hippodrome area and Gallipoli
- Guided sightseeing of Galipolli (subject to site opening times set by the Anzac Day Organising Committee)
- Guided touring of Cairo, Giza, Saqqara, Aswan, Edfu & Luxor
- Visits to the Grand Bazaar and Egyptian Spice Market
- Morning Cruise along the Bosphorus in Istanbul
- Escorted by an English speaking, degree qualified Turkish tour guide in Turkey and degree qualified Egyptologist throughout Egypt
- All relevant transfers and transportation in modern air-conditioned touring coaches/ vehicles
- Commemorative ANZAC hoodie/ jumper

### What's Not Included

- International flights, visas and flight from Istanbul to Cairo
- Tip for your tour guides in Turkey and Egypt. We recommend you allow \$3 - 5 USD per day, per traveller. Tip for your driver in Turkey and Felucca Crew/ Nile Cruise staff in Egypt, we recommend you allow \$10 USD for each. Tipping of these persons mentioned above is an entirely personal gesture
- Entrance Fees: \$90-110 USD
- Tipping Kitty: \$40-50 USD

### BOLT-ONS:

Make the most of your time away! Listed below are the optional activities that are available on this trip. Please note that you will need to book these prior to travel as we cannot always guarantee availability of these activities once you are on holiday.

### Istanbul by Night - USD \$99

When you've explored Istanbul by day, its time experience the city at night! As well as being a great way to get to know your fellow travellers, this evening out at a traditional Turkish venue includes a tasty 3 course meal and live entertainment including belly

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dancers. A top night out!

*great sense of humour, great knowledge, great guy. Thanks for the experience all. Great stuff.*

## PRICES AND DATES: from USD \$1,599

Peter, May 2010

Prices shown are per person travelling. 'Twin/Double' prices per person apply when there are 2 people travelling, sharing a room. Due to capacity restraints we do not offer single rooms on the Turkey component of this ANZAC tour. We will match up all single travelers with another fellow passenger of the same sex. We can also do this in Egypt, should you choose. Alternatively it is possible to book a single room for the Egypt component of your holiday and the single supplement detailed below can be added to the 'Twin/Double' price, allowing for the comfort of single room from days 5 - 13. If booking pre or post tour accommodation in either Istanbul or Cairo, single travellers will need to pay the single supplement for nights booked. Please note that the connecting flight between Istanbul-Cairo or v v. is not included in the cost of the tour and will need to be arranged independently, or contact us and we will be happy to arrange it for you.

### 2013

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
23 APR - 05 MAY	USD \$1,599	USD \$269

### 2014

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
23 APR - 05 MAY	USD \$1,599	USD \$269

## POSTCARDS:

Here's what some of our past travellers have written in to us and said about their experiences on this trip.

*Anzac Day was an experience I will never forget. And followed by Egypt the tour was simply incredible!*

Paula, May 2010

*The tour was well organized and covered all the main sites of both Turkey and Egypt. Would recommend it to everyone*

Mark Greenwood, May 2010

*I have just had the experience of a life time. Anzac Day was incredible. I have been meaning to get to Turkey for Anzac Day for years and I am so glad I finally did. On the go were great and so organised, I am glad I travelled with you after seeing how badly organised some of the other tour companies were. You guys obviously know what you are doing. Oh and big hello to Mehmet our guide. He was so much fun,*