

UNV/05 – Istiklal Street

Operates privately only.

As this is a private tour, the departure and pick up times may differ.

Suggested durations will be as follows:

09:00 - 13:00 OR 13:00 - 18:00

Notes:

- Departs: Daily
- Guests will be picked up and dropped off from/to their hotels.
- Lunch is not included

Visit ***Istiklal Street*** which is located in Beyoglu & Taksim area; one of the most famous “pedestrian” avenues in Istanbul, visited by thousands of people every day. Located in the bohemian Beyoglu district, it is an elegant pedestrian street, approximately three kilometers long, which houses exquisite boutiques, music stores, bookstores, art galleries, cinemas, theaters, libraries, cafés, pubs, night clubs with live music, historical patisseries, chocolatiers and restaurants. The avenue, surrounded by the unique Greek architecture, starts from the medieval Genoese neighborhood around ***Galata Tower*** and ultimately leads up to Taksim Square.



Cosmopolitan avenue is surrounded by an array of historically and politically significant buildings, such as the ***Cicek Pasaji (Flower Passage)*** where small, intimate restaurants and taverns are found; ***Balik Pazari (The Fish Market)***, ***The Roman Catholic Church of St. Antoine***, designed in Italian Gothic style dated 1913. This red bricked affair replicates its ancestral model having been demolished to make way for Istiklal's tramway; ***The Aya Triada Church***, a Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Trinity overlooking Taksim square; ***The Roman Catholic Church of St. Mary Draperis***, built in 1678; academic institutions established by various European nations such as Austria, France, Germany and Italy in the early 19th century; consulates (former embassies before 1923) of several nations including France, Greece, Russia, Spain, Sweden, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom.