



## **PRE-10 Capturing Cappadocia: The Photographer's Odyssey** **9 -12 NOVEMBER**

Embark on a captivating photography tour in Cappadocia, Türkiye, a region renowned for its surreal landscapes and rich history. Explore the unique rock formations and fairy chimneys of Love Valley and Pashabag Valley, where you can capture striking geological formations against the backdrop of rolling hills. Visit the Goreme Open Air Museum to photograph ancient cave churches and frescoes dating back to the Byzantine period. Experience the magical sight of the sun setting over the enchanting Red Valley, with its dramatic cliffs and vibrant hues. Delve into the underground maze of Kaymakli Underground City, a remarkable complex of tunnels and rooms carved into the volcanic rock. Climb to the top of Uchisar Castle for panoramic views of the surrounding valleys and cave dwellings, ideal for capturing sweeping landscapes and historical landmarks.

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### **DAY 1 / 9 NOV SAT/ ARRIVAL**

Arrive at İstanbul Airport for your flight to Kayseri with TK2012 09:40 – 11:05. Upon arrival, meet at the airport with SATW Conference logo sign and transfer to your hotel for about 1 hour. Check-in, and refresh. Transfer to Areni restaurant for dinner between 20:00 – 21:30. Overnight Avantgarde Hotel. (D)



### **DAY 2 / 10 NOV SUN / CAPPADOCIA**

Begin your day in Cappadocia with an exhilarating hot air balloon ride at sunrise around 06:30, soaring above the surreal landscape as dawn's first light paints the rocky terrain in a spectrum of warm hues— a dream come true for any photographer seeking stunning aerial shots. Upon landing, transfer back to your hotel at 09:00 for a well-earned breakfast and a moment of refreshment. Next, head to the Göreme Open Air Museum, a UNESCO World Heritage site, whose rock-cut churches adorned with striking frescoes, including the iconic Karanlık and Tokalı Churches, beckon history buffs and photographers. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant between 12:30 – 13:30 before venturing to Paşabağ Valley, renowned for its unique fairy chimneys, perfect for capturing intriguing geological formations. Following a brief respite at your hotel, head to the mesmerizing Kızıl Valley. Here, the fiery hues of the setting sun create a breathtaking canvas, ensuring unforgettable photographic moments. Drive to Old Greek House restaurant for dinner between 19:00 – 20:30. Overnight Cappadocia Avantgarde Hotel. (B/L/D)



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### **DAY 3 / 11 NOV MON/ CAPPADOCIA**

Start the day early at 06:45. Transfer to Aşk Valley, where the rising sun casts a golden hue over the otherworldly landscape, offering an unparalleled photography opportunity. After capturing the ethereal morning light, return to your hotel for breakfast and a quick refreshment. Leave the hotel at 10:00 and continue your adventure with a visit to the fascinating Kaymaklı Underground City, which is 30 minutes drive, where ancient tunnels and rooms carved deep into the earth provide dramatic, atmospheric backdrops for your photography. After lunch at a local restaurant between 12:30 – 13:30 take some time to relax at your hotel before driving to Uçhisar. The panoramic views from Uçhisar Castle offer an extraordinary view of the valleys below, especially as the sun sets, bathing the landscape in a warm, golden glow—ideal for capturing that perfect shot. Conclude your day with a delectable dinner and local wine tasting at a charming Nahita Restaurant between 19:00 – 20:30. Overnight Cappadocia Avantgarde Hotel. (B/L/D)

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### **DAY 4 /12 NOV TUE/ DEPARTURE**

Transfer 1 hour to Nevsehir Airport at 08:30 for flight to İstanbul with TK2005 11:30 – 13:05 departure. Arrival at İstanbul Airport is at 13:05. From there, transfer directly to your convention hotel for check- in. (B)

- **What's Included:**

- All hotel accommodations as indicated in the itinerary, all taxes and breakfast included.
- All meals, as indicated: B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner. (B/L/D)
- Water, soft drinks and limited alcoholic beverage with meals included.
- Professional English-speaking guide and all expenses.
- Air-conditioned tour bus with professional driver, minibus with 14 seats for 4-12 pax, Midibus with 31 seats for 13 - 15 pax.
- All tours and all group transfers as mentioned in itinerary.
- All parking fees and toll roads.
- All entrance fees and admissions.
- Baggage handling.
- Domestic Flights.
- Hot Air balloon.

- **Not Included:**

- International flights
- Turkish bath, massage, etc.
- Visa to Türkiye.