Europe / Turkey

Turkey Yacht + Bike Tour
Sail the Mediterranean and Aegean Coasts to Bodrum
• See one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World—the Mausoleum at Halicarnassus in Bodrum—plus other historic sites like the ancient city of Kedrai and the ruin of Knidos, built to honor the Greek goddess Aphrodite
• Bike to Turkish villages unchanged by time where locals reveal how they’ve been hand-weaving Turkish rugs for centuries
• Dine on Mediterranean fare prepared by your private chef, including vine-ripened vegetables, handmade cheese, and fresh-caught seafood
• Swim and cruise in both the Aegean and Mediterranean Seas
Arrival Details

Airport City:
Istanbul (for pre-tour) or Bodrum

Pick-Up Location:
Bodrum Airport

Pick-Up Time:
2:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Departure Details

Airport City:
Bodrum

Drop-Off Location:
Bodrum Airport

Drop-Off Time:
5:00 am to 12:00 pm

NOTE: DuVine provides group transfers to and from the tour from the pick-up and drop-off locations stated on the itinerary. In the event your train, flight, or other travel falls outside the arrival or departure times or locations, you may be responsible for extra costs incurred in arranging a separate transfer.

Emergency Assistance

For urgent assistance on your way to tour or while on tour, please always contact your guides first. You may also contact the Boston office during business hours at +1 617 776 4441 or emergency@duvine.com.

Travelers Take Note

Because this tour relies on calm sailing conditions, weather and winds may dictate itinerary changes or prevent sailing at certain times, at the discretion of the captain and Tour Guides.

Please note that a travel visa is required for this destination. Each traveler is responsible for securing their own visa. Further information can be found here.
Tour By Day

**Istanbul Pre-Tour Package**

Begin in Istanbul, the cultural capital of modern Turkey that converges on two continents. From the airport, we’ll transfer you to the Four Seasons Sultanahmet for your first restful evening. On our second day in Istanbul, explore the city’s heritage on foot with our local guide: marvel at the Hagia Sophia, the Hippodrome, mesmerizing Byzantine monuments, and an opulent underground cistern. After lunch in a local restaurant, we’ll weave through the stalls of the labyrinthine Grand Bazaar and tour the iconic Blue Mosque. On the third and final morning, meet your guide after breakfast to visit Topkapi Palace, residence of the Ottoman sultans. Following lunch at the palace, it’s time for our flight to Bodrum where we’ll meet our boat and the rest of the group. *Pricing is based on double occupancy. The amount listed is the starting price.*

**Accommodations:** Four Seasons Hotel Sultanahmet

**Price Per Person:** $1,400

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**DAY 1**

**Embarkation in Bodrum**

Welcome to Turkey! Get ready to board your private Turkish gulet—your guides will greet you at the Bodrum airport for a transfer to the marina where we’ll embark. Settle into your cabin, get to know the five-person crew, and toast to the week ahead with a welcome drink and our first of many memorable onboard dinners.

**Meals:** Dinner  
**Destination:** Bodrum  
**Accommodations:** Kaya Guneri Plus or Kaya Guneri IV*  

*Cabin upgrades available for $1,000 per person*
**DREAMY SEASCAPES**

We'll make the gorgeous Gulf of Gökova our port for the next few days as we explore the coast. After fresh-baked breakfast on board, we'll get acquainted with our bikes during a fitting and safety talk. Our first ride begins through the peaceful villages of Alatepe and Kultak with a gentle descent to the sea-level where we will pedal along the coastal road through rolling hills and pine tree canopies. The scenery is a never-ending tableau of deep, lush forest and serene stretches of shimmering gulf. We'll take a refreshing stop to sample fresh bread and other delicacies offered by villagers. Pedal back to the boat at Akbük and dive in the tranquil blue water of the Aegean before lunch. We'll share lunch together onboard, then spend the afternoon at your leisure in Akbük bay—perhaps jump on a paddle board or sea kayak from the gullet! This evening is another feast of fresh local fare prepared by our private chef.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
**Destination:** Oren, Alatape, Kultak, Akbuk  
**Accomplished:** 23 miles / 37 km, elevation gain: 1,620 feet / 488 meters  
**Longer Option:** 35 miles / 56 km, elevation gain: 2,690 feet / 820 meters  
**Accommodations:** Kaya Guneri Plus or Kaya Guneri IV

**VILLAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS**

Start the morning with a leisurely breakfast or a swim to get invigorated for today's ride. A short transfer brings us to the starting point of the day, away from the coast up to the highlands. We'll follow narrow, car-free roads through small villages of the highlands, taking a break in a traditional tea house of Kiran Village. Sip your Turkish coffee while chatting with hospitable villagers and visit the local mosque. The descent back offers a breathtaking vista of the Gulf where you will return to the boat for lunch onboard. Relax on the deck as we depart for idyllic Sedir Island to anchor in its crystalline waters. Explore Sedir Island and Kedrai—the ancient city Cleopatra and Marc Antony visited in search of privacy on the island, then embark once more as we cruise to the next bay just in time for a refreshing swim and an airy *al fresco* dinner.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
**Destination:** Sarnic, Denizova, Kiran, Sedir Island  
**Accomplished:** 24 miles / 39 km, elevation gain: 1,810 feet / 550 meters  
**Longer Option:** 38 miles / 62 km, elevation gain: 2,970 feet / 905 meters  
**Accommodations:** Kaya Guneri Plus or Kaya Guneri IV
**Coastal Countryside**

Start the morning with a leisurely breakfast while cruising to our start point. A short transfer brings us to the outskirts of Kuyucak Village. We’ll follow the quiet roads through small villages of the highlands to our first destination: A colorful farmer’s market for fresh, locally grown vegetables and fruits. We’ll continue to the traditional town of Ula, where we’ll explore the settlement and have a refreshment break. Then it’s back on the bike to continue riding on a farm road used mostly by donkeys and tractors. We’ll pedal through villages with names that hint at their prized products: Yesilova (Green Plain), Elmali (Apple Grower), and Portakallik (Place of Oranges). Hop off the bikes for a visit to the royal tombs dating back to the 4th century BC. Lunch is served at a local restaurant by the emerald creek. For dessert, taste the local ice-cream made of goat milk. Back on the gullet, we'll navigate to another quiet cove for an afternoon of snorkeling or kayaking in the inviting waters of the Aegean before dinner onboard.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
**Destination:** Kuyucak, Ula, Portakallik, Elmali, Yesilova, Akyaka  
**Accomplished:** 36 miles / 58 km, elevation gain: 1,390 feet / 424 meters  
**Longer Option:** 45 miles / 72 km, elevation gain: 2,208 feet / 673 meters  
**Accommodations:** Kaya Guneri Plus or Kaya Guneri IV

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**The Unspoiled Aegean**

After breakfast, transfer to the start of the ride or tackle a warm up climb that brings us to the highest point over the end of the Aegean—you can even see the Greek island of Kos at the end of the gulf. We’ll continue pedaling on traffic-free roads through a series of small orchard-lined villages, then descend to the secluded coves of Okluk Bay boasting the presidential summer palace and the sailing communities of Karaca Bay. After lunch, sunbathe on the deck or take a siesta while cruising in the serenity of the coves which are only accessible by boat. Cati Cove is our destination for the evening. Enjoy a visit to D-Maris Resort for an optional spa treatment (reservation required) and later dine on your own in one of the many local restaurants.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch  
**Destination:** Camli, Yesilbelde, Okluk, Karaca, Cati  
**Accomplished:** 18 miles / 29 km, elevation gain: 1,550 feet / 472 meters  
**Longer Option:** 30 miles / 49 km, elevation gain: 2,845 feet / 867 meters  
**Accommodations:** Kaya Guneri Plus or Kaya Guneri IV

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DuVine itineraries may be subject to slight route changes, hotel substitutions, and other modifications.
**TOUR ITINERARY**

### DAY 6  
**Aphrodite’s Ancient City**

We’ll lift anchor early this morning and sail along Datca Peninsula, a paradise of olive and almond trees set against beaches with beryl water. We’ll bike from the charming port of Mesudiye along the coastline until we reach the town of Palamutbükü, where we’ll climb to the peninsula’s highest point. At the top, delight in expansive views of the Aegean that continue during our descent to the western end of the peninsula. Ride right through homey villages where shop windows are stocked with local goods, stopping for a coffee at one of the cozy cafés. Our ride ends at the Greek ruin of Knidos, home to a temple that honors Aphrodite, the Greek goddess of love. After a swim in the sea and lunch on our boat, explore the ancient site and its monuments with your guide. If the wind is in our favor, we may sail cross the gulf, or we’ll navigate to another quiet cove where we’ll moor for the night and dine on the deck.

*Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
Destination: Mesudiye, Palamutbükü, Knidos  
Accomplished: 19 miles / 31 km, elevation gain: 1,310 feet / 400 meters  
Longer Option: 31 miles / 50 km, elevation gain: 2,995 feet / 912 meters  
Accommodations: Kaya Guneri Plus or Kaya Guneri IV*

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### DAY 7  
**The Ancient Wonders and Artisan Crafts**

Cruise to the start while having fresh-baked breakfast on board. Begin pedaling with a gentle descent through a series of small villages and stop for traditional Turkish coffee and treats in the company of locals. Karnas Winery is our next checkpoint for an olive oil tasting and an organic lunch paired with local wine. Our leisurely ride ends in Etrim village where we’ll learn about the local artisan trade—intricately hand-woven carpets. Transfer to the boat and cruise to Bodrum. We’ll spend the afternoon digging into Bodrum’s ancient history and sites, including the Mausoleum at Halicarnassus (a Wonder of the Ancient World) and the imposing 15th-century castle housing the underwater archeological museum. On our final evening together, we’ll toast to all our accomplishments with a cocktail on the yacht and enjoy one last gorgeous dinner gathered onboard.

*Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
Destination: Etrim Village, Bodrum Castle  
Accomplished: 23 miles / 37 km, elevation gain: 1,050 feet / 320 meters  
Longer Option: 30 miles / 48 km, elevation gain: 1,940 feet / 590 meters  
Accommodations: Kaya Guneri Plus or Kaya Guneri IV*
Güle Güle to our Gulet!

One last breakfast onboard is followed by a farewell to our yacht and doting crew. Your guides will accompany you to the Bodrum Airport to see you off to your next adventure, wherever it may take you!

**Meals:** Breakfast  
**Destinations:** Bodrum, Turkey