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We invite you to discover
Turkey this winter

ACTIVITIES

Winter Holiday in TURKEY

Winter in Turkey can vary depending on the region, but generally, it is a colder season with temperatures ranging from freezing to mild. In coastal areas, such as Istanbul, winter temperatures average around 7-10°C (45-50°F).

In the interior and eastern regions, temperatures can drop below freezing, with snowfall common. Winter is also the rainy season in Turkey, with the majority of the country's annual precipitation falling between November and March. The Black Sea region and the coastal areas of the Marmara Sea tend to be the wettest, while the eastern and southeastern regions are drier.

Despite the colder weather, there are still plenty of activities to enjoy in Turkey during the winter months. Skiing and snowboarding are popular in mountainous regions, and the coastal cities offer a range of indoor attractions, such as museums, galleries, and markets. The winter season is also a great time to try traditional Turkish dishes, such as lamb stew, hot soup, and freshly baked bread.

Uludag / Bursa

2,543 meters (8,343 feet)

Uludag is a mountain located in Bursa Province, Turkey. It is the highest mountain in the Marmara region, with an elevation of . Uludag is a popular destination for skiing and snowboarding in the winter, and it is also a popular hiking and camping destination in the summer.

There are several ski resorts in Uludag, offering a range of runs for skiers and snowboarders of all levels. In the summer, there are also a number of hiking trails and camping sites on the mountain, as well as a number of restaurants and cafes.

Cable Car

The Uludag Cable Car is a cable car system that takes visitors from the base of Uludag mountain to the top, offering panoramic views of the surrounding area. It takes about 20-25 minutes, and it stops at several intermediate stations along the way.

Erciyes / Kayseri

3,917 meters (12,848 feet)

Erciyes is a mountain located in the central Anatolian region of Turkey, and it is a popular destination for skiing and other winter sports. It is home to several ski resorts, offering a range of runs for skiers and snowboarders of all levels.

Erciyes is known for its dry, powdery snow, which makes it a popular destination for off-piste skiing and snowboarding. The mountain is also home to a number of cross-country ski trails, as well as a number of other winter sports facilities, such as ice skating rinks and sledding areas.

The ski season at Erciyes typically runs from December to April, although the exact dates can vary depending on the weather conditions.



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Davraz / Isparta

2,276 meters (7,464 feet)

Davraz is a mountain located in the Isparta Province of Turkey. It is a popular destination for skiing and other winter sports, as well as for hiking and camping in the summer months. In addition to skiing and snowboarding, Davraz is also a popular destination for cross-country skiing, ice skating, and sledding. There are a number of accommodation options in the area, including hotels, guesthouses, and rental properties, as well as a number of restaurants and cafes.

Davraz is located in the Taurus Mountains of southwestern Turkey, and it is easily accessible by road from the nearby city of Isparta. The ski season at Davraz typically runs from December to April, although the exact dates can vary depending on the weather conditions. In the summer, the mountain is a popular destination for hiking and camping, with a number of trails and campsites available.



Palandoken / Erzurum

2,965 meters (9,725 feet)

Palandoken is a ski resort located in the city of Erzurum, in the eastern Anatolian region of Turkey. Palandoken is a popular ski destination for both Turkish and international tourists, and it is easily accessible by road or by public transportation. It is home to several ski runs, as well as a number of other winter sports facilities, such as ice skating rinks and sledding areas.

Palandoken is known for its high-quality snow and long ski season. The resort is equipped with modern ski lifts and other facilities, and it offers a range of runs for skiers and snowboarders of all levels.

At Palandöken, there are a total of 18 ski runs, ranging in difficulty from beginner to expert. The resort also has a number of off-piste areas for advanced skiers and snowboarders, as well as a number of cross-country ski trails.

Famous and Historical Bazaar in Istanbul: **LALELİ TASHAN**

Laleli Tashan is significant because of its rich history and cultural significance. The site is located in a neighborhood that has a long history of cultural and artistic production, and it has played a significant role in the development of the city of Istanbul over the centuries. It is also a popular tourist destination, attracting visitors from all over the world who are interested in learning about the city's history and culture.

Laleli Tashan is a historical site located in the Laleli neighborhood of Istanbul, Turkey. The site is believed to be the location of a Byzantine-era palace, which was later converted into a mosque by the Ottomans in the 15th century.

The name "Laleli" comes from the name of the Ottoman sultan, Abdul Hamid I, who was also known as "Laleli." The word "Tashan" means "marketplace" or "bazaar" in Turkish, so the name "Laleli Tashan" can be translated as "Laleli Marketplace."



Famous and Historical Bazaar in Istanbul: **LALELİ TASHAN**

Laleli Tashan has a long history dating back to the Ottoman Empire. It was originally a small market town on the outskirts of Istanbul, known for its textiles and clothing. Today, it is known for its busy streets and crowded marketplaces, as well as its numerous hotels and other tourism-related businesses.

Despite its modern development, Laleli Tashan still retains its historical character and is an important cultural and economic hub in Istanbul. It is a popular destination for tourists, who come to shop for clothing, souvenirs, and other goods, as well as to experience the vibrant atmosphere of the neighborhood.

Today, Laleli Tashan is a popular destination for tourists and locals alike, offering a glimpse into the city's past and a chance to experience the rich cultural heritage of Istanbul. It is also a popular spot for shopping, with many small shops and vendors selling a variety of goods, including traditional Turkish crafts and souvenirs.



Get Lost in Time Exploring OPEN AIR MUSEUMS

The first thing that comes to mind when a museum is mentioned is the place where magnificent historical artifacts are exhibited in an equivalently magnificent building. But there are different types of museums too called open-air museums. An open-air museum is a museum that exhibits collections of historical or cultural artifacts in an outdoor setting. These museums often feature a variety of buildings, structures, and objects from different time periods and regions.

Open-air museums can be found all over Turkey, and they provide an opportunity for visitors to learn about the history and culture of a particular place in a hands-on, interactive way contrary to the traditional museum setting. There are over 100 open-air museums in Turkey, and these are some of the most impressive sites where you can experience nature and history together.

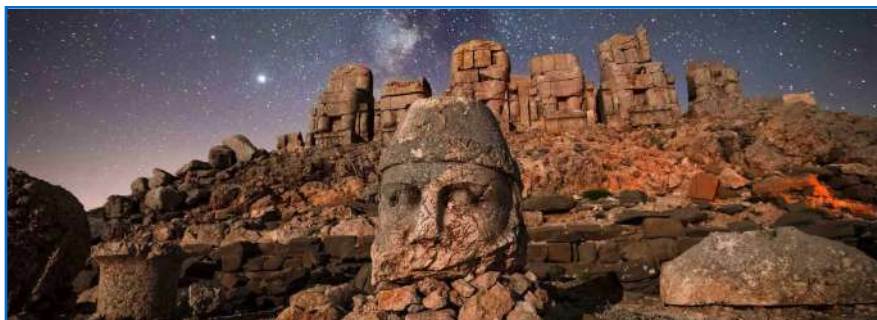


GOBEKLITEPE

Located in Sanliurfa, Gobekli Tepe, known as the world's oldest temple and dubbed "point zero of history," has been on UNESCO's World Heritage Tentative List since 2011.

EPHESUS

Dating back to the Neolithic Age, Ephesus Ancient City is the perfect place to experience Ancient Greek and Roman culture with its well-preserved numerous sites.



MOUNT NEMRUT

Statues of Greek and Persian gods watch every single sunrise and sunset since the first century BC at 2,134 meters tall mountain top where they guard the tomb of the king of Commagene.

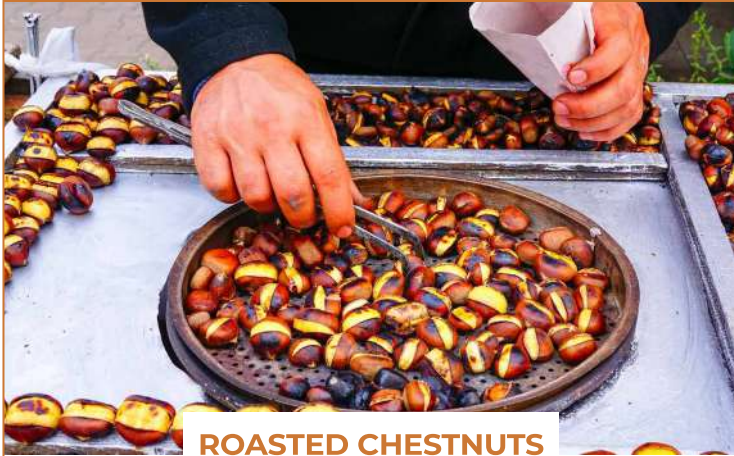
HIERAPOLIS

A unique site where nature and human capabilities present themselves at their best, Pamukkale travertines and the glorious ruins of the ancient city Hierapolis mesmerize its visitors for hundreds of years.



STREET FOODS

Perfect Tastes For Winter



ROASTED CHESTNUTS

The taste of all street food in Turkey has a magical effect on your palate throughout the year. But some of them taste even better in some periods of the year and roasted chestnuts is the top of them. On cold days the smell of roasted chestnuts will put you under a spell to purchase it. During the cold, chilly days roasted fresh chestnuts will be the perfect snack and will warm you up and give you all the energy you need to keep roaming Istanbul.



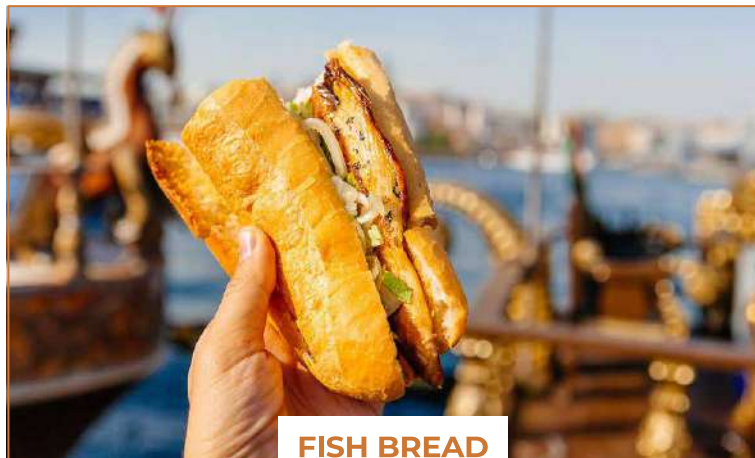
BOZA

Boza is a famous Ottoman drink that has a cultural history dating back to four hundred years ago. Street vendors roam street by street in the cold winter night shouting "Boo-Zaaa". It is a truly unique experience drinking boza. Its unexpected texture will get you by surprise and you are going to love it. To get the complete experience consume it with leblebi (roasted chickpeas) and cinnamon sprinkled on top.



KOKOREC

One of the most controversial street food to eat, Kokorec is the skewered sheep's intestines with lots of spice, salt, and plenty of fat, served in half of the bread loaf. You may not like the sound of it but the taste is addicting. It is great throughout the year of course but in the winter season, its strong and spicy flavor will give you everything you need especially if you are a little bit drunk.



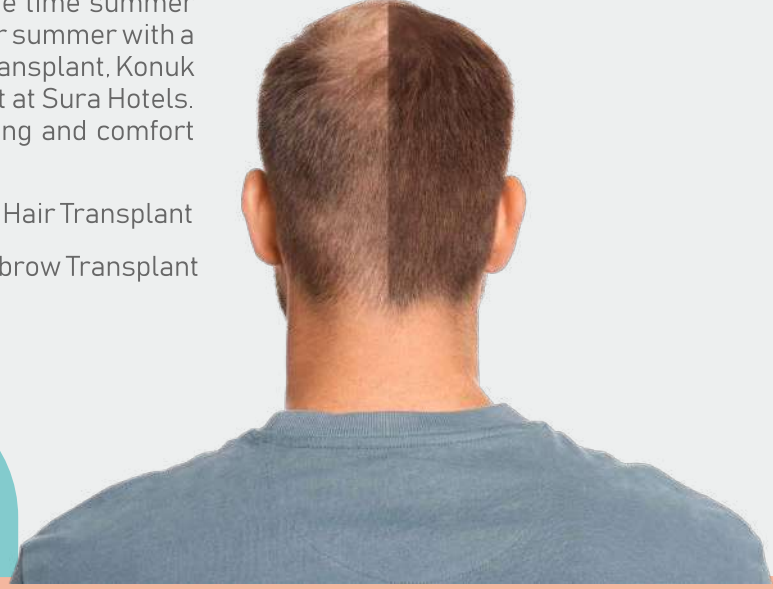
FISH BREAD

Balik ekmek (Fish bread) is one of the best ways to enjoy Istanbul's seaside. At Eminonu and Karakoy sides of the Galata Bridge sellers on small traditional boats grills the freshest and most delicious fish there is. The fish is served in a half loaf of Turkish bread with lettuce, tomato, onion, peppers and lemon juice. It is one of Istanbul's favorite lunchtime street foods to munch on.

TIME TO HAVE A HAIR TRANSPLANT

The best time for hair transplantation is the winter months. Climate conditions and the lifestyle in the winter season are much better suited for hair transplant recovery and more convenient for the patient. It's much easier to keep your scalp clean and away from sunshine. Also by having a hair transplant in winter, you don't have to cut back from your summer vacation. By the time summer arrives new hair growth starts to appear and you can enjoy your summer with a renewed sense of confidence. Alongside the impeccable hair transplant, Konuk Clinic offers you accommodation filled with luxury and comfort at Sura Hotels. From the first step you take out of the airport, your well-being and comfort become our priority.

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- FUE Hair Transplant
- DHI Hair Transplant
- Female Hair Transplant
- Unshaven Hair Transplant
- Eyebrow Transplant
- Beard Transplant



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Event Calendar

Musical

Alice Musical
15th of January to 29th of May
Zorlu PSM

Concert

Morgenshtern
20th January
JJ Arena Watergarden

Festival

Purple Fest
21st January
Volkswagen Arena

Exhibition

Stanley Kubrick
Until 31st of March
Istanbul Cinema Museum



The playlists of Sura Hotels are now on Spotify