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OCT 2020 YOUR HOLIDAY ITINERARY

SUN 18	Depart Australia on your flight to Istanbul
MON 19	Istanbul - transfer to your hotel. Rest of day at leisure Overnight: Pera Palace Hotel Istanbul (or similar)
TUE 20	Istanbul - Today cross the Bosphorus by private boat to visit Beylerbeyi Palace. Continue to Camlica Hill for views of Istanbul then walk Istiklal street with its numerous shops and restaurants Overnight: Pera Palace Hotel Istanbul (or similar) (B)
WED 21	Istanbul - Full day tour visiting St.Sophia, Byzantine Hippodrome and the Blue Mosque. In the afternoon visit Topkapi Palace, Underground Cistern and Grand Covered Bazaar. Dinner and drinks with show tonight at a local restaurant Overnight: Pera Palace Hotel Istanbul (or similar) (B,D)
THU 22	Istanbul - Cappadocia - Transfer to the airport for your flight to Cappadocia. Visit the rock pinnacles known as 'fairy chimneys', and the picturesque village of Avanos, famous for its local pottery. Overnight: Yunak Evleri Cave Hotel (or similar) (B,D)
FRI 23	Cappadocia - Early morning balloon ride# then explore the Goreme Valley. Visit the rock churches of Goreme, the red coned monastic complex of Zelve and Cavusin, where the walls and corridors of the ancient rock town are open to the sky Overnight: Yunak Evleri Cave Hotel (or similar) (B,D)
SAT 24	Cappadocia - Konya - Visit 13th century Selcuk caravansera 'Sultanhan' and the tomb of Mevlana, the mystic poet and Islamic spiritual leader, who founded the sect of 'Whirling Dervishes' Overnight: Ramada Plaza Konya (or similar) (B,D)
SUN 25	Konya - Pamukkale - Travel to Pamukkale to visit the cotton fortress, which rises above the Menderes Valley. Hot mineral waters flow from the earth and cascade over steep cliffs forming pools. Then explore the ancient Roman city of Hierapolis Overnight: Doga Thermal Hotel & Spa (or similar) (B,D)
MON 26	Pamukkale - Izmir - This morning, explore the ancient ruins of Aphrodisias including the Stadium, Theatre and Agora. Take in views of Izmir from Mount Pagus before visiting the Hellenistic ruins of Ancient Agora (market place) Overnight: Renaissance Izmir Hotel (or similar) (B,D)
TUE 27	Izmir - Tour the ruins and museum of Ephesus including the temple of Artemis and the house of the Virgin Mary. Enjoy free time in Sirince Village then visit a local winery for wine tastings. Overnight: Renaissance Izmir Hotel (or similar) (B,D)
WED 28	Izmir - Eceabat - Travel to Pergamon and tour the ruins of the famous temples. Afternoon visit to Troy and Trojan Horse, which was destroyed and rebuilt nine times Overnight: Hotel Caeli (or similar) (B,D)
THU 29	Eceabat - Anzac Cove - Eceabat - Before sunrise transfer to Kabatepe Harbour and cruise the Gallipoli peninsula. Land by zodiac# then watch the sunrise at the Anzac Cove. Visit Plugge's Plateau, Shell Green and Lone Pine Overnight: Hotel Caeli (or similar) (B,D)
FRI 30	Eceabat - Thessaloniki - Panoramic transfer to Thessaloniki. Rest of day at leisure. Overnight: Electra Palace (or similar) (B,D)
SAT 31	Thessaloniki - Kalambaka - Sightseeing tour including the White Tower, Church of St. Dimitrius and Aristotelous Square Overnight: Hotel Divani Meteora (or similar) (B,D)

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SUN 01	Kalambaka - This morning join a truffle hunt then enjoy a pasta lunch. Afternoon exploration the three monasteries of Meteora Overnight: Hotel Divani Meteora (or similar) (B,D)		
MON 02	Kalambaka - Delphi - Full-day tour to Delphi visiting the archaeological sites and museum. The site dates back to 1600 BC. Overnight: Amalia Delphi (or similar) (B,D)		
TUE 03	Delphi - Athens - Travel to Athens. Afternoon at leisure. Evening walking tour of the Plaka with dinner at a local restaurant Overnight: Electra Palace (or similar) (B,D)		
WED 04	Athens - Tour Athens viewing the Olympic stadium, Parliament, Arch of Hadrian and Temple of Zeus. Visit and tour the iconic Acropolis and its Parthenon. Afternoon at leisure Overnight: Electra Palace (or similar) (B)		
THU 05	Athens - Transfer to Piraeus port to board the Silver Spirit.	ARR	DEP 5pm
FRI 06	At Sea		
SAT 07	Haifa (Tel Aviv) - Israel	8am	11pm
SUN 08	Ashdod (Jerusalem) - Israel	8am	overnight
MON 09	Ashdod (Jerusalem) - Israel		2pm
TUE 10	Suez Canal - transit	3am	6pm
WED 11	Sharm el Sheik - Egypt	6.30am	6pm
THU 12	Aqaba (Petra) - Jordan	8am	6pm
FRI 13	Safaga (Luxor) - Egypt	7am	overnight
SAT 14	Safaga (Luxor) - Egypt		2pm
15-19	At sea		
FRI 20	Muscat - Oman	9am	11pm
SAT 21	At sea		
SUN 22	Dubai - United Arab Emirates Disembark Silver Spirit and transfer to your hotel. Farewell drinks tonight Overnight: Hyatt Regency Dubai (or similar) (B)	8am	
MON 23	Dubai - Transfer to the airport for your flight home (B)		
TUE 24	Arrive Australia		

YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUSIONS

- ✦ Return Economy class fares including taxes from Sydney. Fare available from other departure cities on request.
- ✦ 11-night land tour of Turkey including extensive sightseeing
- ✦ Hot air balloon ride over Cappadocia#
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