Tour Itinerary:

Sep 10 Mon  Depart USA (see the list of the departure cities at the INCLUDED section) - Fly Istanbul

Sep 11 Tue  Arrive Istanbul
Arrive Istanbul Airport. Our representative will meet you at Istanbul airport after the passport control and baggage claim with a "TUTKU TOURS" sign. Drive to the city center for check-in to the hotel. Afternoon Boat Tour along the Bosphorus seeing both European and Asian shores of Istanbul. Dinner and overnight at the hotel in Istanbul. (D)

Sep 12 Wed  Istanbul – Fly Cappadocia (Kayseri Airport)
Full day Istanbul tour; visit to the Hippodrome Square, St Sophia Church Museum, and the Archaeological Museum containing important biblical artifacts. Afternoon flight to Cappadocia. Dinner and overnight at the hotel. (B,D)

Sep 13 Thu  Cappadocia
Start touring in Cappadocia, land of unique landscapes and the unusual rock formations called “Fairy Chimneys”. Early inhabitants carved the soft volcanic rock to create underground dwellings, that eventually grew to become entire cities where as many as six thousand Christians hid to escape persecution. Elaborate churches-by some counts over a thousand of them-were also carved of the porous rock, and lavishly decorated with frescoes; many of these 9th to 11th century art works still remain. Visit Goreme Open Air Museum with rock Churches, Underground City, the natural Citadel of Uchisar and the monastic Zelve Valley. (B,D)

Sep 14 Fri  Cappadocia
Full day exploring Cappadocia. Visit Ihlara Valley. Ihlara Valley is located near Mount Hasan and Mount Melendiz (two of the three volcanoes of Cappadocia). It is a canyon with a depth of approximately 100m and was formed by the Melendiz River thousands of years ago. It is believed that the valley housed more than four thousand dwellings and a hundred cave churches decorated with frescoes. Around eighty thousand people once lived in Ihlara Valley. This tour requires mild walking at the valley to see the rock cut churches. Dinner and overnight at the hotel. (B,D)

Sep 15 Sat  Cappadocia – Konya – Antalya
Early departure to Konya. Visit the Konya Museum. After lunch, drive to Antalya on the Mediterranean Sea coast. (B,D)

Sep 16 Sun  Perga - Laodicea – Pamukkale
Drive to Perga for a quick visit and then visit the newly excavated site of Laodicea. Dinner and overnight in Pamukkale. (B,D)

Sep 17 Mon  Aphrodias – Kusadasi
Visit Hierapolis, where we will see the Martyrium of St.Philip amidst the site’s extensive ruins, and then see the wonderful formation of stalactites in Pamukkale (Cotton Castle), the Roman Bath which later became a church, then visit Laodicea, one of the Seven Churches of the Revelation, continue to Aphrodias to see the great Stadium, Theater, Agora and more. Dinner and overnight at the hotel in Kusadasi. (B,D)
Sep 18 Tue  Ephesus – Kusadasi
Depart for Ephesus, cradle of the early Churches. Visit the House of the Virgin Mary, ancient Ephesus, the Archaeological Museum, the Temple of Diana (one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World), the grave and Basilica of St. John. Dinner at the hotel.  (B,D)

Sep 19 Wed  Pergamon - Thyatira - Sardis – Izmir (Smyrna)
Depart to Pergamum to see the steepest theater of the ancient world, Temple of Trajan at the Acropolis. Then drive to Sardis, the capital city of the ancient kingdom of Lydia, and the church which was built on the foundations of the Temple of Artemis. Return to Izmir for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

Sep 20 Thu  Smyrna - Izmir
Visit the newly excavated Roman Agora, where 1st and 2nd century Griffiti found. Then visit the new History & Archaeology Museum in Fuar Area. Visit the Old Elevator for a panoramic view of the Izmir Bay. Walk in Alsancak, the modern part of the city. Dinner and overnight in Izmir. (B,D)

Sep 21 Fri  Fly back to New York
Transfer to the Izmir Airport for your flight back to New York. (B)
PAYMENT PROCEDURE:

1- $500 per person Deposit : March 1, 2018 
   (of which $200 is non-refundable)
2- Full Payment Date : July 10, 2018

Cancellation Penalty:
- 120-90 days prior to departure: No Penalty
- 89-60 days prior to departure: 10%
- 59-45 days prior to departure: 25%
- 44-30 days prior to departure: 50%
- 29-15 days prior to departure: 75%
- 14 days & After: No refund

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