

# Anzac Bonzer 11 days



ANZAC Day Gallipoli 2013. Starts: 22nd April. Commemorate the brave ANZAC's and embrace history at Gallipoli. Then check out amazing Turkey taking in Roman ruins of Ephesus, Perge and Aspendos; the stunning Mediterranean and spectacular Cappadocia.

## TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Istanbul / Ends in: Istanbul
- Departs: 22nd April 2013
- No local payment required
- Breakfast: 9, Lunch: 1, Dinner: 5
- Hotel Rating: 4 star & Special Class
- 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:

Monday 22nd April 2013. Welcome to Turkey and the start of a memorable ANZAC experience! Choice of shuttle transfers to hotel. Rest of the day free in Istanbul. Overnight - [Istanbul](#)

## Day 2:

Today we enjoy a guided tour of the old city, taking in the stunning Iznik tiled Blue Mosque, Hippodrome area, the 6th century Hagia Sofia, the ancient Underground Cistern, Topkapi Palace (exterior only) and more. This afternoon, we take a relaxing cruise on a Bosphorus Strait. You'll see waterside palaces framed by a modern city skyline dotted with expansive domed mosques and towering minarets of traditional Ottoman style. Afterward time is given for you to explore the mammoth Grand Bazaar and exotic Egyptian Spice Market, the later located opposite from the cruise 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 Overnight - [Istanbul](#)



## Day 3:

Istanbul - Gallipoli. A very early departure 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 4:

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 continue onwards to Ayvalik, where upon our late

evening arrival, we check into our hotel for a well-earned rest after such an emotion-filled day. Overnight - [Ayvalik](#)



## Day 5:

Ayvalik - Kusadasi - breakfast. This morning we drive south stopping at the Roman ruins of Pergamum and its impressive hillside amphitheatre. We also visit the neighbouring Asclepion - a Roman precursor to modern-day hospitals before continuing onto coastal Kusadasi. Overnight - [Kusadasi](#)

## Day 6:

Today, we enjoy a guided tour at the legendary Roman ruins of Ephesus. Positively the best-preserved classical city in the eastern Mediterranean, Ephesus, under the Romans was a vast city with a population nearing 250,000. Rumoured to have been founded in the 13th century BC, it became the Roman capital of Asia Minor. It revelled in its prosperity from commerce and visiting pilgrims who came to see its great Temple of Artemis - one of the Seven Ancient Wonders. Exemplifying the finesse of Roman urban life, Ephesus boasts carefully restored elements within the huge archaeological area including the Great Theatre once capable of seating 25,000 spectators at one time, Curetes Way (one of the main thoroughfares) the Temple of Serapis, the elegant façades of the Temple of Hadrian and the awesome Library of Celsus. Off Curetes Way, are ancient public toilets, a brothel, remains of fountains and various temples. Overnight - [Kusadasi](#)



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## Day 7:

Kusadasi - Pamukkale. Driving east, a short stop is made at a leather manufacturing house before arriving at Pamukkale - famed for its unique cascades of natural mineral rich pools. Here we can paddle our feet in the warm water flowing over the terraces or perhaps opt for a swim at the Pamukkale Thermal Baths.

Overnight - [Pamukkale](#)



## Day 8:

Pamukkale - Cappadocia. Today, we travel north-east to the famed fairy castles of Cappadocia. En route we break at Sultanhanı's old caravanserai and at Konya to visit the Mevlana Whirling Dervish Museum. Overnight - [Cappadocia](#)



## Day 9:

Breakfast. Perhaps the jewel in Turkey's crown, Cappadocia is one of Turkey's most extraordinary national treasures. The surreal landscape has to be seen to be believed with its 'stuff of fables' cave dwellings and phallic 'fairy chimneys' landscape. Whole troglodyte villages, subterranean churches and fortresses have been hewn from the soft, porous, eerily eroded rock of Cappadocia. The crumbling legacy of persecuted Christians trying to escape the Muslim onslaught in 1st-10th centuries AD by effectively heading underground, is one of Turkey's finest attractions. A guided tour of the region takes us to the World –

Heritage listed - Goreme Valley where we'll see stunning examples of rock-cut Byzantine churches, chapels and temples and Zelve with its phalliclike eroded landscape of so-called 'fairy chimneys'.

Tonight, why not join us on our optional '**Cappadocia by night!**'

With a 3 course dinner, beer, wine, belly dancers and entertainment its a top night out! Tickets can only be purchased before arriving in Turkey. Overnight - [Cappadocia](#)



## Day 10:

Cappadocia - Istanbul. Today, we return to Istanbul via the nation's capital Ankara, where we visit the Ancient Civilisations Museum. Arriving Istanbul late evening, we check into our hotel. Overnight - [Istanbul](#)



## Day 11:

Thursday 2nd May 2013. Tour ends after breakfast and hotel check out at 12noon. Maybe check out the Grand Bazaar and Egyptian Spice Market for some last minute souvenir shopping before departing for the airport.

### WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour.

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Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

## Trip Highlights

- Istanbul - the old city, Blue Mosque, Hippodrome, Topkapi Palace (exterior only), Hagia Sofia and the Underground Cistern.
- Gallipoli Peninsular - ANZAC Cove, Lone Pine and Chunuk Bair memorials
- ANZAC Dawn Service, battlefields and trenches
- National services of Australia or New Zealand
- Roman Ruins of Ephesus and Pergamum
- Pamukkale thermal pools & Roman Hierapolis
- Aegean Coast - Kusadasi
- Cappadocia region, fairy chimneys & underground city
- Silk Road from Konya and Ankara - the nation's capital
- Carpet weaving and leather manufacturing houses

## What's Included

- 9 breakfasts, 1 Lunch (our ANZAC Eve Turkish BBQ) and 5 dinners
- 9 nights - 4 star and Special Class hotels
- Guided sightseeing of Istanbul including the Blue Mosque, Underground Cistern, Hagia Sofia, Topkapi Palace (exterior only) and Hippodrome area
- Afternoon cruise along Bosphorus Strait in Istanbul
- Visits to the Grand Bazaar and Egyptian Spice Market
- Guided sightseeing of Gallipoli (subject to site opening times set by the Anzac Day Organising Committee), battlefields, Ruins of Ephesus & Pergamum, Pammukale/Hierapolis and Cappadocia
- Ancient Civilisations Museum - Ankara
- 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.
- English speaking, degree qualified Turkish tour guide
- Modern air-conditioned touring coach
- All relevant transfers and transportation
- Commemorative ANZAC hoodie/ jumper

## What's Not Included

- International flights & visa
- Tip for your tour guide and driver. We recommend you allow \$3 - 5 USD per day, per traveller to cover tips for these mentioned above. Tipping your tour guide and driver is an entirely personal gesture
- Entrance Fees: \$80-100 USD
- Tipping Kitty: at your discretion

## 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.

## Cappadocia by Night - USD \$99

Enjoy a 3 course dinner with beer and wine whilst watching a traditional folklore show in a local underground restaurant. A wonderful night out in Cappadocia!

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

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 our ANZAC tours and therefore there is no single supplement to pay. We will match up all single travelers with another fellow passenger of the same sex. Please note that if booking pre or post tour accommodation, single travellers will need to pay the single supplement for nights booked.

### 2013

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
22 APR - 02 MAY	USD \$1,599	-

### 2014

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
22 APR - 02 MAY	USD \$1,599	-

## POSTCARDS:

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

*I would recommend the Anzac Day experience at Gallipoli to anyone now I have been. I have been a bit hesitant about going for the service, however On the Go looked after us and made it as smooth as possible. It was such a memorable experience and something I am so glad I have been able to pay my respects. The rest of the trip was such fun - we had a great group and our tour guide was lots of fun whilst ensuring we saw as much of Turkey as we could. Hot Air Ballooning over Cappadocia was amazing - such a site to see over 30 hot air balloons so close at the same time. Then to cap it off shopping in the Grand Bazaar in Istanbul was great fun - lots of treasures bought to take home and remind me of the trip - plus don't forget to taste the real Turkish delight! Many Thanks*

Nicola Beslee, May 2011

*Our guide was exceptional - a gentleman, caring, well organized. We*

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really enjoyed the tour and whole 'On the Go' experience.

M. Darr, Apr 2009

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*I would love to come back to see the Black Sea and other parts of Turkey, it was a privilege to be in this magnificent country. Thank you.*

Noelle Elsegood, Apr 2009

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*Overall, this tour was an amazing experience. I found the variety of sights covered so interesting and was overwhelmed with how beautiful Turkey is. Anzac Day was very well organized and the guides went above and beyond to make sure we got the best out of it. Thank you.*

Kylie, Apr 2009

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*Our tour leader was very knowledgeable on all aspects of Turkey, I enjoyed listening to all the information he gave us about towns and ancient sites. He had a great sense of humour and went through a lot of trouble to make sure we got the best out of our Turkey tour. Istanbul is an amazing city, very vibrant and colorful, I am looking forward to going back there! Will definitely recommend On the Go to my family and friends.*

Rebecca Preedy, Apr 2009

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*I had a fantastic time, I did the 11 day tour and got to experience so many aspects of Turkey! There was so much I didn't expect, like breathtaking views in Cappadocia and fairy-tale-like calcium cascades in Pamukkale! Well done guys!*

S. Edwards, Apr 2009

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*Great tour, great guide, great driver! Had an awesome time and learnt so much about Turkey and Turkish people. I am looking forward to the other four On the Go tours I am about to do!*

Ashleigh, Apr 2009

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