

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.



BB SwissOtel The Bosphorus ★★★★★

The Bosphorus is part of the Swissotel chain and is certainly one of the most impressive five star deluxe hotels in Istanbul, just 30 minutes from Ataturk International Airport.

She stands on a spot with the finest view of the straits of the Bosphorus and the hotel complex has nine restaurants and six bars.

The Bosphorus has its own galley of shops, fitness centre, gymnasium, Turkish baths, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, roof garden, lounges, and is walking distance from Istanbul's main shopping district.

Capacity: 600 total rooms. 25 suites. 2 professional suites.

Hotel Facilities

- TV room, game room
- Internet business centre
- Hairdresser
- Outdoor, indoor swimming pool
- Turkish bath
- Sauna, Solarium and health and beauty centre
- Tennis Court
- Roof bar
- Terrace bar
- 4 A la carte restaurants
- Open buffet restaurant
- 2 indoor restaurants