

## **ISTANBUL (NOT CONSTANTINOPLE)**

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**TEMPO: MODERATELY WITH A BOUNCE**

### **FOUR BAR INTRO**

**V1** Istanbul was Constantinople; now its  
Istanbul, not Constantinople. Been a  
Long time gone, old Constantinople, still it's  
Turkish delight on a moon-lit night!

**V2** Every gal in Constantinople lives in  
Istanbul, not Constantinople, so if  
You've a date in Constantinople she'll be *-{2<sup>nd</sup> time he'll be}*  
Waitin' in Istanbul!

**Middle 8** *(softly)* **LADIES:** Even old New York was once New Amsterdam.  
*(loud)* **MEN:** Why they changed it I can't say;  
**ALL:** People just liked it better that way!

**V3** Take me back to Constantinople! No! You  
Can't go back to Constantinople! Now it's  
Istanbul, not Constantinople! Why did  
Constantinople get the works? That's  
Nobody's business but the Turks!

**16 bar instrumental (KEYBOARD Bars 13-20; FLUTE bars 21-28)**

**Repeat from start**

**Repeat and elongate last 2 bars:**

**That's no—bo--dy's bus--iness but the Tur----ks!**