

TREKKING, MOUNTAINEERING

MOUNT ARARAT IN TURKEY – TREKKING TO THE MOUNTAIN OF NOAH'S ARK

Ideal expedition to climb your first 5000mts peak.



B4Experience

TURKEY



Trekking trip to climb the highest mountain in Turkey, Mount Ararat (5,137 m). It does not require advanced technical skills and is ideal as an expedition to your first 5,000-meter peak. According to tradition, it is also the place where Noah's Ark came to rest after the great flood.

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RECOMMENDED MONTHS

JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER



PRICE

From 995€ /person

Group discounts





Highlights

- STUNNING SUMMIT VIEWS.
- WITHOUT MAJOR TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES
- CULTURAL KURDISH VILLAGES.
- EPIC SUNRISE ASCENT.

Private groups

100% customizable

From (People)	Category	Availability	N° days	Price per pers.
4	Standard	01 Jun 2026 - 13 Sep 2026	8	995€
1	Standard	01 Jun 2026 - 13 Sep 2026	8	1.150€

Travel only with your family or friends.

**Confirm availability at info@b4experience.com / +34 613 03 77 00 / www.b4experience.com*

Open groups

Share the experience with other travelers

Program	Dates	Nº days	Seats available	Starting point	Price
✕ No open group events available, only private groups					

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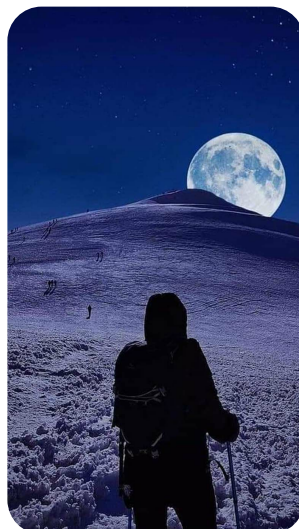
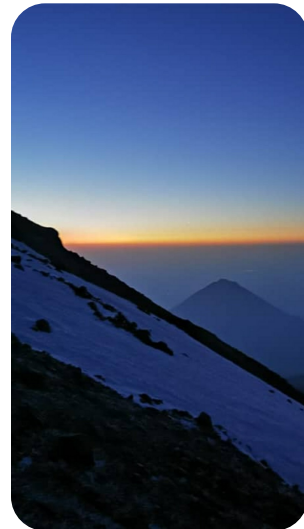


Included

- All transfers within Turkey
- 3 nights in a 3-star hotel in Doğubayazıt with breakfast
- All nights in mountain camps with tents (one tent for every 2 people)
- All camping equipment (including mattresses, solar panels, showers...)
- Bottled water in the mountain camps
- All meals and drinks during the mountain expedition
- Private cook for the group in the mountains
- Mules to carry equipment (up to 20 kg per person)
- Cultural tour
- Official climbing permit
- Local mountain guide fluent in Spanish, Turkish, English, and Kurdish
- Technical and gear advice.

Not Included

- Flights and visa to Turkey (we can help arrange them)
- Dinners and lunches in the city
- Soft drinks, alcohol, and personal extras
- Personal mountaineering equipment (available for rent locally)
- Travel/cancellation insurance: optional but recommended (we can help arrange it)
- Tips (optional)
- Anything not included in the "INCLUDED" section.



Itinerary

DAY 1: Arrival in Turkey and transfer

Arrival at Iğdır Airport. Private transfer to Doğubayazıt (approx. 1 h), a town located at 1,800 meters. Overnight in a 3★ hotel with breakfast included. If arriving at Van Airport (2.5 h drive), there is a €25 supplement for the private transfer.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel.

DAY 2: Ascent to Camp 1

After a good breakfast, we will transfer to the village of Eli (about 40 km), located at 2,200 m. From there, we begin the ascent, which takes about 4–5 hours to reach Camp 1 at 3,300 meters above sea level. Overnight in a tent at Camp 1.

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner.

DAY 3: Acclimatization

Mount Ararat rises above 5,000 m, so proper acclimatization is essential to avoid altitude sickness. We will use this day to help our bodies adapt to the altitude by hiking up to Camp 2. After a rest, we will descend back to Camp 1.

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner.

DAY 4: Camp 2

After breakfast, we will ascend to Camp 2 at 4,200 meters, where we'll rest all afternoon to gather strength for the summit day the following morning.

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner.

DAY 5: Summit of Mount Ararat (5,137 m)

We'll wake up at sunrise, have a hearty breakfast, and begin the climb to the summit. Depending on the year and month, crampons may be necessary for the final stretch. After enjoying the views from the summit, we'll begin the descent to Camp 2, where we'll stop to refuel. We'll then continue to Camp 1 for the night.

Accommodation: Tent

Meals: Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner.

DAY 6: Descent

We'll wake up without rushing and begin the descent to the point where transport will be waiting to take us back to Doğubayazıt.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: Breakfast.

DAY 7: Contingency Day

We have this extra day in case bad weather prevented us from following the previous itinerary. If the forecast improves, we'll take the opportunity to explore the surroundings of Doğubayazıt and immerse ourselves in its culture by visiting the main markets and monuments and chatting with the friendly Kurdish locals.

Accommodation: 3-star hotel

Meals: Breakfast.

DAY 8: Return

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the airport to begin the journey back home.

Meals: Breakfast.

Payment and cancellation policy

Initial booking

To secure your spot, an initial payment of 30% of the total trip cost is required at the time of booking.

Final payment

The remaining 70% must be paid no later than 60 days before the departure date.

Extras

Additional travel costs such as insurance, flights, or other optional services must be paid in full at the time of booking.

Cancellation insurance

Clients may purchase travel cancellation insurance to be eligible for a full refund of the amount paid (subject to policy terms and conditions).

The final user may cancel the booked trip and is entitled to a refund of the amounts paid, except for the penalties outlined below. Once the trip is confirmed, the user must also compensate the Agency with the amounts listed. If the trip is canceled due to not reaching the minimum required number of participants, the client may keep the credit for future trips or request a full refund of the reservation.

Cancellation policy 3

Reembolso completo hasta 24h después de la compra.

Up to 60 days before the trip: 100% refund of the trip cost

Up to 45 days before the trip: 50% refund of the trip cost

For periods shorter than those mentioned above, no refund will be issued

*€250 management fee applies

*Cancellation costs for already issued bookings will not be refunded

*Any other non-refundable expenses already incurred will also not be refunded and will be deducted from the refund amount

*The cancellation cost for issued flight tickets is 100% of the total fare.

Packing List

FUNCTIONAL CLOTHING

- Softshell jacket (windproof, water-repellent, lightweight) for general use or hardshell (Gore-Tex waterproof) only if severe weather is expected
- Lightweight waterproof pants
- Warm jacket: down or preferably Primaloft (as it handles moisture better)
- Lightweight fleece
- Thermal pants and shirt for sleeping in the hut
- Shorts and technical shirts (quick-dry)
- Underwear (preferably not cotton)

HEAD

- Light running cap
- Wool beanie
- Neck gaiter
- Sunglasses

HANDS

- Thin fleece gloves
- Thick gloves
- Trekking poles

FEET

- Socks (preferably non-cotton)
- Trail running shoes or lightweight shoes
- Mountaineering boots
- Crampons (can be rented locally)
- Trekking sandals with heel strap (optional)

BACKPACKS

- 20/35 L backpack
- Rain cover for backpack
- 80/100 L duffle bag

SHELTER GEAR

- Sleeping bag (comfort -10 °C)
- Earplugs

ACCESSORIES

- Headlamp and spare battery or batteries
- Sunscreen, lip balm, and after sun

FOOD / DRINK

- Minimum 1 L hydration system (camelbak, canteen or soft bottle)
- Thermos (optional)
- Snacks, nuts, gels, hydration mix, and enough energy bars, protein bars, trail mix, magnesium tablets, and recovery supplements

TRAVEL GEAR

- Casual clothing
- Passport, visa, cash, insurance documentation, vaccination card
- Microfiber towel
- First aid kit and personal medication
- Thermal blanket
- Phone and GPS watch with route tracking
- Powerbank, camera, charging cables, headphones, selfie stick.

FAQs

How long does the program last and how is the itinerary structured?

The full trip lasts 8 days: one day for arrival in Doğubayazıt, four days of trekking (including the summit day), one descent day, one extra day in case weather conditions delay the summit attempt, and a final day for the return to the airport. Camps are set up at 3,300m (Camp 1) and 4,200m (Camp 2) before the final summit push.

What is the best time of year and what departures are scheduled?

The best time to climb Mount Ararat is between June and September, when weather and snow conditions are more stable and safer. During these months, we can organize the ascent on any date you choose, with no need to join a fixed group. There is no minimum group size required: we accept bookings from just one person and guarantee the trip will take place regardless. You choose when to travel, and we take care of everything else.

Why is Mount Ararat ideal as a “first five-thousander”?

At 5,137 meters, Mount Ararat is the highest mountain in Turkey and, since it doesn't involve technically difficult sections, it is considered the perfect gateway to high-altitude ascents for mountaineers looking to progress.

What is the technical difficulty level of the normal route?

The route is essentially a high-altitude trek: it involves walking on trails and snowy slopes, with no climbing required. Crampons may be needed on the final section depending on the season. The challenge is more physical than technical.

What services are included in the price?

Includes all internal transfers, 3 nights in a 3★ hotel, double tents in the mountains with full camping equipment, full-board meals at altitude, bottled water, cook, mules (up to 20kg per person), official climbing permit, and a multilingual local guide.

What happens if the weather prevents the summit attempt on the scheduled date?

The program includes an extra day that can be used to wait for a good weather window or, if the summit has already been reached, to explore the region at a relaxed pace.

Are crampons always needed for the final section?

It depends on the season: in late summer there may be a clear trail without ice, but at the beginning or end of the season, a slope of hard snow often forms where crampons are essential. The guide will confirm this before departure. Both crampons and ice axe can be rented locally at a very affordable price.

Do I need to personally arrange the climbing permit?

No; the official permit is arranged by B4Experience and is already included in the package, so you only need to bring your passport and any documentation required by the local authorities.

How do I get to Doğubayazıt and which airports are the most convenient?

The standard option is to fly to Iğdır and take a 1-hour transfer included in the price. If you land in Van (2h 30 min), there is a €25 supplement for private transport to the hotel.

What level of fitness is required and can I prepare in advance?

You should be able to handle 1,300m of elevation gain in one day while carrying only a light backpack. B4Experience offers personalized training plans with a specialized coach for those who are interested.

Can I charge my phone or camera during the expedition?

Yes, both Camp 1 and Camp 2 are equipped with solar panels that allow you to charge devices such as mobile phones or cameras. Although availability may depend on sunlight conditions and shared use among participants, it is possible to keep your devices charged during the trek. However, bringing power banks as a backup is strongly recommended.

Is the water during the expedition safe to drink?

Yes, bottled water is provided at both camps (Camp 1 and Camp 2) for all participants, and it is included in the trip price. This ensures access to safe drinking water without the need for purification tablets or additional filters.

What is the accommodation like during the trip to Mount Ararat?

At the mountain camps (Camp 1 and 2), tents are shared between two people and come with insulating sleeping pads for added comfort. In the city, accommodation is in a 3★ hotel in a shared double room. If you prefer a single room at the hotel, you can request it for an additional €30 per night.

Is food included?

All meals in the mountains are included and will be prepared at the camps by our cooks. On the days spent at the hotel in Doğubayazıt, breakfast is included. There are several restaurants near the hotel.

Do I need to purchase rescue insurance?

Rescue insurance is highly recommended for all active trips. Keep in mind that these insurance policies are specific to each type of activity (hiking, climbing, etc.).



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