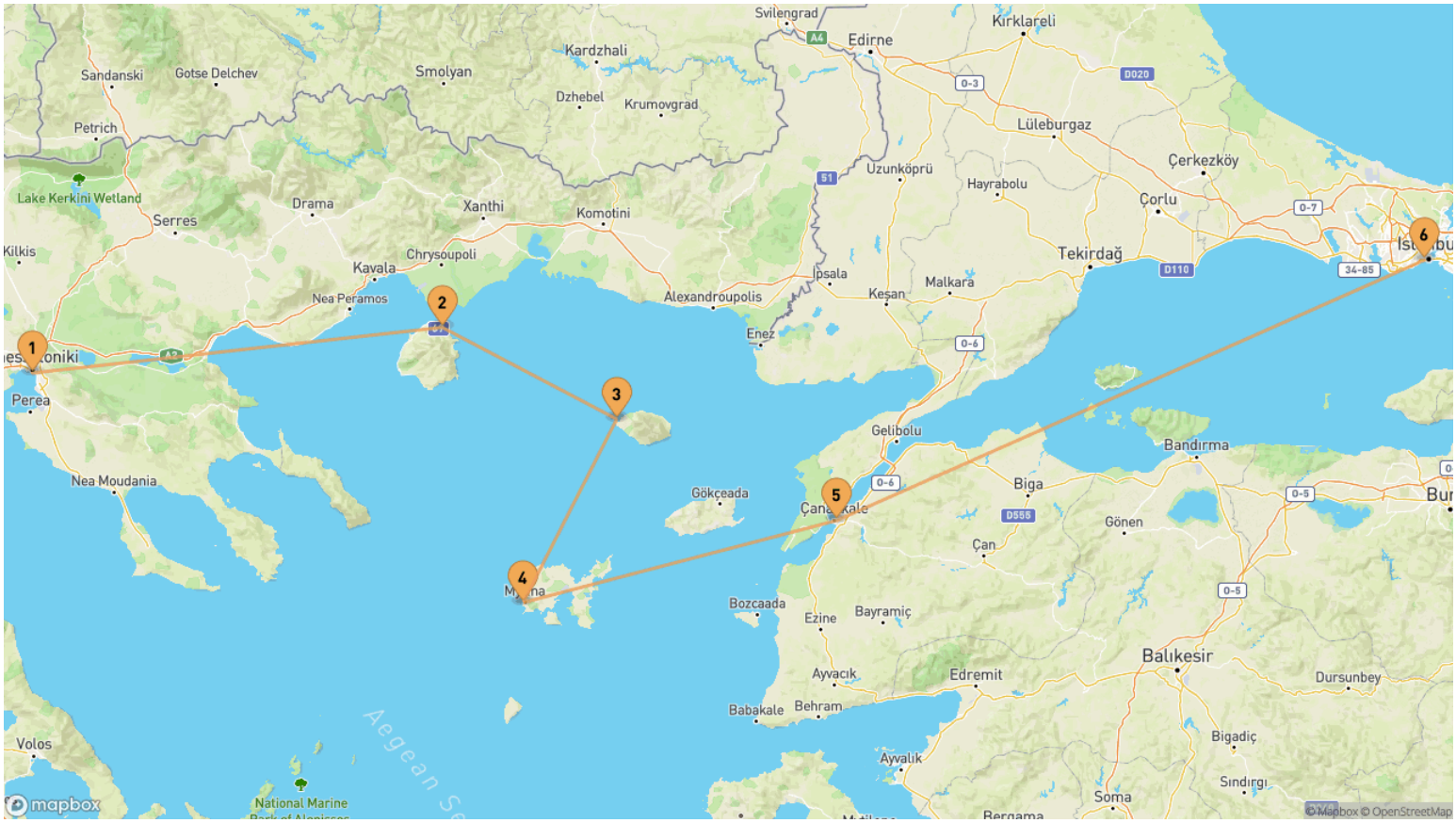


North Aegean Cruise 2

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From Macedonia to Black Sea. Across many ancient sites and a few islands.

- Tags: **Mainland port, Island, Greenery, Secluded, Nightlife, Popular**
- Regions / Countries: **Greece** **Turkey**
- Duration: **6 Days / 5 Nights**



Day 1



Greece / Thessaloniki

Mainland port

Greece's second city, the cultural capital. Cosmopolitan, aristocratic, it primes with the best architecture of the biggest empires in the world's history. The most Byzantian city of the present day.

Day 2



Greece / Thassos

Island, Greenery, Secluded

Thassos' biggest super power is nature and tranquility. The next being traditions of old crafts.



Ancient Theatre of Thassos

Architecture, Art, Historic

Hike up to the Ancient Theater of Thassos high on a hilltop in Limenas. In the 1st century AD, the orchestra was transformed into an arena and the space was used for duels.

Gate of Zeus and Hera



Let your imagination fly at the ruins of what was the principal southern gate into the city in ancient times and the two main gate pillars had monumental reliefs portraying Zeus and Hera.



Olive Oil Museum

Learn all about olives, and what makes Thassos variety so special, in Olive Oil Museum (4) in Skala Prinos. Walk around 40 types of olive trees in the outdoor exhibition

Olive Mill of Sotirelli



Continue the olive theme at the mill of Sotirelli in Panagia village



Drakotrypa cave

Cave, Nature

Go for an adventure to Drakotrypa cave in Panagia, which got its name due to Stalactites and stalagmites mimicking the shape of a dragon

White Marble Quarry

Nature

See what was the foundation of many Ancient Greek monuments at the Thassos White Marble Quarry



Day 3



Greece / Samothraki

Island, Greenery, Secluded

Wander through and about the island of Samothraki, covered with forests of rare flora and fauna, the origin of the Niki of Samothraki.



Sanctuary of Great Gods

Historic, Nature, Architecture

Feel the magic of the Samothrace Temple Complex, known as the Sanctuary of the Great Gods.

Day 4



Greece / Lemnos

Island

Majestic volcanic formations, secluded groves and sheltered coves, thermal springs, tropical dunes and petrified forests.

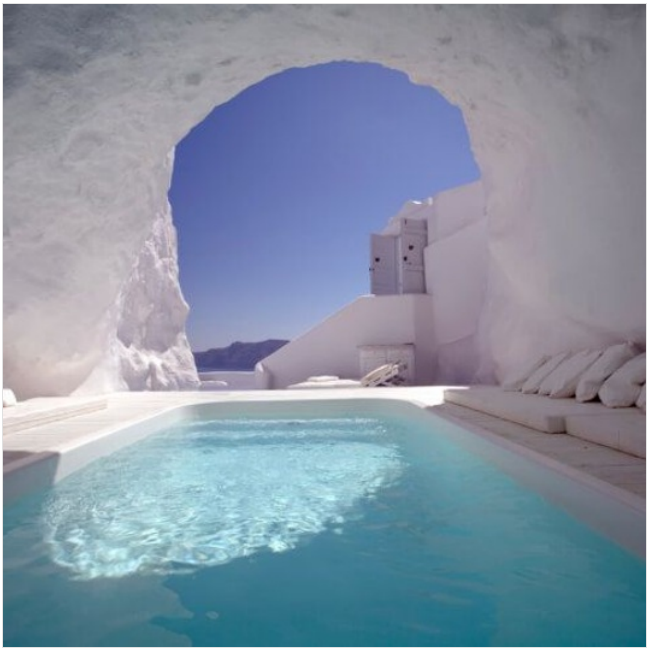


Myrina castle

A medieval fortress with stunning views of the sea and the town of Myrina, featuring impressive walls, towers, and a small museum.

Therma spa resort

Treat yourself to a relaxing day at Therma, where you can soak in natural hot springs overlooking the Aegean Sea. Let the healing waters relieve your worries and rejuvenate your senses.



Day 5



Turkey / Canakkale

Mainland port

Shores on both the Asian and European sides of the Dardanelles Strait, one of the two major water passages connecting the Mediterranean and Black Sea, and joins the Aegean and Marmaris Seas.



Ancient Troy

Historic, Architecture

Ride to the main attraction of the area, the site of ancient Troy with a replica of a Trojan horse

Trojan horse

Historic

Walk to downtown Canakkale to view the Trojan Horse prop featured in the movie Troy of 2004



Day 6



Turkey / Istanbul

Mainland port, Nightlife, Popular

Istanbul, known also as Byzantium and Constantinopolis, is the largest city in Turkey, one of the most ancient cities in the world. Home to some of the world's greatest architectural achievements, like Agia Sophia.



Topkapi Palace

Historic, Architecture, Culture, Museum

The main residence of the Ottoman Sultans, with its jewel encrusted treasury of extensive and illustrious permanent collections of weaponry, precious jewels and religious artifacts

Dolmabahce Palace

Historic, Architecture

600 meters in length with 285 rooms and 43 salons





Blue Mosque

Church, Historic, Architecture, Culture

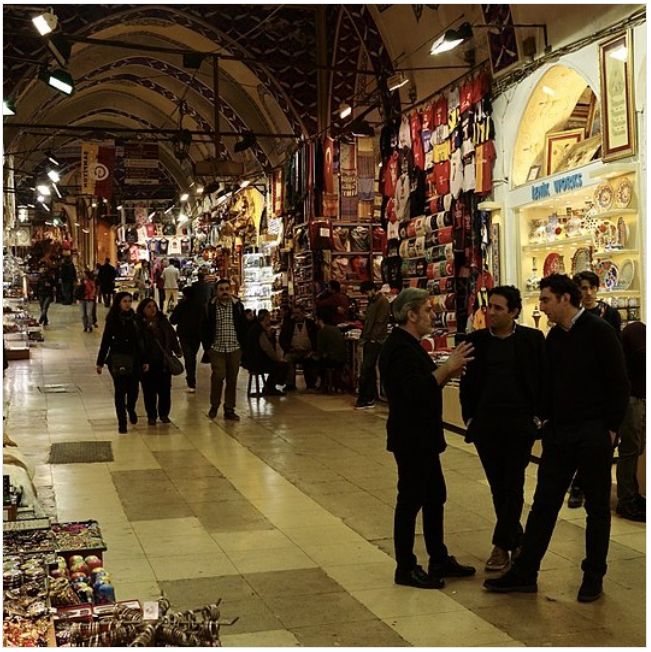
Over 20.000 hand-painted blue tiles, and more than 200 windows

Agia Sophia

Historic, Architecture, Culture

Visit the main sights around Sultanahmet Square, including the famous Agia Sophia, once the largest church in the world for 1000 years, and decorated with stunning 6th century golden mosaics.





The Grand Bazaar

Market, Historic

Thousands of shops spread across dozens of streets inside the world's oldest and largest covered markets

Basilica Cistern

Historic, Architecture

One of Istanbul's most intriguing attractions, featuring hundreds of ancient Ionic and Corinthian columns, a relic of the Byzantine Empire's water system





Galata Tower

Architecture, Historic

Listen to live jazz at Nardis at the foot of the Galata Tower

Galata bridge

Architecture, Food

Snack at the kiosks offering buns with fresh fish

