

50TH



MARMARA-1967

SIE MARMARA-TURKEY INVITES YOU
TO CELEBRATE ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

17-19 NOV 2017, ISTANBUL
20-22 NOV 2017, CAPPADOCIA

COME & JOIN US FOR A WONDERFUL WEEKEND IN ISTANBUL
AND A 3 DAY TRIP TO THE MAGICAL CAPPADOCIA!

SI MARMARA 50TH ANNIVERSARY



Dear Soroptimists,

We have reached our 50th year in Soroptimist International. These 50 years were filled not only with community work to make lives of women and children better, but also with priceless sisterhood and friendship bonds worldwide.

It would be an honour to host you here in Istanbul, celebrate our 50th together, and strengthen our sisterhood. We have prepared a wonderful program for you...

Also, do not leave too soon! Come & join us to experience the magical atmosphere of Cappadocia!

In Soroptimist friendship,

Asli Velidedeoglu Kaban
2016-2018 President

ISTANBUL PROGRAM

November 17, 2017

Historical Peninsula Tour - 15:00-18:00

Guided tour of Sultan Ahmet Square, Hagia Sofia Museum, Blue Mosque & Grand Bazaar



November 17, 2017

Friendship Dinner - 20:00-23:00

Friendship dinner at Armada Restaurant's elegant atmosphere

Menu:

CHEF'S COLD APPETIZERS IN HONCA:

Rolled Vine Leaves, Circassian Style Chicken Salad, Aubergine Salad, Sweetened Beans in Olive Oil, Hummus, Purslane Topped with Yogurt, Marinated Red Paprika

HOT STARTERS:

Meatball, Squash Fritters, Cheese Stuffed Pastry, Rolled Vine Leaves with Minced Meat & Rice

MAIN DISH:

Traditional Beef Stew with Aubergine Puree

Assorted Turkish Dessert Platter

Fruit Plate

Unlimited local alcoholic & soft drinks

Tea & Coffee



November 18, 2017

Brunch in Balat Soroptimist Culture House & Si Marmara Presentation - 11:00-14:00

Brunch & Club Presentation

Menu:

Breakfast Plate

Pastries

Menemen (Turkish Style Eggs)

Tea & Coffee



November 18, 2017

Balat Tour - 14:00-15:00

Guided Tour of historical Balat District, including the Greek Orthodox Patriarch & the Greek Orthodox Church



November 18, 2017

Anniversary Dinner - 19:00-23:00

Anniversary Dinner at Circle d'Orient Buyuk Kulup Ball Room

Menu:

Spinach Tart with Cream Souce

Delicately Cooked Lamb in Tandoori & Spiced Rice with nuts

Green Salad

Rotto Gruze with Ice Cream

Anniversary Cake

Unlimited Drinks

Tea & Coffee



November 19, 2017

Bosphorous Tour & Brunch on the Boat - 10:00-15:00

Enjoying the magnificent views of the Bosphorus from the sea while having brunch on the boat.

Boat Tour Route:

Eminonu, Karakoy, Dolmabahce, Besiktas, Ortakoy, Kurucemesne, Arnavutkoy, Bebek, Rumelihisari, Emirgan, Istinye, Kantica, Anadoluhisari, Kucukusu, Kandilli, Vanikoy, Cengelkoy, Beylerbeyi, Kuzguncuk, Uskudar, Kizkulesi

Menu:

Assortment of cheeses, olives, cold meats, eggs, jams, pastries, cakes, salads, coffee & tea



RECOMMENDED HOTELS IN ISTANBUL

Hotel 10 Karakoy

Historical Boutique Hotel with a modern edge, located at the heart of Karakoy. A Morgans Original...
<https://www.morganshotelgroup.com/originals/10-karakoy>



Hotel Armada Istanbul

An Ottoman-Turkish Style Hotel located at the heart of the Historical Peninsula - Sultanahmet, with a beautiful sea view
<http://armadahotel.com.tr/pg/>



Nordstern Hotel Galata

Historical Boutique Hotel located at the heart of Karakoy, with a beautiful sea view
<http://www.nordsternhotelgalata.com>



Please note that all airport & in-city transfers will be to & from the recommended hotels. If you wish to stay at another hotel of your choice, please make sure to arrange transport for the meeting points.



CAPPADOCIA PROGRAM

A 3 day trip to the magical Cappadocia... The land of Fairy Chimneys...

As if plucked from a whimsical fairytale and set down upon the stark Anatolian plains, Cappadocia is a geological oddity of honeycombed hills and towering boulders of otherworldly beauty. The fantastical topography is matched by the human history here. During the early periods of Christianity, the first followers of Jesus and his apostles settled in the area to hide from the soldiers of Roman Empire. It is known that St. Paul was looking for a secure place after expelled from Jerusalem. He came to Cappadocia and established the first Christian colony in this region with his followers. Thousands sought shelter in huge underground cities. People have long utilised the region's soft stone, leaving the countryside scattered with fascinating cavern architecture.

* Tour includes air fares to and from Cappadocia, 2 nights of hotel accommodations with breakfast, Lunches, Dinners, Shows, Guided sight tours, Museum - site tickets & All transformation.

* First Day Transfer from Hotel to Istanbul Airport: Self Pay on site.

November 20, 2017

Day 1

07:20 - Turkish Airlines Flight from Ataturk Airport, Istanbul

08:45 - Arrival at Kayseri Airport

09:45 - Arrival at Kapadokya Lodge Hotel & Check In

10:15 - Tour of Uchisar Castle

Highest point of Capadocia with a spectacular view of the region, fairy chimneys & cave settlements

13:00 - Lunch at Local Cave Restaurant

14:30 - Goreme Open Air Museum

Monastery of Priests & Priestesses, St. Basil Chapel, Elmalı Church, St. Barbara Chapel, Yılanlı Church, Çarşili Church & the settlements

Wine Factory Visit & Wine Tasting

18:00 - Arrival at Hotel

19:00 - Dinner at Hotel

21:00 - Sema Ceremony (Whirling Dervishes) at Saruhan Kervansaray House



November 21, 2017

Day 2

09:30 - Breakfast at Hotel

10:30 - Tour of Zelve Valley, Panoramic View from Avanos and Pottery Atelier Visit

12:30 - Lunch at Local Restaurant

14:00 - Tour of Derinkuyu Underground City

With 8 floors underground, this hidden city includes Missionary School, Confession Chamber, Baptise Pool & Wells

18:30 - Arrival at Hotel

20:30 - Turkish Night Dinner & Show in Evranos Restaurant



November 22, 2017

Day 3

- 10:00 - Hotel Departure after breakfast
Transfer to Kayseri
- Free time in Kayseri Grand Bazaar
- 13:30 - Lunch: Traditional Kayseri Manti (ravioli)
- 14:30 - Transfer to Kayseri Airport
- 16:15 - Turkish Airlines Flight to Istanbul
- 18:00 - Arrival at Ataturk Airport, Istanbul



KAPADOKYA LODGE 4 STAR HOTEL

