

THE BLUE MOSQUE

DESTINATION: ISTANBUL, TURKEY DURATION: 1/2 HRS



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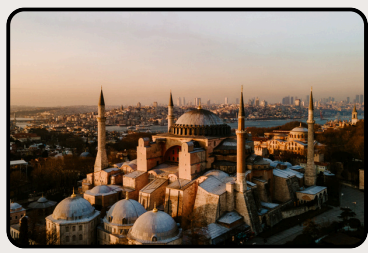
COMPANY PROFILE

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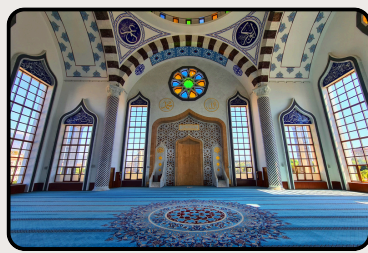
- FREE WIFI
- IMPRESSIVE COURTYARD
- OPEN TO ALL
- CULTURAL SYMBOL
- AIR CONDITIONING
- NO SMOKING
- HISTORICAL SITE
- ACCESSIBLE BEAUTY

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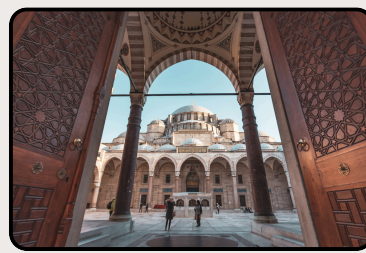
The Blue Mosque, officially known as the Sultan Ahmed Mosque, stands as a masterpiece of Ottoman architecture in Istanbul, Turkey. Its nickname comes from the breathtaking blue tiles adorning the interior, creating an ethereal atmosphere that bathes visitors in a serene azure glow. Built in the early 17th century, the mosque boasts six towering minarets and a grand courtyard, symbolising the grandeur and magnificence of the Ottoman Empire during its zenith. The intricately decorated domes, stained glass windows, and sweeping arches further enhance its allure, making it a spiritual and architectural beacon that continues to captivate and inspire admiration from all who visit.



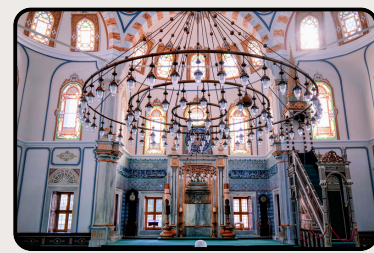
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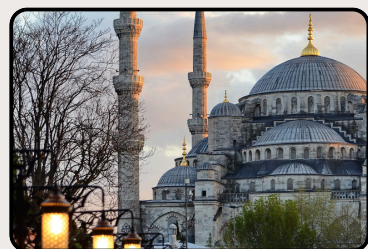
INTERIOR VIEW



GATEWAY VIEW



PRAYERS ROOM



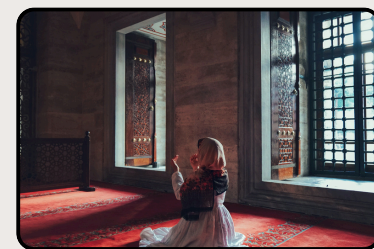
STUNNING ARCHITECTURE



ARTISTIC INTERIOR



EVENING VIEW



RELIGIOUS LOCATION

INCLUSIONS
None

EXCLUSIONS
Personal Expenses
Tips/Gratitudes for the Guides

ALFAZULU OVERVIEW SCORE **4.2/5**

- ★★★★★ QUALITY OF EXPERIENCE
- ★★★★★ SAFETY AND RELIABILITY
- ★★★★★ VALUE FOR MONEY
- ★★★★★ CUSTOMER REVIEWS AND FEEDBACK
- ★★★ ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

TIPS

- ✓ Dress Modestly
- ✓ Take off your shoes before entering
- ✓ Visit outside prayer times to avoid disruption.
- ✓ Enjoy the courtyard and different views of the mosque.
- ✓ Keep quiet, avoid flash photography, and don't walk in front of worshippers.
- ✓ Follow the local customs and practices

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Blue Mosque initially had six minarets, matching the Kaaba in Mecca, **which led to a seventh being added at the Kaaba.**
- The mosque's interior is adorned with over **20,000 handmade** ceramic tiles, many of which are in shades of blue, giving the mosque its nickname. These tiles were made in **Iznik**, a town renowned for its ceramics, and feature intricate floral and geometric patterns.
- The mosque hosts one of **Istanbul's largest Eid prayer gatherings**, a tradition since its completion in the early 17th century.