

With all your senses over hill and dale

Short description: Cappadocia, this is the fairytale volcanic landscape in the highlands of Anatolia, cultivated land for thousands of years. Bizarre tuff cones and deeply cut stream valleys give the landscape an almost unreal character and make every hike an experience. Excellent grape varieties thrive in the valleys. Since prehistoric times, humans have carved dwelling dens into the soft tuff rock. Deep piety is expressed in the colorful frescoes of the Byzantine rock churches and cave monasteries from the 5th to 12th centuries. out of. Cappadocia is believed to have more than 50 subterranean cities up to 20 stories deep, with a labyrinth of shafts, corridors, canals, storage, living and cult rooms. Stylish Greek houses, Seljuk and Ottoman mosques, türben and caravanserai are reminiscent of later times. The Kizilirmak River has left mighty deposits of fine red clay; Pottery is still widespread today.



10 Days Hiking in Cappadocia Climbing MT. Erciyes 3917m

Day 1: Flight to Kayseri Transfer to the hotel by shuttle bus or minibus F

Day 2: Goreme - Early Christian Churches Hike through the Goreme Valley to Meskendir and the Red Valley. Afternoon visit to Goreme Open Air Museum. The up to 1000-year-old tufa churches with the very well-preserved frescoes have been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1985 (F/L/A) approx. 10 km; approx. 4 1/2 hours; Ascent and descent approx. 60 / 210 m

Day 3: Derinkuyu and Ihlara Gorge Morning visit to the mysterious underground city of Derinkuyu, dug 40m deep into the earth. In the afternoon it goes through the 80 meter deep Ihlara Gorge - it is also known as the 'Grand Canyon' of Turkey. (F/L/A) approx. 13 km ; about 4 hours; Ascent and descent approx. -- / 90 m

Day 4: Over the Table Mountain to Çavusin In the early morning hours you have the opportunity to experience Cappadocia from a bird's eye view on a balloon flight (optional). In the morning hike over Table Mountain to the Zelve valley. Continue to Pasabağ earth pyramids and Çavusin village. (F/L/A) approx. 10 km; approx. 3 1/2 hours; Ascent and descent approx. 155 / 300 m



Day 5: Liebestal and Taubental The Liebestal owes its name to... just let your imagination run wild! The Taubental with its bizarre rock formations is reminiscent of a lunar landscape. (F/L/A) approx. 10 km; approx. 3 1/2 hours; Ascent and descent approx. 50 / 235 m

Day 6: Hike in the Çat Valley

The most diverse forms of fairy chimneys await us in the Cat Valley. Particularly striking here are the tuff rocks decorated with countless dovecotes. (F/L/A) about 11 km; about 4 hours; Ascent and descent approx. 50 / 200 m

Day 7: Ibrahimpasa to Ortahisar

Our final hike runs along the edge of Goreme National Park through a narrow, rocky valley. In the afternoon we can see the hustle and bustle of the typical Turkish weekly market experience of Avanos (free disposal). (F/L/A) about 7km; about 1.5 hours; Ascent and descent approx. 100 / 100 m

Day 8: Erciyes volcano Drive to Erciyes volcano via Develi route (southern route),

One of the most impressive landmarks of Cappadocia is undoubtedly the majestic Erciyes volcano. With a height of 3916m, it is the highest mountain in Central Anatolia and rises impressively over the surrounding area, visible from afar. With the cable car from 2200 mt to 2800 mt Tent construction at about 2850 mt. (F/L/A)

Day 9: Summit, sightseeing in Kayseri. Departure to the summit about 7-8 hours. Back with the cable car at 2200 mt. City stroll in Kayseri (F/L/D)

Day 10: Transfer to Kayseri Airport and return flight to Germany (F/-/-)

Services:

- All flights.
- Transfers and other transport
- Accommodation in a double room/with shower/toilet
- Half board
- Tour guide mountain guide
- Entrance fees

- Mountain Guide
- all permits and national park fees

Not included in the services

- Meals not mentioned
- Alcoholic beverages and soft drinks
- Individual excursions and visits outside the program
- Personal expenses
- Tips

