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## WELCOME | Editor's Letter

# Welcome Summer!

The summer heat is on in İstanbul, and along with it, restaurants and nightclubs along the Bosphorus as well as terraces with their panoramic city views are now full to overflowing. Not only that, but a host of outdoor concerts and festivals take over the city, including concerts by Bob Dylan (p. 23), Tori Amos, and David Guetta (p. 24). For a more natural setting, the One Love Festival in Parkorman (p. 22) invites the young at heart to a day of music and excitement.

Lovers of classical music celebrate the 42nd İstanbul Music Festival, this year bringing some of the world's finest chamber ensembles and orchestras to the stage. The 5th International Opera Festival presents works including *Attila*, and Kazak piece *Birjan and Sara*, performed by young members of the Samsun State Opera and Ballet (p. 24). This month features a fascinating programme of new art exhibitions. Among those you really should not miss are the *Aşk-ı Nebi* exhibition at Topkapı Palace (p. 21), the *Jewellery of Urartu Collection* at the Rezan Has Museum (p. 18), and *The Great Country and Other Stories*, an exhibition of modern paintings at the Pera Museum (p. 21). In a fashion-forward city like İstanbul, summers are special and the warm weather makes the fine shops in İstiklal Caddesi, Bağdat Caddesi (p. 34) and the tucked-away streets of Nişantaşı even more alluring. Or check out the latest trends at shopping centres including İstinyePark (p. 35), Zorlu Center and Kanyon (p. 36), and enjoy a break at one of their fine cafés.

Wishing you exciting, sunny days in İstanbul,

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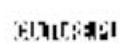
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# HOT DATES



**FRIDAY**  
**27**

**DAVID GUETTA**  
French DJ and producer David Guetta, a top name in dance music with over 5 million albums sold worldwide, joins forces with Suat Ateşdağlı and Qubicon for a powerful night of music (p. 24).



**SUNDAY**  
**22**

**TORI AMOS**  
Acknowledged as one of the finest female vocalists of the last two decades, multi Grammy Award-winner singer-songwriter Amos appears at KüçükçiftlikPark. Her powerful songs deal with subjects including sexuality, religion, patriarchy and personal tragedy (p. 24).

**FRIDAY**  
**20**

**BOB DYLAN**  
Classic rock star Bob Dylan, who has been creating hits from the 1960s until today, performs at Black Box. In addition to his favourite hits, including *Hey Mister Tambourine Man* and *Blowin' In The Wind*, he will play songs from his latest album, *Tempest* (p. 23).



## JUNE

- 1 Enjoy breakfast at one of the many spots on the Bosphorus.
- 2 Hear pianist Konstantin Lifschitz in his concert at Neve Shalom Synagogue (p. 23).
- 3 Don't miss the performances at the 5th Istanbul International Opera Festival (p. 24)
- 4 Take in one of the many concerts of the 42nd Istanbul Music Festival (p. 24)
- 5 View the collection of exquisite historic jewellery at the Rezan Has Müzesi (p. 21)
- 6 Catch Soundgarden and Massive Attack's performances at 100% FEST (p. 24)
- 7 Join in the fun activities at the fashion-forward Istanbul Shopping Fest (p. 32)
- 8 Visit the mysterious Basilica Cistern on the Historic Peninsula (p. 13)
- 9 Savour Asian flavours in a Japanese Garden at Swissotel The Bosphorus' Miyako Restaurant (p. 52)
- 10 Take advantage of the special Father's Day sales at Kanyon Shopping Centre (p. 36)
- 11 Hop on a boat and escape to the peaceful, green Prince's Islands.
- 12 View the Turkish-Polish relations exhibition at the Sakıp Sabancı Museum (p. 21)
- 13 See the magnificent Spoonmaker's Diamond at Topkapı Palace (p. 16)
- 14 Spend a summer day with nature and music at One Love Festival (p. 22)
- 15 Have an authentic Istanbul experience at a meyhane in Beyoğlu's Flower Passage.
- 16 Watch the sunset from the veranda of chic Emirgan bar, La Boom (p. 57)
- 17 Get up close to colourful and animated sea life at Turkuazoo aquarium (p.14)
- 18 Experience a Bosphorus cruise to see its centuries-old waterside mansions.
- 19 Sample Turkish confections including almond paste at Ali Muhiddin Hacıbekir (p. 48)
- 20 Don't miss the legendary Bob Dylan concert tonight at Black Box (p. 23)
- 21 Dance into the night at one of Istanbul's finest night clubs, Anjelique (p. 27)
- 22 Catch American singer Tori Amos' concert at Küçükçiftlik Park (p. 24)
- 23 Visit Tapasuma on the Bosphorus for traditional Turkish dishes, tapas-style (p. 51)
- 24 See scaled-down versions of famous Turkish monuments at Miniaturk Park (p. 14)
- 25 Enjoy delicious mezes at Karaköy Lokantası in the ambience of a French bistro (p. 62)
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- 27 Get carried away by the electronic music of hot DJ David Guetta (p. 24)
- 28 'Dialogue in the Dark' Istanbul offers an opportunity to experience the daily lives of blind people in Istanbul. For English guidance: info@dialogistanbul.com. www.dialogistanbul.com.
- 29 Visit Sultanahmet (Blue) Mosque, a stunning example of Ottoman architecture (p. 16)
- 30 Have lunch on Nişantaşı's Atiye Sokak and check out the many design shops (p. 34)

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**What new cooking trends do you see on the horizon?**

I believe we'll see a trend toward less complicated, 'faster' foods, prepared with fresh ingredients. Restaurants will present satisfying dishes that don't take too long to prepare.

**Where are your favourite spots in the city in your free time?**

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During Byzantine times, the area where the palace now stands was a wooded area, İstavroz Bahçeleri (Stavros Gardens), a reference to the old name of Beylerbeyi Village. In the woods there was also an *ayazma* – a holy font – belonging to a Byzantine-era church that was still standing in the 17th century.

The first building to be erected here during the Ottoman period was the palace of Gevher Sultan, daughter of Selim II, which was also where Murad IV was born. Later, in the 17th century, the Şevkabad Mansion was built here by Ahmet I, followed by the Ferahabad Yalı (seaside mansion), built by

Ahmet III. Mahmud I also built the Ferahfeza Mansion here for his mother.

The area long served as a royal garden of the sultans. A fire in 1851 destroyed one portion of the mansion, and between 1861 and 1865, Sultan Abdülaziz commissioned the Beylerbeyi Palace that stands here today. The architects were Armenian brothers Sarkis and Agop Balyan. Because of Sultan Abdülaziz' passion for the sea, he had certain portions of the ceiling adorned with maritime themes.

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## SIGHTSEEING

### Basilica Cistern (Yerebatan Sarnıcı)

The largest covered cistern in Istanbul, named after a basilica once located nearby. Built during the reign of Justinian I (527-565) to provide water for neighbouring palaces. 143m long, 65m wide, with a total area of 9,800 square metres. Open daily between 09:00 am and 18:30 pm Admission fee: TL 20. [www.yerebatan.com](http://www.yerebatan.com). Alemdar Mah. Yerebatan Cad. 1/3, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 522 1259. **F5**.

### Cistern Of Philoxenos (Binbirdirek Sarnıcı)

The second-largest water reservoir in Istanbul after the Basilica Cistern, this structure was built in the 4th century according to Byzantine sources. When Emperor Constantine I rebuilt the city, it was constructed to provide water to the Byzantine palace. Columns bear pyramid-shaped capitals. The Cistern of Philoxenos serves as a museum today. Daily 9am-8pm. Admission fee: TL 10. [www.binbirdirek.com](http://www.binbirdirek.com). İmran Öktem Sk. 4, Binbirdirek, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 518 1001. **F5**.

### Dolmabahçe Palace Museum (Dolmabahçe Sarayı Müzesi)

Commissioned by Sultan Abdülmecit I, this palace was built between 1843 and 1856. It reflects the Western influence in Ottoman architecture in the late 18th century. Design contains eclectic elements from the baroque, rococo and neoclassical styles. It served as Atatürk's residence during the early Republican Period and hosted many high level foreign guests before being converted into a museum. Daily open except Mon&Thu 9am-4pm. Admission fee: TL 40. [www.dolmabahce.gov.tr](http://www.dolmabahce.gov.tr). Dolmabahçe Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 236 9000. **B7**.

### Galata Tower (Galata Kulesi)

Located in the Galata district, it was built in 1348 by the Genoese in addition to the city walls to defend the region from outside attacks. The tower has a superb panoramic view of the Bosphorus, the Golden Horn and the city. The restaurant located at the top floor of the tower offers Turkish and international dishes. Daily 9am-8.30pm. Admission fee: TL 18,5. [www.galatatower.net](http://www.galatatower.net). Bereketzade Mah. Büyük Hendek Cad. 2, Kuledibi, Şişhane. T: 0212 293 8180. **D4**.

### Galata Mevlevihanesi

Founded in the late 15th century, this Mevlevi lodge is a fine place to acquaint yourself with the Islamic Mystic philosophy and practices which hold such an important place Anatolia's cultural heritage. Operating as a museum since the last quarter of the 20th century, this historical site consists of three floors, including the Semâhâne, where the dervishes perform their famous ritual whirling dance. The museum's collection also includes calligraphic panels, musical instruments, costumes and other items from Mevlevi culture. Daily open except Mondays 9am-7pm.

**Museum Pass Point** [www.galatamevlevihanesimuzesi.gov.tr](http://www.galatamevlevihanesimuzesi.gov.tr). Galip Dede Cad. 15, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 245 4141. **D5**.

### Hagia Irene Museum

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### Hagia Sophia Museum (Ayasofya Müzesi)

Built between 532 and 537 by Byzantine Emperor Justinian I in the old city centre, Hagia Sophia, or Church of the Holy Wisdom, is the oldest and most quickly constructed cathedral in the world, and fourth largest in terms of its area. A masterpiece of art, history and architecture, it served two Abrahamic religions -916 years as the central church of the Byzantine Empire and 477 years as mosque - before being converted into a museum in 1935. Tue-Sun 9am-6pm. Admission fee: TL 25. **Museum Pass Point** Ayasofya Meydanı, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 522 0989. **F5**.

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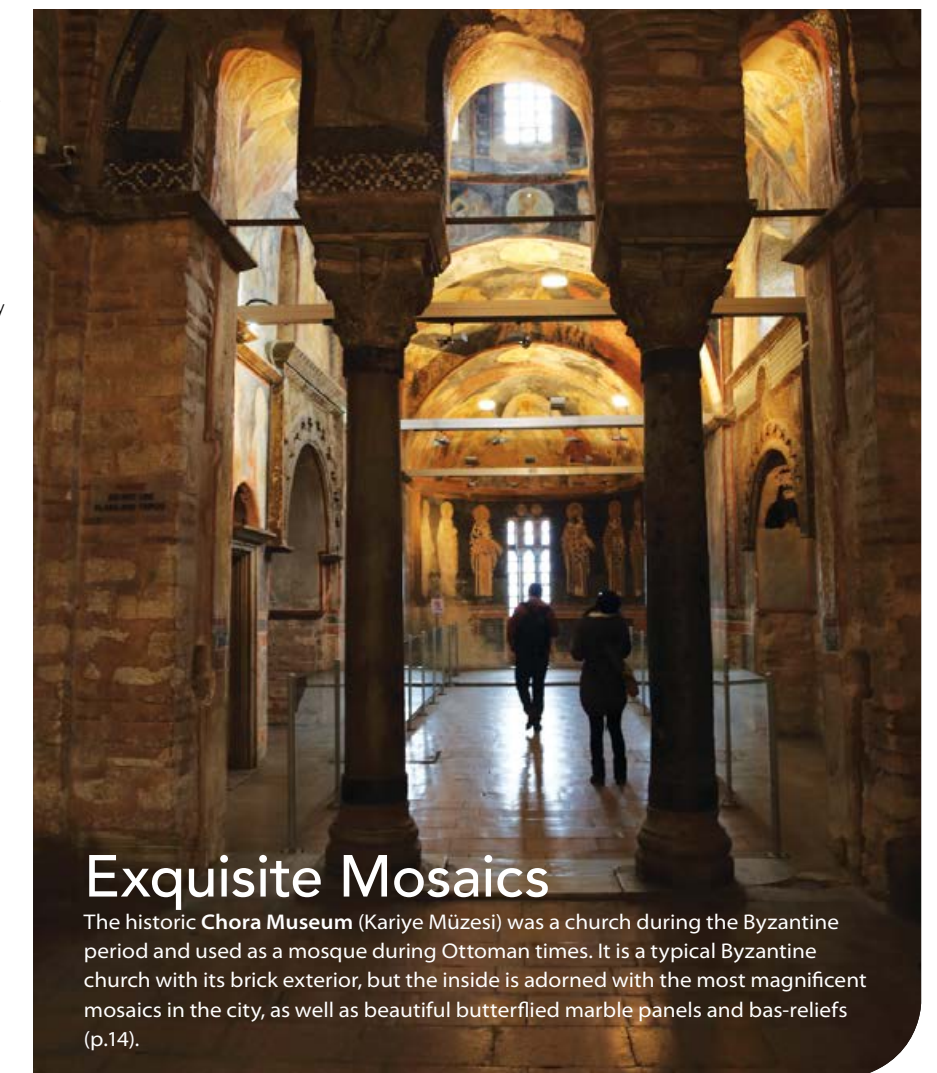
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### Kılıç Ali Paşa Mosque

This mosque, designed by Mimar Sinan, resembles a small Hagia Sophia, and is adorned with famous İznik tiles of the period. It also includes a külliye, or complex consisting of a Turkish bath, a tomb and a madrasah. Tophane, Beyoğlu. **D5**.

### Maiden's Tower (Kız Kulesi)


Built on a small Bosphorus islet off the coast of Üsküdar, the Maiden's Tower has been at the centre of many myths. According to one, it was built by an emperor to protect his daughter who he saw die of snakebite in a dream. The effort proved futile as the snake hid itself in a fruit basket and bit her anyway. Having served as a customhouse, watchtower, lighthouse, radar station, and warehouse throughout its 2,500-year history, it



## Exquisite Mosaics

The historic Chora Museum (Kariye Müzesi) was a church during the Byzantine period and used as a mosque during Ottoman times. It is a typical Byzantine church with its brick exterior, but the inside is adorned with the most magnificent mosaics in the city, as well as beautiful butterfly marble panels and bas-reliefs (p.14).



also marked the entrance of the Bosphorus. The foundations and most of the lower storey of the tower were built during the reign of Mehmet II, and it took its final shape during the reign of Mahmut II. Daily 9am-00:30am. Museum cafe 9am-6:45pm. Live music-dinner (Reservations required) 8:15pm-12:30am. **Museum Pass Advantage Point** (25% off adult tickets and 20% discount on Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner/Brunch purchases)  [www.kizkulesi.com.tr](http://www.kizkulesi.com.tr). Salacak Mevkii, Üsküdar. **D7.**

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**Shopping Centre Map (p.36).**

#### Yıldız Palace, Şale Mansion (Yıldız Sarayı, Şale Köşk)

Part of Yıldız Palace, Şale Köşk is one of the most fascinating examples of 19th-century Ottoman architecture. It consists of three main buildings constructed in between 1880 and 1898, located in a garden surrounded by high walls. Its last two sections were constructed to host Kaiser Wilhelm II during his visit to İstanbul. Daily except Mon-Thu 9:00am-5pm. [www.millisaraylar.gov.tr](http://www.millisaraylar.gov.tr). Admission fee: TL 10. Palanga Cad. 53, Yıldız, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 259 8977. **A8.**

## MUSEUMS

#### Adam Mickiewicz Museum

Residence of one of Poland's three national poets, who came to Turkey during the Crimean War to organize the Polish troops on the allied side. Tue-Sun 9.30am-4.30pm. Admission free. Serdar Ömer Cad. Tatlı Badem Sok. 17, Dolapdere. T: 0212 237 2545. **B5.**

#### Aşyan Museum

Residence of prominent poet and writer Tevfik Fikret. Personal belongings of Tevfik Fikret and Abdülhak Hamid as well as photographs and belongings of other prominent members of the Edebiyat-ı Cedide literary movement. Free of charge. Tue-Sat 9am-4pm. Bebek, Aşyan Yolu 15. T: 0212 263 6986. **Off map.**


#### Beylerbeyi Palace Museum (Beylerbeyi Sarayı Müzesi)

Built by architect Serkis Balyan during the reign

of Sultan Abdülaziz (1861-1865), this replaced the previous wooden waterfront palace. Previously it was generally used in summers, particularly to host foreign heads of state including the Prince of Serbia, King of Montenegro, Shah of Iran and French Empress Eugenie. Garden contains a cafeteria and sales booths. Daily except Mon&Thu 9am-5pm. Admission fee: TL 20. Abdullağa Cad. Beylerbeyi, Üsküdar. T: 0216 321 9320. **Off map.**

#### Chora Museum (Kariye Müzesi)

First built as part of a monastery in 534, this is the only remaining structure from a larger complex. Since its construction, it has seen major renovations in the 11th and 14th centuries. The modern building consists mostly of the portions renovated during the Ottoman and Republican periods. Its magnificent mosaics and frescos are among the finest examples of Byzantine art. Daily except Wed 9am-6pm. Admission fee: TL 15.

**Museum Pass Point**  Ayvansaray Mah. Kariye Camii Sok. 26, Edirnekapi, Fatih. T: 0212 631 9241. **C2.**

#### Doğançay Museum

Housed in an historical 5-storey building, this museum presents paintings by Adil Doğançay and his world-renowned son Burhan Doğançay. Free of charge. Daily 10am-6pm. Admission free. [www.dogancaymuseum.org](http://www.dogancaymuseum.org). Hüseyin Ağa Mah. Balo Sok. 42, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 244 7770. **C5.**

#### İstanbul Archaeological Museums (İstanbul Arkeoloji Müzeleri)

Founded in 1891 by painter and archaeologist Osman Hamdi Bey, this museum houses artefacts from the many civilizations that have left their marks upon history. It is also the first museum founded in Turkey, and considered one of the ten foremost of its kind in the world. It is actually three different museums under the same administration: The Archaeological Museum, the Ancient Orient Museum (Eski Şark Eserleri Müzesi) and Tiled Kiosk Museum (Çinili Köşk Müzesi), which together form an outstanding attraction in the city. [www.istanbularkeoloji.gov.tr](http://www.istanbularkeoloji.gov.tr). Tue-Sun 9am-6pm. Admission fee: TL 15. **Museum Pass Point** (10% discount at the Shop and Café)  Cankurtaran Mah., Alemdar Cad. Osman Hamdi Bey Yokuşu, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 520 7740. **E5.**

#### İstanbul Modern

Non-profit cultural institution offering exhibitions and events held with the support of private individuals, institutions and establishments as well as local governments through joint projects. Tue-Sun 10am-6pm, Thu 10am-8pm. Admission fee: TL 17. [www.istanbulmodern.org](http://www.istanbulmodern.org). Meclisi Mebusan Cad. Liman İşletmeleri Müd. Antrepo 4, Karaköy. T: 0212 334 7300. **D5.**

#### İstanbul Railway Museum


This collection of 300 rail-related items explores all aspects of the Turkish Railways, including items from the original Orient Express. Tue-Sat 9am-5pm. Sirkeci Train Station, Eminönü. T: 0212 520 6575. **E5.**

#### Museum for the History of Science and Technology in Islam (İstanbul İslam Bilim ve Teknoloji Tarihi Müzesi)

This museum displays modern copies of inventions and discoveries by Muslim scholars which were used for centuries but largely forgotten. The displays illustrate clearly how works of Islamic

science in areas including astronomy, geography, mathematics, optics, medicine, chemistry, technology and architecture were discovered, reached Europe via various routes, and gradually absorbed into those cultures. Wed-Mon 9am-6pm.

#### Museum Pass Point

 Gülhane Parkı İçi, Eminönü, Fatih. [www.ibttm.org](http://www.ibttm.org). T: 0212 528 8065. **E5.**

#### Mustafa Kemal Museum

This three-storey house in the Akaretler Row Houses, where the founder of the Turkish Republic Mustafa Kemal Atatürk stayed frequently between 1912 and 1919, was also the residence of his mother Zübeyde Hanım, his sister Makbule Atadan and his adopted son, Abdurrahim Tunçak. Now a museum displaying Atatürk's belongings and historical items from the time. Daily 9am-4pm. Admission free. Süleyman Seba Cad. Akaretler Sıraevler, 36, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 236 3329. **A7.**

#### Military Museum (Askeri Müze)

Constructed in 1841 as a Military Academy, this building serves today as the Military Museum. 5,000 objects selected from the museum's collection of 45,000 items include arms, uniforms, tents, flags, swords, helmets and Ottoman-era artefacts. One of the oldest military bands in the world, the Janissary Band gives concerts between 3 and 4pm. Wed-Sun 9am-5pm. Admission fee: TL 4. [www.tsk.tr](http://www.tsk.tr). Valikonağı Cad. 2, Harbiye. T: 0212 233 2720. **B6.**

#### Naval Museum (Deniz Müzesi)

Largest maritime museum in Turkey and among the most important worldwide with its rich collection of 40,000 items. Barges, marine uniforms, manuscripts, scale models, standards, maps, paintings, sultans' seals, coats of arms, galleys, navigation tools and weaponry. Tue-Fri 9am-5pm, Sat-Sun 10am-6pm. Admission fee: TL 6. [www.denizmuzeleri.tsk.tr](http://www.denizmuzeleri.tsk.tr). Deniz Müzesi Komutanlığı, Barbaros Hayrettin Cad.Beşiktaş. T: 0212 327 4345. **B7.**

#### Panorama 1453 History Museum


Witness the conquest of İstanbul 560 years later and relive the moment Mehmet II entered the city. Open daily between 8am and 6pm Admission fee: TL 10. [www.panoramikmuze.com](http://www.panoramikmuze.com). Maltepe Mah., Topkapı Kültür Parkı Panorama 1453 Tarih Müzesi Topkapı, Zeytinburnu. T: 0212 415 1453. **Off map.**

#### Pera Museum

Founded by the Suna and İnan Kırac Foundation, museum hosts three permanent collections including Anatolian weights and measures, Kütahya tiles and ceramics, and orientalist art, consisting of 300 paintings. Tue-Sat 10am-7pm, Sun 12am-6pm. Admission fee: TL 10. **Museum Pass Advantage Point** (20% off adult tickets and 10% discount on Perakende Artshop and Pera Café)  [www.peramuzesi.org.tr](http://www.peramuzesi.org.tr). Meşrutiyet Cad. 65, Tepebaşı. T: 0212 334 9900. **C5.**

#### Press Museum (Basın Müzesi)

Transformed into a museum in 1988, this is the first press museum in Turkey and the fourth in the world. The incredible variety of objects exhibited includes lithography samples, platen machines, letterpresses, proofing tables, old typewriters and telex machines. Mon-Fri 10am-5pm. Admission free. Divanyolu Cad. 76, Çemberlitaş. T: 0212 513 8458. **F4.**



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The first major museum in Turkey dedicated to the history of transportation, industry and communication. Located on the shores of the Golden Horn, its collection includes thousands of objects from gramophone needles to ships and aircrafts. Tue-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat-Sun 10am-8pm. Admission fee: TL 12,50. **Museum Pass Advantage Point** (20% off adult tickets and 10% discount on gift shop purchases)  [www.rmk-museum.org.tr](http://www.rmk-museum.org.tr). Hasköy Cad. 5, Hasköy. T: 0212 369 6600. **B3.**

#### Sadberk Hanım Museum

Funded by the Vehbi Koç Foundation, this museum is located in a renovated old waterfront mansion. Exhibiting a collection of archaeological artefacts, it earned the 1988 Europa Nostra Award for its modern museum practices. Thu-Tue 10am-5pm. Admission fee: TL 7. **Museum Pass Advantage Point** (You can buy the ticket with a special discount)  [www.sadberkhanimmuzesi.org.tr](http://www.sadberkhanimmuzesi.org.tr). Büyükdere Cad. 25/29, Sarıyer. T: 0212 242 3813. **Off map.**

#### Sakıp Sabancı Museum

The main building of this museum is a villa built in 1927 by Italian architect Euard De Nari for Prince Muhammad Ali Hasan of the Egyptian Khedive family. Purchased by the Sabancı Family in 1950. In 1998, it was given to Sabancı University along with its collections and furniture to serve as a museum. The mansion houses a rich calligraphy and painting collection. Tue, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun 10am-6pm. 10am-8pm, Wed 10am-8pm. Free entrance at Wednesdays. **Museum Pass Advantage Point** (TL8 for adult ticket and 10% discount on Museum Gift Shop)  [muze.sabanciuniv.edu](http://muze.sabanciuniv.edu). Sakıp Sabancı Cad. 42, Emirgan. T: 0212 277 2200. **Off map.**

#### Santralistanbul

The first power plant in the Ottoman Empire, this complex was later upgraded in keeping with advances in technology and served İstanbul until 1983 as the Silahtarağa Power Plant. Now within the campus of a private university, the historical building has recently been renovated to serve as an art and culture centre. Highlights include the old engine rooms preserved to establish an Energy Museum, plus contemporary art exhibitions and cultural events. Tue-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat-Sun 10am-8pm. Admission fee: TL 15. [www.santralistanbul.org](http://www.santralistanbul.org). Eski Silahtarağa Elektrik Santrali, Kazım Karabekir Cad. 2/6, Eyüp. T: 0212 311 7809. **Off map.**

#### TBMM Department Of National Palaces Art Museum

The Apartment of the Heir Apparent at Dolmabahçe Palace, itself an architectural symbol of the princes' adoption of a free lifestyle, has been converted into a world-class museum. Opened in March 2014, the museum displays 202 paintings depicting the late Ottoman Empire. 174 of the works are from the National Palaces Collection; the remaining 28 are from Topkapı Palace. Tue-Wed 9am-5pm. Fri-Sun 9am-5pm. [www.dolmabahce.gov.tr](http://www.dolmabahce.gov.tr). Dolmabahçe Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 236 9000. **B7.**

#### The Museum Of Innocence

*The Masumiyet Müzesi* ('Museum of Innocence'), inspired by the 2008 novel of the same name by Nobel prize-winner Orhan Pamuk, is the first museum in history inspired by a novel and made reality. Tue-Sun 10am-6pm. Admission fee: TL 25. **Museum Pass Advantage Point** (30 % off adult tickets, 10% discount on Museum Gift Shop



## The Bosphorus' Loveliest Mosque

The beautiful Büyük Mecidiye Mosque, better known as **Ortaköy Mosque**, is one of the city's most enduring symbols. Located directly on the Bosphorus waterfront in Ortaköy, the mosque was commissioned in 1853 by Sultan Abdülmecid to the well-known architect, Nigoğos Balyan (p. 16).


and Café)  [www.masumiyetmuzesi.org](http://www.masumiyetmuzesi.org). Çukurcuma Cad. Dalgıç Çıkmazı, 2, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 252 9738. **C5**.

### The Quincentennial Foundation Museum Of Turkish Jews (500. Yıl Vakfı Türk Musevileri Müzesi) (Also Known As Jewish Museum)

Historical documents, information and objects documenting the 700-year of history of Jewry in the Ottoman Empire. A work by sculptor Nadia Arditti to commemorate the Turkish-Jewish soldiers fallen while defending their country greets visitors at the entrance. Mon-Thu 10am-4pm, Fri&Sun 10am-2pm. Admission fee: TL 10. [www.muze500.com](http://www.muze500.com). Karaköy Meydanı, Perçemli Sok. 1 (Behind Selanik Arcade), Karaköy. T: 0212 292 6333. **D5**.

### Topkapı Palace (Topkapı Sarayı)

Built in 1478, during the reign of Mehmet II (the Conqueror), Topkapı Palace served as the seat of government of the Ottoman Empire and the residence of Sultans for 380 years, until the construction of Dolmabahçe Palace. It was organised as a museum during the reign of Abdülhamid II, but not opened to the public until 1924. It consists of several sections, including the Imperial Gate, the First Courtyard (Court of

the Janissaries), the Second Courtyard (Divan Square), the Third Courtyard (Enderun Courtyard), the Fourth Courtyard (Imperial Sofa) and the Harem. Guided tours in the Harem section require additional ticket purchase. Wed-Mon 9am-6pm. Admission fee: TL 30. Harem, 9am-6pm. Admission fee: TL 15. **Museum Pass Point**  [www.topkapisarayi.gov.tr](http://www.topkapisarayi.gov.tr). Sultanahmet Meydanı. T: 0212 512 0480. **E5**.

### Yıldız Palace Museums (Yıldız Sarayı Müzeleri)

Complex of former imperial Ottoman pavilions and villas representing the last examples of Ottoman palace architecture. The first building in the area was constructed during the reign of Ahmet I in the 17th century. The palace in its current form was built at the order of Abdülhamid II in 1880, who wanted his seat of government beyond the reach of bombardment from the sea. Items exhibited today originally belonged to the palace, including Abdülhamid II's personal belongings and gifts presented to him, and products of the Yıldız Porcelain Factory still located on the palace premises. Wed-Mon 9am-6pm. [www.yildizsarayi.com](http://www.yildizsarayi.com). Admission fee: TL 8. **Museum Pass Point**  Yıldız, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 258 3080. **A8**.

## MOSQUES

*Istanbul's mosques are among the most outstanding witnesses to the city's long history. Each has a unique history and architecture, and is open to visitors at various times of the day. The following is a list of some of the highlights. Most open daily from dawn to sunset. No admittance during the Friday prayer times between approx 12pm-1pm. Before entering the mosque, visitors should cover their arms and legs; women should cover their heads.*

### Eyüp Sultan Mosque

Located in Eyüp on the northern tip of the Golden Horn, where one of the first followers of Islam, Eyyub El-Ensari was buried after he was killed during the Arab siege of Constantinople. Mehmed II ordered the construction of a shrine and a mosque on the location. The first mosque, which was completed in 1458, was later destroyed, with the present structure constructed by Uzun Hüseyin Efendi between 1798 and 1800. Eyüp. T: 0212 418 9393. **A1**.

### Hirka-ı Şerif Mosque

Built in 1851 by Sultan Abdülmecid in Ottoman style, to house the Hirka-ı Şerif (the cloak of the Prophet Mohammed presented to him by Uwais al-Qarani) this mosque is open throughout the month of Ramadan. Daily 10am-4.30pm. Fatih. T: 0212 631 6453. **D2**.

### Nuruosmaniye Mosque

Commissioned by Sultan Mahmut I in 1748, this mosque was completed during the reign of his brother Osman III, built by Mustafa Aga. With its baroque style and the three-dimensional stone patterns, it is one of its kind in world architecture. The mosque's two minarets feature the first stone combs used instead of lead ones. Nuruosmaniye, Eminönü. T: 0212 513 0692. **E4**.

### Ortaköy Mosque

Located next to Ortaköy Pier, this mosque was commissioned by Sultan Abdülmecid to Karabet Balyan. The structure underwent restoration between 1960 and 1972. It is a baroque structure featuring a single dome with two slim minarets. White stone was used for walls, mosaic and marble for the mihrab, and porphyry for the pulpit. Ortaköy, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 359 5908. **A9**.

### Rüstem Paşa Mosque

This mosque in the Tahtakale area, near the Egyptian (Spice) Market, was commissioned to the famous architect Sinan by the daughter of Sultan Suleiman the Magnificent. Begun in the year 1561, it is a classical Ottoman structure, adorned with beautiful 16th-century İznik tiles bearing floral and fruit motifs. Tue-Sun 9am-12pm, 1pm-5pm. Hasırçılar Çarşısı, Eminönü. **F4**.

### Sokullu Mehmet Paşa Mosque

With a single dome and minaret, and built in Kadirga in 1507, this mosque was commissioned by Ottoman Grand Vizier Sokullu Mehmet Pasha to Mimar Sinan for his wife. Its interior features İznik tiles and special hand-carvings, with a mihrab covered with calligraphic tiles. Şehit Mehmet Paşa Yokuşu, Kadirga, Eminönü. **F4**.

### Sultanahmet (Blue) Mosque

One of the most famous landmarks of the Turkish and Islamic world, Sultanahmet Mosque is a highly admired structure by all visitors. An example of classical Turkish art, it is the only one of its kind

to be originally built with six minarets, and stands out on the city's skyline from the Bosphorus. It is also known as the Blue Mosque for the İznik tiles that adorn its interior. Entering the structure through one of its three gates, visitors are greeted by its rich and colourful ornamentation including engravings, tiles and stained glass windows that complement the grandeur of its exterior. Sultanahmet. T: 0212 458 4468. **F4/F5**.

### Süleymaniye Mosque

Commissioned by Sultan Süleyman I (Süleyman the Magnificent), this mosque was built between 1550-1557 by Sinan the Architect. Described as a work from Sinan's apprenticeship period, the mosque is actually part of the Süleymaniye Complex (Külliye), also including a madrasah (religious school), library, hospital, bath, soup kitchen, treasury and shops. Resting on four massive columns, the mosque's dome is 53 metres high and 26.5 metres in diameter. Its interior is subtly decorated, with the windows on the mihrab wall executed in with stained glass. Süleymaniye, Beyazıt. T: 0212 532 0623. **E3/E4**.

### Valide Sultan Mosque (Yeni Camii)

Located in Eminönü Square next to the Egyptian Bazaar (Spice Market), this mosque in the centre of a complex is one of the most glorious of the monumental mosques built on the coastline. It was commissioned by Safiye Sultan in 1597 and built by Architect Davud Ağa, an apprentice of Sinan. Upon his death in 1598, Dalgıç Ahmet Çavuş became its architect. Largely destroyed by a fire in 1660, it was reopened in 1665. Eminönü. **E4**.

## CHURCHES AND SYNAGOGUES

*Churches and synagogues hold an important place in the vast cultural geography of Istanbul, which has served as capital of three major empires over 1,600 years. The following are the most important of Istanbul's churches and synagogues for their history and architecture. Synagogues require a permit, available from the Istanbul Chief Rabbinate. T: 0212 293 8794.*

### Armenian Patriarchate

Just a 20-minute walk from Hagia Sophia, the Blue Mosque and Topkapı Palace. In 2001, almost the entire Armenian community of Istanbul celebrated the 540th anniversary of the Armenian Patriarchate at this church. Open Mon-Fri 9am-4pm. Sevgi Sok. 6, Kumkapı. T: 0212 517 0970. **B4**.

### Ayios Dimitrios Church

Unusually for a 16th century Greek Orthodox church, it displays clear Ottoman architectural influence. Formerly the church of Ayios Athanasios, it is said to have changed its name when an icon of St. Dimitrios was brought here from a small church in the Kasımpaşa district. Kurtuluş Square, the last bus stop on Kurtuluş Cad. Ateşböceği Sok. 2, Şişli. T: 0212 250 6248. **Off map**.

### Beth Israel Synagogue

Built in 1920, this synagogue provides religious services under the Neve Shalom Foundation. It is the most active synagogue in Turkey. Bomonti,

Kazım Orbay Cad. Efe Sok. 29, Şişli. T: 0212 240 6599. **Off map**.

### Church Of St. George Of Fener Greek Orthodox Patriarchate

The centre of the Orthodox Christian world, this church hosts many relics including the column on which Jesus was whipped and remains of three great saints. Fener Rum Patrikhanesi, Dr. Sadık Ahmet Cad. 35, Haliç. T: 0212 531 5152. **C3**.

### Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

Located at the intersection of Siraselviler Street and İstiklal Street in Taksim, this church is a synthesis of Byzantine and modern architecture with a cruciform plan and twin bell towers. Daily 9am-5pm. Meşelik Sok. 11/1, Taksim. T: 0212 244 1358. **C5**.

### Neve Shalom Synagogue

The most famous Jewish synagogue in the city. Shabbats, weddings, funerals, brit milahs, bar/bat mitzvahs as well as high holidays are celebrated here. Büyük Hendek Cad. 67, Kuledibi, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 293 7566. **D4**.

### St. Anthony Of Padua Church

Roman Catholic church with the largest congregation in Istanbul. The entrance to the church is between the two apartment buildings where priests reside. Reinforced concrete construction built in Italian neo-Gothic style by architect Guilio Mongeri. Mon-Fri 8am-5pm, Sun 9am-12:30pm, 2pm-5pm. İstiklal Cad. 171, Galatasaray, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 244 0935. **C5**.

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## Jewellery from the Depths of History

The *Urartu Jewellery Collection*, exhibited at the **Rezan Has Museum**, presents jewellery from the Urartian Kingdom, a unique civilisation of Eastern Anatolia dating between the 7th and 8th centuries B.C. (to 31 Jul).

Showing one of the largest existing collections of jewellery from this period, the exhibition includes nearly 1,100 dazzling pieces including pins, rings, earrings, bracelets, belts, armbands, necklaces and hair spirals..

Certain motifs used on the belts, including geometric and botanical elements, are considered unusual in terms of Urartian art. These demonstrate the exceptionally rich artistic

creations, and from an iconographic perspective, are incomparable with those of any other civilisations of the time.

The ornamentation on these belts, in addition to demonstrating their religious significance, also includes rich scenes that

provide clues into the aesthetic values of the period, as well as social life and class differences.



Kadir Has Üniversitesi, Cibali.  
T: 0212 533 6532. [www.rhm.org.tr](http://www.rhm.org.tr)



### Armaggan Art & Design Gallery

**To 7 Jun:** Güneş Özmen's solo show *Devinim* ('Kinesis') features works that deal with the concepts of transformation, nature and humanity.

**To 7 Jun:** Şevket Arık's exhibition *Av Sahası* ('Hunting Ground') presents recent pieces that explore the character of nature and mankind's divorce from nature. Mon-Tue 10am-9pm. [www.armaggangallery.com](http://www.armaggangallery.com). Nuruosmaniye Cad. 65, Nuruosmaniye, Eminönü. T:0212 522 4433. **E4.**

### Artgalerim Bebek

**From 5 Jun:** *Symrna Amazonları* ('Amazons of Symrna'), an exhibition of sculptures by Cem Sağbil, is influenced by Anatolian and Aegean mythology. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm. [www.artgalerimnisantasi.com](http://www.artgalerimnisantasi.com). İnşirah Sok. 4, Bebek. T: 0212 265 1034. **Off map.**

### Art Limits

A varied collection ranging from fashion photos, nature and abstract geometric works to figurative illustrations, inc works by several international artists, in a variety of photographic, digital and mixed techniques. Open daily except Sun 10:30am-7pm. [en.artlimits.com](http://en.artlimits.com). Şair Nedim Cad. 14, Akaretler, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 258 2195. **B7.**

### Artnext İstanbul

**To 7 Jun:** Alper Bıçaklıoğlu displays works inspired by old books and encyclopaedias on the subjects of art history and human anatomy, in his exhibition *Boşluk Korkusu* ('Horror Vacui'). Mon-Sat 11am-7pm. [www.artnext.org](http://www.artnext.org). Windowist Tower, Eski Büyükdere Cad. 26, Maslak. T: 0212 999 3990. **Off map.**

### art ON İstanbul

**To 12 Jul:** Spain-based artist Onur Mansız' solo show *Trajedi* ('Tragedy') consists of surrealist portraits packing a healthy dose of melancholy and black humour. Mon-Sat 11am-7pm. [www.artonistanbul.com](http://www.artonistanbul.com). Şair Nedim Cad. 4, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 259 1543. **A7.**

### Borusan Contemporary

**From 14 Jun:** Borusan Contemporary presents West Coast Visions, featuring artists and works from the San Francisco Museum Art's Media Art Collection. The exhibition presents works by artists including Jeremy Blake, Bill Fontana, Doug Hall, Steina and Bill Viola, including major pieces employing new and old technology. Sat-Sun 10am-8pm. [www.borusancontemporary.com](http://www.borusancontemporary.com). Perili Köşk, Baltalimanı Hisar Cad. Rumeli Hisarı, Sarıyer. T: 0212 393 5200. **Off map.**

### Bozlu Art Project

**To 16 Aug:** *İklim Değişimi* ('Climate Change'), an exhibition of works by 13 artists and curated by Özlem İnay Erten, features works in a variety of media including painting, sculpture and video. Tue-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.bozluartproject.com](http://www.bozluartproject.com). Teşvikiye Cad. 45/131, İsmet Apt 1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 232 7232. **A6.**

### Büyükkada Çınar Museum

**To 29 Jun:** In his exhibition *Hala Hatırlıyorum* ('I Still Remember'), Dr. Akillas Millas presents photographs, drawings, postcards and paintings depicting Istanbul's Prince's Islands. Daily 9am-7pm. [www.adalarmuzesi.org](http://www.adalarmuzesi.org). Çınar Cad. Müze Alanı, Büyükkada. T: 0216 382 5280. **Off map.**

### Çağla Cabaoğlu Gallery

**To 7 Jun:** Güneş Çınar's exhibition *Zehirli Bahçe*

('Poison Garden') examines energy sources, urban construction and transformation, and the ways these processes affect human lives and the future. Tue-Sat 11am-7pm. [www.caglacabaoglu.com](http://www.caglacabaoglu.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Lalezar Apt. 2/F 49/8, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 291 3791. **A6.**

### Elipsis Gallery

**To 21 Jun:** The exhibition *Editions IV* consists of fine art photographic works by Tuğçe Ayerdoğan, Oğuz Karakütük and İrem Sözen, dealing with mankind, nature and parallel realities. Tue-Fri 11am-7pm. Sat noon-6pm. [www.elipsisgallery.com](http://www.elipsisgallery.com). Hoca Tahsin Sok. / Akçe Sok. Akçe Han 10, Karaköy. T: 0212 249 4892. **D5.**

### Gallery Artist

**To 14 Jun:** Paris-based Turkish painter Onay Akbaş's exhibition *Dalga* ('Wave') presents works that reject classical forms and styles in favour of a new pictorial style. [www.galeriartist.com](http://www.galeriartist.com). Ayazma Cad. 4, Fulya. T: 0212 227 6852. **Off map.**

### Galerist

**To 21 Jun:** In *Carte Blanche* to Nil Yalter, Nil Yalter presents works by eight female international

artists, who approach the female body as a socio-political issue. Tue-Sat 11am-7pm. [www.galerist.com.tr](http://www.galerist.com.tr). Meşrutiyet Cad. 67/1, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 252 1896. **C5.**

### Gallery Manâ

**To 28 Jun:** Hera Büyüktaşçıyan uses the land and sea as a metaphor for the ability to 'see beyond the visible', in her solo exhibition *Körler Ülkesinin Karşısında* ('Across From The Land Of The Blind'). [www.galerimana.com](http://www.galerimana.com). Kemankeş Mah. Ali Paşa Değirmeni Sok. 16-18, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 243 6666. **C5.**

### Gallery Nev

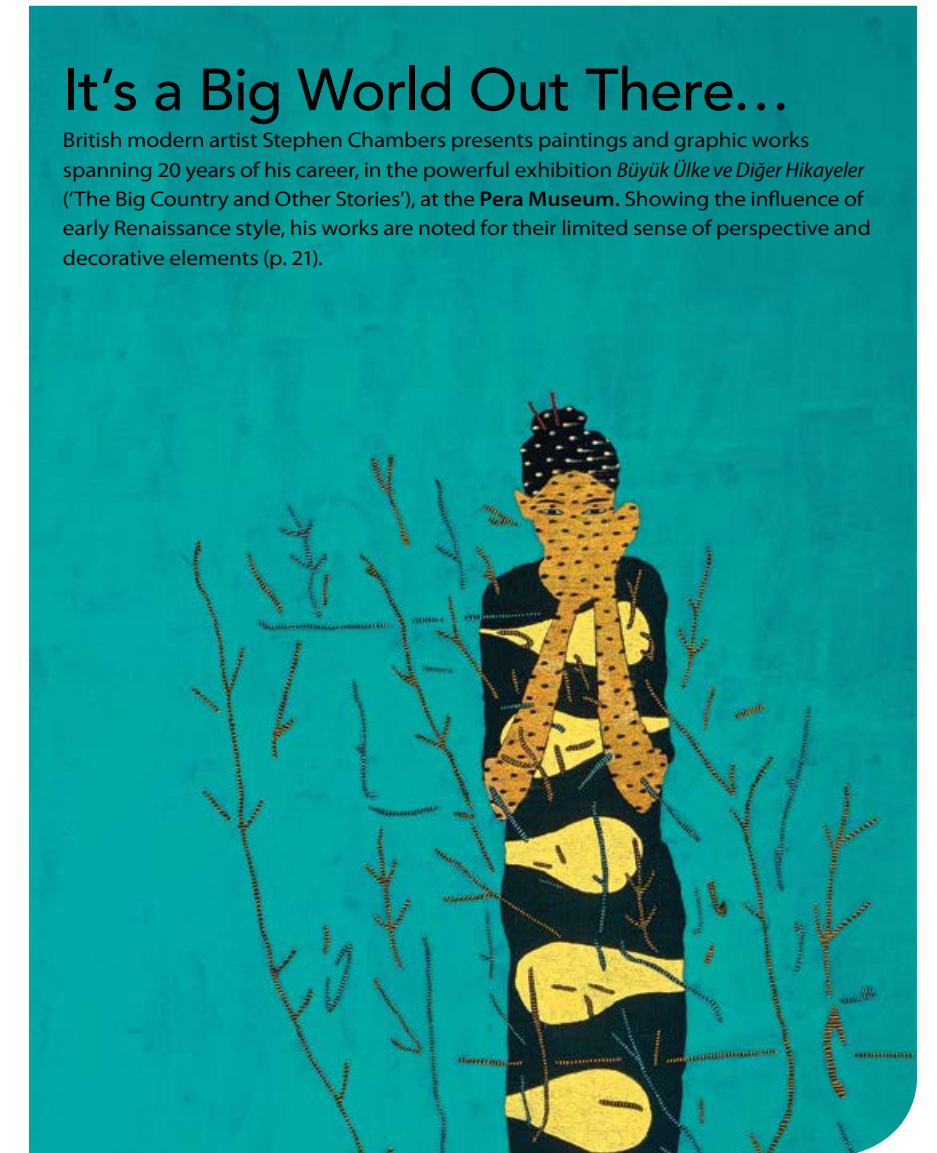
**To 7 Jun:** *Şüpheli Açıklamalar* ('Suspicious Explanations'), an exhibition by Michael Bishop, includes works of dust-coated metal and photographs printed on felt. Tue-Sat 11am-6.30pm. [www.galerinevistanbul.com](http://www.galerinevistanbul.com). İstiklal Cad 163/4, Mısır Apt. Beyoğlu. T: 0212 252 1525. **C5.**

### Gallery Selvin

**4-30 Jun:** American sculptor Carole Turner's exhibition *Pofuduk* ('Fluffy') presents a collection of works composed of sensuous figures, stacked forms

## It's a Big World Out There...

British modern artist Stephen Chambers presents paintings and graphic works spanning 20 years of his career, in the powerful exhibition *Büyük Ülke ve Diğer Hikayeler* ('The Big Country and Other Stories'), at the **Pera Museum**. Showing the influence of early Renaissance style, his works are noted for their limited sense of perspective and decorative elements (p. 21).



## Q & A Güneş Özmen

Young artist Güneş Özmen, focusing on transformation and nature, uses human figures in abstract landscapes in her exhibition *Devinim* (Kinesis) at Armaggan Art & Design Gallery (to 7 June). She shared her ideas about art and her latest works.

### What does art mean to you?

For me, art is a realm of freedom where I can express my thoughts and feelings, and share them.



### Who is your favourite designer?

The first designer to come to mind is Defne Koz, and her designs for the Nurus Furniture company. I love her style, which emphasises simplicity and functionality.

**What sort of feelings does Istanbul inspire in you?** Istanbul has always excited me. I'm impressed by its chaos, constant surprises and dynamism, and of course its historic sites.

### Tell us about your latest exhibition.

My exhibition at Armaggan is a very important stage for me. After a quiet creative process, I prepared for this at a really busy pace, and that was good for me. The movement in the paintings is an expression of this.

### Tell us about your latest exhibition.

I want to create more art projects and be more productive. I'd especially like to do a joint project with my sister Gülfidan Özmen, who is a glass artist.

*Nuruosmaniye Cad. 65, Nuruosmaniye.*  
T: 0212 522 4433. [www.armaggangallery.com](http://www.armaggangallery.com)



and waves of clouds. Tue-Sat 11am-7pm.  
[www.galeriselvin.com](http://www.galeriselvin.com). Bebek Arnavutköy Cad.,  
1. Cadde 20A, Arnavutköy. T: 0212 263 7481.  
**Off map.**

### Haaz Design & Art Gallery

This original contemporary design gallery is everything you're looking for to be a little different from the crowd. Haaz features creations from a wealth of artists, including intricate porcelain figurines by Lladro, exquisite furniture from Moroso, cutting-edge design pieces by Tom Dixon, imaginative lighting from Jonathan Adler, and much more. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm.  
[www.haaz.info](http://www.haaz.info). Ahmet Fetgari Sok. 62, Teşvikiye, Şişli. T: 0212 230 9600. **A6.**

### Hagia Sophia Museum (Ayasofya Müzesi)

**To 15 Jul:** *The Aşk-ı Nebi* ('Love for Prophet') exhibition, held in celebration of the 1443rd anniversary of the birth of the Prophet Muhammed, features works by living calligraphers on the theme of the Prophet. Tue-Sun 9am-6pm.  
[www.ayasofyamuzesi.gov.tr](http://www.ayasofyamuzesi.gov.tr). Ayasofya Meydanı, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 522 0989. **E5.**

### Hush Gallery

**To 5 Jul:** Italian artist Riccardo Ajossa's first solo exhibition Shelter Add features works created predominantly out of paper. Mon-Sun 11am-7pm.  
[www.hushgallery.org](http://www.hushgallery.org). Rihim Cad. İskele Sok. 29/A, Kadıköy. T: 0532 285 4904. **Off map.**

### Institut Francais De Turquie (Fransız Kültür Merkezi)

**To 31 Aug:** Selçuk Demirel's exhibition *İnsanoğlu Kuş Misali* ('Mankind is Like a Bird'), features his drawings published in the press since 1974. İstiklal Cad. 4 Taksim. T: 0212 393 8111. **C5.**

### İstanbul Aquarium

**To 30 Jun:** The mesmerising *İnsan Vücuduna Çarpıcı Yolculuk Sergisi* ('The Human Body Exhibition') uses real human bodies, or sections of them, that have had a plastination technique, thereby filling the blood vessels with plastic to perfectly preserve them. What results is a showcase on the basic elements of human anatomy and displaying harmful effects on the body, with a three dimensional tour of the miracle that is the body and a closer look at the way it functions. Mon-Fri 10am-7pm, Sat-Sun 10am-8pm.  
[www.istanbulakvaryum.com](http://www.istanbulakvaryum.com). Yeşilköy Halkalı Cad. 93, Florya. T: 0212 444 9744. **Off map.**

### İstanbul Modern

**From 27 Jun:** *Çok Sesli* ('Plurivocality'), a group exhibition by artists approaching the visual and aural together, presents paintings, sculptures, videos and installations. **To 9 Nov:** The exhibition *Yolda* ('On The Road') features photographs documenting major events in Turkey from 2003 to 2013 by Nar Photos, an independent collective, reflecting its egalitarian, democratic approach. Tue-Sun 10am-6pm, Thu 10 am-8pm.  
[www.istanbulmodern.org](http://www.istanbulmodern.org). Meclis-i Mebusan Cad. Liman İşletmeleri Sahası 305, Antrepo 4, Karaköy. T: 0212 334 7300. **D5.**

### İş Sanat Kibele Art Gallery

**To 24 Jun:** Turkish sculptor Meriç Hizal presents a retrospective exhibition that displays the stages she has gone through during the course of her career. Tue-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.issanat.com.tr](http://www.issanat.com.tr). İş Kuleleri, Levent. T: 0212 316 1580. **Off map.**



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*The Aşk-ı Nebi* (Love for Prophet) (p. 20)

### Kare Art Gallery

**To 4 Jun:** Berke Yazıcıoğlu presents realistic human figures in his exhibition 2014. **6-28 Jun:** Groups exhibition of Turkish artists, presenting works on the issue of the universe and mankind's place within it. Tue-Sat 11am-7pm.  
[www.kareartgallery.com](http://www.kareartgallery.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Ada Apt. 22/8 2/F, Nişantaşı T: 0212 240 4448. **A6.**

### Koç Üniversitesi Anamed

**To 10 Jul:** *Nazlı'nın Defteri* ('Nazlı's Notebook') is based on notes kept by Nazlı Hamdi, the daughter of famous painter, museum founder and archaeologist Osman Hamdi Bey between 1907 and 1911, shedding light on her father's intellectual life. [www.rcac.ku.edu.tr](http://www.rcac.ku.edu.tr). İstiklal Cad. 181, Merkez Han. Beyoğlu. T: 0212 393 6000. **C5.**

### Masterpieces for Auction

The 28th Beyaz Müzeyede auction offers 140 valuable Turkish modern and contemporary artworks, including Orhan Peker's Özden, *Komşu ve Başka* and *Fahrelnissa Zeid's Çerkes Geline*. The auction takes place on 3 June at 7pm at the Zorlu Center. Beşiktaş. T: 0850 222 6776. **Off map.**

### Milli Reasürans Art Gallery

**To 7 Jun:** The exhibition presents works by photographer Sabit Karamani (1916-1993) spanning a period from the 1940s to the 1980s. Tue-Sat 11am-6.30pm.  
[www.millireasuranssanatgalerisi.com](http://www.millireasuranssanatgalerisi.com). Maçka Cad. 35, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 230 1976. **A6.**

### MixerArts

**To 15 Jun:** Known for his outdoor graffiti projects, artist Cins presents his work in his first solo exhibition, *Erör* ('Error'). [www.mixerarts.com](http://www.mixerarts.com). Tomtom Mah. Boğazkesen Cad. 45, Tophane. T: 0212 243 5443. **C5.**

### Narart Art Gallery

**To 14 Jun:** Mehmet Günyeli's exhibition Editions features limited-edition works from his four series of abstract photography. Tue-Sat 10am-7pm.  
[www.narart.com.tr](http://www.narart.com.tr). Beybostanı Sok. 41, A Blok Zemin Kat, Beylerbeyi. **Off map.**

### Nesrin Esirtgen Collection

**To 6 Jun:** Bahar Yörükoğlu's first international solo exhibition features photographs and videos based on the contrast between the artificial and the natural. [www.nesrinesirtgencollection.com](http://www.nesrinesirtgencollection.com). İstiklal Cad. 163/5. Mısır Apt, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 243 7853. **C4.**

### Pera Museum

**To 20 Jul:** *Herkes İçin Pop Sanat* ('Pop Art For Everyone') presents pioneering artist Andy Warhol's silkscreen series and designs. **To 20 Jul:** A journey through the inner world of Stephen Chambers, *Büyük Ülke ve Diğer Hikâyeler* ('Big Country and Other Stories') presents examples selected from the last 20 years of his career. Tue-Sat 10am-7pm, Sun 12am-6pm.  
[www.peramuzesi.org.tr](http://www.peramuzesi.org.tr). Meşrutiyet Cad. 65, Tepebaşı. T: 0212 334 9900. **C4.**

### Pi Artworks İstanbul

**To 28 Jun:** Playing with our perceptions of light, perspective, depth and colour, artist Gülay Semercioğlu presents her latest works, in the exhibition *Walking on the Wire*. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.piartworks.com](http://www.piartworks.com). 163/4 İstiklal Cad. Mısır Apt, Beyoğlu. Daily 10am-7pm. **C5.**

### Pilot Gallery

**To 14 Jun:** Artist Elmas Deniz presents videos, sculptures, designs, writings and installations dealing on the subject of nature, money and buying, in her exhibition *Siyah Panteri Görebilmek* ('Seeing the Black Panther'). Tue-Sat 10.30am-6.30pm. [www.pilotgaleri.com](http://www.pilotgaleri.com). Siraselviler Cad. 83/2, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 245 5505. **C5.**

### Rahmi M. Koç Museum

The 15-metre-long Hiawatha Boat, produced

by the American Car company and a part of Bosphorus history since 1932, is among the important pieces in the *Seafaring Collection* display. **To 29 Jun:** *İki Kıta Birleşirken* ('Bridging Two Continents') consists of information and photographs of the construction of Bosphorus Bridge on the 40th anniversary of its opening, as well as the 25 year-old Fatih Sultan Mehmet Bridge. Tue-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat-Sun 10am-6pm.  
**Museum Pass Advantage Point** (20% off adult tickets and 10% discount on gift shop purchases.)  
 [www.rmk-museum.org.tr](http://www.rmk-museum.org.tr). Hasköy Cad. 5, Hasköy. T: 0212 369 6600. **B3.**

### Rezan Has Museum

**To 31 Jul:** *The Urartian Jewellery Collection* showcases jewellery from the Urartian Kingdom, the ancient civilization of Eastern Anatolia. Mon-Sun 9am-6pm. [www.rhm.org.tr](http://www.rhm.org.tr). Kadir Has Üniversitesi, Cibali. T: 0212 233 6532. **D3.**

### Sakıp Sabancı Museum

**To 15 Jun:** *Uzak Komşu Yakın Anılar: Türkiye-Polonya İlişkilerinin 600 Yılı* ('Distant Neighbour Close Memories - 600 years of Turkish-Polish Relations') follows the course of Ottoman and Polish relations from the early 15th to late 17th centuries, plus related events in European history. Tue-Sun 10 am-6pm, Wed 10am-8pm.  
[muze.sabanciuniv.edu](http://muze.sabanciuniv.edu). Sakıp Sabancı Cad. 42, Emirgan. T: 0212 277 2200. **Off map.**

### Salt Beyoğlu

**To 27 Jul:** Lebanese artist Rabih Mroue's videos and installations deal with the Syrian civil war, plus issues such as societal dissatisfaction, political demonstrations and social uprisings in his exhibition *Pıkselli Devrim* ('The Pixelated



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Revolution'). Tue-Sat noon-8pm.  
[www.salonline.org](http://www.salonline.org). İstiklal Cad. 136, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 377 4200. **C4.**

### Sanatorium

**To 14 Jun:** In her second solo show *Eden* ('The End'), Luz Blanco presents new works composed of images detached from their original objects and reconstructed. Tue-Sat 11am-7pm.  
[www.sanatorium.com.tr](http://www.sanatorium.com.tr). Asmalimescit Mah. 32/ A, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 293 6717. **C4.**

### Schneidertempel Sanat Merkezi

**To 8 Jun:** Japanese painter and sculptor Hideo Takeda uses brilliant colours, enchanting forms and dynamic movement to express the absurd, merciless and meaningless sides of life, in his exhibition *Gece Yolculukları* ('World Night Tours'). [www.schneidertempel.com](http://www.schneidertempel.com). Felek Sok. No.1 Karaköy. T: 0212 249 0150

### Sultanahmet Nakkaş Art Gallery

**To 17 Jul:** Artist Necati Badem, affected by the ancient shipwreck unearthed by excavations for the Marmaray metro, presents his ceramics exhibition *İstanbul'un Saklı Gemileri* ('Istanbul's Hidden Ships'). Mon-Sat. [www.nakkasrug.com](http://www.nakkasrug.com). Nakilbent Sok. 6, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 516 5222. **F5.**

### TEB Nişantaşı Private Banking Center

**To 31 Aug:** Aylin Erözcan's photographs depict the world of mineworkers, in her exhibition *Soğuk Ateş* ('Cold Fire'). Mon-Fri 11am-6pm. Bostan Sok. Gökşun Apt. 2, Şişli. T: 0212 219 0930. **Off map.**

### The Empire Project

**To 14 Jun:** Cemil Batur Gökçe'er's new exhibition *En Yakın İhtimal* ('The Closest Probability') presents works from 2012 to present day, executed in various techniques. Mon 12am-7:30pm. Tue-Sat 11am-6:30pm. [www.theempireproject.com](http://www.theempireproject.com). Siraselviler Cad. 10, K:1 D:4 Taksim. T: 0212 292 59 68. **C5.**

### Topkapı Palace

**To 15 Jul:** The exhibition *Aşk-ı Nebi* ('Love for Prophet') is held in celebration of the 1443rd anniversary of the birth of the Prophet Muhammed, displaying 99 sacred relics of Islam. Wed-Sun 9am-5pm. [www.topkapisarayi.gov.tr](http://www.topkapisarayi.gov.tr). Babühümeyun Caddesi, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 512 0480. **E5.**

### Vialand

**To Dec:** Consisting of more than 100 works, *Canlı Müze* ('Alive Museum') presents reproductions of works by famous artists and images that have become permanently etched on human history, reinterpreted through three-dimensional video and animation. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.canlimuze.com](http://www.canlimuze.com). Yeşilpınar Mah. Girne Cad. Eyüp. T: 0212 397 1930. **Off map.**

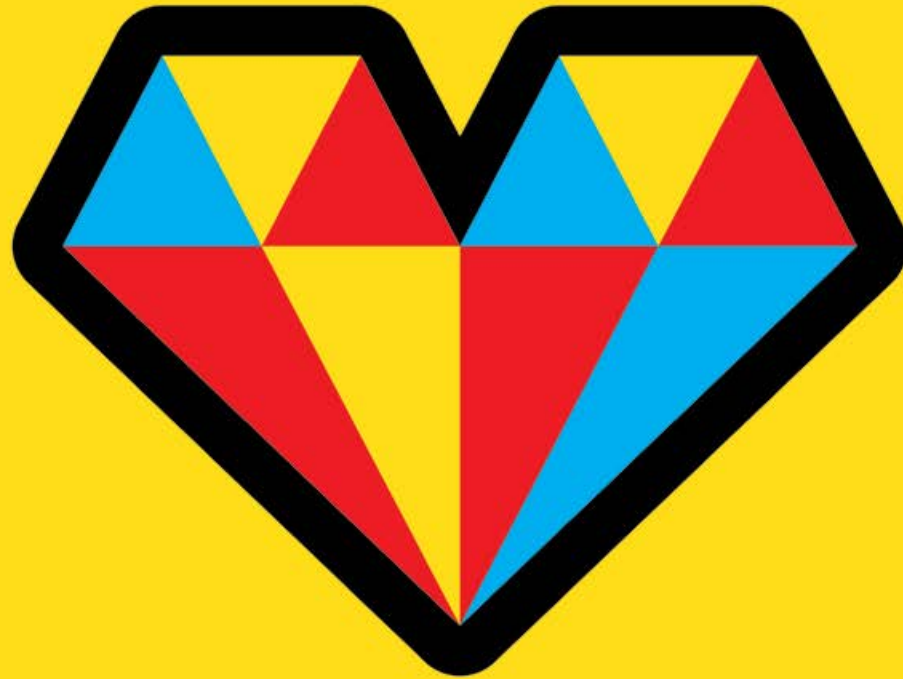


## Fluffy Objects

American sculptor Carole Turner's exhibition *Pofuduk* ('Fluffy'), at *Galeri Selvin* (4-30 Jun), features of soft, sensual figures created from carved stone and steel wool. Turner's alluring works feature stacked forms and wave after wave of clouds (p. 19).

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## One Love Festival

Having welcomed over 175 thousand music fans, 80 bands and 1,500 artists over the last 12 years, the annual open-air **One Love Festival** (14-15 Jun) at **Parkorman** is a much loved summer fixture on Istanbul's cultural scene. Throughout the weekend, festival attendees enjoy sun, nature and day-and-night entertainment.

### Performance highlights

**Basement Jaxx:** This longstanding favourite British electronic music band performs a dance-filled concert of reggae, funk, punk, Latin and techno.

**Mogwai:** The four-member Scottish group performs post-rock along with a bold stage show.

**Jaguar Skills:** The group performs drum n bass, dubstep and hip-

hop mixes and mysterious costumes.

**Simon Green (Bonobo):** Combining electronic music with sensitive melodies, Bonobo performs from his most recent album, *North Borders*.

**Omar Souleyman:** This Syrian artist combines Syrian folk music with electronic rhythms, in a wild performance of what he dubs 'Syrian Techno'.

Büyükdere Cad. Maslak  
www.parkorman.net  
T: 0212 285 9547.



## Dance Day

**Moderat:** A popular group on Berlin's music scene, this trio performs electronic music with a stupendous bass sound.

**Karen Marie Orsted (Mø):** Adding her own unusual vocal texture and provocative lyrics, Mø brings her rebellious style to the One Love stage.



## CONCERTS: CLASSICAL

### Neve Shalom Synagogue

**Bach Before & After – Konstantin Lifschitz, 2 Jun, 8.30pm:** The legendary Russian-trained pianist performs Beethoven's Diabelli Variations, in the final concert of the season. Bereketzade Mah. Büyük Hendek Cad. No:61, Beyoğlu T: 0212 293 7566. **D4.**

### İş Sanat Kültür Merkezi

**Milli Reasürans Chamber Orchestra & Steven Isserlis, 4 Jun, 8.30pm:** Cellist Isserlis, renowned for his recording of Dvorak's Cello Concerto, accompanies the orchestra. www.issanat.com.tr. İş Towers, Levent. T: 0212 316 1083. **Off map.**

### Kadıköy Süreyya Opera

**London Octave, 9 Jun, 8pm:** Focusing on the nature of music, this string 8-piece ensemble is joined by Turkish soloist Halit Turgay. www.sureyyaoperasi.org. Bahariye Cad. Caferağa Mah. 29Kadıköy. T: 0216 346 1531. **Off map.**

### The Seed

**Alexej Gorlatch – Istanbul Recitals, 5 Jun, 8pm.** The 25-year-old Ukrainian-German pianist Gorlatch has played in many of the world's top concert venues. Emirgan Mah. Sakıp Sabancı Cad. 42, Emirgan. T: 0212 323 6050. **Off map.**

## CONCERTS: JAZZ

### Akbank Sanat

**Olcay Saral, 10 Jun, 8pm:** Modern jazz pianist and composer Saral performs compositions he has adapted for acoustic and electronic instruments. Tue-Sat 10:30am-7:30pm. www.akbanksanat.com. İstiklal Cad. 8, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 252 3500. **C5.**

### Nardis Jazz Club

**RonErdoğan Ağca Trio, 3 Jun, 9.30pm:** Ağca takes the stage with pieces that blend traditional jazz and blues with ethnic infusions. **Sanat**

**Deliorman & Caz Biraderleri, 5 Jun, 9.30pm:** Comprising Nezih Yeşilnil, Sanat Deliorman, Berkan Tilavel and Tümer Uluçınar, the group performs traditional jazz pieces. **Nezih Yeşilnil**

**Quartet, 6 Jun, 10.30pm:** Nezih Yeşilnil blends his jazz skills with famous film music that has left a mark on world cinematic history. **İstanbul**

**Funk Unit, 7 Jun, 10.30pm:** The band performs music by Maceo Parker, Liquid Soul and Nils Landgren, as well as funky takes on jazz standards. **Önder Focan & Kamil Erdem Quartet, 12 Jun, 9.30pm:** Taking on their first joint project, the duo presents a programme of original compositions. **Ece Göksu Quintet, 13 Jun, 10.30pm:** Göksu performs numbers from her album Masal. **Dilek Sert Erdoğan – Moments, 14 Jun, 10.30pm:** Erdoğan performs pieces from her first original English soul album, Moments, as well as unforgettable cult songs from the 80s and 90s. **Sibel Köse Group, 21 Jun, 10.30pm:** Having shared the stage with jazz greats, including Dee Dee Bridgewater, Raul Midon and Stacey Kent, vocalist Köse performs the songs of Nina Simone. **Triosome, 23 Jun, 9.30pm:** Three hot Turkish musicians perform a range of music from jazz to rock, avant-garde and modern music. **Amy Kelliher Band, 25 Jun, 9.30pm:** The American vocalist performs a moving show of American jazz pieces. **SPIN Reunion, 26 Jun, 9.30pm:** The group returns with their Reunion project, featuring

old and new compositions. **Ergüven Başaran – Swing Unlimited, 30 Jun, 9.30pm:** This special project by the master musician Başaran showcases a selection of swing classics. www.nardisjazz.com. Kule Sok. 8, Galata. T: 0212 244 6327. **D5.**

## CONCERTS: POP, TURKISH & WORLD

### Black Box Istanbul

**Travis, 19 Jun, 7.30pm:** This top name in Britpop performs hit songs including *Why Does It Always Rain On Me* and *Driftwood*. **Bob Dylan, 20 Jun, 8pm:** One of the most influential artists in the history of music, Dylan is in Istanbul to perform



## A Giant of Electronic Music

**Massive Attack** meets its fans at the **Küçükçiftlik Park** as part of the 100% Fest event (6 Jun). Founded in 1987 and rising quickly to fame, the group will steal the show with their Trip Hop, Electronica and Down Tempo style hits (p. 24).

songs from his latest album, *Tempest*. blackboxistanbul.com. T: 0212 334 01 00.

### Beşiktaş Cultural Centre (BKM)

**Serap Yağız, 1 Jun, 9pm:** Young vocalist Serap Yağız promotes her new album *Tiyatro Şarkıları* (Songs of the Theatre), recorded with top names in the theatrical world. Ebulula Mardin Cad. Maya Meridyen Plaza 16 K:3 D:12 Akatlar. T: 0212 352 1818. **Off map.**

### Jolly Joker İstanbul

**Mehmet Erdem, 6 Jun, 10pm:** Creating a sensation with his music, Erdem performs favourite songs from his most recent album, including Hakim Bey. **Cem Adrian, 7 Jun, 10pm:** Known for his unusual vocal quality, Adrian performs a concert of his most best-known songs. **Halil Sezai, 13 Jun, 10pm:** Vocalist Sezai performs hit songs from his albums *Seni Beklerken* and *Ey Aşk*. Daily 9:30pm-2am. www.jjistanbul.com. İstiklal Cad. Balı Sok. 22, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 249 0749. **C5.**

### Harbiye Cemil Topuzlu Open-Air Theatre

**Sertab Erener, 24 Jun, 9pm:** This beloved Turkish female vocalist performs a concert of old favourites, including her new hit single, *Ben Öyle Birini Sevdim*. **Kenan Doğulu, 26 Jun, 9pm:** Powerful pop vocalist Kenan Doğulu blends his top hits with a magnificent stage show. Behind the Hilton Hotel, Harbiye. T: 0212 232 1652. **A6.**

### Hayal Kahvesi

**The Free Licks, 23 Jun, 10pm:** Hot alt-rock group The Free Licks perform favourite hits from their album Exit Plan. www.hayalkahvesibeyoglu.com.tr. Hayal Kahvesi Beyoğlu, Daily 4pm-4am. İstiklal Cad. Meşelik Sok. 10, Taksim. T: 0212 244 2558. **C5.**

### İstinyePark Summer Tunes (summer music festival)

**The Lost Fingers, 5 Jun, 7.30pm:** The Canadian group performs its gypsy jazz songs. **Deladap, 12 Jun, 7.30pm:** This band features a rousing blend of Gypsy, pop, jazz and electronic music. **Pamela, 19 Jun, 7.30pm:** Powerful Turkish rock singer Pamela takes the stage with a programme that will have you dancing. **Jozi Levi Brazil Project, 26 Jun, 7.30pm:** The group creates a carnival-like spirit with their Brazilian music including samba and bossa nova.

### Life Park

**Jose Feliciano, 1 Jun, 8pm:** Eight-time Grammy winner, the legendary Puerto Rican musician returns after a long absence, much to the delight of his fans. **Cody Simpson, 17 Jun, 7pm:** The young Australian pop musician makes a long-awaited Istanbul stop as part of his world tour. **Ekşi Fest 2014 – Manu Chao, 21 Jun, 2pm:** Headlining the Ekşi Fest is the well-established Spanish-French musician Manu Chao, on his La Ventura 2015 Tour, plus musicians including Baba Zula, Sattas and Hakan Vreskala. www.lifeipark.com.tr. Mehmet Akif Ersoy Tabiat Park, Bahçeköy, Sarıyer. T: 0212 226 3987. **Off map.**

### Maslak Arena İstanbul

**Hi-Voltage 2014 – Trivium, 22 Jun, 3pm:** This Metal Festival presents Trivium plus legendary bands including Ghost, Karnivool, Black Tooth, Thrown To The Sun, Ivory and Furtheral. 100. Yıl Oto Sanayi Sitesi AOS-52 Çömlekçi Sok. 30, Maslak. **Off map.**

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5th İstanbul International Opera Festival

3-17 Jun: The festival, held with support of the General Administration of the State Opera and Ballet plus DenizBank, presents a magnificent musical celebration for lovers of opera in İstanbul.



Bakırköy Leyla Gencer Stage

Birjan and Sara – Samsun State Opera and Ballet, 13 Jun, 8pm: An opera about a love story by Kazakh composer, Mukan Tulebayev. **Lüküs Hayat (The High Life) – Mersin State Opera and Ballet, 15-16 Jun, 8pm:** Cemal Reşit Rey's immortal opera that influenced Turkish operettas and musicals, conducted by Haldun Dormen. Osmaniye Mah. İncirli Yolu Sok. Leyla Gencer Kültür Merkezi, Bakırköy.

İstanbul Archaeological Museums Garden

Abduction from the Seraglio – Samsun State Opera and Ballet 9-10 Jun, 9pm: Mozart's famous opera features soloists from İstanbul, Ankara and İzmir. Cankurtaran Mah., Alemdar Cad. Osman Hamdi Bey Yokuşu, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 520 7740. E5.

İstMotoFest 2014, Life Park

5-8 Jun, from 10am: Held at Life Park, this festival brings three days and three nights of uninterrupted Turkish rock, featuring Turkish rock legends including Hayko Cepkin, Kurtalan Ekspres and Özlem Tekin. www.lifepark.com.tr. Mehmet Akif Ersoy Tabiat Park, Bahçeköy, Sarıyer. T: 0212 226 3987. Off map.

Kadıköy Süreyya Opera

The Unexpected Meeting – Salzburg State Opera, 14-15 Jun, 8pm: Salzburg State Opera presents two performances of C. W. Gluck's opera. www.sureyyaoperasi.org. Bahariye Cad. Caferpaşa Mah. 29, Kadıköy. T: 0216 346 1531. Off map.

Zorlu Center PSM

Atilla – Ankara State Opera and Ballet, 3 Jun, 8pm: Staged by Andrejs Zagars, this opera portrays Atilla's love for Odabella after the occupation of Rome, and Odabella's plans for revenge. **Fatih Sultan Mehmet – İstanbul State Opera and Ballet, 6 Jun, 8pm:** The opera Mehmet II is based on the Ottoman conquest of Constantinople, staged with the unique interpretation of conductor Yekta Kara with adaptations of time and place. This performance features the Ottoman Mehter Band, a world first. **Dmitri Hvorostovsky – Gala Concert, 17 Jun, 8pm:** The Gala Concert welcomes baritone Dmitri Hvorostovsky, together with soprano Ana Maria

Martinez and the İstanbul State Opera and Ballet Orchestra. www.zorlucenter.com. Barbaros Bulvarı Kavşağı, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 444 9496. Off map.



42nd İstanbul Music Festival

To 27 Jun: Held this year with the theme *Doğanın Şarkısı* ('Song of Nature'), the festival welcomes around 800 local and foreign musicians to İstanbul performing in various city-wide venues.

Haghia Irene Museum

Austrian Baroque Ensemble – Nuria Rial, 5 Jun, 8.30pm: The ensemble and soloist Rial perform Arias & Concerti. **Turquerie-Pera Ensemble, 11 Jun, 8.30pm:** The ensemble weaves oriental flavours through Baroque music, in this performance of *The Ottoman Magic*. **Sinfonia Varsovia – Warsaw Philharmonic Chorus, 13 Jun, 8.30pm:** World premier of Alexander Raskatov's *Crying In The Wilderness* the festival's resident guest performers, the Polish orchestra Sinfonia Varsovia. **I Giardino Armonico – Julia Lezhneva, 14 Jun, 8.30pm:** The soprano singer joins the early music ensemble to perform music by Handel. **Sinfonia Varsovia – Piotr Anderszewski, 16 Jun, 8.30pm:** The pianist, accompanied by the orchestra, plays Dvorak and Tchaikovsky. **Sinfonia Varsovia - Julian Rachlin, 17 Jun, 8.30pm:** The orchestra is joined by violinist Rachlin for a concert of Beethoven. **ISSO – Nelson Freire, 18 Jun, 8.30pm:** Pianist Freire, accompanied by the İstanbul State Symphony Orchestra, plays Mendelssohn, Grieg and Ravel. **L'Arte Del Mondo – Xavier De Maistre, 21 Jun, 8.30pm:** Harpist de Maistre joins the ensemble to perform Vivaldi and Godefrid. Zubin Mehta will be presented with the lifetime Achievement Award before the concert. Topkapı Palace 1st Courtyard, Sultanahmet, Eminönü. T: 0212 512 0480. F5.

Boğaziçi University, Albert Long Hall Culture

Center Yıldızlarla Oda Müziği (Chamber Music with the Stars), 6 Jun, 9pm: Works by Brahms, performed by Eric Le Sage, Daishin Kashimoto, Lise Berthaud and François Salque. **Pepe Romero, 19 Jun, 9pm:** The guitarist Pepe Romero, now celebrating his 70th birthday, performs as a guest of the İstanbul Music Festival. **Diana Damrau – Xavier De Maistre, 23 Jun, 9pm:** Soprano Diana Damrau joins the creative harpist for an unusual blend of harp and voice for pieces by Strauss and Schubert. **Festival Encounters II, 24 Jun, 9pm:** Pianist Yuja Wang performs alongside violinist Kiril Troussove and cellist Gautier Capuçon, music by Brahms, Dvorak and Mendelssohn. www.klasikmuzik.boun.edu.tr. T: 0212 359 45 55.

İş Sanat

The Festival Presents Its Young Soloists, 7 Jun, 8.30pm: Emerging talent with the Adadolu University Symphony Orchestra and young pianist Kaan Baysal. www.issanat.com.tr. İş Towers, Levent. T: 0212 316 1083. Off map.

Vortvots Vorodman Church

Chamber Music with the Stars II, 20 Jun, 9pm: Three French virtuosos, Tedi Papavrami (violin), Xavier Phillips (cello) and François-Frédéric Guy (piano) collaborate in this second chamber music festival. Sevgi Sok. 3 Kumkap. T: 0212 516 2517. Off map.

Zorlu Center PSM

Teresa Carreño Youth Orchestra of Venezuela, 10 Jun, 8pm: This enormous 240-member orchestra, a product of the El Sistema program, celebrates the power of youth and of music. **Remembering Sait Faik on the 60th Anniversary of his Death:** Fazil Say and Friends, 26 Jun, 9pm: One of the best composers of our time, Fazil Say presents a programme of compositions commemorating great Turkish author Sait Faik. **Closing Concert: BiFO-Yuja Wang, 27 Jun, 8.30pm:** With her musical depth and fresh interpretation, talented pianist Yuja Wang is joined in the festival's closing concert by the Borusan İstanbul Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Sascha Goetzl. www.zorlucenter.com. Barbaros Bulvarı Kavşağı, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 444 9496. Off map.



100% Festival

Küçükçiftlik Park

Inc Soundgarden & Massive Attack, 6 Jun, from 11am: The festival features performances by bands including Soundgarden, Massive Attack, Kaiser Chiefs and the Danish group, the Bottle Boys. **Tori Amos, 22 Jun, 6pm:** Hear the successful vocalist perform songs from her latest album, *Unrepentant Geraldines*. **David Guetta, 27 Jun, 6pm:** With worldwide sales of over 5 million albums, top French DJ and producer David Guetta joins Suat Ateşdağı and Qubicon to delight music fans. www.kucukciftlikpark.com. Kadırgalar Yokuşu 5, Maçka. T: 0212 231 3045. B6.



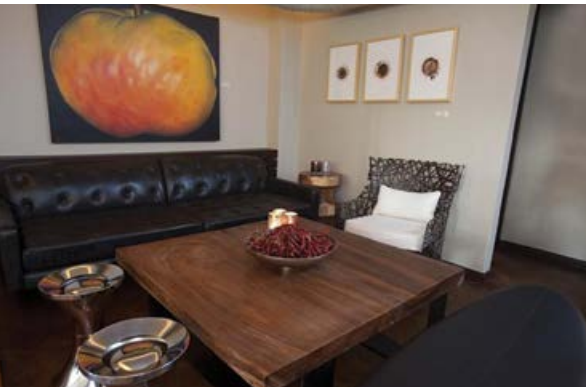
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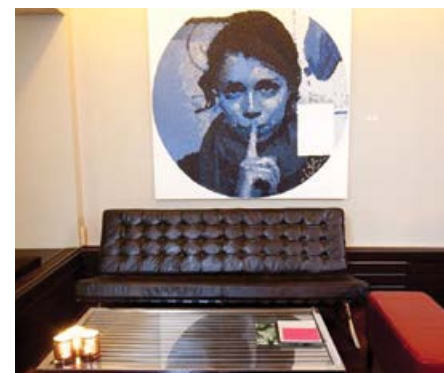
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**Biber Nişantaşı**, Abdi İpekçi Cad. 36, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 231 4105.

**Biber Bebek**, Cevdet Paşa Cad.18, Bebek. T: 0212 287 9586. [www.biberbar.com](http://www.biberbar.com)

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## MEYHANE & FASIL

### Elmadağ Meyhanesi

Keeping traditional meyhane culture alive, this charming meyhane serves a selection of traditional Turkish, Greek and Armenian mezes, and almost certainly something you haven't tried before. Every Friday and Saturday a live band plays old classical Turkish favourites as well as modern popular songs. Mon-Thu 6:30pm-12am. Fri & Sat 6:30pm-1am. [www.elmadagmeyhanesi.com](http://www.elmadagmeyhanesi.com). Cumhuriyet Cad. Pak Apt. 30/A, Elmadağ, Taksim. T: 0212 241 0320. **B6**.

### Galata Meyhanesi

This meyhane serves the flavours of Turkish cuisine as well as fasıl music, with a four-member group including violin, kanun, oud and drum providing a quintessentially Turkish atmosphere. Mon-Sat 7:30pm-00:30am. [www.galata.com.tr](http://www.galata.com.tr). Orhan Adli Apaydın Sok. 5/A, İstiklal Cad. Beyoğlu. T: 0212 293 1139. **C5**.

### Garibaldi Meyhanesi

Named after Giuseppe Garibaldi, this Beyoğlu meyhane serves a rich selection of Turkish mezes and features a fine group of musicians playing the best of Turkish classical music for a classic Istanbul evening out. [www.garibaldi.com](http://www.garibaldi.com). Mon-Sat 10am -1am. Perukar Çıkmazı 3, İstiklal Cad. Beyoğlu. T: 0535 719 0343. **C5**.

### Kalamata Meyhane

Sortie's Tavern took its new name after its relocation to Akaretler. Its warm atmosphere and simple interior become even more inviting with live music performances five days a week. The venue is run by one of the few female tavern owners in Turkey, Beyza Gürbüz, who also prepares the meze herself. Daily 7:30pm-4am. Sortie, Muallim Naci Cad. 54, Kuruçeşme. T: 0212 258 8788. **Off map**.

### Latife Hanım Meyhanesi

This meyhane with its 'Republican' theme is full of photographs of Atatürk and modern women of the new Turkish Republic, with Turkish classical songs playing round the clock. The meze selection is quite varied; make sure to sample the topik and lakerda. Sun-Thu 12pm-12am, Fri-Sat 12pm-1am. [www.latifehanim.com](http://www.latifehanim.com). İstiklal Cad. Bekar Sok. 22/A, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 293 0068. **C5**.

### Safi Meyhane

This modern meyhane in Şişhane serves mezes in the bar as well as the dining room. Home-style dishes feature for lunch, and the mezes include new flavours plus the venerable classics. Music ranges from 70s and 80s Turkish pop and classical. [www.safimeyhane.com](http://www.safimeyhane.com). Meşrutiyet Cad. 84, Şişhane. T: 0530 240 4908. **C4**.

## MODERN MEYHANES

### Aheste

This warm, retro-style restaurant offers 20 different mezes from Turkey, Iran, Armenia and Greece, including favourites such as calamari with hummus, sweetbreads and artichoke confite. There are live jazz performances to enhance the evening. Daily 9am-1am. [www.ahestegalata.com](http://www.ahestegalata.com). Hacı Mimi Mah. Serdar-ı Ekrem Cad. 30A, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 245 4345. **C5**.

### Duble Meze Bar

Duble is on the terrace of a building given to the Italian musician Giuseppe Donizetti, as a gift by Sultan Abdülmecit. The menu specialises in mezes made with seasonal vegetables and seafood. Wed, Fri and Sat nights are livened up by the music of DJ Aslı Köse. Sun-Thu 7pm-2am, Fri-Sat 6.30pm-2am. [www.dublemezebar.com](http://www.dublemezebar.com). Meşrutiyet Cad. 85A, Palazzo Donizetti, Pera, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 244 0188. **C5**.

### Sidika

With its quiet music and simple, wooden interior, Sidika's menu is inspired by healthy Aegean cuisine. There's special focus on the cuisine of Cunda, an island across from the town of Ayvalık, settled by immigrants from Crete. Try the special shrimp and sea bream mezes. Mon-Sat 5pm-12am. [www.sidika.com.tr](http://www.sidika.com.tr). Şair Nedim Cad. 38, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 259 7232. **A7 / B7**.

## BARS & CLUBS

### 29 Food Bar

Ulus 29 Lounge's new reincarnation, 29 Food Bar maintains its impressive elegance with its stylish décor and objects d'art. Must-tries include their asparagus tempura and Peking duck roll; they also make a mean Bloody Mary. Daily 12pm-2am. [www.group-29.com](http://www.group-29.com). Ahmet Adnan Saygun Cad. Ulus Parkı içi 71/1 Ulus. T: 0212 265 6181. **Off map**.

### 360istanbul Suada Club

Unique delicious cuisine, a warm ambience and a wonderful Bosphorus view combine with great music and house cocktails like the lifeguard and Pink Bikini in a lively, tropical atmosphere. Daily 10am-1pm. [www.360istanbul.com](http://www.360istanbul.com). Suada Club, Kuruçeşme Park, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 2636623. **Off map**.

### Anjelique

Three-storey venue overlooking the Bosphorus, a combination of restaurant, club and bar. The sea-level floor offers the exotic flavours of East Asia, while the middle and top floors serve fine French dishes. Different music on each floor, sometimes by well-known DJs. Daily 6.30pm-4am. [www.anjelique.com.tr](http://www.anjelique.com.tr). Muallim Naci Cad. Salhane Sok. 5, Ortaköy. T: 0212 327 2844. **A9**.

### Arabesque

Presenting a new twist on the typical Lebanese restaurant with its predictable hummus, belly dancers and oriental glitz, Arabesque successfully combines the oriental spirit with contemporary nightlife. With walls decorated by famous Beirut graffiti artist Yahya Muhakkin. Daily 8pm-2am Taşköprü Cad. 19, Demokrasi Parkı Yanı, Maçka. T: 0212 231 0356. **B6**.

### Babylon

Enjoy concerts, an extensive menu, cocktail pitchers, electro, house, chill out and world music. Daily 8pm-4am. [www.babylon.com.tr](http://www.babylon.com.tr).



## The Terrace is Open!

With the warming summer days, the Pera Palace Hotel Jumeirah has reopened the muchmissed **Orient Terrace**. Open daily from 8am-2am, the terrace is a place for those passionate about fine dining, with a Turkish and Mediterranean menu, and the recent addition of tapas. It also has a host of surprises in store, including original signature cocktails, each with its own story.

[www.jumeriah.com](http://www.jumeriah.com) Meşrutiyet Cad. 52, Tepebaşı, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 377 4000.



## This Summer's Hot Spot

As soon as you step into restaurant and bar **Fenix**, your eyes are drawn to the impressive high ceilings supported by columns. Exuding a tropical, exotic atmosphere, Fenix features fashionable Pan-Asian cuisine and DJ music every night – until dawn at weekends.

[www.fenixistanbul.com](http://www.fenixistanbul.com)  
Nispetiye Cad. 79, Etiler.  
T: 0212 265 5588.

Asmalimescit, Şehbender Sok. 3, Beyoğlu.  
T: 0212 292 7368. **C5.**

### Babylon Lounge

One of New York's most cutting edge music venues, Babylon Lounge is a place where young musicians create, discuss, meet the masters, and develop new ideas and projects. With its own unique musical scene, its stage is open to anyone and everyone making good music. Mon-Sat 10pm-2am. [www.babylon.com.tr](http://www.babylon.com.tr). Jurnal Sok. 4, Asmalimescit. T: 0212 245 3800. **C5.**

### Biber Bar

Homely atmosphere suitable for dinner and drinks with jazz or lounge music in the background. The menu of mainly Istanbul and Southern American cuisines includes steaks to burgers, salads, tapas, filet mignon and chicken shish kebab. ★★★ Daily L & D & N. [www.biberbar.com](http://www.biberbar.com). Cevdet Paşa Cad. 26/A, Bebek. **Off map.**

### Bird

Unique flavours from world cuisines are served up in a warm atmosphere dominated by music from the 50s and 60s. The menu here features mostly meat dishes with impressive portions, such as steak tartare and green curries, with their own special cocktails. Mon-Sat 11am-2pm. [www.bird.com.tr](http://www.bird.com.tr). Meşrutiyet Cad. 103, Şişhane, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 245 7085. **C4.**

### Bleu Lounge & Grill

With a Bosphorus view and comfortable ambience, Bleu serves tempting cocktails and gourmet

flavours all day long. In addition, they feature a different style of live music every day of the week. Daily 10am-2am. [www.ritzcarlton.com](http://www.ritzcarlton.com). Ritz Carlton, İstanbul, Askerocağı Cad. 6, Şişli. T: 0212 334 4188. **B6.**

### Bronx

This venue generally features live performances from rock bands. Highly popular among people of all ages and groups. Fri&Sat 9pm-4am. [www.istanbulbronx.com](http://www.istanbulbronx.com). İstiklal Cad. Terkos Çıkmazi 8/1, Beyoğlu. T: 0531 384 80 80. **C5.**

### Chilai

Located directly on the Bosphorus, the venue brings a breath of fresh air to İstanbul's nightlife with its unusual contemporary décor and bold dishes prepared by renowned chefs. The three-floor dining complex includes a sushi bar, bistro, lounge, bar, dining room, pastry shop, charcuterie and art gallery. Mon-Sat 10pm-2am. [www.chilai.com.tr](http://www.chilai.com.tr). Cevdet Paşa Cad. 60, Bebek. T: 0212 263 6315. **Off map.**

### Corridor

This dark and intimate bar located in the deepest corner of the Milli Reasürans Çarşısı (market) hosts art shows and photographic exhibitions. House music during weekdays changes to 80s tunes later in the evening; alternative rock and popular hits from the 80s and 90s dominate the sounds during weekends. Mon-Sat 5pm-1.30am. Milli Reasürans Çarşısı, 47-48, Abdi İpekçi Cad. Nişantaşı. T: 0212 343 0241. **A6.**

### Çubuklu 29

Overlooking the Bosphorus, Çubuklu 29 occupies a spacious building illuminated by lanterns. In addition to its pool open during the day. Tandoori lamb, pilaf with almonds and grilled meatballs are just some of the specialties on offer. Daily 6pm-3am. [www.cubuklu29.com](http://www.cubuklu29.com). Barbaros Cad. Paşabahçe Yolu 22, Çubuklu. T: 0216 322 2829. **Off map.**

### Fenix İstanbul

This restaurant and nightclub, with a magnificent high-ceilinged bar decorated with palm trees, serves dishes from around the world. One of the city's most elegant spots, it offers some of the finest food and DJ performances anywhere. Thu-Sat noon-4am. Sun-Wed noon-2am. Nispetiye Cad. 79, Etiler. T: 0212 265 5588. **Off map.**

### Fosil

With its unusual retro décor and unique cocktails such as Libido and Oh Papatya, Fosil is the perfect place for a night of rock music, from Jim Morrison to Elvis, The Beatles and Guns N' Roses. Mon & Tue 4pm-midnight. Wed-Sat 4pm-4am. [www.fosil.com.tr](http://www.fosil.com.tr). Kemankeş Cad. 34/C, K:3, Karaköy. T: 0507 812 8531. **D5.**

### Garajistanbul

A contemporary performance arts centre located in Beyoğlu, staging a variety of performances inc theatre, dance, festivals, exhibitions, and concerts. Daily 8:30pm-2am. [www.garajistanbul.org](http://www.garajistanbul.org). Tomtom Mah. Yeni Çarşı Cad. Kaymakam Reşat Bey Sok. 11/A, Galatasaray, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 244 4499. **C5.**

### Gaspar

Located in an old three-storey, high-ceilinged building, Karaköy venue is always full to overflowing thanks to its quality French food and great music. Mon-Thu 10am-12am. Fri&Sat

10am-4am. Müeyyeyzade Mah. Necatibey Cad. Arapoğlan Sok. 6, Karaköy. T: 0212 293 6660. **D5.**

### Gold Bar

Gold Bar has a brilliant, six-metre long aquarium. The main area, available for small parties, is flanked by a comfortable seating area with low sofas. This welcoming venue also features a lush green terrace, a perfect place to take a pleasant break from the bustle of city life. Daily 9am-2am. Every Wed&Fri 7pm-11pm Lounge / Chill Out DJ sessions. [www.editionhotels.com](http://www.editionhotels.com). The İstanbul Edition Hotel, Büyükdere Cad. 136, Levent. T: 0212 317 7700. **Off map.**

### Hayal Kahvesi

This popular venue hosts live performances by different bands every night. [www.hayalkahvesibeyoglu.com.tr](http://www.hayalkahvesibeyoglu.com.tr). Hayal Kahvesi Beyoğlu, Daily 4pm-4am. İstiklal Cad. Meşelik Sok. 10, Taksim. T: 0212 244 2558. **C5.** Hayal Kahvesi Çubuklu, Daily 4pm-4am. There are 2 restaurants; Tapas and İstanbul Balık. [www.hayalkahvesibeyoglu.com](http://www.hayalkahvesibeyoglu.com). Burunbahçe, Eski Gazhane Binaları, Çubuklu. T: 0216 413 6880. **Off map.**

### Hodjapasha Culture Center

This cultural centre located in the historic Hocapaşa Hamam presents an ever-changing series of exhibitions and performances, presenting the finest examples of Turkish culture. The brick and stone building with its high central dome hosts many fascinating events including the Mevlevi Sema Ceremony (Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat & Sun 7.30pm) and the Hodja Pasha Dance Show (Tue & Thur 8pm, Sat & Sun 9pm) performed by the Hocapaşa Dance Team. [www.hodjapasha.com](http://www.hodjapasha.com). Ankara Cad. Hocapaşa Hamamı Sok. 3B, Sirkeci. T: 0212 511 4626/4636. **E5.**

### Hypnos

Located in Beyoğlu's historic Mario Cantoni building, once the 19th-century home of the Cantoni family, Hypnos is the newest venue in İstanbul's nightlife scene. Every week, you'll find endless entertainment with its huge dance area, a peaceful dining area, regular Latin dance nights and free workshops. Daily 10am-7pm, organization time: 7pm-3am. [www.kafepi.com](http://www.kafepi.com). Hüseyin Ağa Mah. Kemer Hatun Cad. 10, Beyoğlu. T: 0533 258 9393. **C5.**

### Indigo

Known as a temple of electronic music, this club offers a vibrant programme based on alternative and electronic music, with new sounds and reflecting the developments in the world of music. Fri, Sat 11pm-5am. [www.livingindigo.com](http://www.livingindigo.com). İstiklal Cad. Akarsu Sok. Mısır Apt. 1/2/4/5, Galatasaray. T: 0212 244 8568. **C5.**

### Jolly Joker İstanbul

With its fine acoustics and infrastructure, this is a groundbreaking venue in sound quality in Turkey. Among the many genres performed are live electronic, acoustic, funk, pop, rock, hip hop, house and techno. Mon-Sat 9:30pm-2am. [www.jjistanbul.com](http://www.jjistanbul.com). İstiklal Cad. Balo Sok. 22, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 249 0749. **C5.**

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**Le Fumoir Pavillion**

This Bar In The Çırağan Palace Kempinski İstanbul boasts a splendid view directly onto the bosphorus. With palm trees, water pipe service and comfortable seating, the venue exudes Romance Savour, premium cognacs, malt whiskies, exclusive wines, champagnes, and cocktails. Daily 7/24. [www.kempinski.com](http://www.kempinski.com). Çırağan Cad. 32, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 326 4646. **Off Map**.

**Limoncello**

Named after the famous Italian liqueur, this exclusive boutique nightspot boasts colourful furniture under lemon trees, fresh fruit cocktails, and performances by top name DJs. Tue-Sat 10pm-3am. [www.limoncello.com.tr](http://www.limoncello.com.tr). Süleyman Seba Cad. 34, Akaretler, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 258 9822. **B7**.

**Lucca**

Spacious restaurant-bar with ample armchairs, long wooden tables and a high ceiling, serving as a café until 7pm, after which the menu offers a blend of world cuisines and the DJ performance takes over. This is one of İstanbul's most popular bars, and popular with the after-work crowd. Daily 10am-2am. [www.luccastyle.com](http://www.luccastyle.com). Cevdet Paşa Cad. 51/B, Bebek. T: 0212 257 1255. **Off map**.

**Masquerade Club**

Famous R&B singers and DJs from Turkey and abroad perform music from around the world at this new club with a capacity of 2000. Making a name for itself with its unusual concepts and performances, Masquerade creates a visual and musical celebration. Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun 11pm-5am. Yıldız Posta Cad. Sinan Pasajı No:38/26 Gayrettepe. T: 0212 347 1347. Mobile: 0533 027 0387. [masqueradeistanbul.com](http://masqueradeistanbul.com). **Off map**.

**Members İstanbul**

An impressive-looking Bosphorus nightspot where, the excellent DJs play mostly Turkish hits, with the fun continuing until the first arrival of dawn. Tue-Sat 10pm-4am. Muallim Naci Cad. 71, Ortaköy. T: 0212 236 7357. **Off map**.

**Minimüzikhol**

If you're out to avoid 'subculture'. Set your own trend and dance to world music, local sounds and electronic beats, then check out this new spot in hip Cihangir. DJ performances, special events and a very unique atmosphere created by to its unusual decor. 11pm-4am. [www.minimuzikhol.com](http://www.minimuzikhol.com). Siraselviler Cad. Soğanlı Sok. 7, Cihangir. T: 0212 245 1996. **C5**.

**Mojo**

Just off İstiklal Caddesi and much frequented by artists and writers, Mojo is loved for its alternative rock, jazz, ethnic and rock music as well as live music by local and foreign bands on Mon-Sat 10pm-4am. Daily 12am-4am. [www.mojomusic.org](http://www.mojomusic.org). Büyükparmakkapı Sok. 26, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 243 2927. **C5**.

**Nardis Jazz Club**

A true jazz club for real local jazz fans, with live music nightly modern, ethnic and creative non-jazz works. Extensive menu inc finger food, steak and chicken plus salads and desserts. Mon-Sat 8:30am-

1:30am. [www.nardisjazz.com](http://www.nardisjazz.com). Galata Kulesi Sok. 8, Galata. T: 0212 244 6327. **D5**.

**Nomads**

At Nomads, dishes are served with pita bread on large brass trays, accompanied by DJ Hakan's sublime mix of Arab and Western music. With a bright, airy garden surrounded by alcoves with pillows and couches, and Bosphorus views from the top floor. Tue-Sat; 8pm-2am. [www.nomads.nl](http://www.nomads.nl). Muallim Naci Cad. 65, Ortaköy. T: 0212 258 0777. **A9**.

**Nupera**

Launched in 2001 in the 200 year-old Passage de Petit Champs, Nupera houses a variety of restaurants, a bar and private club with an open terrace during the summer – something for everyone. Daily 6pm-12am. Fri&Sat 6pm-4am. [www.nupera.com.tr](http://www.nupera.com.tr). Meşrutiyet Cad. 67, Tepebaşı, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 245 6070. **C4**.

**Orient Bar**

Breakfast, Turkish and Mediterranean treats and a wide variety of snack dishes served on an elegant. The meals are complemented by original cocktails plus domestic and foreign wines served all day. Daily 10pm-2am. [www.jumeirah.com](http://www.jumeirah.com). Pera Palace Hotel Jumeriah, Meşrutiyet Cad. 52, Tepebaşı, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 3774000. **C4**.

**Pop**

This venue in Nupera has something to suit every taste, playing top hits from the 80s to the present. With its informal atmosphere and great selection of drinks, Pop has become one of the most popular spots in Pera. Wed, Fri, Sat 12am-4am. [www.nupera.com.tr](http://www.nupera.com.tr). Meşrutiyet Cad. 67, Tepebaşı. T: 0212 245 6070. **C4**.

**Propaganda**

Propaganda, with its stylish interior by Spanish architect David Garcia, lives up spectacularly to its motto: 'good food, good music'. It boasts a delicious selection of international dishes, live music on weeknights and DJ performances on weekends. Daily 11am-3am.İstiklal Cad, Suriye Pasajı, 166/10, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 252 7181. **C5**.

**Public House**

This cosy pub is ideally equipped to host parties and other special events. The cold and hot snacks, shots and pitcher cocktails are delicious. Daily 8am-2am. Asmalımescit Mah. 9, Beyoğlu. T: 0534 211 6062. **C4**.

**Sofyalı 9**

Very popular two-storey restaurant with the atmosphere of an Aegean-Mediterranean taverna. Greek music and cuisine including a choice of 33 meze (appetizers). Mon-Sat 12pm-1am. [www.sofyali.com](http://www.sofyali.com). Asmalımescit, Sofyalı Sok. 9, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 245 0362. **C5**.

**Sortie**

Located in the old bosphorus neighbourhood of Kuruçeşme. Sortie welcomes its guests with Turkish music on Wednesdays and R&B on Sunday nights. Daily 7pm-4am. [www.sortie.com.tr](http://www.sortie.com.tr). Muallim Naci Cad. 54, Kuruçeşme. T: 0212 327 8585. **Off map**.

**Suada Club**

İstanbul residents and visitors alike take refuge from the heat of summer in the soft Bosphorus breeze sweeping the pool and restaurants of Suada Club. Easily accessible thanks to its central location in the city, and housing six restaurants, Suada Club

is sure be a hot spot this year as well. An ideal spot for an aperitif after work, the middle bar of Suada Club entertains its guests throughout the summer with live performances. [www.suadaclub.com.tr](http://www.suadaclub.com.tr). Kuruçeşme. T: 0212 263 7300. **Off map**.

**Sultana's 1001 Nights Show**

Venue offering authentic Turkish-themed shows. Tables surround a raised centre stage, featuring shows that begin with belly-dancing, followed by folk dances and a harem show. Ottoman Cuisine. Daily 9am-5am. [www.sultanasb-nights.com](http://www.sultanasb-nights.com). Cumhuriyet Cad. 40/D, Elmadağ. T: 0212 219 3904. **B6**.

**Supper Club**

Part of a chain launched in Amsterdam, this nightclub offers electronic, chill out, funk and house music, and an alternative menu. Daily 11:30pm-5am. [www.supperclub.com](http://www.supperclub.com). Muallim Naci Cad. 65, Ortaköy. T: 0212 261 1988. **A9**.

**Topless Teras**

This popular İstiklal Caddesi meeting spot at the top of the Fitaş building boasts a terrace with a magnificent view over the Golden Horn, with a host of special events including tango dances on Wednesday nights. Daily 5pm-2am. İstiklal Cad. 12, K:6, Fitaş Binası. Beyoğlu. T: 0212 243 2451. **C4**.

**Unter, Karaköy**

Unter's ground floor is a café, the next is a lounge, and the top floor a party space. Try the Cairoska cocktail with Jaegermeister, and the long relaxed Sunday breakfasts. Private overnight parties with music by DJs promise great entertainment until dawn. Tue-Thu 9am-12am, Fri 9am-2am, Sat 9am-2am, Sun 9am-10pm. [www.unter.com.tr](http://www.unter.com.tr). Kemankeş, Karaali Kaptan Sok. 4, Karaköy, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 244 5151. **D5**.

**W Lounge**

One of the trendiest spots in İstanbul, hosting a multitude of parties accompanied by fine music. Extensive menu, stylish decoration and ambiance. Tue-Sat 24 hours. [www.wistanbul.com.tr](http://www.wistanbul.com.tr). Süleyman Seba Cad. 22, Akaretler, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 381 2121. **B7**.

**Zarifi Restaurant**

Prepared daily, menus feature 80 selections from the best of Armenian, Greek, Jewish, Arab, Turkish and Levantine cuisines. The restaurant is also known for its wide range of music, from old İstanbul songs to Sephardic, Greek and jazz music. Daily 7:30pm-4am. [www.zarifi.com.tr](http://www.zarifi.com.tr). Çukurlu Çeşme Sok. 13, Siraselviler, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 293 5480. Mobile: 0530 773 1673 **C5**.

TURKISH MUSIC

**Cahide Cümbüş**

Guests are given different J&B keys with designs based on the concept of each room at Cahide, which takes a very unique approach to entertainment. Bellboys take guests and their luggage to the selected rooms. Fairy tale characters approach in an erotic and humorous way. In the wee hours, Cahide's show team presents a wet dance performance under a shower. Daily 7pm-2am. Kadirgalar Cad. Maçka Demokrasi Parkı içi 2, Maçka. T: 0532 513 7789. **B6**.

**Club Albüm**

Turkish pop parties every night, at this nightspot



overlooking the Bosphorus, are followed by live percussion and dance shows. The deluxe drink menu serves a host of original, tempting cocktails. Daily 11pm-5am. Muallim Naci Cad. 71, Kuruçeşme. T: 0212 236 7256. **Off map**.

**Hittaera**

Playing Turkish songs from past to present, this venue hosts prominent DJs, plus top cocktails and nonstop entertainment. Tue-Sat 11:30pm-4am. Meşrutiyet Cad. 89/A, across from the Pera Palas Hotel, Asmalımescit, Beyoğlu. T: 0536 594 1139. **C4**.

**Off Pera**

A popular venue for musicians and actors, Off Pera provides a nonstop programme of Turkish music. This pop spot in Beyoğlu's Asmalımescit neighbourhood holds different themes through the week: Tuesday nights with Asu Maro, selections from classical, opera and famous musicals by Güvenç Dağüstün on Wednesdays. Daily 4pm-4am. Gönül Sok. Canova Apartmanı 14/A, Asmalımescit. T: 0212 249 2697. **C4**.

**Scotch Disco**

With a 20-year history, this venue offers Turkish music and DJs, offering the unique experience of the music halls of the 1980s. Serves beer and fresh popcorn. Daily 10:30pm-5am. [www.scotchclub.com.tr](http://www.scotchclub.com.tr). Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 29/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 246 5696. **A6**.

**Şamdan Etiler**

Offering a magnificent interior and selections from world cuisines, Şamdan turns into a popular entertainment spot at night. The evening starts with soft chansons, replaced by disco hits as the night progresses. Daily 8:30pm-5am. [www.etilersamdan.com](http://www.etilersamdan.com). Nispetiye Cad. 92, Etiler. Office: İhsan Aksoy Sok. 5/8, Çamlık, Etiler. T: 0212 257 3042. **Off map**.

**Zelda Zonk**

Newly opened on the upper floor of the Gradiva Hotel overlooking the Golden Horn, Zelda Zonk has a simple menu, but after 11pm it turns into a bar with DJ performances until dawn. Mon-Sat 10pm-4am. [www.gradivahotels.com](http://www.gradivahotels.com). Bankalar Cad. 2/1, Karaköy. T: 0530 382 3822. **D4**.

**Zilly Pera**

Falling somewhere in between a disco and nightclub, Zilly is one of İstanbul's most popular music spots. Sporting a 70s atmosphere, Zilly keeps the fun going until dawn with old and new Turkish songs. Tue-Sat 11pm-4:30am. Meşrutiyet Cad. 69, Beyoğlu. T: 0533 575 3397. **C4**.

WINE BARS

**Rouge**

Located near Taksim Square, this classic wine bar has over 260 Turkish and foreign wines, accompanied by local cheeses, appetizers and main courses. Pleasant atmosphere, with walls filled with art. Daily 10am-2am. Lamartin Cad. 11/3, Taksim. T: 0212 237 0190. **B6**.

**Sensus Wine & Cheese Boutique**

Owned by the Anemon Hotels, Sensus doubles as a wine and cheese shop. Close to the historic Galata Tower, this typical wine bar boasts exclusively local cheeses and wines. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.sensuswine.com](http://www.sensuswine.com). Anemon Hotel Galata, Bereketzade, Büyükhendek Cad. 5, Kuledibi. T: 0212 245 5657. **D4**.

# SHOPPING



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The Istanbul ShoppingFest kicks off with a grand opening night in Ortaköy (6 June), with further fun-filled events and surprises added by Istanbul's main shopping centres and shopping districts. Participating shopping malls, shops and the Grand Bazaar will offer discounts of up to 50% on items across a broad variety of categories, including bags, shoes and technology. Turning Istanbul into a genuine open-air carnival, the Festival brings a breath of fresh air into the city's already buoyant shopping scene.

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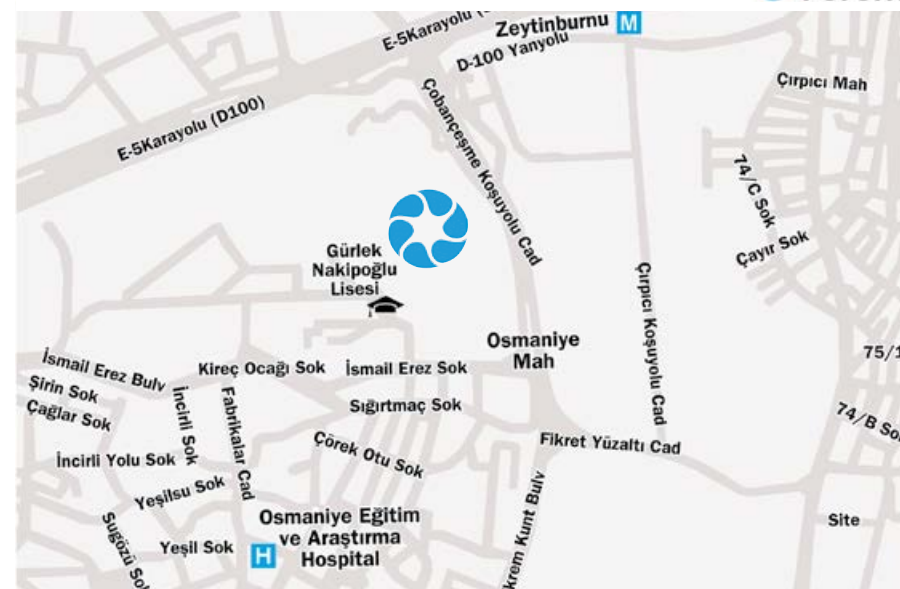


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## SHOPPING CENTRE MAP



## MAJOR SHOPPING AREAS

## Akaretler Row Houses

Built in 1875 by Ottoman Sultan Abdülaziz, the beautiful Akaretler Row Houses has a new lease on life since its huge renovation. New life has been breathed into this Beşiktaş neighbourhood and it's now one of Istanbul's foremost cultural quarters, offering a host of colourful art galleries, stylish cafés and restaurants, and a tempting selection of designer shops. Officially named Şair Nedim Caddesi, this sloping street, with the W Hotel as a prominent landmark, is lined with commercial galleries such as Rampa, Art On Gallery and Galerist, and design house Autobahn. Find luxury jewel-encrusted pieces at Sevan Bıçakçı, tasteful linens and household items at Haremliq, and prepare for the Big Day at Vakko Wedding. Should you need a break after all that browsing and shopping, tempting treats await at stylish Cafe Minyon (part of W Hotel), or taste top Turkish wines paired with cheeses at Corvus. [www.akaretler.com.tr](http://www.akaretler.com.tr) Süleymen Seba Cad. Maçka, Beşiktaş. **B7.**

## Bağdat Caddesi

Named after Murat IV's successful campaign to recapture Baghdad, this posh street on Istanbul's Asian side extends from Kızıltoprak in Kadıköy to Cevizli in Maltepe. The section between Suadiye and Cadedebostan is especially well known for its exclusive shops, cafés and restaurants frequented by local youth and business people. Many top Turkish and world brands have at least one shop here. Well served by public transportation, this bustling street with its chic restaurants and cafés is an excellent place to go window shopping and people watching. **Off map.**

## Covered (Grand) Bazaar

Built in 1461, this amazing complex, the world's oldest shopping center, is a colossal maze taking in 66 streets and 4,000 stores—all covered. Each street in the Bazaar is named after the specific guild that once inhabited it, such as the Kalpak

Makers, Jewellers, Mirror Makers, etc. This is the place for hand-woven carpets, jewellery, traditional Turkish art, famous Turkish style silverware, copper, bronze giftware and decorative objects, ceramics, onyx, leather products and souvenirs from all over Turkey. Mon-Sat 8:30am-7pm. [www.kapalicarsi.org.tr](http://www.kapalicarsi.org.tr). Beyazıt-Eminönü. **E4.**

## Çukurcuma

World-renowned for its antique shops, this area has the atmosphere of an old Ottoman neighbourhood. Antique shops are scattered through the streets. Mon-Fri 9am-7pm. Sat-Sun 9am-7pm. Çukurcuma Cad. Fırzuğa Mah. Faik Paşa Cad. Turnacıbaşı Sok. Beyoğlu. T: 0505 709 3857. **C5.**

## Egyptian (Spice) Bazaar

Alongside the New Mosque (*Yeni Cami*) and next to the Flower Market, the Egyptian Bazaar is one of the oldest covered bazaars in Istanbul, renowned for its herbalists. In addition to spices, Turkish delight (*lokum*), and other souvenirs, natural medicines, herbs, flower seeds, roots and barks of rare plants used in traditional medicine as well as a vast selection of dried nuts, delicatessen products and other food items are available. Mon-Sat 8:30am-6:30pm. Eminönü Square. **E4.**

## İstiklal Caddesi

In the historical district of Beyoğlu, which was the primary neighbourhood of the foreign community as well as non-Muslim Ottoman subjects, Beyoğlu gradually attained a European look with the arrival of foreign embassies as well as Christians from Galata, eventually forming a new community in 17th-century Istanbul. The allure of the street faded in the 1970s but was followed by major revival in early 1990s. It is now a the city's major entertainment district, full of bars, clubs, cafés, restaurants, and scores of top shopping brands. Beyoğlu. **C5.**

## Nişantaşı

Nişantaşı is both a lively and bustling neighbourhood and an area known for its exclusive shopping centres, brand-name stores, malls and

galleries. With its national and international brands, pleasant cafes, restaurants and quality nightlife, it is a favourite area especially with Istanbul's elite crowd. Nişantaşı lies at busy hub of several major streets (the busiest of which are Teşvikiye, Valikonağı and Rumeli Avenues) and it's easy to get to, a quick dolmuş ride from Taksim Square. **A6.**

## SHOPPING CENTRES

## Addressİstanbul

With a host of leading Turkish and foreign home furnishing and houseware stores offering hundreds of brands, this shopping centre has everything you need to decorate an entire flat in a single day. Take a break for a delicious treat at Kitchenette Restaurant, and enjoy live music on Sundays. Daily 10am-7pm. [www.addressistanbul.com](http://www.addressistanbul.com). Halide Edip Adıvar Bulvarı Mah. Çiftecevizler Deresi Sok. 4, Şişli. T: 0212 320 6262. **Off map.**

## Akasya Acıbadem

This largest shopping mall on Istanbul's Asian side offers famous world brands, 10 movie theatres, a concert hall, a theatre, and Kidzania, where children can meet, play and take part in over 60 different activities. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.ak-asya.com](http://www.ak-asya.com). Çeçen Sok. Kuru Etapı, Kuru Kule, K:36, 192, Acıbadem. T: 0216 428 3132. **Off map.**

## Akmerkez

Offering the best local and foreign brands in an elegant shopping atmosphere as well as an array of entertainment and social venues, Joker Entertainment Park promises a good time for children and adults alike. Papermoon, located at the Ulus entrance, serves Italian cuisine. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.akmerkez.com.tr](http://www.akmerkez.com.tr). Nispetiye Cad. Etiler. T: 0212 282 0170.

## Shopping Centre Map (p.34).

## Aqua Florya

This shopping mall offering world-class brands and entertainment hides an added surprise: The Istanbul Aquarium, the largest thematic aquarium in the world. Learn about aquatic life in the world's oceans, lakes and rivers, and enjoy a meal at one of the many cafes and restaurants overlooking the Marmara Sea. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.aquafloxya.com.tr](http://www.aquafloxya.com.tr). Şenlikköy Mah.Yeşilköy Halkalı Cad. 93, Florya. T: 0212 574 5900. **Off map.**

## Guidelines

This directory, grouped by category, is a list of establishments recommended by the editors of *Where Magazine* and includes regular advertisers.

## MAP LOCATIONS

Note that the references in bold at the end of each listing (A1; B5 etc) refer to the coordinates on the street maps on pages 70-71.

## INFORMATION

Visitors should note that Value Added Tax (VAT) varies between 8% and 18% and is generally included in the price of goods. Overseas visitors can shop tax-free in Turkey recouping around 5 to 13% of these amounts, respectively. Look for shops with signs for Global Refund (T: 0212 232 1121) and DSD Refund (T: 0212 546 0790).

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## Ataköy Plus

Ataköy Plus Shopping Centre is open to exploration with an architectural aesthetics, spacious circulation spaces, and special services that make shopping an insatiable experience. Situated on the coastal road only five minutes from the Atatürk International Airport, Ataköy Plus offers 140 brands original designs. [www.atakoyplus.com](http://www.atakoyplus.com). Daily 10am-10pm. Adnan Kahveci Bulvarı, Ataköy 6. Kısım Ataköy, Bakırköy. T: 0212 661 7515. **Off map.**

## Capacity

Four-storey shopping centre with 180 stores carrying Turkish and foreign brands. Sephora, Banana Republic, Gap and many more brands cater to a vast range of tastes while Electro World serves technology-savvy customers. Fast food, restaurants and movie theaters. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.capacity.com.tr](http://www.capacity.com.tr). Zeytinlik Mah. Fişekhane Cad. 7, Bakırköy. T: 0212 661 6705. **Off map.**

## Capitol

Major shopping and entertainment centre with stores, restaurants and fourteen movie theatres. Various activities organised every week. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.capitol.com.tr](http://www.capitol.com.tr). Mahir İz Cad. Altunizade, Üsküdar. T: 0216 554 7777. **Off map.**

## City's

City's Nişantaşı is a centre of fashion and style. Leading national and international brands, delightful cafés and restaurants, dazzling architecture. Entertainment for children and 7 movie theatres. Citylife's cinema foyer with its peerless sea view adds to the pleasure. The fun lasts late into the evening. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.citysnisantasi.com](http://www.citysnisantasi.com). Teşvikiye Cad. 162, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 373 3333. **A6.**

## Demirören İstiklal

Opened upon the rebuilding of the Sin-Em Han, home in the 1930s to the famous Saray pudding shop and the Lüks cinema, this 25,000 square metre venue is home to a host of famous shops including Sephora, Brandroom, the Satürn technology chain, the Gap and Atasun Optik. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.demirorenistiklal.com](http://www.demirorenistiklal.com). T: 0212 249 9999. İstiklal Cad. 52-54, Beyoğlu. **C5.**

## Galleria

A major shopping centre featuring world brands as well as a broad range of restaurants, entertainment, sports activities and striking interiors. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.galleria-atakoy.com](http://www.galleria-atakoy.com). Sahilyolu, Ataköy. T: 0212 559 9560. **Off map.**

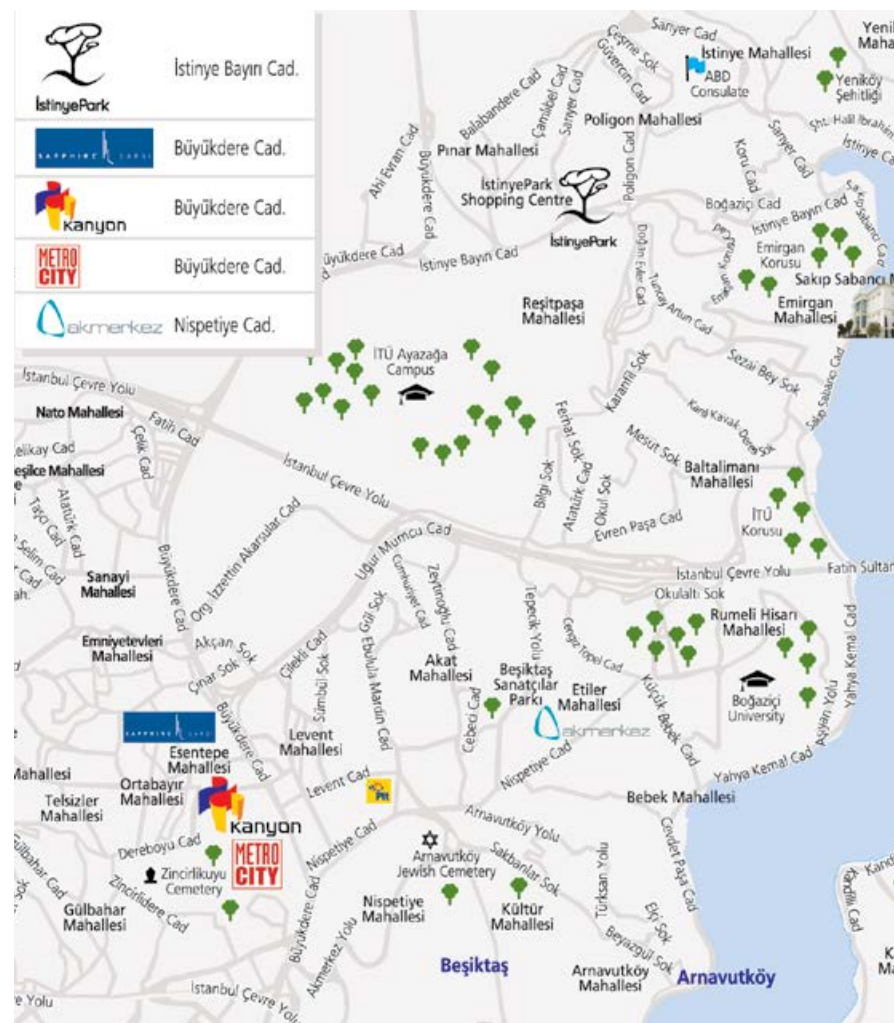
## İstanbul Cevahir

The city centre's largest shopping mall lets you shop any time you want. In addition to a slew of top-rated stores, it also boasts cafés and restaurants offering flavours from around the world, a movie theatre, state theatres and the Fun Lab Entertainment World for children. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.istanbulcevahir.com](http://www.istanbulcevahir.com). Büyükdere Cad. 22/A, Şişli. T: 0212 368 6900. **Off map.**

## İstinyePark

In addition to the top brands this shopping centre offers, it stands out with its architecture. Designed to cater to a host of tastes and needs, it demonstrates a distinct concept with 147 clothing stores and 43 world brands. Various theme areas

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including Brands Street, Nostalgic Marketplace and Children's Entertainment Centre in addition to nearly 40 cafés and restaurants, and 12 movie theatres inc a 3D IMAX screen. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.istinyepark.com](http://www.istinyepark.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. 73, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 5555. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Forumİstanbul**

In addition to shopping, Forum İstanbul offers an extensive choice of leisure activities. At the top of the list of attractions is Turkuazoo, Turkey's first and biggest aquarium. The mall also boasts a 10-screen movie theatre, a game and entertainment centre, bowling alley, play spaces for children and a host of dining choices. Look out for the newest addition: Jurassic Land, an 8000-m<sup>2</sup> family entertainment centre set due to open later this year. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.forumistanbul.com.tr](http://www.forumistanbul.com.tr). Kocatepe Mah. Paşa Cad. Bayrampaşa. T: 0212 443 1350. **Shopping Centre Map (p.36).**

**Kanyon**

Major shopping centre with 160 stores, 9 movie theatres and a health and sports club. Pleasant atmosphere offering the best Turkish and world brands, gourmet restaurants, cafés, open air performances and dazzling colours and sounds. Restaurants and cafés in Kanyon offer early

breakfasts and late dinners. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.kanyon.com.tr](http://www.kanyon.com.tr). Büyükdere Cad. 185, Levent. T: 0212 317 5300. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Marmara Forum**

The Marmara Forum shopping centre is home to world brands, and brings new ideas and trends to Turkey. In addition to famous men's, women's and kids' clothing and lingerie brands – including Massimo Dutti, Benetton, Mango, Lacoste, DKNY, GAP and Armani Kids – you'll also find top national and international jewellery brands like Atasay, Gülaylar, Assos and Swarovski. The mall is also home to 15 cinemas, and the largest Food Court in İstanbul, with 65 different cafes and restaurants. And not forgetting the two separate terraces with views of the Marmara Sea. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.marmara-forum.com.tr](http://www.marmara-forum.com.tr). Osmaniye, Çobançeşme, Koşuyolu Bulvarı 3, Bakırköy. T: 0212 414 9494. **Shopping Centre Map (p.32).**

**Metro City**

Accessible by subway, this shopping centre offering world brands, restaurants, and book stores is also popular for its regular events. Beymen Club and Vakko stores offer top-line smart and smart-casual men's and women's clothing. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.metrocity.com.tr](http://www.metrocity.com.tr). Büyükdere Cad. 171,

1. Levent. T: 0212 344 0660.

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**Optimum**

Bringing the outlet concept into the city centre, Optimum İstanbul serves nearly nine million visitors a year in the bustling neighbourhood of Kadıköy on the Asian side. In addition to famous brands like Tommy Hilfiger, Fracassetti and Diesel, you'll find local brands like Derimod, Vakko and Atasay. There's a huge daylight food court and open-air terraces, plus a 540 m<sup>2</sup> ice skating rink. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.optimumoutlet.com](http://www.optimumoutlet.com). İstiklal Sok. 10/4, Yenısahra, Ataşehir. T: 0216 664 1414. **Off map.**

**Palladium**

Largest shopping centre in İstanbul's Asian side. In addition to 170 large stores, movie theatres and an excellent food court, it also includes a 32-storey residence. Its inspiring architecture includes a colossal glass hemisphere for a roof. The chic mall also houses world-renowned brands including Marks&Spencer, C&A, Banana Republic, and Zara. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.palladium.com.tr](http://www.palladium.com.tr). Barbaros Mah. Halk Cad. 8/B, Yeni Sahra, Kozyatağı. T: 0216 663 1500. **Off map.**

**Sapphire**

At 261 metres high, İstanbul Sapphire is the city's tallest combined shopping mall and andresidential building; it's also Turkey's first 'green' structure, and one of few such buildings in the world. Combining western, traditional and modern architecture, Sapphire presents a modern shopping experience with prestigious world brands and entertainment. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.istanbulsapphire.com](http://www.istanbulsapphire.com). Emniyet Evleri, Eski Büyükdere Cad. 1/1, Levent. T: 0212 268 8080. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Trump Towers Mall**

This mall that offers shopping, movies, a place to perform music, a gym and a convention hall also has a play center and ice skating school for kids. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.trumpistanbul.com.tr](http://www.trumpistanbul.com.tr). Karkuyusu Sok. 19, Şişli. T: 0212 348 7867. **Off map.**

**Vialand**

Turkey's first world-class mega theme park offers a host of different entertainment alternatives including a show centre, shopping centre, a 5000-seat auditorium plus a train, a roller coaster and other rides and theme zones. [www.vialand.com.tr](http://www.vialand.com.tr). Yeşilpınar Mah. Girne Mah. Eyüp. T: 0212 618 9797. **Off map.**

**Zorlu Center**

This mall in the heart of the city is home to luxury boutique stores including Beymen, plus Turkey's first outlets of brands such as Brooks Brothers, Industrie Denim, Cos, Lanvin, Pomellato, Stella McCartney and Superdry. The venue also has 14 cinemas, including two VIP cinemas with 1,600 seats each. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.zorlucenter.com](http://www.zorlucenter.com). Barbaros Bulvarı Kavşağı, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 444 9496. **Off map.**

ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES

**Antik Palace**

Nearly 260 art and antique auctions have been held by this house, where numerous Turkish and



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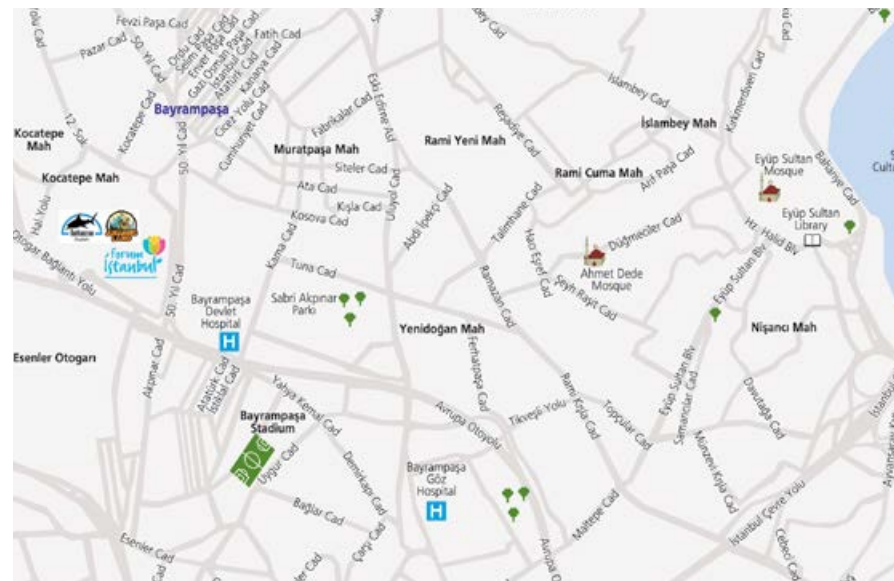
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**Beyaz Müzayede**

This establishment holds auctions at Sofa Hotel featuring masterpieces of modern and contemporary art. Printed with 5 different covers, the catalogue presents the objects to go under the hammer under two sections: Day Sale and Evening Sale. [www.beyazart.com](http://www.beyazart.com). İz Salı Gaz K:19 D:70, Maslak. T: 0212 290 7050. **A6.**

**Horhor Antique Centre**

This seven-storey building is famous with local antique collectors, and each object here has a story, from armour worn by an English knight in his last battle, to the massive armchair of a French aristocrat. Daily 10am-6pm. [www.horhor.com](http://www.horhor.com). Kirk Tulumba Sok. 24, Horhor, Aksaray. **E2.**

**Khaftan Art & Antique**

A delightful venue hosting a collection of fine antiques and works by modern Turkish artists. Khaftan's vast array includes Ottoman era textiles, ceramics, silverworks, oriental paintings, books, engravings and maps collected both in Turkey and abroad. Also available are oil paintings by contemporary Turkish artists, miniature paintings and calligraphic art. Daily 9am-8pm. [www.khaftan.com](http://www.khaftan.com). Sultanahmet, Şifa Hamamı Sok. 16, T: 0212 458 5425. **F5.**

**Maçka Mezat**

Maçka Mezat is a pioneer promoting Ottoman artworks and Turkish paintings in auctions, with a wide array of artefacts primarily Ottoman silver, tombaks, ceramics and calligraphy plus European and Russian artworks, Orientalist paintings and Chinese porcelain. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm. [www.mackamezat.com](http://www.mackamezat.com). Maçka Cad. 24/3, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 259 4513. **A6.**

**Portakal Art And Culture House**

The Portakal Family has contributed to Turkish arts and culture for three generations, since early 20th century provide art consultancy services for private museums, institutions and special collections. Mon-Sat 9am-7:30pm. [www.rportakal.com](http://www.rportakal.com). Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 8, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 225 4637. **A6.**

**Sahaflar Çarşısı**

The oldest market to have survived from Ottoman times, it is located on Beyazıt Square in the historical neighbourhood of Beyazıt, next to the Grand Bazaar. A must-see for booklovers visiting the Grand Bazaar, with old and new Turkish and foreign books, as well as old banknotes, coins and stamps. Eminönü, Çadırcılar Cad. 103-203, Beyazıt. **E4.**

## ACCESSORIES

**Ela Cindoruk & Nazan Pak**

Earrings, necklaces, bracelets, brooches, pendants and cufflinks designed by Ela Cindoruk and Nazan Pak. In addition to gold and silver, accessories made of pearls, plastic and polyester also available. Mon 2am-7pm, Tue-Sat 10.30am-7pm, [www.elacindoruknazanpak.com](http://www.elacindoruknazanpak.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Atiye Sok. 14/B, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 232 2664. **A6.**

**Frey Wille**

Designed to reflect an rich imagination and emotional intensity, handmade Frey Wille collections include unique artistic champlevé products by prominent Viennese designers. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.frey-wille.com](http://www.frey-wille.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 51/C, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 240 5420. **A6.**

## BOOKSTORES

**D&R**

Offers a broad selection of books, music, films, electronics, games, gifts and stationary in a modern and relaxed atmosphere, with 45 stores

throughout İstanbul. Check website for the nearest store. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.dr.com.tr](http://www.dr.com.tr).

Büyükdere Cad. 185, Kanyon Shopping Centre K:1, 179, Levent. T: 0212 353 0870.

**Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Remzi Kitabevi**

Books in both Turkish and English are available in this bookstore, which also includes a café. Turkish and foreign daily periodicals, CDs, DVDs, VCDs, Turkish, foreign magazines and gifts also available. Eight stores throughout İstanbul; check website for the closest store. Mon-Sat 9am-9pm. [www.remzi.com.tr](http://www.remzi.com.tr). Rumeli Cad. 44, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 234 5475. **A6.** Bağdat Cad. 452, Sütlüce. T: 0216 361 9071. **Off map.**

## CARPETS

**Agora Halı**

This amazing store's 18,000-piece private collection includes regional carpets such as Old Kazak, Konya, Sivas, Bergama and Uşak, plus the exciting Contemporary Art collection. [www.agorarug.com](http://www.agorarug.com). Nuruosmaniye Cad. Türbedar Sok. 9, Cağaloğlu. T: 0212 528 7441. **E4.**

**Loomart**

When it comes to aesthetics, LoomArt is committed to the best in carpet design. Its huge collection includes unusual antique pieces from Kerman, Konya and Tabriz (Iran), funky contemporary pieces with bold designs and bright colours, and woven kilims. Some of its larger creations as the Pera Palace Hotel, and residence of the President of Turkey! Daily 8:30am-7:30pm. [www.loomart.com](http://www.loomart.com). On the boutiques floor of The Ritz-Carlton. Gümüşsuyu, Askerocağı Cad. 9, Elmadağ. T: 0212 252 5095. **B6.**

**Nakkaş**

In İstanbul's old Sultanahmet district, there's a truly remarkable store: Nakkaş. Built over a beautifully restored 6-century Byzantine cistern, Nakkaş offers fine wearings, ceramics and jewellery in the tradition of quality craftsmanship. A visit to this column-filled cistern is the first step to an exciting shopping adventure. Mon-Sat 9am-7pm. [www.nakkasrug.com](http://www.nakkasrug.com). Nakilbent Sok. 13, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 516 5222. **F4 / F5.**

## CLOTHING – CHILDREN

**B&G Store**

Own product range featuring collections from leading global brands in children's clothing inc Patrizia Pepe, Bogner, Zu+Elements, Bikkembergs, Mariella Burani, Nebati bb, Baby Graziella, Phard Bebe, Killah, Riccione. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.bgstore.com.tr](http://www.bgstore.com.tr). Forum İstanbul, Kocatepe Mah. Paşa Cad. Bayrampaşa. T: 0212 640 6978. **Shopping Centre Map (p.36).**

**Kid's Story**

Garments and accessories for the 0-16 age group. Knitwear, shoes, shirts, jackets, socks, hats and berets. Products by leading brands inc Burberry, Donna Karan, Nolita, Bon Point, Monalisa, Roberto Cavalli & Simonetta also available. Daily 10am-10pm. Nispetiye Cad. Akmerkez Shopping Centre 185, Etiler. T: 0212 282 0146. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

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brand, Miki House is a favourite for boys and girls aged up to ten years old. There's a vast choice of items from clothing, bags and packs, a wide range of shoes, toys, hats and other accessories. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.mikihouse.com](http://www.mikihouse.com). Maçka Cad. Narmanlı Apt. 24/B, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 236 3649. **A6.**

## CLOTHING – MEN

**Corente**

Known for its made-to-measure shirts and suits, plus silk and cashmere neckties, the company uses fabrics from famous brands such as Charles Clayton, Loro Piana, Valentino, Dormeuil, Vitale Barberis Cononico, Ermenegildo Zegna, and Fratelli Italia De Delfino. [www.corentte.com](http://www.corentte.com). Mim Kemal Öke Cad. İkizler Apt. 14/3, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 247 0445. **Off map.**

**Damat/Tween**

The Damat Collection's main fabric line consists of specially woven, environmentally friendly, wool and wool blend Bio-Tech fabrics that are both sophisticated and eye-catching. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.damat.com.tr](http://www.damat.com.tr). Valikonağı Cad. 63, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 343 8550-51. **A6.**

**Ermenegildo Zegna**

The brand offers two distinct lines inc Zegna Sport and Z Zegna. Particularly the environmentally friendly Oasi Zegna Cashmere jumpers in basic colours appeal to both sight and touch. [www.zegna.com](http://www.zegna.com). Mon-Sat 10am-7:30pm. Abdi İpekçi Cad. 46/A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 241 6500. **A6.**

**Hugo Boss**

Bringing together modern accessories and casual and sporty lines, Hugo Boss offers endless choices inc ready-wear, watches, accessories, lingerie, bodycare products and more, under lines including its Boss Black, Boss Orange, Boss Green and Boss Selection. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.hugoboss.com](http://www.hugoboss.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 339/468, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 6001. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**La Misura**

A leader in custom tailoring, La Misura designs a wide range of made-to-measure suits, tuxedos, coats, shoes, accessories and more. [www.lamisura.com.tr](http://www.lamisura.com.tr). Levent Cad. 54, 1. Levent. T: 0212 283 0022. **Off map.**

## CLOTHING – MEN &amp; WOMEN

**Burberry**

Clothing for women, men, children and babies inc a winning mix of classic and funky raincoats, separates and accessories. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. [www.burberry.com](http://www.burberry.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 241 5516. **A6.**

**Dolce & Gabbana**

The creation of Italian designers Domenico Dolce and Stefano Gabbana, this famous brand dazzles the eyes with its brilliant designs. The new collection makes heavy use of wool with black, gold and lamé designs. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.dolcegabbana.com](http://www.dolcegabbana.com). Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 306 3398. **Off map.**

**Emporio Armani**

Italy's most famous fashion brand, Emporio Armani offers ready-to-wear, jewellery, lingerie, glasses and watches while renewing itself with the appealing and unique designs of its EA07 watch and Kaka jean creations. Mon-Sat 10am-10pm. [www.emporioarmani.com](http://www.emporioarmani.com). İstinyePark Shopping Centre 519, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 6110. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Etro**

Sporting Italian lines with the colours of India, this men and women's line of clothing, accessories, perfumes and home collections stand out with their bold colours and designs. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.etro.com](http://www.etro.com). İstinyePark Shopping Centre, K:1 İstinye Bayırı Cad. Sarıyer. T: 0212 335 6795. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Gap**

Highlighting American style with its sporty and casual garments, Gap offers a multitude of jeans, blazers, t-shirts, sweatshirts, lingerie, bags, belts, wallets and headgear. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.gap.com](http://www.gap.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre K:-1/38, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 6223. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Giorgio Armani**

The miraculous Italian line that shapes fashion with its simple yet stylish collection stands out with its casual, smart designs ideal for business life. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.giorgioarmani.com](http://www.giorgioarmani.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 518, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 6110. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Gucci**

Italian fashion brand with shoes, handbags, luggage, leather goods, furs, a ready-to-wear collection and much more. Daily 10am-7:30pm. [www.gucci.com](http://www.gucci.com). Maçka Cad. Maçka Palas 33/C, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 225 2080. **A6.**

**H&M**

Operating in cities around the world since 1947, H&M offers fashionable, quality products for men, women and children at attractive prices, and also stocks attractive local textiles. Daily 10am-10pm. İstinyePark Shopping Centre, İstinye Bayırı Cad. 73, Sarıyer. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Massimo Dutti**

The perennial choice of people unwilling to compromise on their appearance in a busy and fast-paced business life. Daily 10am-10pm. Nispetiye Cad. Akmerkez Shopping Centre 211/310, Etiler. T: 0212 282 0939. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Mavi**

Appealing to a vast range of tastes in jeans and casual clothing, this world-renowned Turkish brand also offers exclusive concept products for special occasions. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.mavi.com](http://www.mavi.com). Nispetiye Cad. Akmerkez Shopping Centre 235/238, Etiler. T: 0212 282 0423-24. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Naracamicie**

Italian luxury shirt designer and manufacturer Naracamicie presents four collections under the Flash and Base labels. In addition to bold, unusual shirts and blouses, you'll find classic shirts, white shirts and a host of original styles. Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm, Sun 12am-7pm. [www.naracamicie.com.tr](http://www.naracamicie.com.tr). Abdi İpekçi Cad.

Bostan Sok. Ayda Apt. 11 / 1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 236 5600. **A6.**

**Network**

Network is a global brand inspired by the multicultural character of the 21st century, introducing new trends for men and women. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. [www.network-tr.com](http://www.network-tr.com). Teşvikiye Cad. 103, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 236 6579. **A6.**

**Ralph Lauren**

Athletic and inspiring garments, coats and jackets give the feeling of an American holiday. Ralph Lauren offers unique choices for lovers of the classics with its Purple Label and Black Label lines and more casual selections with Polo Ralph Lauren. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.ralphlauren.com](http://www.ralphlauren.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 58, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 7012. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Tom Ford**

One of the world's most prestigious brands, famed for its outlandish, unique styles, this store presents one of the designer's most astounding collections in a contemporary atmosphere. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. Abdi İpekçi Cad 46/B, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 296 7575. **A6.**

**Zara**

Spanish brand offering men's, women's and children's clothing. Some of its stores, inc Zara Home, feature home furnishings and accessories. Mon-Sat 10am-10pm. [www.zara.com](http://www.zara.com). Metro City Shopping Centre G, 1. Levent. T: 0212 344 00 44. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

## CLOTHING - WOMEN

**Alexander McQueen**

Popular with men and women alike, this English brand's clothing and accessories appeal to those with an eye for elegant and sophisticated design. Abdi İpekçi Cad. 46/C, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 219 5709. **A6.**

**Barbara Bui**

Reflecting the energy and strength of the urban woman, Barbara Bui has represented sophisticated Parisian style for 27 years. This season's collection embodies a powerful rock spirit, and sculptural designs. Mon-Thu 10am-8pm. Fri & Sat 10am-8.30pm. Sun noon-8pm. St. Regis İstanbul, Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 35-1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 230 3752. **A6.**

**Brandroom**

Offers apparel for all occasions by select brands inc Balmain, Alexander Wang, Versace, Diane Von Furstenberg, 3.1 Phillip Lim, Salvatore Ferragamo, Tom Ford, MCQ, Catherine Malandrino, Ashish, Emilio Pucci, Thomas Wylde, Paul & Joe, See by Chloe, Vivienne Westwood Anglomania and Helmut Lang, as well as broad selection of cosmetics. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm, Sun 12pm-8pm. [www.demsagroup.com](http://www.demsagroup.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Polat Palas 63, Maçka. T: 0212 241 6049. **A6.**

**BCBG Max Azria**

The choice of many Hollywood celebrities like Paris Hilton, Carmen Electra, Eva Mendes and Sharon Stone, Max Azria caters to women who prefer a modern style. Extensive product offers casual wear to evening dresses, shoes and handbags. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm.

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**Bottega Veneta**

Comfortable, quality footwear and handbag designs offering elegance and luxury. Mon-Sat 10am-10pm. [www.bottegaveneta.com](http://www.bottegaveneta.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 463, Sarıyer. T: 0212 335 6790. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Chanel**

World-renowned French brand Chanel offers a wide range of products from ready-wear to accessories, beauty products and watches. Chanel counts Nicole Kidman, Victoria Beckham, Lily Allen, Catherine Deneuve and Audrey Tautou among its celebrity clients. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Abdi İpekçi Cad. Nazen Apt. Maçka. T: 0212 368 6300. **A6.**

**Desa**

Established in 1972, this brand now operates with 73 stores in Turkey and 2 abroad. In addition to leather products, it also produces silk, chiffon, cashmere and knitwear skirts, jackets, trousers, coats and accessories. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.desa.com.tr](http://www.desa.com.tr). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 5, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 232 1290. **A6.** Bağdat Cad. 443/A, Suadiye. T: 0216 416 4368. **Off map.** Bağdat Cad. 244, Göztepe. T: 0216 369 8037. **Off map.** İstinyePark Shopping Centre 398, Sarıyer. T: 0212 245 6739. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Dior**

Highly distinguished world brand with John Galliano's haute couture, men's-women's prêt-à-porter, home decoration, skin product and jewellery designs, Dior's perfumes are also the choice of top world personalities. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.dior.com](http://www.dior.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 478, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 5930. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Escada**

Prestigious international fashion house offering luxury apparel, accessories and fragrance collections for daytime, weekends and evenings. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.escada.com](http://www.escada.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 25/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 247 8483. **A6.**

**Fendi**

Italian brand has launched a new boutique which will house handbags, shoes, small leather goods, watches, jewellery. Daily 10am-10pm. Zorlu Center, Koru Sok. 2, 180, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 999 9810. **Off map.**

**Lanvin**

One of the largest French brands and popular with Hollywood stars for its clothing, shoes and bags, Lanvin offers designs of elegance and luxury. Abdi İpekçi Cad. 46/C1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 231 3979. **A6.**

**Louis Vuitton**

Ready-to-wear dresses as well as bags and accessories from the famous monogrammed leather by Marc Jacobs. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. [www.louisvuitton.com](http://www.louisvuitton.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 23, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 246 6975. **A6.**

**Max&Co.**

Collection representing a modern, feminine, seductive and distinctive style. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.maxandco.com](http://www.maxandco.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 492, İstinye. T: 0212 345 5731. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

## SHOPPING

### Max Mara

Max Mara covers all the bases for lovers of classic styles, providing a casual look for women of all ages. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.maxmara.com](http://www.maxmara.com). Teşvikiye Cad. 7, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 259 6550. **A6.**

### Miu Miu

Designed as an independent brand by Prada, Miu Miu's trendy footwear and dresses appeal to the child in you. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.miumiu.com](http://www.miumiu.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 58, Sarıyer. T: 0212 329 8158.

**Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Midnight Express

Clothing by designers inspired by İstanbul, including Bora Aksu, Ümit Ünal and Hakan Yıldırım; as well as leather handbags and accessories by Johnny Farah. Also jewellery by Apriati, each piece of which is an artwork with its novel, flowing forms. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.midnightexpress.com.tr](http://www.midnightexpress.com.tr). Küçük Bebek Cad. 7/A, Bebek. T: 0212 265 4547. **Off map.**

### Perspective

Modern collections featuring elegant but comfortable work, casual and evening wear design for women with over 100 stores in 41 countries. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm, Sun 12pm-7pm. [www.perspective.com.tr](http://www.perspective.com.tr). Rumeli Cad. 2/1, A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 231 3355. **A6.**

### Prada

Considering fashion, luxury and style a mission that goes beyond the mere production of clothes, bags, and shoes, this famous Italian brand leads the world in fashion and style. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. [www.prada.com](http://www.prada.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 34, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 368 8450. **A6.**

### Roberto Cavalli

Top quality Italian clothes for men and women, that are comfortable as well as stylish. Mon-Sat 10.30am-8pm. [www.robertocavalli.com](http://www.robertocavalli.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 13/A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 291 0754. **A6.**

### Saint Laurent

Known For His Designs Aimed At Daring, Feminine Women, The French Designer's Shops Offer A Range Of Bold Pieces. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.ysl.com](http://www.ysl.com). Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 306 3390. **Off map.**

### Salvatore Ferragamo

Creativity and passion have been passed down through generations in the Ferragamo family, and with close attention to quality and detail, Salvatore Ferragamo has become known as the shoemaker for the stars. In addition to purses and shoes, the brand's other lines of clothing have also had great success. Daily 10am-8pm. Abdi İpekçi Cad. Polat Palas, 63, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 241 6049. **A6.**

### Stella McCartney

The daughter of former Beatles member Paul McCartney, the British designer is known for her creations for famous personalities including Madonna, Jude Law and Gwyneth Paltrow. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.stellamccartney.com](http://www.stellamccartney.com). Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 306 3396. **Off map.**

### V2k Designers

Prestigious Turkish couture offering elegance and a modern style. Carries many famous hip brands under its collection. Mon-Sat 10:30am-7:30pm.

[www.v2kdesigners.com.tr](http://www.v2kdesigners.com.tr). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 31/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 219 9498. **A6.**

### Valentino

The Italian fashion designer's elegant shops offer haute couture designs dominated by red and black, collectors' pieces, women's accessories and glasses. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.valentino.com](http://www.valentino.com). Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 306 3392. **Off map.**

### Verda Textile

With headquarters in İstanbul's Osmanbey district and branches throughout the world, Verda supplies women's clothing in large sizes (42-58), making unique, bold fashion available to everyone. Its collection includes gowns, day and eveningwear, and is easily reachable by metro. Mon-Fri 8:30am-7:30pm, Sat 9am-2pm. [www.verdatextile.com](http://www.verdatextile.com). Rumeli Cad. Boytar Ahmet Sok. No:1/1, Osmanbey. T: 0212 219 4000. **Off map.**

## COIFFEURS

### Bahçecik

Leading establishment providing the latest trends. Its quality and well-trained, specialized staff ensure customer satisfaction. Member of Haute Coiffure Française and İstanbul Artistic Coiffeurs Association. Mon-Sat 9am-7:30pm. [www.bahcecik.com.tr](http://www.bahcecik.com.tr). Ulus, Ahmet Adnan Saygun Cad. Dostlar Sitesi, 5/1A, Ulus. T: 0212 257 6822. **Off map.** *The Ritz Carlton Hotel* Süzer Plaza Çarşısı. T: 0212 244 5954. **B7.**

### Erdem Kıramer

An established brand in Turkey, Erdem Kıramer works with Paris-based Dessange Paris, bringing the world's innovations to Turkey. Its hair designs successfully reflect the latest in hair fashion in newspaper, magazine and TV shootings, fashion shows and similar events. Daily 9am-7pm. [www.erdemkramer.com.tr](http://www.erdemkramer.com.tr). Maya Residence, Bebek Mah. Otlukbeli Cad. Yol Sok. 16/17, C Blok, Etiler. T: 0212 352 1195. **Off map.**

## CONCEPT STORES

### Fey

An original, unusual shop where you can find designs by owner Fatoş Yalın, vintage pieces, clothing by Turkish designers, plus accessories including leather purses, iPhone/iPad cases, T-shirts, silk shirts, jewellery by foreign designers, coffee cups and more. Mon-Sat 10am-7:30pm. Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 9, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 219 8724. **A6.**

### Inui

Nişantaşı source for avant-garde designers including Hüseyin Çağlayan, Anne Valerie Hash and Noir. Mon-Sat 10:30am-7pm. [www.inuibutik.com](http://www.inuibutik.com). Maçka Cad. Zekipaşa Apt. 12/A Teşvikiye. T: 0212 296 6010. **A6.**

## COSMETICS

### L'occitane

Creams, soaps, candles and natural skin care products. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.occitane.com.tr](http://www.occitane.com.tr). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 43/B, Nişantaşı. T: 0533 489 5468. **A6.**

### M.A.C.

Wide variety of makeup products and cosmetics

with assistance from experts. Skin and nail protection products also available. Daily 10am-10pm. Nispetiye Cad. Akmerkez Shopping Centre 121, Etiler. T: 0212 282 2615. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

## DEPARTMENT STORES

### Beymen

Beymen Men is renowned for its eye for fine detail, special fabrics and quality. Beymen Women offers timeless garments with romantic, nostalgic and feminine details that will never go out of fashion. Leading international brands also available. [www.beymen.com.tr](http://www.beymen.com.tr). Nişantaşı, Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. Abdi İpekçi Cad. 23/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 3734800. **A6.** Zorlu Center, Daily 10am-10pm. Zorlu Center, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 306 3300. **Off map.**

### Boyner

Its men's, women's, children's wear, active sportswear, footwear & accessories, cosmetics and housewares departments offer a vast selection of local and international brands. Daily 10am-10pm. İstinyePark Shopping Centre, İstinye Bayırı Cad. Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 5070. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).** Bağdat Cad. 360, Suadiye. T: 0216 385 1409. **Off map.**

### Harvey Nichols

Kanyon Shopping Centre is the home of this ultimate luxury designer destination. Spread over 3 floors, it offers over 300 of world's top designer labels in ladies', men's and children's wear, cosmetics, fashion, and home accessories, also including premium brands. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.harveynichols.com](http://www.harveynichols.com). Büyükdere Cad. 185, Kanyon Shopping Centre, Levent. T: 0212 319 1155. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Vakko

This leading Turkish brand presents its own interpretation of today's fashions in men's and women's wear while remaining true to its superior fabric and manufacturing quality. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.vakko.com.tr](http://www.vakko.com.tr). Büyükdere Cad. 185, Kanyon Shopping Centre 138, Levent. T: 0212 353 1080. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

## GIFT & COLLECTABLES

### Anatoli

The Anatoli brand brings centuries-old cultural motifs and symbols Anatolian to life. Its modern designs bring together designers and skilled artisans to create a unique line of decorative objects and giftware, with the Kubbe-i Aliye coffee set and their Seljuk carafe among their top selling designs. [www.anatoli.com.tr](http://www.anatoli.com.tr). İstinyePark Shopping Centre, Daily 10am-10pm, İstinye Bayırı Cad. 73, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 6858. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Assouline

With branches in Paris, New York, Las Vegas, Los Angeles and now İstanbul, Assouline stores offer a selection of limited-edition book bags, book stands, stationery, bookends and fine antiques. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm, Sun 12am-6pm. Cevdet Paşa Cad. 25/A, Bebek. T: 0212 287 5534. **Off map.**

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## SHOPPING

### Cashmere House

Cashmere House is the place to look for exquisite latest styles of cashmere shawls from Nepal and Kashmir, as well as real silk shawls produced in the Turkish cities of Bursa and Denizli in a wide variety of colours and styles. Mon-Sat 9am-6pm. [www.cashmerehouse.com.tr](http://www.cashmerehouse.com.tr). Keseniler Cad. 49-51, Grand Bazaar, Beyazit, Fatih. **E4.**

### Fırça Ceramics

This is Turkey's first handicraft centre to produce hand-made ceramics with lead-free glaze and a high percentages of quartz, equal to original İznik quality. You can also enjoy a fascinating demonstration of traditional pottery making with a kick wheel. *Sultanahmet*, Daily 9am-7pm. Cankurtaran, Alemdar Cad. 2/A, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 511 9300. Kariye, Daily (closed Wed) 9am-6pm. Derviş Ali Mah. Kariye Camii Sok. 4 Edirnekapi. T: 0212 534 4916. **C1/2.**

### Gali Collection, The

This home and marine collection features nature-inspired forms alongside contemporary hand-crafted silver jewellery. View the fine silver collection, and Gali-designed slippers to ward off the evil eye. Mon-Fri 10am-6pm. [www.thegalicollection.com](http://www.thegalicollection.com). Kültür Mah. Küçük Çamlık Sitesi, Esra Sok. E Blok 2H D2, Etiler. T: 0212 234 0138. **A6.**

### Godiva

For a wonderful romantic moment or a surprise treat, this world-famous Belgian chocolatier is the sweetest choice. Creating the finest chocolates since 1926, Godiva's tradition and legendary flavour await you. Mon-Sat 10am-9pm, Sun 12am-6pm. Abdi İpekçi Cad. Ünsal Apt. 6-4, B, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 246 4186. **A6.**

### Hiref

Reflecting Anatolian art and culture in the world of contemporary Turkish design, Hiref has now added its new Bakır, Beykoz and Abdan collections to its offerings. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.hiref.com.tr](http://www.hiref.com.tr). Büyükdere Cad. 185, Kanyon Shopping Centre 50-51, Levent. T: 0212 353 5450. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Lokum İstanbul

Creating unique and original designs on İstanbul's European side since 2005, Lokum İstanbul features Turkish delight, cologne, candles, confections, cards and very special fabrics. Daily 9am-8pm. [www.lokumistanbul.com](http://www.lokumistanbul.com). Kuruçeşme Cad. 15, Kuruçeşme, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 287 1528. **Off map.**

### Lotus İznik Ceramic

Lotus İznik Ceramics offers the best quality, handmade and handpainted, world famous Turkish Ceramics and Tiles. They carefully select the finest examples of traditional and modern İznik and Kütahya ceramic designs. Each art piece is custom ordered to outstanding local artists, who sign every one of their achievements. Mon-Sat 9am-6pm. Nakilbent Sok. 13, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 516 5222. **F4.**

### Moser

Find some of Europe's best crystal, porcelain and silver here, boasting some of the world's top celebrity names as its fans. The collections include Kosta Boda, Meissen, Orrefors, Georg Jensen, Haviland, Daum and Lalique. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.moserturkey.com](http://www.moserturkey.com). Ebulula Cad. 47, 1.Levent. T: 0212 280 30 24. **Off map.**

### Paşabahçe Boutique

The right address for delightful premium glassware, with special collections such as Ottoman, Enamel Glass, Calligraphy on Glass, Mosaic, Ashura, Boutique Glass and others, as well as crystal, porcelain/ceramics, and accessories. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.pasabahcemagazalari.com](http://www.pasabahcemagazalari.com). Büyükdere Cad. 185, Kanyon Shopping Centre G 141, Levent. T: 0212 353 0730. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Tash Corner

A warm, welcoming shop offering handmade designs, from silver and semiprecious stones, plus imported earrings, necklaces and bracelets in many colours and styles. Mon-Sat 8:30am-7pm. Kapalıçarşı, Koltuk Kazancılar Sok. 27, Eminönü. T: 0212 528 69 72. **E4.**

## HAMMAMS

### Ayasofya Hürrem Sultan Hamamı (Bath of Roxelana)

Commissioned in 1556 to Mimar Sinan by Sultan Süleyman I, this hamam was named after his wife Hürrem Sultan, popularly known as Roxelana. The Haseki Hürrem Sultan Hamam has recently been restored and reopened as one of the most important treasures in the Ottoman-Turkish bath tradition. It was the first bath in which the men's and women's sections were built to the same plan. Daily 7am-12am. Cankurtaran Mah. Ayasofya Meydanı 2, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 517 3535. **F4.**

### Historic Galatasaray Hamam

This hamam is part of the Galatasaray Mosque complex, built in 1481 at the orders of Sultan Beyazıt II. The Turkish bath is fully equipped, and staffed by attendants and special masseurs, with the option of a 'shock' bath after your session. [www.galatasarayhamami.com](http://www.galatasarayhamami.com). *Bayan Hamamı (women)*, T: 0212 249 4342. Daily 8am-9pm. *Bay Hamamı (men)*, T: 0212 252 4242. Daily 7am-10pm. Turnacıbaşı Sok. 24, Galatasaray. **C5.**

## HOMEWARES

### Abdulla

Comprised of two stores offering natural products in the Grand Bazaar. Boasting mystical interiors influenced by the overall atmosphere of the Bazaar, the stores offer a vast range of authentic products from fabrics to oil soaps, leather work to bedding. Mon-Sat 9:30pm-7pm. Alibaba Türbe Sok. 25, Nuruosmaniye. T: 0212 526 3070. **F4.**

### Alhammam

A world of accoutrements of historical and modern hammam culture including soaps, copper products, scrubs and luffas, peshtemals, towels and hammam bowls. An excellent place to find the perfect gift or to treat yourself. Mon-Sat 8am-7:30pm. [www.alhammam.com.cn](http://www.alhammam.com.cn). Çarşıkapı, Nuruosmaniye Cad. 10, Sofuçhan Girişi, Nuruosmaniye. T: 0212 512 2002. **E4.**

### Armaggan

Venue offering its exclusive products that reinterpret the inspiration of Anatolia through modern designs created in its own workshops. The limited editions include jewellery and home textiles collections as well as custom clothing produced using natural dyes—all exhibited in its seven-storey building. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm.

[www.armaggan.com](http://www.armaggan.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Bostan Sok. 8, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 291 6292. **A6.**

This exclusive store's new Nuruosmaniye outlet presents a wide variety of specially designed objects, such as jewellery, naturally-dyed textiles, carpets, leather goods, textiles and fine dining, all under one roof. Not only that, but it is also home to Nar Gourmet, Nar Restaurant, Nar Café, the Culinary Arts Center (YESAM), the Armaggan Art Gallery and Bora Travel. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. [www.armaggan.com](http://www.armaggan.com). Nuruosmaniye Cad. 65, Beyazit. T: 0212 522 4433. **E4.**

### Beymen Home

Leading world brands in everything from decoration to home textiles, lighting to table design as well as one-of-a-kind products by world-renowned designers. Objects created of fine materials such as crystal, brass and bronze. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.beymen.com.tr](http://www.beymen.com.tr). Nispetiye Cad. Akmerkez Shopping Centre, Etiler. T: 0212 316 6900. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Chakra

Towels and bathrobes from bamboo fibre that softens when washed, in a variety of colours and patterns. Cosmetics specially produced for Chakra in Paris under the brand Chakra SPA Collection also available. Drop by for an alternative look at houseware. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.chakra.com.tr](http://www.chakra.com.tr). Büyükdere Cad. 185, Kanyon Shopping Centre B2, Levent. T: 0212 353 0757.

**Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Dantell

A wonderful new place for fine bed linens, tablecloths, towels, pillows, napkins and bathrobes, including the Dreamy Whites, Everyday Glamour, Spring Garden, Ecclethic and signed Tuvana Büyükçınar's Tuvanam For Dantell collections. Special exclusive design accessories also available. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.dantell.com](http://www.dantell.com). Teşvikiye Mah. Şakayık Sok. 56/17 Nişantaşı. T: 0212 224 0867. **A6.**

### Haremlique

Company offering own production of luxury linens and towels as well as fine silks, cashmeres, upholstery and home accessories for the finest homes, yachts and boutique hotels. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.haremlique.com](http://www.haremlique.com). Zorlu Center Koru Sok. 2/194, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 236 3843. **Off map.**

### Heritia

Offering a wealth of fine handicrafts, Heritia is filled with treasures like tables and jewel boxes inlaid with mother-of-pearl, ornate worry beads, tablecloths and wall-hangings hand-embroidered in silver and gold thread. Look out also for traditional Turkish lokum, hard candies and flavoured almond pastes. [www.heritia.com.tr](http://www.heritia.com.tr). Meşrutiyet Cad. Baran Apt. 79, D:1-2, Asmalimescit, Beyoğlu T: 0212 243 5800. **C4.**

### İznik Works

A homely store in the heart of the Grand Bazaar, İznik Works offers the centuries-old glory of Turkish tile and pottery making. The finest examples of İznik tiles in blue, green and white embellish the store. Mon-Sat 9am-7pm. [www.iznikworks.com](http://www.iznikworks.com). Grand Bazaar, Takkeçiler Sok. 82-84, Eminönü. T: 0212 522 4242. **F5.**

### Mudo Concept

Offers a broad product range in decoration, furniture, personal accessories, home textiles and



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lighting for living spaces, kitchens and bathrooms. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.mudoconcept.com.tr](http://www.mudoconcept.com.tr). Teşvikiye, Akkavak-Şakayık Sok. 47/2, Tunaman Çarşısı. T: 0212 444 6836. **A6.**

### Yazzma

This shop selling shawls, scarves, kaftans, slippers and pillows in a riot of colours has something to suite any taste. The authentic products fit not only classic decor, but modern homes as well. Mon-Sat 8:30am-7pm. [www.yazzma.com](http://www.yazzma.com). Kapalıçarşı, Takkeçiler Sok. 58-60, Eminönü. T: 0212 524 6841. **E4.**

## JEWELLERY

### Agora Mücevherat

A testament to the skill and taste of their craftsmen, Agora's one-of-a-kind jewellery, of pure 24-carat gold embellished with precious stones, will take you on a trip straight into the Arabian Nights. [www.agorarug.com](http://www.agorarug.com). Nuruosmaniye Cad. Türbedar Sok. 9, Cağaloğlu. T: 0212 528 7441. **E4.**

### Assos Diamond

This store is filled with elegant and out-of-the-ordinary designs, with distinct wedding, gold, silver, precious stone and diamond collections which offer something to suit every taste. Mon-Sat 8.30am-6pm. [www.assosdiamond.com](http://www.assosdiamond.com). Molla Feneri Mah. Nuruosmaniye Cad. 60, Eminönü. T: 0212 528 3500. **E4.**

### Bvlgari

Leading name in Italian-style jewellery and precious fashion pieces since 1884. Mon-Sat 10am-9pm. Bayıldım Cad. 2, Swissôtel the Bosphorus, Maçka. T: 0212 259 0227. **B7.**

### Cartier Boutique

Watches, wedding and engagement rings, diamond jewellery and other luxury items are available from this leading French brand. Mon-Sat 10:30am-7pm. [www.cartierboutique.com](http://www.cartierboutique.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 20, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 296 1317. **A6.**

### Chopard

World-renowned brand in jewellery and watches, Chopard has established itself as a landmark with its custom design products. Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10:30am-4:30pm. Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 13/A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 225 1775. **A6.**

### Damas

Since its founding, this brand has followed the trends and innovations in the world of jewellery and timepieces, and successfully represented world-renowned brands. Mon-Sat 10am-6:30pm. [www.damasjewellery.com.tr](http://www.damasjewellery.com.tr). Atiye Sok. 34, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 240 5967. **A6.**

### Gasia

Gasia is a manufacturer and wholesaler of design jewellery, specializing in 24 karat hand hammered products. Mon-Sat 9am-7pm. [www.gasiajewelry.com](http://www.gasiajewelry.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 21/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 219 2715. **A6.**

### Gilan

The number one name in haute couture jewellery in Istanbul, Gilan brings the brilliance of the Ottoman, Roman and Byzantine eras back to life. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.gilan.com](http://www.gilan.com). Four Seasons Hotel İstanbul at the Bosphorus, Çırağan Cad. 28, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 258 2163. **Off map.** *İstinyePark*



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**A46**—Stylish brand and destinations for women who want to remain elegant both day and night. [www.a46.com.tr](http://www.a46.com.tr). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Kaşıkçıoğlu Apt. 42, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 233 9031. **ARZU KAPROL**—Arzu Kaprol couture reflects femininity, comfort and private use. [www.arzukaprol.net](http://www.arzukaprol.net). Teşvikiye Cad. Atiye Sok. 9, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 225 0129. **ATIL KUTOĞLU**—With an emphasis on materials like silk, cotton, wool, cashmere and leather in his collections, Atıl Kutuoğlu has a long list of international customers including Jessica Alba, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Naomi Campbell and Elizabeth Jagger. Known for his sleek eveningwear. [www.atilkutoglu.com](http://www.atilkutoglu.com). Teşvikiye, Bostan Sok. 9/2, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 260 6067. **BAHAR KORÇAN**—World-renowned designer Bahar Koçan uses handwoven silk, Japanese wool textiles, organic cotton and bamboo fiber plaits. [www.baharkorcan.org](http://www.baharkorcan.org). Şahkulu Mah. Serdar-ı Ekrem Sok. Seraskerci Çikmazı, Ferah Apt. 5, Galata, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 293 6855. **CENGİZ ABAZOĞLU**—Starting as a designer of leather and ready-to-wear brands, this designer then opened his own workshop where he features his haute couture collections. His first boutique in Nişantaşı. [www.cengizabazoglu.net](http://www.cengizabazoglu.net).

## TURKISH DESIGNER STORES

Abdi İpekçi Cad. 24/2, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 234 5242.

**CLOSH**—This boutique specializes in ready-to-wear and wedding gowns for customers. [www.closhboutique.com](http://www.closhboutique.com). Atiye Sok. 2, Teşvikiye.

T: 0212 258 5756. **ÇİĞDEM AKIN**—Original and distinct designs prepared for special days carrying all the features made for individuals who follow the trend. Abdi İpekçi Cad. Erkan Apt. 28/4, Nişantaşı.

T: 0212 248 1177. **DENİZ KAPROL**—One of Turkey's foremost brands in jewellery and accessory design, Kaprol embellishes her elegant designs with meticulously chosen precious stones, and creates personal designs for her customers. The necklaces, bracelets, earrings, rings and brooches in her exclusive collections are sure to impress. [www.dkaprol.com](http://www.dkaprol.com).

Bağdat Cad. Noter Sok. Lütfiye Apt. 21/3, Şaşkınbakkal. T: 0216 386 8600. **DİLEK HANİF**—The first Turkish designer to present her own couture collection at Paris Haute Couture fashion week. [www.dilekhanif.com](http://www.dilekhanif.com). Maçka Cad. Rallı Apt. 37/2, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 219 3723-24. **ELİF CİGİZOĞLU**—

Introduces volume even to the most classic garments with the added origamic details. [www.elifcigizoglu.com](http://www.elifcigizoglu.com). Teşvikiye Cad. Alhamra Apt. 28/3, Nişantaşı.

T: 0212 296 0012. **GAMZE SARAÇOĞLU**—A member of the Fashion Designers Association, Saraçoğlu has worked for brands like Zara, Marks & Spencer and Apple. Inspired by life and humanity, her designs are all expressions of her joy and positive outlook. [www.gamzesaracoglu.com](http://www.gamzesaracoglu.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Isparta Palas 19/3, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 296 6973. **İPEK KRAMER**—İpek Kramer is an important brand in haute couture nightwear in Turkey. [www.ipekkramer.com](http://www.ipekkramer.com). Nispetiye Cad. Akmerkez Shopping Centre 363, Etiler. T: 0212 282 0143. **GÖNÜL PAKSOY**—Creativity that bears the marks of Turkish culture and history. From clothes to accessories, shawls, pillows and slippers, all of her designs are unique, special and reflective of her inner world. Teşvikiye, Atiye Sok. 1, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 236 0209. **ÖZGÜR MASUR**—Always striving for innovation and uniqueness in his collections, Özgür Masur is especially noted for his low necklines, miniskirts and shorts, and finely-crafted, bold, brilliant and sexy designs. [www.ozgurmasur.com](http://www.ozgurmasur.com). İhlamur Yolu Cad., Can Apt. 11/5, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 233 0678. **ÖZLEM SÜER**—With avant garde, neo-romantic designs, Özlem Süer offers alternatives for day or night. Party dresses, bridal gowns, concert designs and boutique designs in over 60 shops abroad. Mon-Sat 9am-7pm. [www.ozlemsuer.com](http://www.ozlemsuer.com). Özlem Süer House: Büyükciftlik Sok. 20, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 240 5738. Özlem Süer Suadiye: Bağdat Cad. Plaj Yolu Sok. 12, Suadiye. T: 0216 445 9043. **DERVİŞ-RAŞİT BAĞZIBAĞLI**—Raşit Bağzıbağlı-In addition to his achievements as a haute couture designer, Raşit Bağzıbağlı is also on his way to transforming his ready-wear brand B. Rushh into a global brand. [www.rasitbagzibagli.com](http://www.rasitbagzibagli.com). Levent Cad. 34, 1.Levent. T: 0212 283 8772. **SİMAY BÜLBÜL**—The brand's personality is infused with an urban feel of the streets, reflected by those that wear them. Her earthy designs feature unusual cuts, tooled leather and ragged details. [www.sim-ay.com](http://www.sim-ay.com). Bereketzade Mah. Kuledibi, Kuleçikmazı 17, Galata. T: 0212 292 7899. **SONGÜL CABACI**—Appealing to the woman in search of an elegant, avant-garde look, Cabacı creates designs that epitomise the blending of plastic arts and fashion. [www.songulcabaci.com](http://www.songulcabaci.com). Hacı Mimi Mah.Serdar-ı Ekrem Sok. Hoca Ali Yokuşu, 25/1, Galata. T: 0212 245 9136.

Shopping Centre, İstinye Bayırı Cad. 459, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 5008. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Homa Jewellery

Incorporating precious stones with medieval legends and mythical creatures, Homa creates designs that suggest their own stories. Inspired by the steam age, its astounding decor that reflects the retro-futuristic elements of the steampunk trend. [www.homajewellery.com](http://www.homajewellery.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad, Lalezar Apt. 45, D:11, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 514 9945. **A6.**

### Ogia

This top jewellery store transforms diamonds, rubies, emeralds, sapphires, gold and silver into designs that echo Ottoman culture. Ogia's collection encompasses out-of-the-ordinary designs from chunky rings to delicate brooches. Daily 9am-6:30pm. [ogiajewellery.com](http://ogiajewellery.com). Molla Fenari Mah. Nuruosmaniye Cad. Atasaray İş Hanı, 23 D:8, Cağaloğlu. T: 0212 528 9289. **E4.**

### Sevan Bıçakçı

Award-winning designer offering much sought-after pieces, particularly the unique and highly valuable ring designs. Flawless handmade diamond jewellery and special collections echoing Turkish handiwork have captured the attention of collectors worldwide. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.sevanbicakci.com](http://www.sevanbicakci.com). Nispetiye Cad. Akmerkez Shopping Centre, 227. Etiler. T: 0212 236 9199. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Tektaş Watches & Jewellery

Offering luxury watch and jewellery designs by Patek Philippe, Audemars-Piguet, Breguet, Chopard, de Grisogono, Breitling, Gucci, Caran d'Ache and Swiss Kubik. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.tektassaaticlik.com.tr](http://www.tektassaaticlik.com.tr). Kanyon Shopping Centre, Büyükdere Cad. 1/9, 4. Levent. T: 0212 353 0555. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Tiara

Tiara Jewellery offers a splendid collection of jewellery inspired by the artistic history of Anatolian civilizations and the creativity of contemporary artists. Made of the highest quality gold, platinum and semi-precious stones, the jewellery collection features the utmost in craftsmanship and quality. Daily 9am-6pm. [www.tiarajewellery.com](http://www.tiarajewellery.com). Yavuz Sinan Mah. Ragıp Gümüş Pala Cad. 69, Unkapanı. T: 0212 526 6363. **F5.**

### Tiffany & Co.

Renowned for its rare and magnificent diamonds, Tiffany & Co. has for decades been the world's premier jeweller and America's finest house of design. Tiffany style is defined by groundbreaking designers and glamorous collections. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.tiffany.com](http://www.tiffany.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Atiye Sok. 9/B, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 219 8346. **A6.**

### Urart

This jeweller in bustling Nişantaşı stands out with its unique, modern designs that draw upon and interpret the very special works of Anatolian civilisations and cultures. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.urart.com.tr](http://www.urart.com.tr). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 18/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 246 7194. **A6.**

### Ülseven

Ülseven Fine Jewellery has been creating unique masterpieces and exclusive jewellery collections for over 60 years. A well-known company in the Grand Bazaar, Ülseven serves its upscale clients in

its Nişantaşı, and Bakırköy stores. Mon-Sat 10am-9pm. [www.ulseven.com.tr](http://www.ulseven.com.tr). Teşvikiye Cad. 22/A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 291 0656. **A6.**

### Zela

Zela's unites the elegance of the world of jewellery, the mystery of the East, and the modern lines of the West. Embodying beauty and nobility in its designs for 20 years, the unparalleled collections bring out the best of precious and semiprecious stones. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.zelajewels.com](http://www.zelajewels.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 9/A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 296 0055. **A6.**

## LEATHER & FUR

### Desa

Established in 1972, this brand now operates with 73 stores in Turkey and 2 abroad. In addition to leather products, it also produces silk, chiffon, cashmere and knitwear skirts, jackets, trousers, coats and accessories. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.desa.com.tr](http://www.desa.com.tr). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 232 1290. **A6.** Bağdat Cad. 443/A, Suadiye. T: 0216 416 4368. **Off map.** Bağdat Cad. 244, Göztepe. T: 0216 369 8037. **Off map.** *İstinyePark Shopping Centre* 398, Sarıyer. T: 0212 245 6739. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Derimod

With 31 years in the business, this leading leather products brand has several branches abroad in addition to its 48 branches in Turkey, striving to

create fashion and make leather a part of fashion. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.derimod.com.tr](http://www.derimod.com.tr). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre R317, Sarıyer.T: 0212 345 5753. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Derishow

Establishment providing fine leather products and different designs for its customers since 1987. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.derishow.com.tr](http://www.derishow.com.tr). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 507, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 5908. **Shopping Centre Map (p34).**

### Koç Deri

Established in 1968, Koç Deri manufactures for global brands including Armani and Dolce & Gabbana. One of the most widely known stores in the Grand Bazaar, it is also a favourite of many celebrities. Mon-Sat 8:30am-7:30pm. [www.kocderi.com](http://www.kocderi.com). Grand Bazaar, Kırkköyler Çarşısı 22/46, Eminönü. T: 0212 527 5553. **E4.**

### Kuzu Deri

Keeping up with fashion with the finest leather and fur goods since 1960, Kuzu Deri also has branches in France, Sweden, Norway and Russia. Check out their special new designs in their Zeytinburnu and Nuruosmaniye stores. [www.kuzu.com.tr](http://www.kuzu.com.tr). Bab-ı Ali Cad. 7/A Cağaloğlu. T: 0212 513 5898. **F5.**

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### La Déesse

Turkey's first ever perfume design boutique, La Déesse is perfect for anyone who wants to create his or her own special fragrance. You can also find the world's most exclusive brands, including Keiko Mecheri, which was inspired by Turkish delight, and Miller Harris by Lyn Harris, known for the fragrances she has created for royalty. [www.ladeesse.com.tr](http://www.ladeesse.com.tr). Teşvikiye Cad. 31/2, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 230 0001. **A6.**

### Sephora

More than 10,000 brand-name products in a variety of categories from makeup to skin-care plus exclusive secret formula products unique to Sephora. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.sephora.com](http://www.sephora.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre, L326-327, İstinye. T: 0212 345 6035.

**Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

## SHOES & BAGS

### Christian Louboutin

This season, timeless French designer Louboutin is renowned for his high-heeled, red-soled shoes. The Summerissima is one of the many striking shoes from the collection. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm, Sun 12am-8pm. [www.christianlouboutin.com](http://www.christianlouboutin.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 22/A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 296 7870. **A6.**

### Deriden

Local distributor of world-famous brands inc DKNY, Timberland, Sebago, Kowalski, Calvin Klein, Bikkembergs, Boticelli, Lion, Palladium, Logan, and Buffalo. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.deriden.com.tr](http://www.deriden.com.tr). Çırağan Cad. Vapur İskelesi Sok. 1, Ortaköy. T: 0212 261 7666. **A9.**

### Giusseppe Zanotti Design

Glamorous women's footwear by this Italian designer is excellent for social functions with its dressy style that emphasizes femininity. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. [www.giuseppe-zanotti-design.com](http://www.giuseppe-zanotti-design.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 24/26, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 232 0745. **A6.**

### Tory Burch

This U.S. designer, who made a name for himself with his flats named after his mother Reva, offers a luxurious collection of leather and patent leather bags, accessories, shoes, flats and boots in its single location. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.toryburch.com](http://www.toryburch.com). Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu Cad. Beşiktaş. **Off map.**

## SPAS

### Jatomi Fitness & Spa

Turkey's largest fitness chain with 13 branches in Istanbul, including cutting-edge spa centres, with fully-trained staff in new health regimes including Pilates and Zumba. [www.jatomifitness.com.tr](http://www.jatomifitness.com.tr).

### Saka Beauty/Spa & Anti-Aging

This beauty centre is staffed by experienced beauticians, offers a wide range of treatments and services. These include epilation, spot reducing, anti-ageing treatments, permanent makeup, manicure-pedicure, seaweed treatments, massage, and healthy dietary consulting.

[www.sakabeautycenter.com](http://www.sakabeautycenter.com). Zencefil Sok. 1, 4. Levent. T: 0212 264 5400. **Off map.**

## TURKISH DELICACIES

### Ali Muhiddin Hacı Bekir

An international brand with an extensive exports network spanning the world from Japan to New Zealand, the Middle East, Latvia, the United Kingdom and the United States, it offers Turkish delight or lokum, hard candies, nut pastes, halvahs and dragees. Daily 8am-8pm. İstiklal Cad. 83/A, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 244 2804. **C5.**

### Bebek Badem Ezmesi

Sweet shop famous for its almond and pistachio pastes. Products are always fresh and made from top-quality ingredients. Daily 9:30am-8pm. Cevdet Paşa Cad. 53/C, Bebek. T: 0212 263 5984. **Off map.**

### Cemilzade 188

Many traditional Turkish delight varieties as well as its exclusive fruit Turkish delights, hard candies and nut pastes, each as sweet as the next, but light as well. Mon-Sat 10am-8:30pm, Sun 11am-7pm. Nispetiye Cad. 104/B Etiler. T: 0212 257 2865.

**Off map.**

### Faruk Güllüoğlu

Popular both in Turkey and around the world, Güllüoğlu in Karaköy has served traditional Turkish baklava and other sweets for two centuries with the same meticulous care at every stage in the process. Mon-Sat 7am-7pm. [www.gulluoglu.com.tr](http://www.gulluoglu.com.tr). Rıhtım Cad. Katlı Otopark Altı 3-4, Karaköy. T: 0212 293 0910. **D5.**

### Koska Helvacısı

Leading manufacturer and exporter of Turkish halva, a tahini-based confection popular over a vast region, as well as other traditional flavours inc preserves, sesame paste and molasses, Turkish delight and light products for diabetics. Available in all major food retailers. [www.koska.com](http://www.koska.com).

### Kurukahveci Mehmet Efendi

The origins of coffee culture throughout the world today can be traced back to Turkish coffee. For centuries, coffee was originally purchased as green beans to be taken home, roasted in pans, then ground in hand cranked mills or mortar and pestles. This long, tedious and exhausting process had to be undertaken every time to savour a cup of coffee. Daily 8am-7pm. [www.mehmetefendi.com](http://www.mehmetefendi.com). Rüstem Paşa, Hasırçılar Cad. Tahmis Sok. 66, Eminönü. T: 0212 511 4262-63. **E4.**

## UNDERWEAR & SWIMSUIT

### Intimissimi/Calzedonia

Italian clothing label launched in 1996, specializing in bras, briefs, lingerie, vests, and pyjamas for women and men. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.intimissimi.com](http://www.intimissimi.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 326, İstinye. T: 0212 345 5796.

**Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Victoria's Secret

The famous lingerie brand offers mostly accessories, but also sells perfumes, cosmetics and laptop bags. Daily 10am-10pm. City's Nişantaşı Shopping Centre, Kat: T, Teşvikiye Cad. 162, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 373 2990. **A6.**

### Zeki Triko

The world-renowned swimwear brand Zeki Triko once again captures the attention with its unique and artsy models. The new collection of this global brand includes a vast array of lingerie, bikinis, swimsuits and beachwear. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.zekitriko.com.tr](http://www.zekitriko.com.tr). Nispetiye Cad. Akmerkez Shopping Centre 366, Etiler. T: 0212 282 0591-92.

**Shopping Centre Map (p.16).**

## WATCHES

### Saat & Saat

This store carries premium watches and ornaments from a host of brands inc Adidas, Balmain, Burberry, Chronotech, Citizen, Diesel, DKNY, Emporio Armani, Escape, Esprit, Fossil, GC, GF Ferre, Hamilton, Hugo Boss Guess, Just Cavalli, Michael Kors, Miss Sixty, Roberto Cavalli, Timberland, Tommy Hilfiger, Valentino, Welder and Zodiac. Daily 10am-10pm. [www.saatvesaat.com](http://www.saatvesaat.com). Büyükdere Cad. 22, Cevahir Shopping Centre 44/A, Şişli. T: 0212 380 0972. **Off map.**

### IWC Schaffhausen

The famous luxury watch brand presents its Pilot's watch celebrating the history of aviation. Other notable models include Aquatimer Diver; the Da Vinci; Ingenieur, celebrating technology and engineering; and the Portofino, created in honour of 1930 Portuguese sailors. Mon-Sat 10.30am-6.30pm. [www.iwc.com/turkey](http://www.iwc.com/turkey). Mim Kemal Öke Cad. Altın Sok 4/A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 224 4604. **A6.**

### Panerai

Opened in 1860 in the city of Florence as a watch-making workshop and a shop, Panerai has its roots deep beneath the sea. Providing sensitive measuring instruments for the Italian Army, the company specialised in diving watches for special operations of the Undersea Commandos. Mon-Sat 9am-6:30pm. [www.panerai.com](http://www.panerai.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Altın Sok. 2/2, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 291 5959. **A6.**

## WEDDING CLOTHES

### Beymen Bridal

Beymen offers a host of bridal dresses to women preparing for that special day, and is Turkey's exclusive source for top designers including Lanvin, Christos, Amsale, Kenneth Pool, Romona, Keveza, Valentino and Albertta Ferretti. Daily 10am-8pm. [www.beymen.com](http://www.beymen.com). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 23/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 373 4800. **A6.**

### Pronovias

Offering an extensive collection of wedding gowns, Pronovias treats every bride as unique and every wedding as a challenge. Pronovias shares your excitement from the moment you first walk in the door until your wedding day. Mon-Sat 10:30-7:30pm. [www.pronovias.com](http://www.pronovias.com). Teşvikiye Cad. İnyet Apt. 129/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 296 4304. **A6.**

### Vakko Wedding

Vakko style meets designer wedding gowns by world-renowned fashion brands including Oscar De La Renta, Vera Wang, Emanuel Ungaro, Elie by Elia Saab, Marchesa, Vera Wang, Monique Lhuillier, Reem Acra and Valentino, to create an epic atmosphere. Mon-Sat 10am-7:30pm. [www.vakko.com.tr](http://www.vakko.com.tr). Süleyman Seba Cad. 27, Akaretler. T: 0212 258 6608. **B7.**

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**Muallim Naci Cad. Cemil Topuzlu Parkı İçi 54/A, Ortaköy.**  
T: 0212 265 5063.  
[www.parkfora.com](http://www.parkfora.com)



### Tapasuma

Located in the Sumahan Hotel in Çengelköy on İstanbul's Asian side, Tapasuma possesses a calming atmosphere, mainly thanks to its location overlooking the Bosphorus, plus its striking design with its attractive stone walls. In addition to seasonal fish, Tapasuma's menu offers unusual Turkish and Mediterranean dishes and bite-size Turkish mezes. Some of its outstanding items include shank of Thracian lamb yahni, and kibbeh cooked on a griddle. Boat service from Kuruçeşme is available.

**Kuleli Cad. 43, Çengelköy.**  
T: 0216 401 1333.  
[www.tapasuma.com](http://www.tapasuma.com)



### NaN Şişhane

Just five minutes from the Galata Tower and bustling İstiklal Caddesi, the after-work parties at NaN Şişhane's Aperitivo Italiano are the perfect way to unwind; the wood-dominated, minimalist décor with brick walls and hanging lamps add warmth to the mood. Offering Turkish and world cuisine, it's a wonderful new hangout for the Şişhane crowd.

**Evlilya Çelebi Mah. Meşrutiyet Cad. 102 A, Şişhane, Beyoğlu.**  
T: 0212 243 0174.



### Ritim Galata

Just a few steps from the entrance to Galata Tower, this café's high ceilings and smart décor give it a distinct historical atmosphere, highlighted by the black-and-white photographs decorating the walls. With its lively mood and delicious choice of snack foods, it's the ideal spot for a break on your tour of Galata.

**Galata Kulesi Sok. 3/D, Galata, Beyoğlu.**  
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## AEGEAN

**Eleos**

Spacious décor and unique flavours from both shores of the Aegean Sea. In addition to classic flavours of İstanbul's taverns, Eleos' menu includes Greek and Armenian specialties as well as Aegean wild greens. ★★ Daily L & D. [www.eleosrestaurant.com](http://www.eleosrestaurant.com). İstiklal Cad. 231, K:2, Hıdıvval Palas, Beyoğlu, Tünel. T: 0212 244 9090-91. **C5.**

**Lokanta Maya**

A warm, simple restaurant with a menu focusing on Aegean and Mediterranean specialties, Maya uses only fresh seasonal ingredients. Some of the favourites include chicken liver pate, marinated sea bass and fish croquettes. ★★ Mon-Sat L & D. [www.lokantamaya.com](http://www.lokantamaya.com). Kemanşek Cad. 35 A, Karaköy. T: 0212 252 6884. **D5.**

**Mira**

In historical Arnavutköy, on the coastline of the Bosphorus, with its garden overlooking the sea and warm atmosphere, Mira offers the healthful Aegean herbs of Aegean cuisine skillfully matched with Armenian, Greek and Circassian mezes. octopus salad, marinated seabass, the Armenian specially topik, octopus and calamari, and oven-baked cuttlefish. Daily B & L & D. [www.mirarestaurant.com.tr](http://www.mirarestaurant.com.tr). Arnavutköy Cad. 70/1, Arnavutköy, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 2653131. **Off map.**

## ASIAN &amp; FAR EASTERN

**Banyan**

The exquisite flavours of the Far East. Famous for its omelette varieties from 20 countries. Menus include samosa with Vietnamese-style vegetable chili sauce, Singapore-style noodles and sushi. ★★ Daily L & D. [www.banyanrestaurant.com](http://www.banyanrestaurant.com). Muallim Naci Cad. Salhane Sok. 3/2, Ortaköy. T: 0212 259 9060-70. **Off map.**

**Dragon Restaurant**

Delicious dishes by Hong Kong chefs served in a spacious interior decorated in classical Chinese style. Specialties include crispy duck and stir-fried dishes. ★★ Daily L & D. [www.hilton.com.tr](http://www.hilton.com.tr). Hilton İstanbul, Cumhuriyet Cad. Harbiye. T: 0212 231 6200. **B6**

**Miyako**

Award-winning restaurant offering three fine Asian dining experiences: sushi bar, Teppanyaki cuisine plus tatami room. The Japanese garden adds a further Asian touch. Sake is served warm or cold to accompany the meal. ★★ Tue-Sun 7pm-11pm. D. [www.swissotel.com.tr](http://www.swissotel.com.tr). Bayıldım Cad. 2, Swissôtel The Bosphorus, Maçka. T: 0212 326 1100. **B7.**

**Maromi**

The restaurant has been an İstanbul hit since the day it opened, enhanced by a mystical atmosphere with decor brought from Japan. Stars on the menu include tofu salad and calamari crepes, and for dessert, green tea ice cream. ★★ Daily L & D.

[www.divan.com.tr](http://www.divan.com.tr). Divan İstanbul, Asker Ocağı Cad. 1, Taksim. T: 0212 315 5500. **B6.**

**Miyabi Sushi**

The elegant restaurant serves top-class Japanese food in a modern atmosphere. Featuring natural wood décor and a Zen garden, it offers a wide variety of Japanese dishes plus a sushi menu. ★★ Daily L&D. Mahzeytinoğlu Cad. Yaren Sok. 6/ 14-15, Akatlar, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 352 0222. **Off map.**

**P.F. Changs**

This Chinese bistro is famed for its delicious food, authentic décor and fine service, and the majestic horses that greet its guests at the door. Exotic flavours in portions large enough to share are accompanied by a good choice of wines, special cocktails, sake and beer. ★★ [www.pfchangs.com.tr](http://www.pfchangs.com.tr). Nispetiye Cad. 94, Etiler. T: 0212 358 6060. **Off map.**

**Shang Palace**

Exciting classical and innovative Chinese dishes are served alongside information on the cuisine. Favourites include Peking duck, filet mignon slices marinated in Chinese wine, and ginger seafood. ★★ Daily L & D. Sinanpaşa Mah. Hayrettin İskelesi Sok. 1, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 275 8888. **B7.**

**Teppanyaki Alaturka**

Asian and Turkish delicacies are prepared with the traditional Japanese teppanyaki griddle technique, and served in a dramatic fashion. The interior is dominated by a wood décor; VIP sections also available. ★★ Daily L & D.

[www.teppanyakialaturka.com](http://www.teppanyakialaturka.com). Nispetiye Cad. 107, Etiler. T: 0212 287 8228. **Off map.**

**Wagamama**

Extensive menu offers distinctive asian flavours. A big hit with noodle lovers, this restaurant offers a pleasant and entertaining dining ambiance. ★★ Daily L & D. [www.wagamama.com.tr](http://www.wagamama.com.tr). Büyükdere Cad. 185, Kanyon Shopping Centre, Levent. T: 0212 353 0474.

**Shopping Centre Map (p.36).**

**Zuma**

Japanese dining traditions, alive and well in the heart of İstanbul. Exciting interior is an extra attraction to this restaurant overlooking the Bosphorus. Japanese and world cuisines available at sushi and grill bars. Booking required. ★★ Daily L & D. [www.zumarestaurant.com](http://www.zumarestaurant.com). Salhane Sok. 7, Ortaköy. T: 0212 236 2296. **A9.**

## BRITISH

**Tom's Kitchen**

Tom's kitchen serves comfort food favourites in a relaxed and environment, from breakfast to dinner. Menu highlights include fish pie, steak tartare, shepherd's pie. ★★ Daily B & L & D. Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 353 6677. **Off map.**

## BISTRO

**Chocolate**

Offering an exquisite dining experience, this spot

serves international cuisine, but predominantly Italian dishes adjusted to Turkish tastes. All ingredients are natural, organic and fresh, prepared with special herbs. ★★ Daily B, L & D. [www.chocolatecafe.com](http://www.chocolatecafe.com). Eytam Cad. 33, Maçka. T: 0212 343 2461. **A6.**

**Mangerie**

Mangerie has been a top eating spot for İstanbul and Bebek socialites. With its extensive menu and wine list to match, plus a commanding view of Bebek Bay, it's become an İstanbul classic. Try the lamb and hand-cut noodle salad, the skewered shrimp and Mangerie burger. ★★ Daily B, L & D. [www.mangeriebek.com](http://www.mangeriebek.com). Cevdet Paşa Cad. 69/3, Küçükbebek. T: 0212 263 5199. **Off map.**

**Nişantaşı Brasserie**

With décor by Zeynep Fadilloğlu, Nişantaşı Brasserie is one of İstanbul's most popular spots. The menu offers classic dishes adapted for modern tastes, including French onion soup, duck's liver, steak Tartare, and 'Café de Paris' filet mignon. ★★ Daily B, L & D. Abdi İpekçi Cad. Bostan Sok. 23/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 343 0443. **A6.**

## CAFE

**A La Carte Restaurant**

Meals surrounded by magnificent Bosphorus scenery and splendid historical buildings. ★★ Daily B, L & D. [www.legacyottomanhotel.com](http://www.legacyottomanhotel.com). Legacy Ottoman Hotel, Hobyar Mah. Hamidiye Cad. 16, Eminönü. T: 0212 527 6767. **E4.**

**Café Wien**

European-style coffee and cakes made in house, offering a Viennese style café atmosphere. 26 pastries and 18 coffees and to choose from, including the famous Viennese blend. The "Eiskaffee" with ice cream is a summer favorite. ★★ Daily B, L & D. [www.cafewien.com](http://www.cafewien.com). Maçka Cad. Reasürans Çarşısı 62, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 233 7860. **A6.**

**Fes Café**

Nestled in the Grand Bazaar, Fes Café with its Ottoman -and- contemporary style interior, is an ideal spot for a coffee break without having to leave the authentic atmosphere of the bazaar. ★★ Mon-Sat 9am-7pm. [www.fescafe.com](http://www.fescafe.com). Halıcılar Cad. 62, Kapalıçarşı. T: 0212 528 1613. **E4.**

**Limonata Apartment**

Limonata is one of İstanbul's most fashionable spots. Enjoy a delicious lunch or dinner, or choose from an impressive selection of cocktails at the unique Limonata bar. ★★ Daily L & D. Bostan Sok. 13, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 373 2300. **A6.**

**Limonata Downtown**

Limonata is one of İstanbul's most fashionable spots. Enjoy a delicious lunch or dinner, or choose from an impressive selection of cocktails at the unique Limonata bar. ★★ Daily L & D. Süleyman Seba Cad. 46, Akaretler, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 236 5017. **A6.**

**Mavra**

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actors and designers. Mavra is a cozy little café offering classic but very tasty café fare, including a variety of breakfast platters, sandwiches, indulgent appetizers, salads, pastas, and meat-heavy mains. Daily B & L & D & N. Daily 9:30am-2am. ★★ Serdar-ı Ekrem Sok. 31/A, Galata. T: 0212 252 7488. **D5.**

## CAFE, RESTAURANT & BAR

### Ada Bosphorus

It is an ideal place to relax while sampling delicious dishes while enjoying a stunning view of the Bosphorus. The space is open and airy and breakfast on the terrace overlooking the water is a special treat. ★★ Daily B&L&D. www.adakitapcafe.com. Muallim Naci Cad. Öksüz Çocuk Sok. 1, Kuruçeşme. T: 0212 263 9003. **Off map.**

### Chapelle

This stylish venue's delicious charcuterie plate and rich choice of wines are reminiscent of a Parisian brasserie. Chapelle's decor is a fascinating combination of mystic, modern and classic, with a spacious garden. ★★ Daily L & D. Rixos Pera, Meşrutiyet Cad. 44, Tepebaşı, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 377 7000. **C4.**

## CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN

### Circle Brasserie

Located in the Mualla Hanım Mansion, Circle Brasserie offers casual fine dining in a romantic atmosphere, directly on the sparkling waters of the Bosphorus. The menu offers a tempting variety, from asparagus risotto to lamb shanks, octopus marinated in wine sauce and delicious pizzas. ★★ Daily B, L & D. www.circle.com.tr. Köybaşı Cad. Daire Sok. Mualla Hanım Yalısı, 5/A, Yeniköy. T: 0212 262 8455. **Off map.**

### Nicole

Nicole occupies an elegant terrace with a view of the Historic Peninsula, the Prince's Islands and beyond. The chefs create new interpretations of classic flavours, with fresh vegetables from Feriköy's organic market, focusing on freshly-caught local seafood and native Kıvrık lamb. ★★ Daily D. Tomtom Suites, Boğazkesen Cad. Tomtom Kaptan Sok.18, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 292 4467. **C5.**

### Nopa

Among the cafés you'll find this elegant restaurant with a long bar, vertical gardens on its walls, a glass ceiling and an exclusive cocktail menu. Recommended dishes include exotic seafood specialities, plus beef ribs roasted for 12 hours, and lamb shank menu for two. ★★ Daily L, D & N. Atiye Sok. 6, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 327 5868. **A6.**

### Pancaldi

In keeping with Turkish hospitality and Ramada Worldwide's superior standards of quality and service, Pancaldi Restaurant offers delicious selections from local and international cuisines. ★★ Daily B, L & D. www.ramadaplazaistanbul.com. Halaskargazi Cad. 63, Ramada Plaza, Osmanbey. T: 0212 315 4444. **A6.**

## FISH & SEAFOOD

### Akıntıburnu

This lovely restaurant in Arnavutköy offers a glorious Bosphorus view, freshly-caught fish and seafood, and mezes prepared daily. The mackerel with soy sauce, baked shellfish and quince dessert are some of the favourites. ★★ Daily L & D. 1. Bebek Cad. 115, Akıntıburnu, Arnavutköy. T: 0212 263 4829. **Off map.**

### Arnavutköy Balıkçısı

A cozy restaurant with simple, unpretentious decor complemented by nostalgic photos of the Arnavutköy waterfront. The menu includes cold mezes like mackerel with soy sauce, salt-cured tuna and sea bass salad, and hot appetizers like sauteed monkfish, fried calamari and fish croquettes. ★★ Daily L & D. www.arnavutkoybalikcisi.com. 1. Cadde 4, Arnavutköy. T: 0212 257 0525. **Off map.**

### Balıkçı Sabahattin

Extensive fish menu and excellent service, located in the historical area of Cankurtaran, near Sultanahmet. The skillfully prepared fish is especially good with rakı, and the mussel pilaf and courgette with yoghurt come highly recommended. ★★ Daily L & D. www.balikcisabahattin.com. Şehit Hasan Kuyu Sok. 1, Cankurtaran, Fatih. T: 0212 458 1824. **F5.**

### Bebek Balıkçı

This restaurant located in the upmarket neighbourhood of Bebek on the Bosphorus serves a full array of seafood, with specialities including grilled and pan-fried fish, and fish cooked in paper. ★★ Daily L & D. www.bebekbalikci.net. Cevdet Paşa Cad. 26/A, Bebek. T: 0212 263 3447. **Off map.**

### Çengelköy İskele Restaurant

Best fish restaurant on the Asian side, both for the quality of its fish and its Bosphorus view. Established as a Greek coffeehouse in the early 1800s, it became a Greek tavern before assuming its current form in 1950. Specialties include grilled calamari in soy sauce, shrimp in vine leaves, turbot, sea bream, haddock and gurnard. ★★ Daily L & D. www.cengelkoyiskelerrestaurant.com. Çengelköy İskele Gazinosu Sok. 4, Çengelköy. T: 0216 321 5506. **Off map.**

### Eftalya

With a maritime-themed interior complete with mermaid reliefs, choose your fish and enjoy appetizers with marvellous Bosphorus views. Be sure to try the tomato and onion salad, fried calamari and seasonal fish varieties. ★★ Daily L & D. www.eftalya.net. Arnavutköy Mah. 1. Cad. 32, Arnavutköy. T: 0212 287 2520. **Off map.** Suadiye, Kazım Özalp Sok. 60, Suadiye. T: 0216 350 0152. **Off map.**

### Galatalı Balık

Galatalı Balık serves Cunda cuisine (from Turkey's northwest coast) including Aegean wild greens, calamari with almond tarator and mackerel with aioli. It also boasts incomparable views of the Prince's Islands. ★★ www.galatalibalik.com. Plaj Yolu Sok Suadiye Park, A Blok 18, Kadıköy. T: 0216 410 3959-69. **Off map.**

### Kıyı

A unique fish restaurant on the Bosphorus with wood-paneled décor and photographs and paintings by Turkish artists that give an intimate

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### MAP LOCATIONS

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

Reservations for most restaurants are strongly advised. Check when booking that the restaurant will accept your credit card. Value Added Tax (VAT) is automatically included in the bill, but tips are generally not added. A 10% cash gratuity is common.

### PLEASE NOTE: ALL RESTAURANTS & BARS ARE NON-SMOKING.

### INDEX TO ABBREVIATIONS

B: Open for breakfast L & D: Open lunch & dinner only.

### PRICES

Prices per person for three courses and coffee, no alcohol.  
★ – TL 0-30 per person  
★★ – TL 30-60 per person  
★★★ – TL 60-90 per person  
★★★★ – over TL 90 per person

club feel. Try the delicious seafood and liver dishes. ★★ Daily L & D. www.kiyi.com.tr. Haydar Aliyev Cad. 186, Tarabya. T: 0212 262 0002. **Off map.**

### Limani

The restaurant is a simple, comfortable restaurant right on the shores of the Bosphorus. It specialises in fresh seasonal fish with traditional sauces, plus favourite items such as calamari yahnı: oven-baked octopus with new potatoes, tender spinach and asparagus. ★★ The Grand Tarabya, Haydar Aliyev Cad. 154, Tarabya, Sarıyer. www.thegrandtarabya.com. T: 0212 363 3300. **Off map.**

### Park Fora

Popular restaurant offering delicious seafood and high-quality service. Appetizers include salted bonito, octopus salad, shrimp roquefort and grilled calamari. Fishcakes and salt-baked fish highly recommended. ★★ Daily L & D. www.parkfora.com.tr. Muallim Naci Cad. Cemil Topuzlu Parkı 54-A, Ortaköy. T: 0212 265 5063. **A9.**

### Poseidon

Seafood at its best against a magnificent view of Istanbul. Specialties include stuffed calamari, baked as well as Greek-style grilled octopus, cold meats, a variety of Turkish and foreign wines and a special şöbiyet (cream-filled baklava) from Gaziantep. ★★ Daily L & D. www.poseidonbebek.com. Küçük Bebek, Cevdet Paşa Cad. 58, Bebek. T: 0212 287 9531. **Off map.**

### Revma Balık

Located in the beautiful Bosphorus quarter of Arnavutköy, and boasting an impressive view, Revma Balık serves original house mezes and fish dishes in a welcome, homely atmosphere. Menu highlights include octopus beğendi, hot wild greens platter, sea bass wrapped in chard, and fried shrimp pastries. Daily L & D. www.revmabalik.com Arnavutköy, Bebek Cad.

No:7, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 263 5060. **Off map.**

### Sur Balık Arnavutköy

Sur Balık is located in a simple 150-year-old seaside mansion, with walls sporting old İstanbul photographs. Sea bass marinated with basil, anglerfish ricado and profiteroles with tahini are just a few of the highly-recommended treats. ★★ Daily L & D. www.surbalikarnavutkoy.com. Bebek Arnavutköy Cad. 52, Arnavutköy. T: 0212 257 2743-44. **Off map.**

### Tapasuma

Tapasuma serves traditional Turkish treats in hot and cold tapas form, along with fresh fish from the Bosphorus and a range of mezes. Enjoy the

panoramic views on the shores of the Bosphorus – there's also a boat service available from Kuruçeşme. ★★ Daily L & D. www.tapasuma.com. Kuleli Cad. 43, Çengelköy. T: 0216 401 1333. **Off map.**

### Tarihi Karaköy Balıkçı

This historical fish restaurant offers fresh fish every weekday between 12pm and 4pm. Fish is displayed at the entrance; select your fish and wait for it to be prepared by expert chefs. ★★ Daily L & D. www.tarihiarakoybalikcisi.com. Tersane Cad. Kardeşim Sok. 45, Karaköy. T: 0212 251 1371. **D4.**

## FRENCH

### Brass

Combining two types of contrasting cuisine in luxurious simplicity, the menu at Brass offers such treats as bouillabaisse and filet mignon with béarnaise sauce, miso soup, tofu and tuna tataki salad, and a selection of Asian desserts. Guests can also enjoy live jazz performances (Fri&Sat). ★★ Daily 11am-11pm. www.martiistanbulhotel.com. Abdülhak Hamit Cad. 25/B, Taksim. T: 0212 987 4020. **C5.**

### La Brise Brasserie

A brasserie with an Art Nouveau décor, La Brise offers always seasonal cooking and a great selection of drinks. Unmissable dishes include steak tartare, duck confit and Chateaubriand. ★★ Daily L & D. www.brasserielafrise.com. Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 11A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 244 4846. **A6.**

### Mama Shelter

Designed by Philippe Starck and offering delicious creations by French chef Jérôme Banctel, Mama Shelter's wood ovens turn out a tempting array of pide and pizzas. Other dishes include a variety of meat dishes including beef tartare with sesame and soy sauce. ★★ Daily B & L & D. www.mamashelter.com. İstiklal Cad. Atif Yılmaz Sok. 50-54, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 252 0100. **D5.**

## INTERNATIONAL

### 360 İstanbul Restaurant&Bar

Commanding a full panoramic view of İstanbul including Hagia Sophia and the Sea of Marmara. DJ and live performances combined with great cuisine, and contemporary interior at the top of a 19th-century building. Try the Zen soup for starters, then choose from mains like filet mignon with chili and bitter chocolate, or lamb confite, and top it off with the "death by chocolate" dessert. ★★ Daily L & D. www.360istanbul.com. İstiklal Cad. Mısır Apt. 163, K:8, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 251 1042. **C5.**

### Agatha Restaurant

The main restaurant of the recently-reopened Pera Palace Hotel, Agatha combines French, Italian and Turkish flavours – all on the route of Orient Express – and presents them in a stylish atmosphere. Very good wine list. ★★ Daily B, L&D. Pera Palace Hotel, Meşrutiyet Cad. 52, Tepebaşı, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 377 4000. **C4.**

### Antiochia

This restaurant is the only place in Beyoğlu where you can find a genuine Antakya-style dürüm, flavoured with peppers and allspice and wrapped in thin lavash bread. The menu also includes Syrian, Lebanese, French and Ottoman specialities such as locally spiced grilled meats, and mezes of olives with zahter and hummus. ★★ Mon-Sat L & D. www.antiochiaconcept.com. Asmalimescit, Minare Sok. 21, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 292 1100. **C5.**

### Auf

Located on the lower floor of the Nupera building, Auf creates its own style with its rustic menu and natural foods. The entertainment continues after dinner on weekends; special lunch menus on weekdays. ★★ Mon-Thu 6pm-1am, Fri & Sat 6pm-4am. www.auf.com.tr. Meşrutiyet Cad. 62, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 245 6070. **C4.**

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**Bej Karaköy**

With a menu offering both Turkish and European cuisine and fresh fruit cocktails, this French-style restaurant stays open into the night on weekends. Make sure to sample the salads and desserts. **★★** Mon-Thu 10am-12am, Fri & Sat 10am-2am. Sun 10am-5pm. Kemankeş Cad. Fransız Geçidi İş Merkezi, 11 A, Karaköy. T: 0212 251 7195. **C5.**

**Big Chef**

Whether you're just starting your day or going for lunch, a coffee break or dinner, Big Chef has a great range of choices. The rich menu, from burgers to healthy salads, filling wraps and fresh juices, is sure to have something to appeal to everyone. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.bigchefs.com.tr](http://www.bigchefs.com.tr). Meşrutiyet Cad. 96, Tünel, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 251 7180. **C5.**

**Bosphorus Grill**

This elegant, shaded restaurant overlooking the Bosphorus serves a tempting menu of grilled meats, fish and seafood, plus Turkish favourites. This summer's surprise is a selection of specially

marinated meats and fish cooked in an Indian-style tandoor. **★★★** Daily D. Çırağan Palace Kempinski İstanbul, Çırağan Cad. 84, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 236 7333. **B8/B9.**

**Brasserie, The**

International and local flavours meet at this chain with branches throughout İstanbul. The venue makes a point of using fresh natural and organic ingredients. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.eliteworldhotel.com.tr](http://www.eliteworldhotel.com.tr). Şehit Muhtar Cad. 42, Elite World İstanbul Hotel, Taksim. T: 0212 313 8383. **B5.**

**Ca'd'Oro**

Designed as a glass cube by architect Han Tümertekin, Ca' D'Oro offers fine world cuisine from a menu composed with the guidance of French chef Julien Maisonneuve. Located in Salt Gallery, it features a café on the ground floor and a restaurant above. **★★★** Café, Tue-Sun 11am-2am. Restaurant, Tue-Sun 10am-1am. [www.saltonline.org](http://www.saltonline.org). SALT Galata, Bankalar Cad. 11, Karaköy. T: 0212 243 8292. **D4.**

**Cafe Sofa**

This delightful café with a simple, home-style décor, offers a menu of dishes from around the world. In addition, it also serves its special coffee and cocktails day and night. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.thesofahotel.com](http://www.thesofahotel.com). The Sofa Hotel, Teşvikiye Cad. 41-41 A, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 368 1818. **A6.**

**Cipriani**

This international restaurant chain is, famous for its unique approach to world dining. The interior is striking with its walnut and earth-toned interior and low tables, and the menu offers all the classic flavours of Harry's Bar in Venice. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.cipriani.com](http://www.cipriani.com). Edition Hotel, Levent Mah. Büyükdere Cad. 2/1, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 317 7787. **Off map.**

**City Lights**

Commanding a breathtaking Bosphorus view from the roof of the Taksim Ceylan Intercontinental Hotel, City Lights adds live music, delicious food, fine wines and a great selection of cocktails. If it's an exclusive evening you're after, look no further. **★★★★** [istanbul.intercontinental.com.tr](http://istanbul.intercontinental.com.tr). Intercontinental İstanbul, Asker Ocağı Cad. 1, Taksim. T: 0212 368 4444. **B6.**

**Cloud7 Restaurant, Bar & Terrace**

Located on the top floor, this restaurant takes in a breathtaking Bosphorus view. With its new name and remodelled interior, the restaurant offers a rich selection of Turkish and world cuisines. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.hilton.com.tr](http://www.hilton.com.tr). Hilton ParkSa, Maçka Bayıldım Cad. 12. T: 0212 258 5674. **B7.**

**Compass Roof Restaurant&Bar**

Located in the Titanic Hotel in Kartal, this spot offers many special flavours ranging from seafood to select Far Eastern dishes. Savour the variety of cocktails while enjoying live music in the elegant and charming modern ambiance. **★★★** Daily D. Kaptan-ı Derya Cad. 37, Titanic Business Hotel, Kartal. T: 0216 453 5050. **Off map.**

**Delicatessen**

Featuring dishes that combine Turkish tastes, local ingredients and international delicacies, the extensive menu includes breakfast, starters, sandwiches, fresh ravioli, lasagne, meat and fish courses as well as an extensive wine list. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.delicatessenistanbul.com](http://www.delicatessenistanbul.com). Nişantaşı, Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 19/1, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 225 0604. **A6.** Pera, Asmalımescit Mah. Oteller Sok. 10-B, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 244 8455 - 56. **C4.**

**Divan Brasserie Bebek**

The brasserie offers breathtaking views and a menu that combines the best of Turkish and international cuisine, including classic and modern flavours, complemented by an extensive wine cellar. **★★★** Daily B & L & D. [www.divan.com.tr](http://www.divan.com.tr). Cevdet Paşa Cad. 28/A, Bebek. T: 0212 263 2973. **Off map.**

**Divan Brasserie Kalamış**

This is an excellent choice for those looking to escape the city's hustle and bustle, a safe haven of calm and elegance where you can enjoy Divan chefs' most enticing specialities, against a backdrop of white sailboats riding at anchor. **★★** Mon-Fri B, L & D; Fri & Sat B, L, D & N. [www.divan.com.tr](http://www.divan.com.tr). Amiral Fahri Korutürk Yat Limanı, Kalamış. T: 0216 414 5703. **Off map.**

**Faces**

An intimate and warm atmosphere complements the special flavours here, with a daily-changing surprise appetizer plate. Specialties include zucchini carpaccio and steak brown. Nostalgic music takes guests back to the 1980s. **★★** Mon-Sat L & D. Asmalımescit Mah. Sofyalı Sok. 16, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 293 1388. **C5.**

**Galata Kiva**

One of the most notable products of the multicultural Ottoman civilization is its cuisine. Kiva offers the perfect opportunity to rediscover the secret flavours of Anatolia. Also with a branch on the Asian side. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. Galata Tower Meydanı, Şahkulu, Şah Kapısı Sok. 4, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 292 98 98. **C5.**

**Hardal Nişantaşı**

A comfortable and colourful venue designed around the concept of "Eat, Play, Drink", this funky eatery is dominated by orange and yellow décor and graffiti on the walls. Specialties include hot wings, steak fajitas, and sirloin with café de Paris sauce. **★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.hardal.com.tr](http://www.hardal.com.tr). Teşvikiye Mah. Atiye Sok. 7, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 219 7323. **A5.**

**Huqqa**

This world cuisine restaurant overlooking the Bosphorus is dominated by lively décor featuring pastels and geometric designs. The menu includes both regional Turkish and Italian dishes; the Pizza Funghi Carnival and Oreo Dream Cheesecake are well worth a try. No alcohol. **★★★** [www.huqqa.com](http://www.huqqa.com). Muallim Naci Cad. 56, Kuruçeşme. T: 0212 265 0666. **Off map.**

**İst Too**

This spot between Dolmabahçe Palace and the Naval Museum serves fine Japanese, Southeast Asian, Mediterranean and Turkish dishes, including a good selection of sushi and noodles. Mon-Sat L & D. **★★★★** [www.shangri-la.com](http://www.shangri-la.com). Shangri-La Bosphorus, Hayrettin İskelesi Sok. 1, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 275 8888. **B7.**

**Kız Kulesi (Maidens Tower)**

Located in the middle of the Bosphorus, with superb 360-degree view, the Maiden's Tower serves as a coffee house during the day and restaurant in the evenings, with tasty international cuisines. Live music by local and international musicians after 10pm. Accessible by boat service departing from Salacak on the hour. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.kizkulesi.com.tr](http://www.kizkulesi.com.tr). Salacak Mevkii, Üsküdar. T: 0216 342 4747. **D7.**

**Kitchenette**

A quality chain with locations throughout İstanbul, Kitchenette boasts a broad array of dishes including breakfast, starters, sandwiches, salads, pastas, meat, fish-seafood, fresh bread, cakes, and exclusively produced house wines, olives and olive oils. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.kitchenette.com.tr](http://www.kitchenette.com.tr). The Marmara Taksim, Gümüşsuyu Mah. Takı Zafer Cad. 1, Taksim. T: 0212 292 6862. **B6.**

**La Boom**

New York City's neighborhood styled bistro, restaurant, and cafe, La Boom offers international tastes like crab served on oyster shells, Rigatoni Pitti or Praline fete. **★★★** Daily B & L & D & N. Sakıp Sabancı Cad. 14, Emirgan. T: 0212 277 8807. **Off map.**



## Unique Concept, Unique Atmosphere

A new arrival in the seaside neighbourhood of Kuruçeşme, **Ada Bosphorus** is an ideal place to relax while sampling delicious dishes while enjoying a stunning view of the Bosphorus. The space is open and airy, the décor is modern, and breakfast on the terrace overlooking the water is a special treat.

**Muallim Naci Cad. Öksüz Çocuk Sok. 1, Kuruçeşme, Beşiktaş.**  
T: 0212 263 9003. [www.adakitapkafe.com](http://www.adakitapkafe.com)

**La Delicatessen Restaurant**

Looking for something different? Try La Delicatessen to take in the colours of the seaside and enjoy the enchanting moonlight with family and friends, and savour dishes prepared with care and love. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.cinarhotel.com.tr](http://www.cinarhotel.com.tr). Çınar Hotel Fener Mevkii, Yeşilköy. T: 0212 663 2900. **Off map.**

**Laledan**

Boasting an open buffet breakfast with over 250 items with 80% organic ingredients, and Arab, Asian and sushi corner between 6.30am and 11am. Legendary Çırağan Brunch on Sundays from 12pm-4pm. Laledan Restaurant serves an all-day dining menu, with delicious comfort food and regional specialities. **★★★★** [www.kempinski.com](http://www.kempinski.com). Çırağan Palace Kempinski İstanbul, Çırağan Cad. 32, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 236 7333. **B8.**

**La Torre**

Exclusive Located in Le Méridien İstanbul Etiler, featuring creative takes on Mediterranean and Turkish cuisine by award-winning chefs. Try the stuffed köfte with cheek of beef, and the crab tartare appetizer. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.latorre-restaurant.com.tr](http://www.latorre-restaurant.com.tr). Le Meridien İstanbul Etiler, Cengiz Topel Cad. 39, Etiler.

T: 0212 3840000. **Off map.**

**Leb-i Derya Richmond**

This is an unexpected temple of delights with a menu including examples from world cuisines. Make it a point to try their mastic-infused pudding, and the special Derya cocktail. Minimalist décor, attentive service and a glorious panoramic view of the Bosphorus. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.lebiderya.com](http://www.lebiderya.com). İstiklal Cad. 227, Richmond Hotel, Beyoğlu, Taksim. T: 0212 243 4376. **C5.**

**Masa**

Dishes include salmon sashimi, bresaola followed by grilled meat, poultry and fish courses, as well as pizza and pide from a wood oven. The chocolate soufflé is well worth the calories. Frequenting by celebrities. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.masainternational.com](http://www.masainternational.com). İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre 486, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 5323. **Shopping Centre Map (p.36).**

**Maybe Salomanje**

Try local delicacies like stuffed chard, Turkish dumplings, mücver, cızbiz köfte, çentik kebabı and mosaic cake in this great spot for lunch, a romantic dinner or Sunday brunch. Its bar is also highly popular. **★★★** Daily L&D. [www.salomanje.com.tr](http://www.salomanje.com.tr). Atiye Sok. 4/2, Teşvikiye. T: 0212 327 3577. **A6.**



## Under the Ivy

Operating in a 60-year-old seaside mansion in the charming old Bosphorus neighbourhood Arnavutköy, **Revma Balık** offers a varied menu including octopus with eggplant puree, salmon sarma with basil, and sesame halvah brought specially from Antakya.

**Bebek Cad. 7, Arnavutköy, Beşiktaş.**  
T: 0212 263 5060. [www.revmabalik.com](http://www.revmabalik.com)

### Midpoint

Select varieties from international cuisines, warm architecture and unparalleled presentation. Among the many choices, the vegetable fettucini and thin taco salad, Cajun basket, Bosphorus kebab and Caribbean dessert are particularly worth a try. **★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.midpoint.com.tr](http://www.midpoint.com.tr). Abdi İpekçi Cad. 59, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 219 9401. **A6.**

### Minyon

Minyon presents world cuisine in a modern, unpretentious ambiance. Minyon's olives, 29-day aged ribeye schnitzel, and chocolate almond tart are just a few of their very special dishes. **★★★** [www.minyon.com](http://www.minyon.com). W İstanbul, Süleyman Seba Cad. 22, Akaretler, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 381 2121. **B7.**

### Nikol

This concept shop and kitchen turns out chocolates, pastries, organic cookies, snacks, salads and more. Take a close look at the décor; everything in this modern vintage venue is for sale! **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.nikolgalata.com](http://www.nikolgalata.com). Serdar-ı Ekrem Sok. 9, Galata. T: 0212 251 5158. **D5.**

### Olivos Restaurant

Decorated in warm, brilliant colours, Olivos Restaurant's award-winning culinary team offers Mediterranean and international cuisine in smart, casual and comfortable surroundings. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.radissonblu.com](http://www.radissonblu.com). Radisson Blu Airport Hotel, E-5 Karayolu 20, Küçükçekmece. T: 0212 411 3838. **Off map.**

### Park Şamdan

A classic venue in town, Park Şamdan offers an extensive menu of delicious Turkish and international delicacies. Wide variety of local and foreign liquors and cocktails. **★★★** Mon-Sat L & D. [www.parksamdan.com](http://www.parksamdan.com). Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 14, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 225 0710. **A6.**

### Park Şamdan Pera

With its new location in the Rixos Pera Hotel, Park Şamdan offers fine dining featuring Turkish and international specialities, plus exciting nightlife spiced up by Turkish music. **★★★** Mon-Fri L, D & N. [www.parksamdan.com](http://www.parksamdan.com). Tamer Hatun, Meşrutiyet Cad. 44, K:8, Tepebaşı. T: 0212 377 7000. **C4.**

### Parlé

This elegant and sophisticated restaurant serves fine international cuisine in its own unique style. Highlights of the menu include filet mignon with Cafe De Paris sauce, roast duck and seafood salad with goat cheese. **★★★★** Daily L & D. Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 353 6340. **Off map.**

### Picasso Restaurant

Ottoman and Spanish cuisines are well represented on Picasso's a la carte menu and in the buffet. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.barcelo.com](http://www.barcelo.com). Millet Cad. 186, Barceló Eresin Topkapı. T: 0212 631 1212. **Off map.**

### Propaganda

This colourful and unusual İstanbul nightspot, delivers with DJ performances and delicious food. Propaganda's stylish design is part of its trademark, as is the delicious selection of world cuisine, of which beetroot risotto and lamb shank confit with orange count among the favourites. **★★★** Mon-Sat L & D & N. Asmalimescit Mah. İstiklal Cad. Suriye Pasajı, 166-10, Beyoğlu.

T: 0212 252 7181. **C5.**

### Remina Restaurant

In one of the most beautiful spots on Kalamış bay, Remina serves a tempting selection of international dishes. Try their pepper cream soup, Chalcedon burger, and basil-parmesan bread fresh from the oven daily. **★★★★** Daily B, L & D. Wyndham İstanbul, Fener Cad. 38, Kalamış. T: 0216 400 0000. **Off map.**

### Wiew Point Restaurant

The first Art Tech hotel in Turkey, Point Hotel Barbaros Roof restaurant with its excellent Bosphorus view offers an open buffet featuring the exquisite flavours of Turkish cuisine. **★★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.pointhotel.com](http://www.pointhotel.com). Point Hotel Barbaros, Esentepe Yıldız Posta Cad. 29, Şişli. T: 0212 337 3000. **A7.**

### Sarnıç

A restaurant dating to the Repuclican period housed in a cistern at the end of an old Ottoman street. Favourites include shrimp cocktail, crepe Bosphorus, paçanga börek, Karsky Oriental, and desserts like fried banana and pineapple with ice cream. Daily D. [www.sarnicrestaurant.com](http://www.sarnicrestaurant.com). Soğukçeşme Sok. 26, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 512 4291- 0212 513 3660. **F4.**

### Sekizİstanbul

A popular spot with simple white décor, regulars love the delicious treats from its pizza oven, snack selections and 37 tempting dishes, both Turkish and international. **★★★** Daily L & D. Wed-Sat L, D & N. [www.sekizistanbul.com](http://www.sekizistanbul.com). Kuloğlu Mah. Gazeteci Erol Dernek Sok. 1, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 249 8924. **C5.**

### Sky Bar

A la carte restaurant on the top floor of the Plaza Hotel with one of the finest panoramic views of the city, featuring international cuisine and fine service. **★★★** Tue-Sun D. [www.theplazahotel.com](http://www.theplazahotel.com). tr. Barbaros Bulvarı 165, The Plaza Hotel İstanbul, Balmumcu, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 370 2020. **A8.**

### Starboard Restaurant

Enjoy al fresco dining complemented by a spectacular setting along the Bosphorus. The restaurant draws local and foreign guests with its innovative Mediterranean menu highlighting fresh seafood dishes. **★★★★** Daily B, L & D. Çırağan Cad. 46, Radisson Blu Bosphorus Hotel, Ortaköy. T: 0212 310 1500. **B8.**

### Sultan Restaurant

Elegant, wood-dominated interior reminiscent of palaces surrounded by glass walls. The talented kitchen team produces select flavours from Turkish and world cuisines. **★★★★** Daily L & D. [www.grandcevahirhotel.com](http://www.grandcevahirhotel.com). Grand Cevahir Hotel, Darülaceze Cad. Okmeydanı, Şişli. T: 0212 314 4242. **Off map.**

### Txm People

Txm People's serves delicious Turkish and international dishes and offers 64 different wines. The cocktail list is impressive, and with music covering tracks from the 70s onwards, offers something for locals and visitors alike. **★★** Daily B & L & D & N. [www.cvkhotels.com](http://www.cvkhotels.com). CVK Hotels Taksim, Siraselviler Cad. 11, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 245 8383. **C5.**

### Turkuaz Restaurant

Restaurant offering delightful international flavours. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.dedeman.com](http://www.dedeman.com).

Dedeman İstanbul, Yıldız Posta Cad. 50, Esentepe. T: 0212 337 4500. **A7.**

### Tuti

In the middle of the city, this stylish restaurant boasts a menu with world flavours, plus a fine wine cellar with over 200 selections. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. [www.themarmarahotels.com](http://www.themarmarahotels.com). The Marmara Taksim, Taksim Meydanı. T: 0212 334 8300. **B6.**

### Ulus 29

Flavours from around the world by international chefs who prepare sushi and Mediterranean dishes plus Turkish specialties such as kebab and pide. Dazzling panoramic view of Bosphorus. Booking required. **★★★★** Mon-Fri L & D, Sat-Sun D. [www.club29.com](http://www.club29.com). Adnan Saygun Cad. Yol Sok. 71/1, Ulus. T: 0212 358 2929. **Off map.**

### Veranda Grill & Bar

Enjoy a wonderful combination of alfresco dining with a Bosphorus view, and select Turkish and international dishes including delicious kebabs and fresh charcoal-grilled fish and burgers. Or head to the bar for a wonderful cocktail with a breathtaking İstanbul sunset. **★★★** [www.hilton.com.tr](http://www.hilton.com.tr). Daily D. Hilton İstanbul, Cumhuriyet Cad. Harbiye. T: 0212 343 8081. **B6.**

### Vogue Restaurant & Bar

Located on the top floor of BJK Plaza, this elegant restaurant offers 70 different sushi varieties. Enjoy white and red house wines as well as olive oils exclusively prepared for Vogue against a superb Bosphorus view. Reservations required. **★★★★** Daily L & D. [www.istanbuldoors.com](http://www.istanbuldoors.com). Spor Cad. BJK Plaza A Blok 92, K:13, Akaretler. T: 0212 227 4404. **B7.**

## ITALIAN

### Antica Locanda

The former bakery of the Taxiarchis Greek Orthodox Church – İstanbul's largest Ottoman-era Greek church – is now a restaurant serving traditional Italian food. Favourite menu items include the Sardinian-style potatoes with mint and stuffed homemade fagottini. **★★★** Wed-Sat L & D; Tue-Sat D; Sun L. [www.anticolocanda.com.tr](http://www.anticolocanda.com.tr). Satış Meydanı 12, Arnavutköy. T: 0212 287 9745. **Off map.**

### Aqua

One of the most talk-about restaurants in İstanbul with its master chefs, unparalleled service and excellent location. Modern interior. Mainly Mediterranean and Italian dishes, minestrone soup, line caught sea bass filet, mixed sea-food plate. **★★★★** Daily B, L & D. 6am-11pm. [www.fourseasons.com](http://www.fourseasons.com). Four Seasons Bosphorus, Çırağan Cad. 28, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 381 4059. **A9.**

### Carluccio's

The İstanbul branch of this restaurant, named after famous chef Antonio Carluccio himself, serves authentic Italian flavours in a relaxed, authentic atmosphere. Check out their gourmet market. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. Kanyon Shopping Centre, Büyükdere Cad. 185, Levent. T: 0212 353 0545. **Shopping Centre Map (p.36).**

### Cento Per Cento

With a concept based on everyday Italian food, starters are served in snack-sized portions so it's easy to sample a wide range of dishes. Chef's homemade ravioli, fresh pastas and classical

Neapolitan pizza by-the-meter are some of the highlights. **★★★** Mon-Sat L & D. [www.centopercento.com.tr](http://www.centopercento.com.tr). Abdi İpekçi Cad. Zati Apt. 36, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 232 6202. **A6.**

### Da Mario

With a typical southern Italian atmosphere and delicious Mediterranean dishes including homemade fresh pastas and pizzas from the wood oven. Extensive wine list. **★★★★** Daily L & D. [www.istanbuldoors.com.tr](http://www.istanbuldoors.com.tr). Nispetiye Cad.

Dilhayat Sok. 7, Etiler. T: 0212 265 5186. **Off map.**

### Del Mare

Excellent location on the Bosphorus with a delightful view, especially inviting at sunset. Try specialities including mussel ravioli, paella, and fish on mashed eggplant. Also accessible by boat from Kuruçeşme on the European side. **★★★★** Daily L & D. [www.del-mare.com](http://www.del-mare.com). Kuleli Cad. 45/1, Çengelköy. T: 0216 422 5762. **Off map.**



## For Lovers of Asian Food

**Miyabi Sushi Japanese Grill Bar** serves top-class Japanese food in a modern, elegant atmosphere. Featuring natural wood décor and a Zen garden, it offers a wide variety of Japanese dishes plus a sushi menu.

**Mahzeytinoğlu Cad. Yaren Sok. 6/ 14-15, Akatlar, Beşiktaş.**

**T: 0212 352 0222**

### Eataly

With 24 branches including New York, Chicago and several Italian cities, this new venue of the market-restaurant chain offers top-quality Italian cheeses, pastas, sauces and more. Featuring fine food and quality shopping, Eataly scores high points with its pizzas and desserts **★★★** Daily 10am-11pm. Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu. [www.eataly.com.tr](http://www.eataly.com.tr). T: 0212 336 6600. **Off map.**

### Emporio Armani Ristorante

This casual dining spot features a cafe and bar on its lower floor. The furniture, dominated by ivory and black, is accompanied by Armani sparkle on the wall. The menu features outstanding traditional Italian and Mediterranean flavours including scallops with cream sauce, capesante and classic Italian panna cotta. **★★★** Daily L & D. İstinye Park 519, İstinye, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 6140. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Fratelli La Bufala

Known for its buffalo mozzarella, this restaurant is also famed for its Neapolitan-style pizzas. Taste the superb cheese on the pizzas themselves, and you can even order it in single 125- or 500-gram portions. Delicious! **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.fratellilabufalaistanbul.com](http://www.fratellilabufalaistanbul.com). Kar Kuyusu Sok. Trump Towers Mall, Zemin K:13 Şişli. T: 0212 347 99 00. **Off map.**

### Jamie's Italian

With a creative menu featuring authentic gourmet dishes made with the freshest ingredients, Jamie's menu includes delicious köfte, chicken with couscous, and treats from around the world, in a warm, welcoming environment. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.jamieoliver.com](http://www.jamieoliver.com). Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 353 6808. **Off map.**

### Mama

Extensive menu with pizzas straight from a wood oven, homemade pastas and salads. Well established in Rumeli Hisarı, Mama now welcomes guests in its delightfully stylish Nişantaşı location. **★★★** Daily B, L & D. Abdi İpekçi Cad. 7/2, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 241 1152. **A6.**

### Mezzaluna

Mezzaluna serves cold appetizers and carpaccios, thin crust pizzas baked in a wood oven, and fresh hand-made pastas all in a colourful, cheerful atmosphere. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.mezzaluna.com.tr](http://www.mezzaluna.com.tr). Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 21, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 231 3142. **A6.**

### Mirror

This venue includes both a restaurant and bar in a minimalist interior. Predominantly Italian menu also offers delicacies from world cuisines. Chill-out cosy, groove, acid jazz and beach house music between 4pm-8pm and after dinner. **★★★** Daily L & D. [www.mirrorbistro.com](http://www.mirrorbistro.com). Suadiye Park, A Blok 2, Kat: 3, Suadiye. T: 0216 464 2710. **Off map.**

### Morini

From the décor to the quality service, Morini is pure New York. The home-made pastas reign supreme here; the favourite of celebrities such as Catherine Zeta Jones, Brad Pitt and Heidi Klum, its dishes are created by Michelin-star chef Michael White. **★★★★** Daily B, L & D. Daily B & L & D. Zorlu Center, Zincirlikuyu Cad. Beşiktaş. T: 0212 353 6767. **Off map.**

## DINING

**Papermoon**

This elegant venue serves unique Italian delicacies. Its spacious bar and café are open all day, and loved by İstanbul high society. Reservations recommended. ★★★★★ Daily L & D. [www.papermoon.com.tr](http://www.papermoon.com.tr). Nispetiye Cad. Akmerkez Shopping Centre 224, Etiler. T: 0212 282 1616. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

**Piola**

Now boasting a branch in Turkey, international chain Piola is known as the 'pizzeria to the stars' with regulars in its US branches including Will Smith and Jennifer Lopez. Three-quarters of its menu consists of pizzas, with fresh toppings including mozzarella, shrimp and porcini. ★★★ Daily L & D. [www.pointhotel.com](http://www.pointhotel.com). Point Otel Barbaros, Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cad. 29, Şişli. T: 0212 337 3000. **A7.**

## LEBANESE

**Al Bushra**

Nestled on the 9th floor of Hilton İstanbul, Al Bushra promises a delightful and unforgettable dining experience featuring authentic Lebanese dishes by expert chefs, select wines and a brathtaking Bosphorus view. ★★★ Daily L & D. [www.hilton.com.tr](http://www.hilton.com.tr). Hilton İstanbul, Cumhuriyet Cad. K:9, Harbiye. T: 0212 343 8081. **B6.**

## MEDITERRANEAN

**34 Restaurant**

Personalised service with live kitchen shows form just part of the exclusive atmosphere at 34 Restaurant. Its 'Food under the Sun' concept, based on Mediterranean and Turkish cuisine, ensures a unique dining experience. Daily L & D, Taşkışla Cad. 1, Taksim, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 368 1234. **C4.**

**A'jia Restaurant**

With its unique fusion of contemporary interior design and 18th-century architecture in a spectacular Bosphorus-front location, this restaurant has a reputation for quality service. ★★★★★ Daily B, L & D. [www.ajiahotel.com](http://www.ajiahotel.com). Çubuklu Cad. 27, A'jia Hotel, Ahmet Rasim Paşa Yalısı, Kanlıca. T: 0216 413 9300. **Off map.**

**Bloom**

This high-ceilinged spacious venue has another surprise – a wide green terrace filled with grapefruit, olive, pomegranate and orange trees. The stars of the menu include dishes cooked in their stone oven; try beef tas kebabi, and köfte with kashar cheese, to name just a few. ★★ Daily B, L & D. Ambarlı Dere Cad. 6, Ortaköy. T: 0212 288 6582. **Off map.**

**Flamingo**

Mediterranean cuisine with a focus on Italian takes centre stage at this high-end restaurant, which converts into a nightclub after dinner. Items include pizzas, pastas and risottos, plus desserts including chocolate mousse, chocolate tart and tiramisu. The Prosecco cocktail comes highly recommended. ★★★★★ Mon-Sat L, D & N. [www.flamingoist.com](http://www.flamingoist.com). Asker Ocağı Cad. 1, Taksim. T: 0212 232 6868. **B6.**

**Floripa**

This restaurant, café and bar in Rumelihisari, on one of the loveliest spots on the Bosphorus, welcomes

you with its Mediterranean food including salads, pastas, and pizzas cooked in a real wood oven. Its vast breakfast menu makes it the ideal place to spend a long, relaxing weekend morning; at night Floripa turns into a bar featuring great DJ sets. ★★★ Daily B, L, D & N. [www.d-ream.com.tr](http://www.d-ream.com.tr). Rumeli Hisarı, Baltalimanı Cad. No:4 Sarıyer. T: 0212 287 6220. **Off map.**

**Frankie**

Boasting three different sections, choose from the terrace, city lounge and main restaurant. Among the most impressive offerings are their artichoke mücver in cheese fondue, and talaş börek on a bed of beef. Or stop by in the evening and enjoy live music along with their signature passion fruit cocktail. ★★★ Daily L, D & N. Sofa Hotel, Teşvikiye Cad. 41, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 230 6666. **A6.**

**Galliard, The**

Serving predominantly Spanish, French and Italian cuisine, specialities at this contemporary elegant restaurant include homemade pastas, plus their special bread with walnuts, raisins and wine. Tue-Sat L, D & N. Sun & Mon L & D. [www.thegalliard.com](http://www.thegalliard.com). Nispetiye Cad. 104, Etiler. T: 444 0 233. **Off map.**

**Halat Restaurant**

Located inside the Rahmi M. Koç Museum, this restaurant boasts an eye-catching interior where sailboats are used for décor. The menu is based on Mediterranean cuisine with an extensive local and foreign wine list. ★★★ Daily L & D. [www.halatrestaurant.com](http://www.halatrestaurant.com). Rahmi Koç Museum, Kumbargane Cad. 2, Hasköy, Söğütözü. T: 0212 369 6616. **B2.**

**Lacivert**

Exquisite Mediterranean flavours combined with a most romantic Bosphorus view. The restaurant delights its guests with seasonally changing menus and excellent seafood. Anything that comes out of the sea, from calamari to octopus, mussels and shrimp as well as a vast selection of fish. Brunch on Sundays. ★★★★★ Daily L & D. [www.lacivertrestaurant.com](http://www.lacivertrestaurant.com). Körfez Cad. 57/A, Anadolu Hisarı, Beykoz. T: 0216 413 4224. **Off map.**

**La Mancha**

Serving a mix of Italian, Moroccan and Spanish cuisine, La Mancha offers a delicious variety of hot and cold tapas dishes, fresh seafood and Moroccan-style lamb tagine, along with 150 wine selections and cocktails. Daily L & D. [www.lamancha.com.tr](http://www.lamancha.com.tr). Muallim Naci Cad. 107, Kuruçeşme. T: 0212 257 1144. **Off map.**

**Mia Mensa**

This restaurant, serving Mediterranean and Italian cuisine plus international dishes, is enhanced by its enchanting Bosphorus view. Try the flounder with lemon sauce, the four-cheese pizza and the tiramisu. ★★★ [www.miamensa.com](http://www.miamensa.com). Muallim Naci Cad. 64/C, Kuruçeşme. T: 0212 263 4214. **Off map.**

**Müzedechanga**

The restaurant takes in breathtaking Bosphorus views and centuries-old pine trees, with an excellent menu to match. Be sure to try the fresh blackeyed peas with hazelnut tarator, filet mignon with green bulgur pilaf, tortellini with spinach and lor cheese, mosaic pastry and chestnut tiramisu. ★★★ Tue-Sat L & D, Sat-Sun B. [www.changa-istanbul.com](http://www.changa-istanbul.com). Sakıp Sabancı Cad. 42, Atlıköşk, Emirgan. T: 0212 323 0901. **Off map.**

**Orange Restaurant**

This venue offers the flavours of Moroccan, Algerian, Lebanese and Turkish cuisine. A wide variety of grills, daily set menus and southern Mediterranean specialties promise a delightful experience. ★★★ Daily B, L & D. [www.orangemedgrill.com](http://www.orangemedgrill.com). Kayışdağ Cad. 1 /1, İstanbul Marriot Hotel Asia, Ataşehir. T: 0216 570 0038. **Off map.**

**Sunset Grill&Bar**

This well-known İstanbul venue offers a magnificent Bosphorus view accompanied by an exclusive wine list and Mediterranean cuisine. Bar opens in the evenings, offering an entertaining night with a DJ. Booking required. ★★★★★ Mon-Sat L & D. [www.sunsetgrillbar.com](http://www.sunsetgrillbar.com). Adnan Saygun Cad. Yol Sok. 2, Ulus. T: 0212 287 0357-58. **Off map.**

**Topaz**

Chic restaurant offering traditional and modern Turkish/Mediterranean cuisine. The traditional Turkish menu includes yuvarlama soup and chard stuffed with meat and bulgur; the modern menu features roasted cheek of beef, celeriac puree, crème brûlée with foie gras and sweet marsala sauce. ★★★ Daily L & D. [www.topazistanbul.com](http://www.topazistanbul.com). İnönü Cad. Devres Han 50, Gümüşsuyu. T: 0212 249 1001. **B6.**

**Sir Winston Brasserie**

This elegantly and meticulously decorated venue really stands out. On the menu, Italian pizzas, pastas and risottos are paired with traditional wines from Turkey's Urla region. Try their delicious salads, and chicken, meat and fish marinated in a special sauce for a feast fit for a king – and top it off with a splendid dessert. ★★★ Şair Nedim Cad. 3, Beşiktaş, Akaretler. T: 212 259 9919. **B7.**

**X Restaurant**

New venue located on the 6th floor of the İstanbul Foundation for Culture and Arts. Mainly Mediterranean menu offers risottos, pastas, pizzas and desserts plus Turkish dishes. ★★★ Daily L & D. [www.xrestaurantbar.com](http://www.xrestaurantbar.com). Sadi Konuralp Cad. 5, Şişhane. T: 0212 244 7101. **C5.**

**Yelken Restaurant**

Boasting lovely Bosphorus views, this modern restaurant serves an excellent selection of classical Turkish fish dishes plus original Mediterranean flavours including moules marinières, surf and turf, seafood linguini and paella. ★★★ Daily L & D. [www.yelkenrestaurant.com](http://www.yelkenrestaurant.com). Köybaşı Cad. 58, Yeniköy. T: 0212 262 9490. **Off map.**

## MODERN OCAKBAŞI

**Ali**

With a view of the historic peninsula, high ceilings and a modern design, Ali's menu is devoted mainly to kebabs and meats. Specialities include their signature Ali Kebap and the traditional pumpkin dessert served with tahini and ice cream. ★★★ Daily L & D. Arap Camii Mah. Tersane Cad. 45/ 4, Grifin Han, Karaköy. T: 0212 293 1011. **C5**

## NEW ANATOLIAN

**Mikla**

Mikla opened in October 2005. The initial idea was to create a refined but contemporary "İstanbullu" Restaurant. Both the menu and the general feel of the Restaurant reflect the Turkish-Scandinavian

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## OTTOMAN

### Asitane Restaurant

Specializing in Ottoman Court cuisine, this is an exciting venue with a menu based on the 1539 'Book of Feasts'. The menu offers specialties like chestnut soup, shrimp-stuffed calamari, hassa börek, kırma chicken kebab, sea bass biryan and saffron-scented zerde for dessert. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.asitanerestaurant.com. Kariye Camii Sok. 6, Edirnekapı. T: 0212 635 7997. **C2.**

### Matbah

Offering authentic specialities from Ottoman Palace cuisine in an historical setting, Matbah in the Historical Peninsula is surrounded by iconic buildings like Topkapı Palace and Hagia Sophia. ★★★ Daily B, L&D. www.matbahrestaurant.com. Caferiye Sok. 6/1, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 514 6151. **F4.**

### Tuğra Restaurant

A favourite of gourmets, this venue serves classical Ottoman dishes accompanied by live Turkish classical music in an authentic atmosphere on the waterfront. ★★★★★ Daily D. www.kempinski-istanbul.com. Çırağan Cad. 32, Çırağan Palace Kempinski İstanbul, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 258 3377. **B8.**

## PUB

### Divan Pub Elmadağ

The extensive and tempting menu includes a range of local specialties, including döner kebab. Daily B & L & D. www.divan.com.tr. Divan İstanbul, Asker Ocağı Cad. 1, Taksim. T: 0212 315 5500. **B6.**

### Ph Pub

A wide variety of appetizer buffets, grills and desserts are served from 11:30am to 8:30pm in PH pub on the lobby floor. ★★★ Mon-Sat L & D. www.theplazahotel.com.tr. Barbaros Bulvarı 165, The Plaza Hotel İstanbul, Balmumcu, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 370 2020. **A8.**

## SPECIAL SPOTS

### Mahalle

Located on the top floor of City's Nişantaşı shopping centre, Mahalle offers a variety of services under one roof from a butcher to a flower shop, greengrocer, bookstore and coffee shop. There's something for every need and occasion. Daily 10am-10pm. www.citysnisantasi.com. Teşvikiye Cad. 162, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 373 3333. **A6.**

### Trump Cadde

Located on the terrace floor of Trump Towers Shopping Centre, this is home to event spaces plus brands including Limonata, Bali Bey, Nezih Kebab, Rumi Tantuni, Fiorucci, PapaBubble and Plus Kitchen. It's an 'avenue with a view' which creates the carefree spirit of the street. Karkuyusu Sok. Şişli. T: 0212 3487867. **Off map.**

## STEAKHOUSE

### Maçka Günaydın Et Restaurant

With a wood-dominated, historic feel, this spot serves a variety of kebabs and meats. Try the

smoked meat platter, succulent steaks and the hand-churned ayran ★★★ Daily L & D. www.gunaydinet.com. Swissôtel the Bosphorus, Bayıldım Cad. 2, Maçka. T: 0212 258 1203. **B7.**

### N Burger

This cosy restaurant's menu includes the Nusret Burger, Lokum Burger and Sucuklu Burger, along with a selection of köfte and meats. The tulum cheese salad and baklava are some of its most popular dishes. Daily L & D. www.d-ream.com.tr. Abdi İpekçi Cad. 57/A, Reasürans Çarşısı, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 231 2470-71. **A6.**

### Nusr-Et

In keeping with Nusret's decor, meats are brought on teak planks and served on white porcelain. The restaurant focuses on meat, salads and wine; meats are cooked to order. ★★★ Daily L & D. Nispetiye Cad. 87, Etiler. T: 0212 358 3022. **Off map.**

### The Market @ Bosphorus

Minimalist design meets classic Turkish and world cuisine, with classic meats, steaks and burgers, plus foie gras and a selection of seafood. Daily B, L & D. ★★★ Kuruçeşme Mah. Muallim Naci Cad. 56, Kuruçeşme. T: 0212 257 4111. **A9.**

### Steak N More İstan'bull

Synonymous with its chef Fikret Özdemir (p. 4), this restaurant concentrates mostly on meat and fish. All dishes are made from 100% Turkish meat, plus its local cheese and wines. Try the piri piri shrimp, lamb shanks, and künefe for dessert. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.radissonblu.com. Radisson Blu Hotel, İstanbul Şişli, 19 Mayıs Cad. 12, Şişli. T: 0212 375 0000. **Off map.**

## THAI

### ÇokÇok Thai Restaurant & Bar

Rich authentic Thai menu in a sophisticated setting. Created by an award-winning female Thai chef, designed by renowned Singaporean architect Kay Ngee Tan, and managed by a London-trained management team. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.cokcok.com.tr. Meşrutiyet Cad. 51, Tepebaşı. T: 0212 292 6496. **C4.**

### Pera Thai

Outstanding presentation of Thai cuisine, which has risen to prominence in recent years. Jazz and ethnic music tunes provide a smooth ambiance for dinners. Original flavours and exotic atmosphere from Thailand brought to guests in a simple interior decorated with authentic objects. Mon-Sat L & D. ★★★ www.perathai.com. Meşrutiyet Cad. 74/A, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 245 5726. **C4.**

## TURKISH

### Casita

Very popular for its manti, a Turkish dumpling served with yoghurt, and tripe soup, Casita also offers temptations like Bodrum's famous çökörtme kebab, garlic mushroom casserole and "paper doll" dessert. This restaurant is open 24 hours daily. ★★ Daily L&D. www.casita.com.tr. Atiye Sok. 3, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 327 8293. **A6.**

### Çintemani Restaurant

Named after one of the most important motifs in traditional Ottoman art, this venue is open all day. Menu inspired by the most distinguished dishes of

the Mediterranean and Ottoman Court cuisines. ★★★★★ Daily B, L & D. Daily 6:30am-11pm. www.ritzcarlton.com. The Ritz-Carlton, İstanbul, Elmadağ, Şişli. T: 0212 334 4188. **Off map.**

### Günaydın

This simply-decorated two-storey restaurant, with a spacious garden, serves delicious kebabs and other grilled meats. The mainstays of the menu are the fındık lahmacun (an appetizer-sized version of the familiar 'Turkish pizza'), stuffed köfte and chopped kebabs, including their special pistachio kebab. ★★★ Daily L&D. Kazım Özalp Cad. 58, Şaşkınbakkal. T: 0216 417 9209. **Off map.**

### Karaköy Lokantası

Located across from the customs house, this restaurant looks like a French bistro from the outside, but the Ottoman style interior with its turquoise tiles and wrought iron railings gives the feel of a warm, welcoming tavern. Specialities include mezés like mashed broad beans and smoked octopus, plus skewered lamb and fish pastrami. ★★★ Daily L & D. Kemankeş Cad. 37/A, Karaköy. T: 0212 292 4455. **D5.**

### Ma'na

A nostalgic venue with a meyhane atmosphere, serving Turkish delicacies with Turkish semi-classical music in the background. The impressive rakı menu offers 33 different varieties. As in any meyhane, the mezés reign supreme; they also serve a very good kadayıf pastry for dessert. ★★★ Mon-Sat L&D. Kemankeş Mah. Fransız Geçidi 53/8, Karaköy. T: 0212 293 0993. **D5.**

### Peymane

Located in a five-storey registered historical building, the restaurant also contains a charcuterie with fine cheeses and cold meats. Above the entrance is a VIP salon, with an indoor dining room on the top floor. The kebab grill lends an elegant decorative touch. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.peymanelacucina.com. Tomtom, Boğazkesen Cad. 65/1, Tophane. T: 0212 244 0955. **C5.**

### Raika

The immensely varied cuisine of Anatolia is served in an innovative presentation, with strong emphasis of seasonal ingredients. Located on the terrace floor of The Marmara Taksim, and boasting a panoramic view of the city, the bar with its magnificent view is the perfect spot for early evening get-togethers. ★★★★★ Daily L, D & N. The Marmara Taksim Hotel, 20/F, Taksim. T: 0212 2433773. **C5.**

### Refik Restaurant

One of the best taverns in town for 65 years, this spot is an İstanbul classic with its congenial atmosphere. Pastırma in paper, 'Albanian style' fried diced liver, and lamb roulade are just a few of its delightful specialities. ★★★★★ Mon-Sat D. www.refikrestaurant.com. Asmalımescit Cad. Sofyalı Sok. 6, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 243 2834. **C4.**

### Seasons

Spacious antique-themed interior surrounded by glass. Seasons Restaurant serves Turkish specialities featuring local products Braised Artichoke, Hengel Ravioli, cold cress-nettle soup and puff pastry with lamb ragout. ★★★★★ Daily B, L & D, Sunday brunch. www.fourseasons.com. Tefikhane Sok. 1, Four Seasons Sultanahmet Hotel, Sultanahmet. T: 0212 402 3000. **E5.**



## Try Something Thai!

The restaurant that introduced İstanbul to Thai cuisine, **ÇokÇok's** architecture and authentic décor creates the magical atmosphere of Asia. Boasting a wide selection of delicious dishes, the service is fantastic, and a lounge bar with Chillout and World Music completes a great evening out.

**Meşrutiyet Cad. 51, Tepebaşı. T: 0212 292 6496.**

### Sofyalı 9

Turkish and Greek tunes provide the background to warm conversation, while at least 25 mezés tempt the taste buds - firm classis like chard stuffed with mince meat, çoban kavurma, fincan pastry and 'Albanian style' diced fried liver, to seafood delicacies like mussels in red wine sauce, grilled shrimp and octopus. Daily L, D&N. www.sofyalı.com.tr. Asmalımescit Cad. Sofyalı Sok. 9, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 252 3810. **C4.**

### Yeni Lokanta

Rustical, and decorated simply with tiles, trees and flowers, Yeni Lokanta serves traditional dishes made with ingredients from Anatolia. The bulgur salad with sour cherries, manti filled with dried eggplant and rice pudding with hazelnuts are some of the must-try offerings. ★★ Mon-Sat L & D. www.lokantayeni.com. Kubaracı Yokuşu 66, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 292 2550. **C5.**

### Zeyrekhane

Near the Zeyrek mosque, originally part of a monastery, and entered through old wooden houses, this restaurant offers a breathtaking view of Süleymaniye Mosque, the Blue Mosque and other historic landmarks from its terrace. The Turkish cuisine is complemented by a warm and nostalgic interior filled with original paintings, imperial edicts, quilted turbans, calligraphy and ornate tiles, all originals. www.zeyrekhane.com. ★★★ Tue-Sun B, L & D. Zeyrek Mah. İbadethane Arkası Sok. 10, Zeyrek, Fatih. T: 0212 532 2778. **D3.**

## TURKISH (MODERN)

### Boğaziçi Borsa

A classic in İstanbul dining, this restaurant's updated menus capture the flavours of Turkish cuisine with a Western twist. The result is stunning. Paintings by famous artists exhibited in the entrance welcome guests into this elegant venue. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.borsa.com. Lütfi Kırdar Convention & Exhibition Centre, Harbiye. T: 0212 232 4201. **A6.**

### Borsa

A classic in İstanbul dining, this restaurant's updated menus capture the flavours of Turkish cuisine with a Western twist. The result is stunning. Paintings by famous artists exhibited in the entrance welcome guests into this elegant venue. ★★★ Daily L&D. www.borsa.com. İstinye Bayırı Cad. İstinyePark Shopping Centre, Sarıyer. T: 0212 345 5333. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Core Grill & Bar

Radisson Blu Hotel, İstanbul Asia's restaurant is bright, relaxed and friendly. Ingredients from various cuisines blend harmoniously with Turkish dishes, with the chef's specialties including chicken schnitzel with kadayıf pastry and their Core kebab. ★★ Daily L & D. www.radissonblu.com. Radisson Blu Hotel, İstanbul Asia, Yakut Cad. Ataşehir. T: 0216 579 1100. **Off map.**

### Dai Pera

Blending İstanbul's vast history of Balkan, Rumelian, Albanian, Jewish and Armenian elements with a modern vision, the venue offers traditional İstanbul flavours including white bean stew with meat, Albanian-style liver, baked manti and quince dessert. ★★ Mon-Thu 9am-2am. Fri&Sat 9am-4am. Sun 10am-2am. Yeni Çarşı Cad. 54, Beyoğlu. T: 0212 252 8099. **C5.**

## DINING

### Divan Lokanta

Divan Lokanta creates an innovative menu by combining the best of Turkish and Mediterranean dining, plus Divan's signature dishes. The copper-leaf bar and ceiling-hung glass sculptures shimmering golden red set the tone in an inviting and elegant atmosphere, with countless vintage wines in illuminated racks. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.divan.com.tr. Divan İstanbul, Asker Ocağı Cad. 1, Taksim. T: 0212 315 5500. **B6.**

### FerahFeza

With décor alluding to the local artisan tradition, this new venue boasts two breezy terraces overlooking Galata Tower and the Historic Peninsula. Favourites on the menu include salmon in vine leaves with tahini sauce, and bean casserole with grilled octopus. ★★★ Daily B, L, D & N. www.ferahfeza-ist.com. Kemankeş Cad. 31/5, Karaköy. T: 0212 243 5154-55. **D5.**

### Gile Restaurant

Young chefs Cihan Kıpçak and Üryan Doğmuş add a contemporary edge to familiar flavours, creating new flavours such as filet mignon with fenugreek, 24-hour lamb shank, and Saroz shrimp grilled over red pine. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.gilerestaurant.com. Şair Nedim Cad. Akaretler, Sıra Evler B Blok. 14, Akaretler. T: 0212 327 1166. **A7/B7.**

### Münferit

This chic, modern tavern-style restaurant is right at the entrance of the Galata Residence. The menu offers a combination of traditional and modern flavours, including marinated sea bass, hot grilled shrimp on humus, black couscous with mussels, poached sea bass with clams, and shredded cheek of beef with orzo. ★★★ Mon-Sat D. Yeni Çarşı Cad. 19, Taksim. T: 0212 252 5067. **C5.**

### Okka

With turquoise ceramic columns and antique diamond-cut mirrors, Okka is definitely not your usual kebab restaurant. A welcoming atmosphere combines with a unique selection of mezes and kebab. Highly recommended are the beef ribs, lamb küşneme (the finest cut of meat for kebab), steaks and the wonderfully varied meze plate. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.wistanbul.com.tr. W İstanbul, Süleyman Seba Cad. 22, 3/F, Akaretler. T: 0212 381 2189. **B7.**

### Surplus

With views of both the historic peninsula and Pera, this restaurant serves fine Turkish cuisine. Must-try dishes include the roast lamb, satır köftesi and lamb taraklık. ★★★ www.surplus.com.tr. Ragıp Gümüş Cad. 54, Kat:3-4, Eminönü. T: 0212 520 1002. **E5.**

## TURKISH (TRADITIONAL)

### Beyti

Frequented by kings, prime ministers, celebrities and high society, this restaurant enjoys worldwide fame for its meat dishes. An indisputable master of meat cookery with a dish named after him, owner Beyti Güler handpicks the ingredients. Its charcoal grilled meats are divine. ★★★ Tue-Sun L & D. www.beyti.com. Orman Sok. 8, Florya. T: 0212 663 2991. **Off map.**

### Darüzziyafe

Superb Turkish cuisine, with a lengthy menu reflecting centuries of Turkish dining traditions.

Located in the Süleymaniye complex and seating over 1000, Darüzziyafe is an ideal place to experience select Turkish dishes along with delicious sherbets and desserts. ★★ Daily L & D. www.daruzziyafe.com.tr. Şifahane Cad. 4, Süleymaniye. T: 0212 511 8414. **E3.**

### Develi

Located on legendary Kalamış Bay, Develi offers a delightful atmosphere and stylish decor. Fine Gaziantep and Turkish specialties include *Ali Nazik kebab*, *küşneme*, *maş piyazı*, *muhammara*, and Antep style stuffed dried eggplants. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.develikebab.com. Münir Nurettin Selçuk Cad. Kalamış Marina, Kadıköy. T: 0216 418 9400. **Off map.**

### Feriye Lokantası

Historical building that housed a police station a century ago. Menu offers Turkish and Ottoman cuisines, with excellent Bosphorus views and stylish ambiance. Specialties include sauteed lamb fillet and pumpkin dessert. Heated terrace in winter. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.feriye.com. Çırağan Cad. 40, Ortaköy. T: 0212 227 2216. **Off map.**

### Hacı Abdullah Lokantası

A long-established restaurant with a 121-year history, ensuring continuity of Ottoman culinary tradition, serves specialties including lamb-based meat dishes as well as soups and pilafs. ★★ Daily L & D. www.haciabdullah.com.tr. Atif Yılmaz Cad. 9/A, Taksim. T: 0212 293 8561. **C5.**

### Hamdi Et Lokantası

A classic İstanbul dining experience, this restaurant's glass-covered terrace offers a panoramic view of the city. With more than 40 kebabs on the menu; plum kebab and poppy seed kebab are highly recommended. ★★★ Daily L&D. www.hamdirestorant.com.tr. Tahmis Cad. Kalçın Sok. 11, Eminönü. T: 0212 512 5424. **D4.**

### Havuzlu Lokanta

Experience five centuries of history in this restaurant nestled in the Grand Bazaar, featuring exquisite Ottoman architecture. Specialties among its home-style dishes include mashed eggplant, roasted lamb and Abant-style kebab. ★★ Mon-Sat L. www.havuzlurestaurant.com. Gani Çelebi Sok. 3, Kapalıçarşı, Eminönü. T: 0212 527 3346. **E4.**

### Hünkar Nişantaşı

Cosy, spacious, serving traditional Turkish dishes and desserts. Popular choices include wrapped liver, tandoori lamb stew and lamb casserole with yoghurt; for a truly Turkish dining experience try the lamb's trotter soup, hünkar beğendi and semolina halvah. ★★ Daily L & D. Mim Kemal Öke Cad. 21, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 225 4665. **A6.**

### Kanaat Lokantası

Kanaat offers a stunning menu of 100-120 dishes prepared daily including meat dishes, olive oil dishes, desserts, ice creams and yoghurt. No alcohol. ★★ Daily L & D. Daily 6:30pm-11:30pm. www.kanaatlokantası.com.tr. Selmanipak Cad. 9, Üsküdar. T: 0216 341 5444. **D8.**

### Kandilli Borsa

Excellent ambiance in the garden of the historical Adile Sultan Palace on a hilltop overlooking a dazzling Bosphorus view. Top Ottoman palace dishes and traditional Turkish cuisine, the menu also includes surprising blends of Mediterranean, and Far Eastern cuisines. ★★★ Daily L & D.

www.borsarestaurant.com. Adile Sultan Sarayı, Vaniköy Cad. 12, Vaniköy, Üsküdar. T: 0216 460 0304. **Off map.**

### Kaşibeyaz

Specialties on the menu include kebabs like Ali Nazik, pistachio and garlic kebab. An open buffet breakfast served on Sundays offers a unique Antep-style menu. ★★★ Daily B, L & D. www.kasibeyaz.com.tr. Florya, Şenlikköy, Çatal Sok. 19, T: 0212 444 1040. **Off map.** Yeniköy, Köybaşı Cad. 19, T: 0212 468 1717. **Off map.**

### Konyalı Kanyon

Konyalı is run by the fourth generation of the family, Mehmet Eren Doğanbey. Exclusive concept and ambiance, the fine menu and luxurious presentation on gold-plated service all add up to a memorable meal. ★★ Daily L & D. www.konyalilokantası.com. Büyükdere Cad. 185, Kanyon Shopping Centre, Levent. T: 0212 353 0450. **Shopping Centre Map (p.34).**

### Konyalı Lokantası Topkapı Sarayı

Once home to the Ottoman Sultans, Topkapı Palace now offers its unparalleled Bosphorus view to diners. Enjoy the views and historical ambiance while savouring fine Turkish cuisine. Specialties include stuffed lamb, hünkar beğendi, islim kebabı and a rich selection of desserts. ★★★ Wed-Mon L & D. www.konyalilokantası.com. Topkapı Palace. T: 0212 513 9696. **E5.**

### Köşebaşı

This internationally-recognized chain restaurant offers meat dishes from Adana and Tarsus region based on traditional recipes. The gavurdağı Toros, Abaganos fındık lahmacun, şaşlık kebab and semolina halvah are especially good. Playground available for the kids. ★★ Daily L & D. www.kosebasi.com. Bronz Sok. 5, Maçka, T: 0212 230 3868. **A6.**

### Mabeyin

Located in the historical Mabeyinci Manor. Enjoy traditional Turkish cuisine in an exquisite setting. Ideal choice for those who want to combine history with the distinct flavours of southeastern Turkish cuisine in a quiet, peaceful atmosphere. ★★★ Daily L & D. www.mabeyin.com. Eski Kısıklı Cad. 7, Kısıklı. T: 0216 422 5580. **Off map.**

### Nar Lokanta

With its menu of traditional Turkish and Ottoman specialties, Nar Lokanta celebrates the Ottoman culinary tradition. Outstanding dishes include stuffed köfte, palace-style *mantı*, and *şekerpare* with figs and poppyseeds. ★★★ Mon-Sat L & D. www.narlokantasi.com. Nuruosmaniye Cad. 41, K:5, Çemberlitaş. T: 0212 522 2800. **E4.**

### Pandeli

An İstanbul classic located in the Egyptian Market, its walls are covered with glamorous İznik tiles. With its Turkish delicacies, Pandeli is an ideal stop during a visit to the old city and the markets. ★★ Daily L. www.pandeli.com.tr. Mısır Çarşısı 1, Eminönü. T: 0212 527 3909. **E5.**

### Safran

Multi-award winning venue with a magnificent Bosphorus view matched by a Turkish and Ottoman-themed menu and interior. Live classical Turkish music every Wed and Fri. ★★★ Daily D. istanbul.intercontinental.com.tr. Intercontinental İstanbul, Asker Ocağı Cad. 1, Taksim. T: 0212 368 4444. **B6.**

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## Ask The Concierge



This month we interviewed **Aykan Akin**, concierge of the Martı Istanbul Hotel.

**W**hich kind of city is Istanbul in your eyes? It's almost impossible to define Istanbul in terms of a single mood. One moment in the city can be completely different from the next; it's energetic, full of surprises, amazing, and always changing. It's a miraculous place, the atmosphere of which changes drastically as night falls.

**If your guests had just one day in Istanbul, where would you send them?**

I'd want them to go first to the historic peninsula and take in that mystic atmosphere. Then I'd recommend a short Bosphorus cruise, and after that, to sample Turkish cuisine. Our customers also always love going to Ortaköy, where they can have kumpir, waffles, lokum and simit, and sip tea by the water's edge.

**Please share some of your favourite lesser-known spots.**

Balat, Samatya and Eyüp, with their historic fabric, are less advertised areas of the city, but I'd recommend visiting them. I also love Ağva and Polonezköy; they are further out but immersed in nature, and so peaceful.

**What about nightlife? Which bars and clubs are most popular now?** Reina, Sortie and Anjelique are currently the hottest destinations. Mixo, on our hotel's terrace, is also getting very popular. For those who want a more unusual style of entertainment, I'd highly recommend Supper Club, Nomads, Nardis Jazz Bar, Hard Rock Cafe and Hypnos.

**Which shops and shopping centres do you recommend to your guests?**

With the beautiful summer weather, I think the streets of Nişantaşı are the best choice. There are also İstinyePark and Zorlu Center malls, and if they have kids, they might want to head to Vialand, which offers shopping as well as rides and entertainment.

**Where do you like to spend your free time in Istanbul?**

I love to have a coffee and read the newspaper along the shore of the Bosphorus during a quiet time of the day. I also love shopping in the Grand Bazaar and the Spice Bazaar, then visiting the Blue Mosque and Hagia Sophia.

## USEFUL INFORMATION

### Emergency, Medical

**Emergency Ambulance**

Public. Open 24 hours. T: 112.

### Medline

Private ambulance service. Open 24 hours. T: 0212 331 2000-444 1212.

### American Hospital

Vehbi Koç Foundation American Hospital is a foundation-owned, acute general care hospital. Each year the Hospital serves 150.000 patients, providing a comprehensive array of primary care and specialty services. The medical staff includes over 500 active and visiting physicians. The Hospital is accredited by the Joint Commission International. [www.amerikanhastanesi.org](http://www.amerikanhastanesi.org). Güzelbahçe Sok. 20, Nişantaşı. T: 0212 444 3777.

### MedAmerican Outpatient Clinic

MedAmerican Outpatient Clinic, located on the Asian side of Istanbul, is an outpatient clinic of the American Hospital. The clinic offers a wide array of medical, surgical, and ancillary health care services. [www.medamerikan.com](http://www.medamerikan.com). Cemil Topuzlu Cad. 46 Çiftehavuzlar. T: 0216 468 2555.

### Emergency, Dental

#### Byomed

Private medical centre that puts patient satisfaction first and approaches patients with empathy, offering services with a live support system. [www.byomed.com.tr](http://www.byomed.com.tr). ByOtell, Kozyatağı Sarı Kanarya Sok. 14. T: 0216 571 6140.

#### Dentistanbul

First and only dedicated dental hospital in Turkey. Specialised and experienced staff, fully equipped operating room, ambulance and bed services. [www.dentistanbul.com.tr](http://www.dentistanbul.com.tr). Yıldız Cad. 71, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 444 0347.

### Pharmacies

Pharmacies are open during day until 7:30pm. Every day, a different pharmacy remains open for 24 hours as a night pharmacy in every neighbourhood. The names of the night pharmacies are displayed on the window of every pharmacy. Pharmacists can check blood pressure, dress minor wounds and provide recommendations on medical assistance. [www.treczane.com](http://www.treczane.com).

### Useful Numbers

**Istanbul Directory**, 11811.  
**Turkcell Directory**, 11832.  
**Avea Directory**, 11855.  
**Vodafone Directory**, 11842.  
**Same Area Calls**, just the 7 digit number.  
**Area Codes in Istanbul**, European Side: 212, Asian Side: 216.  
**From Area to Area**, 0+area code+number  
**International**, 0+0+ country code+area code+number.

## AIRLINES

### Air France

[www.airfrance.com.tr](http://www.airfrance.com.tr). Emirhan Cad. 145 Atakule A Blok Dikilitaş, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 310 1919.

### Anadolu Jet

[www.anadolujet.com.tr](http://www.anadolujet.com.tr). Cumhuriyet Cad.



Gezidükkanları 7, Taksim. T: 0212 444 2538.

### Atlasjet

[www.atlasjet.com](http://www.atlasjet.com). T: 0212 444 3387.

### British Airways

[www.britishairways.com.tr](http://www.britishairways.com.tr). Maslak Mah. Bilim Sok. 5, K:15, Şişli. T: 0212 367 9292.

### Emirates

[www.emirates.com](http://www.emirates.com). Şişli Plaza, 19 Mayıs Cad. 5/7, A Blok K:8, Şişli. T: 0212 315 4545.

### Gulf Air

[www.gulfair.com](http://www.gulfair.com). Cumhuriyet Cad. 131, Harbiye. T: 0212 231 3450.

### KLM

[www.klm.com.tr](http://www.klm.com.tr). Emirhan Cad. 145, Atakule A Blok K:14, Dikilitaş, Beşiktaş. T: 0212 310 1900.

### Lufthansa

[www.lufthansa.com.tr](http://www.lufthansa.com.tr). Atatürk Airport International Terminal, Yeşilköy. T: 0212 354 8888.

### Pegasus Airlines

[www.flypgs.com](http://www.flypgs.com). T: 0212 444 0737.

### Singapore Airlines

[www.singaporeair.com](http://www.singaporeair.com). EGS Business Park Plazaları B2, K:8, 278, Yeşilköy. T: 0212 463 1800.

### Turkish Airlines (Thy)

[www.turkishairlines.com](http://www.turkishairlines.com). Cumhuriyet Cad. Gezidükkanları 7, Taksim. T: 0212 444 0849.

## AIRPORTS

Istanbul has two major international airports; one on the European side and the other on the Asian side.

### Atatürk Airport

The first and largest of Istanbul's two airports this is situated 24km west of the city centre, on the European side. With both international and domestic flights operating round the clock, it boasts fully equipped emergency health services. The airport is accessible by metro; however, a taxi is recommended, particularly if carrying heavy luggage. Regular shuttle buses run by ground services provider Havataş approx every 30 mins depart to and from Taksim, stopping at Aksaray, Etiler and Bakırköy. Check for schedule. **Havaş Call Center** T: 0212 444 0487. [www.havas.com.tr](http://www.havas.com.tr). **Atatürk Airport Enq** T: 0212 463 3000. [www.ataturkairport.com](http://www.ataturkairport.com).

### LOST LUGGAGE OFFICE

**Atatürk Airport:** TAV-(International and Domestic Terminals Lost Luggage Office) T: 0212 465 3000.

### Sabiha Gökçen Airport

Located on the Asian side, Sabiha Gökçen Airport is 40km from Kadıköy, 12km from Pendik and 50km from Taksim. A smaller airport, this has some

international flights but mainly domestic flights, plus all the budget airlines. Transport to and from the airport include city buses, and taxis. As the airport is far away from central locations, ground services provider Havataş also runs buses to and from Kozyatağı and Taksim.

**Havaş Call Center** T: 0212 444 0487.

[www.havas.com.tr](http://www.havas.com.tr).

**Sabiha Gökçen Airport** T: 0216 585 5000.

[www.sabihagokcen.aero](http://www.sabihagokcen.aero).

### LOST LUGGAGE OFFICE

**Sabiha Gökçen Airport:** International Terminal Lost Luggage Office T: 0216 588 8802. Domestic Terminal Lost Luggage Office T: 0216 588 8650.

## AIRPORT TRANSFER

**Havataş:** Offers shuttle services to and from the airport every half hour between Atatürk Airport-Taksim and Sabiha Gökçen Airport-Kadıköy / Sabiha Gökçen Airport-Taksim. [www.havatas.com.tr](http://www.havatas.com.tr). T: 444 44 36.

## GETTING AROUND

### Buses

City buses are run by the Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality. Payment is with the Istanbul Kart – an

## Fairs

### 11TH NATURAL STONE 2014

This international fair on marble, natural stone products and technologies brings together the major companies of the industry worldwide.

www.cnrnaturalstoneturkey.com  
4-6 Jun. CNR EXPO



### HIMSS TURKEY

HIMSS Turkey is already generating high levels of press interest and attention, as it promises to be a highly-informative gathering of both local as well as global IT decision makers.

www.haliccc.com  
4-5 Jun. Haliç Congress Center

### İSTANBUL CONOURS D'ELEGANCE 2014

About 100 automobiles in various makes and models are expected to apply for this beauty pageant of the vintage cars.

www.istanbulconoursdelegance.com  
7-8 Jun.

Haliç Congress Center



### BEAUTY EURASIA

In the 10th edition of Beauty Eurasia, more than twenty French companies are expected to share their wares.

www.beautyeurasia.com  
12-14 Jun.

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electronic card purchased for a deposit fee at sales points. Valid on buses, trams, metro and ferries, it is easily charged at machines located in many stations, and provides half-price transfers. Ticket prices vary according to distance.

www.iETT.gov.tr.

Information Line T: 0800 211 6068,  
Headquarters T: 0212 245 0720.

### Ferries

City ferries operate out from Sirkeci, Eminönü and Karaköy piers all day long to the Bosphorus, the Asian side, and Princess Islands. Visit [www.sehirhatlari.com.tr](http://www.sehirhatlari.com.tr) for the latest updated timetables. T: 0212 444 1851.

### Metro

Punctual, reliable, efficient and economic public transport, the underground trains are an especially good way to avoid the rush hour traffic. Buy tokens from vending machines at stations or use an İstanbul Kart (see buses), which can be charged at machines located in each station. [www.istanbul-ulasim.com.tr](http://www.istanbul-ulasim.com.tr). T: 0212 444 0088.

### METROLINES

Aksaray-Atatürk International Airport • Şişhane to Darüşşafaka, with stops at Taksim, Osmanbey, Şişli, Gayrettepe, Levent, 4. Levent, Sanayi, İTÜ Ayazağa, Atatürk Oto Sanayi, Darüşşafaka.

### TRAMLINES

Zeytinburnu-Kabataş  
• Güngören-Bağcılar • Kadıköy-Moda  
• Taksim-Kabataş Funicular.

### Taxis

The bright yellow taxis are available around the clock, and are best hailed on the street. It is best to avoid taxis waiting outside major tourist venues and hotels. Fares should always run on the meter, with the same tariff now for both day and night. Ensure the meter is running as soon as you get in, and refuse to take a journey where the driver tries to agree a price in advance. These are a safe mode of transport day and night.

### Train

#### SİRKECI TRAIN STATION

TCDD station located on the European side. Visitors may buy tickers at the counter here for all destinations to Europe and elsewhere in Turkey. Trains to anatolian Turkey depart from Haydarpaşa station near Kadıköy on the asian side. For enquiries, [www.tcdd.gov.tr](http://www.tcdd.gov.tr). T: 0212 527 0050.

### Seabuses

Seabuses operate on 19 lines, and serve 32 points. [www.ido.com.tr](http://www.ido.com.tr). T: 0212 444 4436.

### FAST FERRY LINES

Yenikapı-Bursa-Yenikapı • Yenikapı-Bandırma-Yenikapı • Yenikapı-Yalova-Yenikapı • Pendik-Yalova-Pendik.

### INTER-CITY SEABUS LINES

Bosphorus Line: Beşiktaş-Kadıköy

### PRINCES'ISLANDS SEABUS LINES

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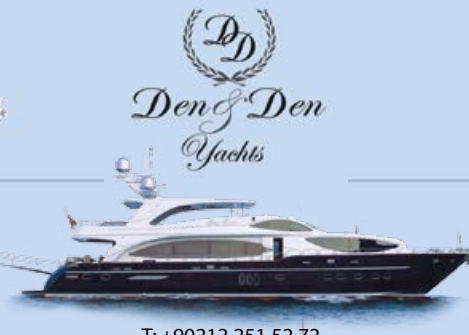


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### What are your favourite nightspots?

My favourite place is a glass of wine anywhere overlooking the Bosphorus.



### How about restaurants in Istanbul?

Karaköy Lokantası, Nusr-Et and Bebek Balıkçısı are among my favourite venues for casual dining. If I want to enjoy rooftop views with modern cuisine, my choice would be Mikla or Vogue.



## Mike Balfour

[Owner of Jatomi Fitness & Spa]

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### Which Turkish dishes do you like best?

I can count kebab and steak restaurants among my favourites. There are a number of them close to our head office, which is located in Bellevue Residence, Etiler. I think my favourite Turkish food would be white cheese, and I also love the taste of fresh vegetables here.



### Do you have a favourite neighbourhood?

My favourite neighbourhood is Maçka, where our luxury club Jatomi Maçka is located. The area provides you with almost everything in walking distance.

### Where would you recommend for fish in Istanbul?

I believe Istanbul is not only kebab and meze. Having the great view of Bosphorus with the taste of freshly caught seafood, I would recommend Bebek as my favorite location. I also have to mention Suna'nın Yeri in Kandilli.



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