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***** Turkey *****

23rd August to 24th September 2010. 33 Days ex. Istanbul

\$6500 Leader : John Dobbs

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Ancient and modern, west and east, Europe and Asia – Turkey is a fascinating blend of history, culture and scenic beauty. This itinerary covers the best of the west and central Anatolia regions. Beginning in timeless Istanbul, we visit Gallipoli and head down the Aegean coast visiting Troy, Ephesus and other ancient Greco-Roman sites. Tramping some of the best sections of the Lycian Way, we explore the mountains, villages and coast of this beautiful region. In central Cappadocia, the fantastically eroded volcanic landscapes are surreal and walking here will be another highlight. Moving into the high valleys and pastures of the Taurus Mountains, our tramping programme will show another side to Turkey. Relax back in Goreme, Cappadocia, then return to Istanbul via Ankara, the capital. A very comprehensive trip with a great variety of experiences and excellent tramping.

PRICE INCLUDES :

- *All transport in Turkey – buses, boats*
- *Fez Bus 'Turkish Delight' Pass*
- *All accommodation in budget hotels, pensions and hostels (twin share), village houses and camping*
- *Local English speaking guides*
- *Equipment and infrastructure for the camping section in the Taurus Mountains*
- *Entry fees to parks and historic sites as per itinerary, arrival and departure airport transfers in Istanbul*
- *Most meals as per itinerary (B. L. D.) 32 breakfasts, 15 lunches and 20 dinners are included*

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE :

- *Flights to/from Istanbul*
- *Additional meals*
- *Travel Insurance (mandatory)*
- *Personal expenses such as internet, laundry, personal tipping, optional extra like ballooning, etc*
- *Any pre or post trip travel arrangements*

Trip Leader :

John is the FMC Travel Club Convenor and regular trumper with the Napier Tramping Club. He has organized many trips for the Travel Club and led a few too – Tasmania, Alaska/Yukon, Fiji, Madagascar, Hawaii and Turkey in 2008. This itinerary includes the best Turkey offers on a circuit of the west and central regions. Local leaders take over during the tramping sections. John brings his brand of enthusiasm, care and attention to details to ensure you will enjoy a memorable holiday. *Merhaba – welcome to Turkey!*

Trip Organisation :

There are 3 major components :

1. A circuit of the west and central regions of Turkey on the **Fez Bus** hop-on hop-off network.
2. A fully supported trekking trip through the **Lycian Way** with Explore Worldwide.
3. A 2 week module involving walking in the **Cappadocia** region before more adventurous trekking in the **Taurus Mountains**, again with Explore Worldwide.

Istanbul is the start and end point for the trip. What can be said about this timeless city that has not been written many times. Istanbul is one of the most fascinating cities on earth, Byzantine art and architecture, a banquet of east meet west. We stay in a convenient area of the old city, within easy walking distance of many of the city's best features and near the Bosphorus Strait.

Joining **Fez Bus**, we head down the west coast of the country with well spaced overnight stops, using modern air-conditioned non-smoking 14-20 seat coaches. Along with the driver, the Fez on-board leader gives commentary and advice and time is available for sightseeing.

After a week or so we will be in the southwest and ready to join our **Lycian Way** section. This is Turkey's first long distance walking route (approx' 500kms total length), traversing the ancient province of Lycia, Our route includes some of the most interesting sections among the hills, mountains and villages seeing a traditional way of life. Hugely varied - we will encounter little known ruins, olive groves ,rocky and sandy sections from mountains to sea level. Staying in simple village accommodation and small hotels in towns and we are accompanied by an English speaking Explore leader.

Then a short return on the **Fez Bus** network, via Olympos to Konya, home of the whirling dervishes.

In Konya, we meet up with our next Explore leader for our **Cappadocia and the Taurus Mountains** section. The surreal, eroded landscape of Cappadocia is unique and captivating. Here we do many walks through the valleys and hills surrounding Goreme. There are remnants of a Christian civilization fleeing persecution – monasteries and churches carved out of soft volcanic tufa and the extraordinary underground city of Kaymakli.

Then we gear up for tramping in the high valleys and pastures of the Taurus Mountains, using mules to carry our gear and staying in fixed campsites up to 3000m. This is spectacular mountain walking and there will be an opportunity to climb the non-technical peak of Mt Emblar, close in height to our Mt Cook, but approached from a plateau relatively close to the summit. We expect to encounter nomadic herders in the mountain valleys, perpetuating the ancient ways.

Parts of this section are relatively tough due to altitude and the tramping can be over steep and rocky ground. Anyone of good fitness able to carry a day pack and walk comfortably in NZ mountain ranges and high hills should be fine. The walking programme will have built up to this section, which will also help. The tramp is fully supported and managed with pack animals carrying the gear.

Returning to Goreme for R & R, we rejoin **Fez Bus** and return to Istanbul via the capital, Ankara. A final day for sightseeing, shopping and a celebration dinner concludes the trip. A few half day or whole day breaks are fitted in where appropriate.

Accommodation is a mix of small hotels, pensions and hostels, on a twin share basis. Tramping sections include village houses, pensions and camping, with all equipment for the latter included. Please note that you must supply your own sleeping bag for the Taurus Mtns. and we recommend this should be a 3 season bag.

Transport comprises the Fez Bus network and other buses on the Lycian way and Taurus sections, plus boat or ferry rides, where applicable.

Historic sites, shows/culture etc. Costs are included for : Blue Mosque, Aya Sofya, Topkapi Palace, the Underground Cistern the Hippodrome, Rumeli Fortress and Dolmabahce palace (Istanbul); Gallipoli, Troy, Pergamum, Ephesus, Pamukkale/Heirapolis. Also, a Turkish dinner show in Istanbul that will include belly dancing, a whirling dervishes performance in Istanbul, plus a dinner and folklore show in Goreme that may include whirling dervishes.

Food and Beverage. One of the delights of Turkey is its cuisine. Lots of fresh produce, rich traditions and slow preparation – this is not a land of fast food takeaways western style. Delicious soups, stews, kebabs, mountains of bread, meatballs, pizza, fish and really strong coffee. Desserts and sweets such as baklava and halva are delicious.

Turkish ‘ready food’ *Hazir Yemek* means a restaurant with a variety of dishes prepared in advance and kept warm in steam tables. It’s the Turkish version of a self-service cafeteria, and it’s a culinary wonder. Artfully decorated dishes and very reasonable prices are the norm, so this is a good choice for low cost and quick lunches, for example.

The traditional breakfast (*kahvalti*) consists of fresh bread (*ekmek*) with jam or honey, black olives, sliced tomatoes and cucumber, boiled eggs and cheese, with plenty of tea or coffee. An alternative is a bowl of hot lentil soup (*mercimek corbasi*) with lots of fresh bread.

Lunches and dinners are often similar. Soup (*corba*) such as lentil soup, (*ezo gelin*) red lentil and rice soup, (*domates*) tomato, (*balik corbasi*) fish soup, (*sebze corbasi*) vegetable soup, and (*yayla corbasi*) yoghurt soup with mint.

Cold and hot mezzes are like samosas, then there are the huge variety of kebabs of lamb, chicken or fish.

Stuffed baked vegetables are also popular. Mixed fruit or a cheese plate also feature.

Turkey’s favourite spirit is *raki*, an aniseed grape brandy. But beer is good and widely available and of course *turk kahvesi* (Turkish coffee) and *cay* (tea). Apple tea is popular.

Weather. Coinciding with late summer/early autumn should give warm to hot conditions in Istanbul and on the Aegean and Mediterranean coasts. Inland in Anatolia temperatures will be cooler. The Taurus Mountains will be the coolest section and snow on the ground in the higher altitudes is likely.

Other and general. Once registrations are to hand and a viable group has been established, a pre-departure circular will be sent out. This will contain more information about Turkey and how to plan for your trip and will include a gear and accommodation lists, and optional activities, etc. While this is a comprehensive trip with most expenses included, you will need to allocate spending money for extra meals, perhaps some additional sightseeing, souvenirs, personal tips, etc. Worthwhile options include a genuine Turkish bath (or two!) and an early morning balloon flight over Cappadocia, from Goreme. There is probably no better place in the world to float in a balloon! Turkey is world famous for its textiles, fine leather and local handicrafts, making it a shopper’s paradise.

At mid November 2009, NZD\$100 buys approx’ 109 Turkish Lira. Prices for many things are on a par with NZ. It is in the markets, such as the amazing Grand Bazaar in Istanbul, that you can practice your bargaining skills. Otherwise prices are fixed. Turkey also has a value-added tax and this is normally included in a bill. Tipping is becoming expected in all but the cheapest restaurants and hotels.

Itinerary :

Day 1. Mon 23 Aug. Istanbul

Arrival day into Istanbul, transfer to the hotel and meet up with the rest of the group over dinner at a local restaurant tonight. *Merhaba – welcome to Turkey! D.*

Day 2. Tue 24 Aug. Istanbul

A terrific morning boat trip out on the Bosphorus, the strait separating Europe and Asia. We will also visit the intoxicating spice market, Dolmabahce Palace and Camlica Hill. Tonight a wonderful 'Istanbul by night' show and dinner. **B. L. D.**

Day 3. Wed 25 Aug. Istanbul

Today we have a comprehensive guided tour through some of the treasures of Istanbul – the Blue Mosque, the Aya Sofya, Topkapi Palace, Hippodrome, underground cistern and Suleymaniye Mosque. For many centuries, this city was the capital of the civilized world. Even though in 1922 Ankara became the capital of Turkey, Istanbul continued to be the Turkish metropolis. It remains the country's largest city and the first destination for Turkish and overseas visitors alike. Tonight, dinner at a small nearby restaurant followed by a mesmerizing performance of the *sema*, or whirling dervishes dance/worship performance. **B. L. D.**

Day 4. Thu 26 Aug. Istanbul to Gallipoli

An early start today as we head west along the coast of the Sea of Marmara. This afternoon we can honour the ANZAC's on a tour of the Gallipoli battlefields and learn all about this ill-fated WW1 campaign from our knowledgeable local guide. Today the Gallipoli battlefields are peaceful places covered in scrubby bush, pine forests and farmer's fields. But the momentous battles fought here nearly a century ago are still alive in the memories of many people. Overnight in Canakkale **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 5. Fri 27 Aug. Gallipoli to Kusadasi

South along the Aegean Coast, stopping at ancient Troy and Pergamum for guided tours. Troy is one of Turkey's World Heritage sites and will be familiar to anyone who has read Homer's *Iliad* or has heard the tales of the Trojan wars. The modern city of Bergama sits close to ancient Pergamum, which had its heyday in the times of Alexander the Great when it was a powerful mini-kingdom. The ruins of the temples, theatre, the asclepion (ancient medical centre) and so on are amazing. Overnight in Kusadasi, a modern tourist town on the coast, not far from fabled Ephesus. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 6. Sat 28 Aug. Day trip to Pamukkale and Heirapolis

Travelling inland (east) we head for the amazing white terraces of Pamukkale. Hot calcium-laden mineral waters used to flow through a ruined Hellenistic city called Heirapolis, before cascading over a cliff. As the water cooled, so the calcium precipitated and clung to the cliffs, forming snowy white travertines. It is a fascinating area made richer by an exploration of the ruins of Heirapolis with a local guide. You can even take a swim in the warm waters in a pool full of fallen temple pillars – quite atmospheric! **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 7. Sun 29 Aug. Kusadasi

Absorb yourself in stunning Ephesus this morning. This is the best preserved classical city in the eastern Mediterranean. Ancient Ephesus was a great trading city and there are numerous layers of history here, so the guide's interpretation is helpful. The streets, statues, theatres, library, mosaics, plazas and great stadium are all fantastic and completely absorbing. The afternoon is at leisure. Visit the fortress in Kusadasi, enjoy a swim at local beaches, stroll the harbor area, catch up on emails etc. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 8. Mon 30 Aug. Kusadasi to Koycegiz

A pleasant drive to the small fruit growing town of Koycegiz (pronounced Kerjeez) which sits on the shore of a large and beautiful lake. Natural thermal bud baths are a feature near here and maybe an option. A stroll along the lakeshore promenade to enjoy a beer and Turkish pizza (*pide*) tonight would be perfect. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 9. Tue 31 Aug. Koycegiz to Fethiye

Today we walk up Salkikent Gorge, Turkey's longest and deepest canyon. Saklikent is literally a mountain split down the middle by an earthquake. On the way we get to learn a little about famous Turkish carpets and village life, then enjoy lunch by the river. Later, we continue on to Kayakoy and meet up with our *Explore* trip leader. We walk through the deserted village of Kaya Koyu. Dominating the mountainside that overlooks the village, Kaya Koyu has fallen into ruin since the exodus of Greeks in 1923, forced out by the Treaty of Lausanne. Its ghostly buildings cast a strange profile against the sky, giving the impression of a town cursed by its turbulent past. Back to enjoy dinner at our pension.

B. D. Lunch is your cost today.

Day 10. Wed 01 Sep. Tramp to Faralya

A short drive and then we are underway on the Lycian Trail. From Avacik village which nestles on the hillside overlooking Olu Deniz, we aim south onto the outflung shoulders of Baba Dagi (1989m). There are terrific views out to sea and down to the sublime beach of Olu Deniz. Pass through pine forests and remote villages nestling under the heights of Baba Dagi, to the village of Faralya which lies on a small plateau above the fiord-like Butterfly Valley, where steep limestone cliffs drop to the sea. The sunset over the Med' here in 2008 was glorious. 13kms, approx 5hrs, no major gradients. **B. D.** Lunch is your cost today.

Day 11. Thu 02 Sep. Tramp to Gey

Through pine forests to farmland that gives way to terraces with views to villages far below, as well as out to distant islands. Skirting slopes above Kabak village, we follow an ancient path into a blind valley before climbing up through forest again to Alinca village, for a well earned lunch. Later, pass high above spectacular bays of this rugged coastline towards Gey village, our stop for the night. 16kms, approx 7hrs, steep for 1.5hrs before lunch. **B. L. D.**

Day 12. Fri 03 Sep. Tramp to Kalkan

The Lycian Way continues through more stunning coastal scenery before descending to Pydnai at the northern end of Patara Beach. The seldom visited fortress here has beautiful stone walls from the 4th century that are in amazingly good condition. The 18kms long beach is a protected nesting area of the endangered giant loggerhead turtle. From the beach we make a short transfer to the pretty coastal town of Kalkan for two nights, where we enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. 16kms, approx 5-6 hrs. **B.L. D.**

Day 13. Sat 04 Sep. Kalkan

Walk around the headland of Yali and through tiny hamlets, fertile rolling fields with beautiful views. Descend to the southern end of Patara Beach for a swim before exploring the extensive ruins of Patara. The importance of this area stretches through time - it is home to the temple and oracle of Apollo, it is the birthplace of St. Nicholas (aka Santa Claus!) and, as an ancient Roman stronghold it boasts well preserved, often sand covered ruins. Return to Kalkan later in the afternoon. 12kms, approx 4hrs plus exploration of ruins and beach time. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 14. Sun 05 Sep. Tramp to Kas

We head inland to explore the Lycian hinterland. Taking a route across streams and through several villages almost untouched by modern life we climb up a ridge, with unsurpassed views of the inland mountains and the coast below. Descend to Kas, one of the loveliest ports on the Turkish Riviera, with a dramatic backdrop of limestone cliffs. Kas is a great place to relax, with cafes and restaurants spilling out onto cobbled streets and a network of tiny back alleys. 18kms, approx 6 hrs. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 15. Mon 06 Sep. Kas

Walk to the hamlet and ancient port of Aperlae, and catch a boat to the castle topped village of Simena. On the way we can swim in the Med' and visit the sunken city of Kekova. The result of earthquakes, the partly submerged streets and buildings are visible in the clear waters and there are visible mosaic pavements, terracotta amphorae, walls and staircases that once formed part of this remote island community. On to Simena – this little village is only accessible by boat or on foot and it has no roads. Its harbor is dotted with sarcophagi (tombs), Roman baths and houses cling to the hillside below a medieval castle. Within the castle walls is a tiny theatre. Carved from solid rock it is a good place to

contemplate the surroundings and layers of history. Later we return to Kas. 10kms, 3hrs. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 16. Tue 07 Sep. Kas to Olympos

Free time in the morning, then by bus to Olympos, where we overnight in treehouses! This evening we can visit the natural wonder of the eternal flames of Chimaera. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 17. Wed 08 Sep. Olympos to Konya

Ancient Olympos, once an important Lycian city, has been conquered and rebuilt and destroyed many times. Maybe time for another swim in the Med' before we catch the bus again. We pass through the big coastal city of Antalya before heading north east across the Anatolian Plain to Konya. A city of the old and the new – venerable mosques, elbow room only market places and Muslim pilgrims rub shoulders with modern western oriented Turks. A major site is the Mevlana Museum with its iconic turquoise dome. If we are not too late arriving in Konya, or too tired, we may be able to arrange a whirling dervish performance. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 18. Thu 09 Sep. Konya to Cappadocia

Meet up with our next Explore trek leader and after a visit to the Mevlana Museum, we drive to the lunar landscapes and surreal scenery of Cappadocia, via the 13th century caravanserai of Agzikarahan. Then we have a 2 hr walk from Selime village via cave dwellings to Belisirma village where we overnight. There are many ancient pathways in this region, where the soft lava and ash rock have eroded into a fairy landscape of giant rows of cones and mountains riddled with caves and tunnels and where people are still living. **B. L. D.**

Day 19. Fri 10 Sep. Walks in the Goreme region

Approx 4hr walk through to Ilhara Valley before lunch, then drive to our Goreme pension followed by a 2hr walk through Kizilcukur Valley returning to Goreme by bus. Perhaps try a Turkish bath tonight? **B. L. D.**

Day 20. Sat 11 Sep. Walks in the Goreme region

A short drive then a 2hr walk in the Akvadi Valley to Uchisar 'castle'. After lunch a walk in Pigeon Valley for a couple of hours before returning to the accommodation by bus. **B. L. D.**

Day 21. Sun 12 Sep. Start Taurus Mountains section

First up, we descend into the mysterious and ancient underground city of Kaymakli, just one of the 36 underground cities that have been identified and are being excavated. This is like entering a huge and complex swiss cheese. Archaeologists date these cities 4000 years to Hittite times. As they are somewhat claustrophobic and not for everyone, the entry cost is not included. To Pinarbasi village for lunch. Then we have a few hours walk in the Maden Valley to approx 1900m. **B. L. D.**

Day 22. Mon 13 Sep. Taurus Mountains

Up the Maden Gorge through the Aladag Mountains, possibly seeing nomads at the yayla (mountain pasture/camp) where we stop for lunch. Then climb up away from the river to our camp at Karagol Lake. Option to continue up past the lake towards Sigirasan Pass for superb peak viewing. Approx 6hrs today. **B. L. D.**

Day 23. Tue 14 Sep. Taurus Mountains

Comce Golu, the Akcay Valley to Tekkalesi Pass (3200m). Then south to our campsite at Yedigoller (Seven Lakes) with the peaks of Narpuzbasi (3622m) and Direktas (3550m) behind. 6 – 7hrs walking today. **B. L. D.**

Day 24. Wed 15 Sep. Taurus Mountains

An optional trip to bag the peak of Mt. Embler (3723m) 5 6 hrs walking today. **B. L. D.**

Day 25. Thu 16 Sep. Taurus Mountains

Along the Yalak Deresi trail to a narrow canyon then across the rugged Celikbuyduran Pass (3450m)/ Down the valley passing bizarrely sandy coloured tock formations to our 2000m campsite at Sokullupinar. The grassy setting contrasts to the rocky and barren Yedigoller campsite. 5 – 6 hrs. **B. L. D.**

Day 26. Fri 17 Sep. Taurus Mountains

Pass the northern face of Demirkazik (3756m) then some impressive sheer rock walls of Cimbar Canyon. Pause at Demirkazik village for lunch. This village has hardly changed for centuries and we may see such traditions as women spinning wool and working on looms. Return to Sokullupinar campsite via a different route. 5 – 6hrs. **B. L. D.**

Day 27. Sat 18 Sep. Taurus Mountains

Ascend the Tulu Valley to the high pastures of Eznevit Yaylasi (2538m). There could be nomads grazing flocks here. After lunch we gradually descend to our campsite at Emli Valley where there are fir and oak forests. 5 – 6hrs. **B. L. D.**

Day 28. Sun 19 Sep. Taurus Mountains

Walk from Emli Valley to Alaca Plateau (2400m), Mangirci Valley with lunch beside a stream before descending to our campsite. 6 hrs. **B. L. D.**

Day 29. Mon 20 Sep. To Goreme

Return to Goreme , where we stay in a cave hotel for 2 nights. Goreme is great for cafes and shopping opportunities. This evening enjoy a Turkish night with dinner and a whirling dervish and dance performance. **B. D.** Lunch is your cost today.

Day 30. Tue 21 Sep. Goreme

Day at leisure. Perhaps you have opted for an early morning balloon flight over the Goreme district – an awesome trip that was popular with the group in 2008. The Goreme open air museum just out of town is worth inspecting, and there is a really nice Turkish bathhouse in the centre of town. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 31. Wed 22 Sep. Goreme to Istanbul

An early start as we rejoin Fez Bus and head back to Istanbul, via Ankara, the nation's capital. We will stop at a salt lake on the way and then have time to visit the Mausoleum of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, the 'father' of modern Turkey, and discover what has happened to the Turkish nation since World War 1. **B.** Lunch and dinner are your cost today.

Day 32. Thu 23 Sep. Istanbul

Final day at leisure for shopping and sightseeing. Don't miss the amazing 4000 shop Grand Bazaar where you can buy almost anything! Tonight, a final farewell celebration dinner at a local restaurant. **B. D.** Lunch is your cost today.

Day 33. Fri 24 Sep. Depart Istanbul

All good things come to an end - the trip concludes after breakfast. **B.**

***** I will be flying on to Cairo for a trip through Egypt before returning to NZ.**

This is not an expensive tour and would be ideal to add on to your trip to Turkey as it is 'within the region'.

Contact me for details if you might be interested in joining me on this trip. ***

***** I recommend flying Singapore Airlines who offer great service and a direct service from Singapore to/from Istanbul. If your trip to Turkey is combined with other travels in Europe or/and the Middle East, Singapore Airlines are still a preferred airline. For ideas, routes and costings for Singapore Airlines or any other, discuss your plans with John Dobbs at any time. *****

Booking Conditions :

1. FMC Travel Club (FMC) offers this small group trip in conjunction with Travel Smart Napier (TSN). All travel arrangements are made through TSN. All participants must agree to all terms and conditions by signing the Registration Form.
2. FMC and TSN are not liable or responsible for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may arise from weather or defect in any vehicle, vessel or aircraft, or through the acts or default of any persons or company engaged in conveying passengers or in carrying out the trip arrangements.
3. FMC and TSN reserve the right to cancel the trip should minimum numbers required to operate not eventuate. Should this occur, all monies paid by participants will be fully refunded. All efforts to ensure the trip will operate even with reduced numbers will be undertaken, before announcing any decision to cancel. Any changes thus caused to the itinerary, dates or price will be conveyed to all participants for their prior acceptance.
4. Minor amendments to the itinerary may be necessary and the leader has the authority to make changes "on ground" for the benefit of participants.
5. The trip price includes a payment to FMC and the apportioned cost of the leader's travel.
6. Registrations are accepted on a first comers basis in good faith upon receipt of the Registration Form and payment of \$1000 per person – due by 31st March 2010. The balance is due by 31st May 2010. All payments may be made by cash, cheque EFTPOS, direct credit, visa or mastercard to the office of TSN. No other method or place of payment is accepted. Cheques must be payable to Travel Smart Napier. **Any or all payments by visa or mastercard increase the final trip price by \$100 per person. A discount of \$150 is offered for early registrations received by 23rd December 2009.**
**Direct credit internet payments must go into the office account of TSN :
Heerlen Ltd T/A Travel Smart Napier 010685 0151601 00 (ANZ Napier) Identify transactions with your name.**
7. The trip price is expressed in NZ Dollars. There is no solo supplement charged. Events beyond our control in relation to currency exchange and the imposition of additional local taxes may result in a variation to the trip price until such time as full payment has been received. Upon full payment, the trip price is guaranteed.
8. Cancellations. If you need to cancel for any reason, you must advise TSN in writing as soon as possible. An email is accepted but a phone call is not. Cancellation fees apply as follows :
 - Cancellations received up to 31st March 2010 incur a fee of \$500 per person
 - Cancellations received from 1st April 2010 to 31st May 2010 incur a fee of \$1000 per person
 - Cancellations received from 1st June 2010 onwards incur a fee of 100%of the trip costsPlease note that if you find someone to replace you, cancellation fees might possibly be negated.
9. TRAVEL INSURANCE IS MANDATORY. We recommend QBE Travel Insurance and a brochure/application is available to everyone. TSN will provide a discounted quote on receipt of a signed application. Alternative policies are acceptable with evidence provided. **Please note that \$500 of the Registration payment is non-refundable if YOU cancel, so you are strongly advised to have cancellation protection in place when making your Registration payment. Typically, the cost of this is around \$40. When trip viability is confirmed, cancellation protection should be upgraded to full cover to protect you against possible eventualities, before departure. The \$40 cost is then absorbed into the full policy, meaning you do not pay any extra.**
10. Please supply a scan or photocopy of your passport when registering. You must have 3 months available on your expiry date after your return to NZ or you will need to replace your passport. NZ passport holders do not require a visa to enter Turkey for up to 90 days. If this trip is part of wider travel arrangements or if you are travelling on other than a NZ passport, you may require visas or other documentation. For any questions relating to passports and visas, and for international flights and other travel arrangements, discuss with John Dobbs at TSN.

Registration Form :

Request your place on **TURKEY 2010** by completing this form and send to John Dobbs at TSN before the closing date of 31st March 2010. The minimum group size is 8. **Please register early so we can ascertain group viability early and be fair to others who do register early. Remember also the early bird discount of \$150 for registrations received by 23rd December 2009.**

Full name(s) as shown in passport(s), underline your preferred first name.....

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Mailing address.....

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Mob.....Date(s) of birth.....

Dietary requirements, allergies, medical conditions, etc?.....

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Are you affiliated to FMC through a tramping club? Which club?.....

If not, are you a private member of FMC?YES.....NO

(direct or affiliated membership of FMC is not a pre-requisite of joining this trip, however)

If neither, we encourage you to join FMC as a private or club member. See www.fmc.org.nz

Contact person in NZ in an emergency (name, address, all contacts, relationship to you).....

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PTO to answer a few questions about your tramping experience.....

I / We have read the full trip dossier and I / We accept fully the booking conditions of this trip. I / We enclose My / Our Registration payment of \$1000 per person. I / We agree to pay the remainder of trip costs by due date as advised by invoice. I / We understand that the final trip price cannot be guaranteed until full payment has been made.

.....signed and dated by each person registering

Checklist :

Registration form, payment, passport scan or photocopy, cancellation insurance cover (application form can be emailed or posted to you, just ask).

Please send everything to :

John Dobbs, FMC Travel Club Convenor

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