



# Pre-Departure Information

## THE TURQUOISE COAST



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## WELCOME!

We're delighted to welcome you on this adventure! This booklet is designed to guide you in the practical details for preparing for your trip. As you read, if any questions come to mind, feel free to give us a call or send us an email—we're here to help.

## PLEASE SEND US

- Trip Application:** Complete, sign, and return your Trip Application form as soon as possible if you have not already done so.
- Medical Form:** Complete, sign, and return your Medical Form as soon as possible if you have not already done so.
- Air Schedule:** Please forward a copy of your email confirmation, which shows your exact flight arrival and departure times. Refer to the Arrival & Departure section of the Detailed Itinerary for instructions. Please feel free to review your proposed schedule with Wilderness Travel before purchasing your tickets if you have any questions about the timing of your arrival and departure flights or would like to confirm we have the required minimum number of participants to operate the trip.
- Vaccination Card:** Please send us a photo or scanned copy of your completed Covid-19 Vaccination Card if you have not already done so. Just the front side of the card is sufficient.

## PLEASE CAREFULLY REVIEW

- Travel Documents & Medical Information:** Carefully review the Travel Documents and Medical Information sections of this booklet to familiarize yourself with Passport and Visa entry requirements for your destination, as well as any recommended inoculations.
- Optional Travel Insurance:** Review the Trip Cancellation & Transfer Fee Schedule included in the Detailed Itinerary. We recommend that all trip members purchase Travel Insurance.
- Extra Services:** Request any Extra Services (hotel nights, transfers, extensions) with your WT office contact using the Extra Services Request Form sent with your confirmation packet.
- Final Documents:** Approximately three weeks before your trip, we will send you final departure documents, including hotel and local contact information and rendezvous instructions.

## QUESTIONS?

Call: 1-800-368-2794, go to our **website** ([www.wildernesstravel.com](http://www.wildernesstravel.com)) or e-mail us at: [info@wildernesstravel.com](mailto:info@wildernesstravel.com).

# Travel Information

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## PASSPORT

A valid passport is required for your trip. Be sure to check the expiration date. Your passport must be valid for six months after your date of exit from Turkey. In addition, we recommend your passport have at least two completely blank visa pages for every country you will be visiting. It is very important that the blank pages say “Visas” at the top. The last few pages of your passport, which say “Amendments and Endorsements,” and the final page of your passport, which may not have a page number, are not considered to be legitimate visa pages. The service of adding pages for visas was discontinued as of January 1, 2016. You can request a new passport through **US Passport Services Office** (<http://travel.state.gov/passport>) or use a visa service agency, which can take care of your passport renewal and expedite the process, if needed. We recommend **Passport Visas Express** (<http://www.passportvisasexpress.com/?affId=2120>). Be sure to allow sufficient time to acquire this before your trip.

It is a good idea to carry photocopies of your passport’s photo page and any acquired visa pages for your trip (if applicable) in case your passport is lost or as an additional piece of identification, as well as two extra passport photos.

## VISAS

US citizens are required to have a visa to visit Turkey. The process has become incredibly easy through an online, e-visa system launched by Turkey’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs at the following website:  
**[www.evisa.gov.tr](http://www.evisa.gov.tr)**(<http://www.evisa.gov.tr>)

Your e-visa will be valid for dates of your choosing, for a total period of 90 days.

The cost is approximately \$50 and you can print your e-visa in less than 10 minutes. This document will be stamped upon your arrival to Turkey.

## MONEY

The unit of currency in Turkey is the Turkish Lira, although the Euro is widely used as well. The most convenient way to obtain local currency is to use your bank ATM card at automatic tellers. ATM machines are available throughout the trip, but we suggest you change money upon arrival at the Istanbul airport. To use an ATM internationally, you must have a four-digit PIN. If you plan to use your credit cards abroad, inform your credit card company before your departure that you will be using the card in a foreign country. Cashing travelers checks can be difficult and costly; we don’t recommend them.

You will need to budget spending money for gratuities, for any meals not included in the trip itinerary (approximately \$10-\$25 for lunches or dinners each), and for personal items such as alcoholic beverages and for shopping.

## TIPPING

Tipping is completely discretionary, but over the years, clients have asked us for tipping guidelines to reward guides for outstanding service. A range of reference would be a total of \$80-\$100 USD per trip member for the boat crew, and \$150-\$200 USD per trip member for the Trip Leader, which can be given in US Dollars or local currency. The Trip Leader takes care of gratuities for luggage handling and for waiters at restaurants.

## SPECIAL DIETS

We will do our best to accommodate special dietary needs, however, please keep in mind that certain cultural differences or limitations due to logistics can make it extremely difficult and at times impossible to accommodate dietary restrictions. Please inform us at least eight weeks before your trip if you have a restricted diet. It is important to bring a flexible attitude and supplemental snacks.

## COMMUNICATIONS

### **Time Zone**

Turkey is 2 hours ahead of GMT, or 7 hours ahead of US Eastern Standard Time. Daylight Savings Time in the US may affect these times.

### **Telephone and Internet Access**

The international dialing code for Turkey is 90. There is excellent cell phone coverage just about everywhere we go, including on board the gulet. Please contact your cell phone carrier before departure to ensure your phone and/or tablet are open to roaming in Europe/Turkey. Smart phones such as iPhone, Droid, and Blackberry will also allow guests web access where they can check their e-mails, not necessitating a visit to an internet cafe. You may also rent a pre-paid cell phone at Istanbul Airport (through Turkcell) starting at \$50 for a basic package. Internet access is available at our hotels and at Internet cafes at each coastal township we visit, including Marmaris, Dalyan, Kas, Fethiye, Kalkan, and Finike.

Most gulets have a device for wi-fi internet access on board. However, it is only turned on for a short period in the evenings after dinner, long enough for guests to check and send emails. Due to time and cost restrictions of the device, we ask that it be used only when necessary, not for leisure browsing of the internet.

## ELECTRICITY

Turkey has 220-volt current. Plugs usually have two round prongs. On the boat, there are 220-volt electrical outlets in the bedroom and bathroom, plus an outlet in the salon for charging batteries. Most newer electronic appliances do not need a converter, but you will need a plug adaptor with two round prongs.

# Medical Information

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The following recommendations should be used as a guideline only; consult your physician for medical advice. It is vital that you let Wilderness Travel know of any medical problems, allergies, or physical limitations you may have. Please fill out and return the personal medical questionnaire, and feel free to consult us if you have any questions about your ability to undertake this particular trip.

Wilderness Travel is not a medical facility and has no expertise or responsibility regarding what medications or inoculations you and your physician decide are necessary for your safe participation in the trip.

Traveler's health information is available from the **Centers for Disease Control**. (<http://www.cdc.gov/travel/index.htm>)  
Medical travel products are available from **Travel Health Medicine** (<http://www.travmed.com>) and from **Magellan's Travel Supplies**. (<http://www.magellans.com>)

## INOCULATIONS

No inoculations are required. However, it is easy to get a small cut, so a tetanus booster is strongly recommended (good for 10 years). If you take prescription medicines, be sure to bring enough for the duration of your trip.

## STAYING HEALTHY

You can reduce your risk of getting a cold on the trip by washing your hands often and not touching your face with unwashed hands. If you arrive on the trip with a cold or feel the symptoms of a cold, avoid close contact with others and move away from people before coughing or sneezing. The CDC recommends coughing or sneezing into a tissue or into the crook of your elbow or upper sleeve, not your hands.

# Helpful Information

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## SHOPPING

Carpets, kilims, hand-beaten copper and brass, embroidery, pottery, harem rings, genie lanterns, leather goods, traditional Ottoman costumes, gold and silver, hand-painted miniature plates, meerschaum pipes, water pipes, and onyx are among the things to shop for. Bargaining is the custom, although in some of the more modern shops, prices are fixed. In our time in Istanbul, we are busy with our tours of the major sites, so if you are keen to shop you may want to consider extending your stay. You will also have marvelous shopping opportunities along the coast.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

### Camera Recommendations

With the many advances in digital technology, a simple compact digital camera or even your smartphone is capable of taking pictures suitable for the needs of most people. For higher quality images and the ability to use long lenses for closer wildlife pictures, a DSLR camera is well worthwhile, though heavier. Most digital cameras and phones have good video options, but you may want to consider a GoPro for a lightweight, waterproof option. Always practice ahead of time with new equipment and bring your manual with you. Camera equipment is available for rent from **Borrow Lenses** (<https://www.borrowlenses.com/discount/wildernesstravel>), with a 10% discount offered to Wilderness Travel clients. This is an especially good idea for renting large zoom lenses that you may need for just one trip.

### Camera Accessories

We recommend bringing at least two large capacity memory cards or a small digital storage unit (or tablet) to back up your photos, freeing space on your memory cards. Don't forget to bring a battery charger and a backup battery so one is always charged and ready to use. For trips where you may be away from power sources for multiple days, consider looking into a solar-powered battery charger or buying additional backup batteries, and check that you have the appropriate adapter for the electrical outlets in your destination.

### Sharing Your Images

We would love for you to share photos from your trip, and with your permission, may even use your photos in our marketing materials or on our photo blog. We request that you send us a small sample of your best images. Please email your photos to [wtphotoblog@gmail.com](mailto:wtphotoblog@gmail.com) or tag us **@WildernessTravel** on social media.

### Photography Etiquette

When taking pictures of local people, be aware of cultural considerations. Approaching people with a warm smile and using polite gestures or simple phrases to ask permission to photograph them usually works well. It is always recommended to engage people in conversation before asking to photograph them, but if people do not wish to have their photo taken, please honor their requests. We urge travelers to avoid giving money in exchange for photo opportunities, which makes it harder for future travelers to have a meaningful personal interaction with local people. Please always heed your Trip Leader's guidelines for what is appropriate.

## A NOTE ABOUT UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY

Past clients have enjoyed taking photos of the underwater treasures and sharing them with other trip members after the snorkeling excursions. We recommend bringing a waterproof camera or waterproof housing for your camera. For more information, visit **Best Underwater Compact Cameras** (<http://www.toptenreviews.com/electronics/photo-video/best-waterproof-cameras/>).

## BEING A CONSIDERATE TRAVELER

Please show respect for the cultures we are visiting by observing local customs concerning appropriate dress, particularly in sacred places. Your Trip Leader is always available to answer any questions that you may have regarding this. If it is necessary to use a cell phone during the trip, please do so privately. Smoking is rarely an issue these days, but if you do smoke, please do so only away from the group.



## WORDS AND PHRASES

Although English is widely spoken in Turkey and you can manage well without any Turkish, it is always fun (and appreciated by locals) when you try to use a few words.

English	Turkish	Pronunciation
hello	<i>merhaba</i>	MEHR-hah-bah
good morning/good day	<i>günaydin</i>	gew-nah-DUN
good night	<i>iyi geceler</i>	EE-geh-jeh-LER
goodbye	<i>allaha ismarladik</i>	ah-LAS-ma-la-duk
please	<i>lüften</i>	LOOT-fen
thank you	<i>sağ ol</i>	sowl
you're welcome	<i>bir şey değil</i>	beer-shay-de-yeel
yes/no	<i>evet/hayir</i>	Eh-VET/HAH-yir
pardon me	<i>affedersiniz</i>	AHFA-DER-see-nrez
what is your name?	<i>adiniz ne?</i>	AH-duh-NUZ-NUZ-neh
how are you?	<i>nasilsunuz?</i>	NAHS-ull-suh-nuz
I'm fine, thanks	<i>iyiyim, teşekkür ederim</i>	eh-YEE-yim, teshek-KEWR-eh-der-eem
to your health!	<i>şerefinize!</i>	Sheh-rehf-ee-neeZ-EH
where is...?	<i>nerede...?</i>	NEH-reh-deh
good/bad	<i>iyi/kotü</i>	EE/ko-TOO
beautiful	<i>güzel</i>	gew-ZEHL
do you have? (shopping)	<i>var mi?</i>	VAHR-muh
how many liras?	<i>kac lira?</i>	KACH-lee-rah

today	<i>bugün</i>	BOO-gurn
tomorrow	<i>yarın</i>	Yahr-un
1	<i>bir</i>	beer
2	<i>iki</i>	ee-KEE
3	<i>üç</i>	ewk
4	<i>dört</i>	durt
5	<i>bes</i>	bes
6	<i>altı</i>	ahl-TUH
7	<i>yedi</i>	ye-DEE
8	<i>sekiz</i>	seh-KEEZ
9	<i>dokuz</i>	doh-KOOZ
10	<i>on</i>	un
American coffee	<i>amerikan</i>	ahmeri-KAN
Turkish coffee	<i>Türk kahvesi</i>	TEWK kah-VEH-see
coffee with milk	<i>franiz, or café sut lu</i>	frun-SEZ, CA-fee-SUT-loo
mineral water	<i>maden suyu</i>	mah-DEN-soo-yoo
carbonated mineral water	<i>maden sodası</i>	mah-DEN-so-dah-si
fruit juice	<i>meyva suyu</i>	mey-VA-soo-yoo
milk	<i>süt</i>	sewt
beer	<i>birá</i>	BEE-ruh
dark beer	<i>birá siyah</i>	BEE-ruh see-YAH

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light beer

*bira beyaz*

BEE-ruh bay-AHZ

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red wine

*şarap kırmızı*

sha-RAHP kuhr-muh-ZUH

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white wine

*şarap beyaz*

sha-RAHP bey-AHZ

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# Packing List

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## THE ESSENTIALS

- Air tickets (or E-tickets)
- Passport
- Turkey visa
- One other picture ID, such as a driver's license
- Expense money

## WT GEAR STORE

To help you prepare for your next WT adventure, we've put together a great collection of top brands including Patagonia, Outdoor Research, Eagle Creek, and more at our **WT Gear Store** (<http://wildernesstravel.newheadings.com>).

## LUGGAGE

- Soft-sided roller bag. We ask that you pack everything in this one piece of luggage because there is limited space on the yacht. There is a small closet in each cabin where you can hang clothes and store belongings.
- Daypack, large enough for your water bottle, camera, and other items you want with you during the day
- Small roll-up bag if you are an avid shopper. It can be stored in Istanbul.

## WEIGHT LIMITS

On internal flights on Turkish Airlines, you can check two pieces of luggage that weigh a maximum of 44 lbs (20 kg) and bring one carry-on piece that weighs a maximum of 17 pounds (8kg), with dimensions of no greater than 9"x 15" x 21".

## CLOTHING

The clothing list below is provided as a guideline only. Try to keep your clothing and gear to a minimum. Laundry service is available at some of the hotels but not on the yacht (basins for doing hand laundry are provided). Bring clothes and shoes that are comfortable for hiking in warm weather.

On the yacht and in the resort towns along the Turquoise Coast, dress is casual and relaxed. No jackets are required for men. It is fine for women to wear hiking shorts on the coast. For church and mosque visits, men and women can wear discreet knee-length shorts. Shoulders must be covered (no tank tops). All visitors to mosques must take off their shoes before entering.

- Fleece jacket or sweater for warmth in the evening
- Loose, lightweight cotton or synthetic pants; quick-dry “travel” fabrics are ideal
- Walking shorts, synthetic fabric
- Lightweight long-sleeved shirts (to protect from sunburn), quick-drying fabric
- T-shirts, synthetics are best
- Shade hat with wide brim
- Lightweight hiking boots with good traction; our hiking trails can be rocky, sandy, and occasionally slippery. You need shoes with ankle support and a good tread.
- Texas or other comfortable slip-on shoes for city wear
- Underwear/socks; synthetics dry faster
- Sleepwear
- Swimsuit

Note: In an effort to keep the boats clean, we ask trip members to remove the shoes they wear outside the boat when they get on board. This applies for below deck as well as the topside decks. If you prefer not to go barefoot on board, bring a pair of slip-resistant, non-marking soft sole shoes, such as Sperry Top-Siders, Land’s End Slip- On Deck Shoes, Crocs, or Teva-type sandals to wear when you’re on board.

## EQUIPMENT

- Good quality sunglasses with case. A spare pair is invaluable should your first pair be lost.
- Personal toiletries
- Plastic bags to organize items in luggage

## PERSONAL FIRST AID SUPPLIES

Every trip member should bring a small kit for personal use. Your own experience will influence your choices.

- Sunscreen SPF #30 or higher and lip balm with sunscreen. We recommend mineral-based sunscreens with zinc oxide or titanium dioxide because they do not contain harsh chemicals that are harmful to the environment. Brands such as Honest Company, Badger, and Alba Botanica are found in most sporting goods stores and drugstores.
- Aspirin, ibuprofen, or Tylenol for muscle pain or headache, Tylenol PM for sleep
- Imodium for diarrhea
- Blister kit. Look for the long-lasting gel-type bandages that you can apply directly on blisters, such as Band-Aid Advanced Healing Bandages or Curad Gel Multi-Day Bandages. "Liquid band-aids," such as New-Skin, are useful because they dry rapidly to form a tough protective cover over a blister.
- Anti-seasickness medication such as Dramamine
- Topical antibiotic such as Neosporin for cuts, bites, or sores
- Anti-bacterial gel for hand-washing
- Prescription medications properly labeled
- Spare contact lenses or spare prescription glasses

## OPTIONAL ITEMS

- Collapsible hiking pole, such as those by Leki and REI. A pole helps to distribute your body weight, takes pressure off your knees, and improves your balance. Most hikers use one pole, while others prefer to hike with two poles.
- Camera, spare batteries or charger, spare memory cards
- Converter/plug adaptor for appliance use in hotels. Turkey has 220-volt current; plug have two round pins.
- Reusable water bottle, 1 qt. capacity
- Travel clock
- Small umbrella
- There is some snorkeling gear on board, but it is best to bring your own mask, snorkel, and fins to ensure proper fit. Goggles and snorkeling booties are also optional items. Please note: Snorkeling on the Turquoise Coast is certainly not comparable to coral reef areas, such as the Pacific and Caribbean, but the water is clear and inviting for swimming.
- Washcloth. These are not provided, so bring your own if you normally use one.
- Reading/writing material, travel games, etc., for leisure time on the boat
- Money belt or neck pouch
- Wash cloth, if you like to use one (most European hotels do not provide them)

# Reading List

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## ESSENTIAL READING

### **Turkey Map**

*Freytag & Berndt*

2011

This shaded relief map includes a detailed map of Western Turkey (1:800,000) on the reverse.

### **Crescent and Star**

*Stephen Kinzer*

2008, 265 PAGES

This insightful, anecdotal report on contemporary life, culture and politics in Turkey comes from a former New York Times Istanbul bureau chief who is especially attuned to the powerful geographic position of Turkey and its multiple identities in Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

### **Insight Guide Turkey**

*Insight Guides*

2015, 448 PAGES

With separate chapters on Istanbul, Ephesus, the Aegean Coast, Lycia, and Cappadocia, this handy guide features hundreds of photographs and essays on history, culture and nature.

### **Culture Smart! Turkey**

*Charlotte McPherson*

2014, 168 PAGES

History, religion, daily life, food, health and safety are all covered in this pocket guide to Turkish customs, etiquette and culture.

### **The Lycian Shore**

*Freya Stark*

2011, 216 PAGES

The Lycian coast and hinterlands are thoroughly explored in this reprint of a classic account of a 1950s journey by the stalwart Freya Stark, one of our heroines. Heading south from Smyrna, Stark explores rock tombs of Xanthus, shores of the Dalyan River, Hellenic cities of Termessos and Pirge and other sites along the Aegean.

## ALSO RECOMMENDED

### **Istanbul, Memories and the City**

*Orhan Pamuk*

2006, 320 PAGES

Nobel Prize-winner Pamuk writes with dazzling grace of the city of his birth, a magical place of crumbling mansions and Ottoman riches.

### **A Traveller's History of Turkey**

*Richard Stoneman*

2009, 247 PAGES

An accessible, well-written overview of Turkish history from the Paleolithic to the present.

### **Lonely Planet Turkish Phrasebook**

*Arzu Kurklu*

2014, 260 PAGES

A palm-sized handy guide to pronunciation, basic grammar and essential vocabulary for the traveler. With a 2,000-word mini-dictionary.

### **A Short History of Byzantium**

*John Julius Norwich*

1998, 432 PAGES

A richly detailed and evocative history of the span of the great empire from the fourth to the 15th century, brimming with intrigue, palace revolution and treachery.

### **Lords of the Horizons**

*Jason Goodwin*

2003, 351 PAGES

Goodwin artfully combines his modern travels with scholarship, history and reflection, capturing the outrageous personalities, events and vagaries of the 600-year-old Ottoman Empire.

### **Turkish Reflections, A Biography of a Place**

*Mary Lee Settle*

1991, 253 PAGES

Settle's captivating travelogue is a richly detailed portrait of contemporary Turkey, its people, monasteries, myths, archaeological treasures and living traditions. Exemplary.

### **The Towers of Trebizond**

*Jan Morris*

2012, 277 PAGES

Mixing high farce, archaeology, history and lively travel writing, Rose MacAulay's impossibly witty short novel is back in a new edition. Originally published in 1956, MacAulay follows the adventures of English missionaries traipsing across Turkey from Istanbul to Trabzon.

### **1453, The Holy War For Constantinople and the Clash of Islam and the West**

*Roger Crowley*

2006, 304 PAGES

In this well-paced history, Crowley recounts the dramatic events leading up to and surrounding the fall of Constantinople to the Ottoman Turks.

### **Ancient Turkey, A Traveller's History**

*Seton Lloyd*

2013, 240 PAGES

A lively tale of cultures and conquest, from the Hittites to St. Paul, that illuminates the living past of Turkey's archaeological treasures. This classic by Professor Lloyd, first director of the British Institute of Archaeology at Ankara, is now in a 25th anniversary edition.

### **The Turkish Embassy Letters**

*Lady Mary Wortley Montagu*

1994, 190 PAGES

The unconventional wife of the British ambassador, Lady Montagu delights in Turkish life and society in these lively letters.

### **Birds Without Wings**

*Louis De Bernieres*

2005, 480 PAGES

De Bernieres offers sweeping historical scope, memorable characters, drama and many new vocabulary words in this stupendous novel set in Anatolia during the collapse of the Ottoman Empire.

### **Istanbul Map**

*Borch Maps*

2012

A laminated, colorful map of Istanbul at a scale of 1:11,000.



### **Turkish Coast Adventure Map**

*National Geographic Society*

2012

This handy map (1:760,000), perfect for anyone sailing the Turquoise Coast, shows the western Turkey from Istanbul to Antalya and beyond.

### **Baedeker Turkish Coast**

*Ralf Becks*

2012, 394 PAGES

This full-color Baedeker features the best places to stay, eat, drink and sight-see alongside 3D laminated cut-outs and a pull out map.

### **Insight Select Istanbul**

*Insight Guides*

2011, 192 PAGES

Suggested walks, out-of-the-way shops and the latest rooftop restaurants are all included in this discerning pocket guide.

### **The Western Shores of Turkey, Discovering the Aegean and Mediterranean Coasts**

*John Freely*

2004, 403 PAGES

An excellent overview of the ancient sites of the Turkish coast from Istanbul to Gallipoli to Antioch, Pergamum, Ephesus and Halicarnassus.

### **Osman's Dream, The History of the Ottoman Empire**

*Caroline Finkel*

2007, 688 PAGES

An ambitious, scholarly history of an 600-year empire that, at its height, stretched from Central Asia to the Levant, Danube and North Africa.

### **Turkish Riviera Map**

*Freytag & Berndt*

2008

A colorful road map of the southern coast of Turkey at a scale of 1:150,000 with insets of Antalya, Side, Alanya, Perge and Termessos.

### **Eyewitness Top Ten Turkey's Southwest Coast**

*Eyewitness Guides*

2013, 144 PAGES

A compact illustrated guide in the popular series, featuring favorite attractions, events, restaurants, shops and excursions.

### **Moon Istanbul & the Turkish Coast: Including Cappadocia**

*Jessica Tamturk*

2014, 480 PAGES

A practical guide in the Moon series, packed not only with travel necessities (hotels, restaurants, sights), but also with a good overview of history and destinations throughout Istanbul and the Turkish Coast.

### **Turquoise, A Chef's Travels in Turkey**

*Greg and Lucy Malouf*

2008, 356 PAGES

This sumptuous book combines travel, recipes and stunning color photographs of landscapes, people, food and traditions.

### **St. Paul's Ephesus, Texts and Archaeology**

*Jerome Murphy O'Connor*

2008, 289 PAGES

Jerome Murphy-O'Connor transports us back to the ancient city of Ephesus during its heyday, including contemporary accounts from Roman to biblical times and featuring a guided walk through the city as a center of Paul's teachings.

**A Traveller's Guide to Homer, On the Trail of Odysseus Through Turkey and the Mediterranean**

*John Freely*

2014, 256 PAGES

A captivating traveler's guide to Homer's lost world and to his epics, *The Iliad* and *The Odyssey*, investigating where such places as the Land of the Lotus Eaters exist and how the landscapes of Greece and Turkey influenced and inspired Homer.

**Mountains and a Shore, A Journey Through Southern Turkey**

*Michael Pereira*

2015, 224 PAGES

With a mild, dry humor and great attention to detail, Michael Pereira writes of his travels in southern Turkey in early 1965. His travels from Marmaris to Mersin delve into the lives of the ordinary Turks he meets along the way.

**South from Ephesus**

*Brian Sewell*

2012, 288 PAGES

The sharp-tongued, often petulant but marvelously witty British art critic travels from Ephesus to archaeological sites along the Turkish Aegean to Priene, Miletus, Bodrum and beyond in this reprint of his quirky 1988 classic.

**The Way of Herodotus, Travels with the Man Who Invented History**

*Justin Marozzi*

2010, 400 PAGES

A Penguin Classics edition of *The Histories* in hand, Marozzi journeys from Herodotus' home town of Helicarnassus, now known as Bodrum, to Baghdad, Babylon, Egypt and Athens, weaving tales of his hero with erudite and entertaining modern travel.

**Turkish Coast, Through Writers' Eyes**

*Rupert Scott*

2008, 300 PAGES

Editor Rupert Scott reels in dozens of authors, ancient and modern, for this appealing collection of tales set on the shores of Ancient Caria and Lycia, today's Turquoise Coast, including Homer, Lord Byron, Edith Wharton, Freya Stark and Louis de Bernieres.

**Meander: East to West, Indirectly, Along a Turkish River**

*Jeremy Seal*

2012, 320 PAGES

Jeremy Seal sets out in a kayak across the Anatolian plateau to explore, mixing history, travel and incisive commentary on Turkey today in his third book on the country. He is, ahem, digressive, though that is part of the charm of this engrossing travelogue.

**On the Shores of the Mediterranean**

*Eric Newby*

2011, 448 PAGES

A sparkling observer and famously entertaining, Newby tackles the Mediterranean in this merry classic account of travels to North Africa, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Cairo and Jerusalem.

**The Magic of Turkey, A Guide to the Turkish Coast**

*Alfredo Giacon*

2008, 192 PAGES

This spirited account of an Italian couple's two-year voyage covers the bays, anchorages, ancient sites and allure of the coast from Izmir to Bodrum, Fethiye and Antalya.

**An Evil Eye**

*Jason Goodwin*

2012, 336 PAGES

Back from Venice, investigator Yashim is drawn into the mysterious and dangerous intrigues of the sultan's seraglio at Topkapi Palace in the fourth novel of the Edgar Award-winning author's internationally-acclaimed Ottoman Empire Series.

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