

# Special interest: Istanbul

High upon the shores of the Bosphorus stands Istanbul, just the name conjures up images of oriental mystery, magical Bosphorus cruises, atmospheric bazaars, Sultan's palaces and of course the cross-roads of Europe and Asia.



Istanbul is the last bastion of the Western world, the golden gateway of the continent of Asia, the city where East meets West in a profusion of noise, colour, unique to the World. The skyline is dominated by the slender minarets of the great Mosques from which the muezzins bring the city to life with their haunting call to prayer that will stay with you forever.

You can soak up the history of the Ottoman Empire in the Topkapi Palace or marvel at the sheer beauty of the St. Sophia and Blue Mosque.

The famous covered Bazaar is a shopper's paradise with its maze of tunnels and variety of mysterious goods that can only be found here.

Authentic Ottoman houses can be found everywhere along the narrow streets in the old town while you can taste some modern life in the famous Taksim area. Enjoy the ultimate city break destination and spend a weekend or perhaps a little longer in one of the World's truly remarkable cities. Istanbul is a must and you will need several days to do justice to all that it has to offer. The friendly and informative Blue Cruise representatives in Istanbul are available to host a wide variety of tours exploring many different aspects of the city.

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## BB The Acropol A Special Category Hotel

*Located in the Sultan Ahmet area, the Acropol is perfect for those who are looking for a bit of history, a bit of luxury and a bit of Istanbul. Right in the triangle of the Blue Mosque, the Hagia Sophia and the Sea of Marmara, the hotel is truly magnificent and looks part of the historic setting.*

*The beautiful interior is traditionally Turkish and you will feel like a Sultan in one of their spacious rooms. The cuisine is top class here and they specialise in Turkish food which ranks third best in the World after French and Chinese.*

*The spectacular dining hall overlooks the city and a drink or two can only accompany a nice evening along with fine samples of the cuisine whilst enjoying life.*



### Hotel Facilities

- Roof terrace restaurant and bars
- Acropol restaurant
- Dry-cleaning and laundry
- Safe box
- Sight-seeing tours
- Each room has a private bathroom
- Hair dryer
- Direct dial telephone
- TV satellite system, music,
- Air conditioning,
- Minibar
- 24 hours room service