

SHOPPING CENTERS INFORMATIONS





Arasta Bazaar Overview

Though its size dwarfs that of the <u>Grand Bazaar</u>, Arasta Bazaar is nonetheless a pretty and- by Istanbul standards at least- a relatively serene bazaar.

The Arasta Bazaar was constructed during the 17th century. Originally functioning as stables, it later succumbed to several fires and was largely left to ruin. In the 1980's, however, it was converted into shops and the income from the Bazaar was used to help subsidise the upkeep of the <u>Blue Mosque</u>, which at that stage was undergoing costly restoration.

These former stables now host around forty well-maintained shops on one main street, housing a selection of jewellery, handcrafts, antiques, ceramics, souvenirs, and, of course, carpets and kilims. A good time to visit the Arasta Bazaar is in the evening, when both locals and tourists crowd onto the roof and pack into its resident 24- hour tea garden (which also serves as a restaurant) to eat, drink endless cups of çay (tea) or smoke nargile while watching the free nightly Whirling Dervishes Show (8-10pm). Arrive early to get the best seat.

The Arasta Bazaar also contains the <u>Great Palace Mosaics Museum</u>, which displays a collection of mosaics which were excavated from the site of the Byzantine Great Palace of Constantinople. The mosaics are thought to date back to the 5th Century AD, and to have come from an enormous pavement of the Palace. The mosaics are of exceptional quality and largely feature landscapes, animals and hunting scenes.

With its wide berth and relaxed atmosphere, Arasta Bazaar is a good low-key shopping alternative for traditional merchandise in the <u>Sultanahmet</u> area.

Notable guests of the Arasta Bazaar include former US President Bill Clinton, whose photo is proudly displayed alongside others on the Bazaar's website.

Practical Information:

Opening Hours: from 9am – 7pm. Closes early in winter and during Ramadan.



Istinye Park Shopping Mall Overview



Istinye Park is based on a unique design. Opened in 2007, it has both closed and open air sections including a park and an authentic Turkish food bazaar.

The centre is split into three sections. The main entertainment space is located in the four storey Grand Rotunda. It includes a 12 screen, 2600-seat cinema including an IMAX 3D screen, as well as an entertainment centre for children.

The Lifestyle Centre is an open air town square with a green park. It also includes the indoor Fashion District with many well known brands represented such as Zara, Max Mara, Hugo Boss, Mango, Dior and Dolce & Gabbana, to name just a few. The Internationally renowned restaurant Rainforest Cafe is located on the ground floor of the complex.

The Bazaar area is styled on a traditional Turkish bazaar and has several restaurants including an Ottoman restaurant, fish restaurant and the steakhouse Gunaydin, while small shops sell a variety of fresh produce. There is parking capacity for 3,200.





GRAND BAZAAR



Grand Bazaar - Kapali Carsi Overview

Even the most hardened local can't help being captivated by the Grand Bazaar's magic. This ancient Disneyland of shopping malls has evolved over centuries into a unique brand of Turkishness which is absent from the shining streets of Nisantasi and Caddebostan.

Opened in 1461, Sultan Mehmed II initially commissioned two small warehouses as a way to fund the transformation of Hagia Sophia into a mosque.

Shops began to grow up around these Bedestans and, as commerce increased, shopkeepers began to build roofs over the lanes to withstand poor weather conditions and further attract customers. Capitalist fever now oozes from the Bazaar's more than 4,000 shops on 64 covered streets as the best and worst of Turkish goods are fleeced faster than you can don a poorly made fez cap.

In the past, artisans would group together in certain areas, giving rise to street names like Fez Makers Street (Fesçiler Sok.). Although these days there are still special sections for gold and silver and for leather goods, for the most part visitors are encouraged to lose themselves in the labyrinth of stores which sell everything from scarves to lamps, belly dancing costumes, Turkish water pipes, purses and plates. If you listen carefully you may also hear the shouts coming from the Bazaar's unofficial foreign exchange and gold markets.

It's estimated that between 250,000 and 400,000 people visit the Grand Bazaar each day to watch or take part in its intense trade.

Make sure to check out the competition first, decide what price you're prepared to pay for it, and then get ready to haggle fiercely. Opening prices are absurd, but if it's quick gifts you're after, half the fun is bargaining. Think of it as a grand theatre where if you mess up nobody will remember you anyway. Above all, don't feel the fear.



Akmerkez Shopping Mall Overview





Akmerkez was opened in 1995 in Istanbul's Levent district with the aim of becoming the "Best shopping centre in the world." In 1995, the Centre was designated "The Best Suburban Shopping Centre in Europe" by the International Council of Shopping Centres and has received several more prestigious awards since then.

The Akmerkez complex, which includes a shopping centre, office and residential space, is spread over an area of 180,000 m2.

The shopping area, consisting of almost 250 stores, covers four stories and includes fashion, cosmetics, electronics, home ware, books and stationery, toys, sportswear, eyewear and gift shops along with practical services such as banks, a hairdressing salon, drycleaning, supermarket and travel agency.

Free transport is provided to and from Akmerkez from nearby business centres and hotels.

Akmerkez, with a budget of \$25 million, is currently undergoing renovations.

Open every day between 10am - 10pm.









www.akmerkez.com.tr

A true shopping experience

Kanyon Shopping Mall Overview





Opened in 2006, Kanyon is one of Europe's most unique shopping complexes. Located in Istanbul's Levent district between Besiktas and Sisli, Kanyon integrates a 30 floor office space and a 22 floor residential block along with its retail space as a way of 'fusing a unique approach to shopping, entertainment and retail in and extraordinary architectural shell.' Kanyon's design is centred on the concepts of space and freedom, with curved buildings, wide paths and open spaces which seem to flow into each other. Many flower beds and small trees are planted around the shopping area. The shopping space is spread over 37,500m2 and includes a fitness centre and state-of-the-art 9 screen cinema which plays both English and Turkish films, as well as 160 retail stores.

Many global brands are represented at Kanyon, including Harvey Nichols, Banana Republic, Lacoste, Mango and Sony. It also boasts Continental Europe's first Apple store. There are many cafes and restaurants, from fast food to a wide variety of Turkish and International options including Starbucks, Gloria Jean's, Wagamama and Haagen Dazs.

Kanyon also hosts a variety of events from time to time; check their website for what's coming soon.

Kanyon is easily accessible by Istanbul's public transport system, and an entrance to the mall has been integrated into the city's metro system. Take the Metro from Taksim Square to the 'Levent' station and follow the signs to Kanyon.

Open from 10am – 10pm. There is parking space for 2,300 vehicles.







www.kanyon.com.tr

Outdoor shopping delight

212 ISTANBUL POWER OUTLET





Opened in late 2009, 212 Istanbul Power Outlet hosts thousands of people every day with a spacious architecture at 130 outlet stores. The Outlet houses clothing, accessory and footwear stores as well as household and construction markets like Carrefour, Media Markt and Praktiker. Located 13 and 63 km to the Atatürk Airport and the Sabiha Gökçen Airport respectively, the mall includes a 3000 meter square kids' playground along with the dry cleaner's, a parking lot and a movie theater. 212 Istanbul Power Outlet is accessible by car.







www.212istanbul.com

The destination for economical shopping...

ASTORIA SHOPPING MALL





Standing out with its central location, Astoria is located 21 and 39,7km. to the Atatürk Airport and the Sabiha Gökçen Airport respectively. Opened on January 23, 2008, the 7-storey Shopping Mall owns the highest twin-atriums of Europe. Astoria hosts 110 stores primarily focusing on clothing, accessories and footwear. The quite varied food & beverage options range from fast-food to quality restaurants. Among the other services of Astoria are the parking lot, the drugstore, dry cleaning and shoe-shining. It's an ideal location for different activities thanks to the gym, the movie theater and the spa. The Cinebonus movie theater is among the particular ones in Istanbul with a high-tech system and the surrounding glass walls which enable city view from the inside. On top of that, Astoria issues the Benefit Club Card -the most inclusive shopping mall card everwhich offers exclusive discounts at prestigious stores, extra card points and surprise gifts.







www.astoria.com.tr

The new celebrity destination

ATAKOY PLUS



Opened in 2010, Ataköy Plus Shopping Mall is located far away from the crowd and the noise of the city. The convenient location to the Atatürk Airport and the 1800m2-terrace overlooking the Marmara Sea offer peaceful shopping. It is just the place to have a delightful time thanks to 140 stores, the movie theater and the restaurant options. Among the extra services are shoe-shining, dry cleaning, the parking lot and the drugstore.









www.atakoyplus.com

The place to have a delightful time

BEYLIKDUZU MIGROS SHOPPING MALL



Beylikdüzü Migros Shopping Mall has been in service since 1997. The 3-storey Shopping Mall hosts 110 Turkish and international stores. What makes Beylikdüzü Migros a center of attraction which answers everyone's needs is that it hosts women's, men's and kids' textile stores as well as stores for electronic goods, household textiles, books, music, toys and sports along with the biggest Migros hypermarket of Istanbul, a parking lot, kids' playground, the tailor's, a shoe-shining parlor, a drugstore and a hairdresser. The various restaurants, the 10-hall AFM movie theater and the bowling alley are among the alternatives for those looking for a break while shopping. The Mall also offers free doctor service, a baby room and wheelchairs for disabled visitors.



www.beylikduzumigrosavm.com

Answering all your needs...

CARREFOUR HARAMIEDERE SHOPPING MALL



Opened in October 2001, Carrefour Haramidere Shopping Mall is located 25km to the Atatürk Airport. The Mall hosts 38 stores and 8 restaurants/cafés including the huge TeknoSA and Yataş Stores. The big deal about Carrefour Haramidere Shopping Mall is the 15,483 meter square hypermarket. It also stands out with a wide kids' playground, a karting track and car care service. The Mall also houses a bank, a parking lot, lost & found desk along with the dry cleaner's, a shoe-shining parlor and a drugstore.





www.ceficturkey.com

The privileges of size

CARREFOUR ICERENKOY SHOPPING MALL



Opened in April 1996, the Carrefour İçerenköy Shopping Mall is the first Carrefour shopping mall to be opened ever in Turkey. Its location by Highway E5 on the Asian Side allows entrance from the highway. Serving through 106 stores, the Mall also hosts 28 restaurants/cafés. The enormous CarrefourSA and Bauhaus Stores play an important role in making the Mall a popular destination. And don't forget the karting track, the kids' playground, car care service and the 5D movie theater. Among the other services are banks, foreign currency exchange, shoe-shining, the tailor's and the drugstore as well as the electric vehicle charging station and dry cleaning.





www.ceficturkey.com

Anything you need in an enormous area!

CARREFOUR BAYRAMPASA SHOPPING MALL



CarrefourSA Bayrampaşa Shopping Mall is easily accessible thanks to its location in walking distance to the most crowded coach station of Istanbul in Bayrampaşa as well as the subway. The Mall houses 49 stores, 11 cafés/restaurants and three huge stores, Flo, LC Waikiki and TeknoSA along with the CarrefourSA Hypermarket. Car care, the playground, shoeshining, the bank and the hairdresser's are just some of the services the Mall has to offer.

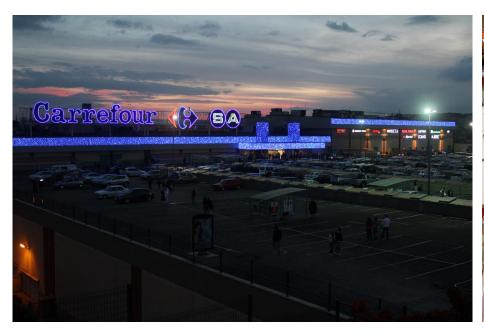




www.ceficturkey.com

Practical Shopping

CARREFOUR MALTEPE PARK SHOPPING MALL





Located on the Asian Side, CarrefourSA Maltepe Park has been opened in 2005. The Mall is approximately a 25-minute drive from the Sabiha Gökçen Airport. The 110 Turkish and international stores offer goods and services for all purposes from textile to accessories, health & beauty and technology along with food & beverage and arts & culture. While hosting an 8-hall movie theater, the Mall also provides standard services such as shoe-shining, dry cleaning, a parking lot and a drugstore.







www.maltepeparkavm.com

All sorts of options in one package

CARREFOUR UMRANIYE SHOPPING MALL



CarrefourSA Ümraniye Shopping Mall is conveniently located to Highway TEM (E6) on the Asian Side. The mall hosts 73 stores, 18 restaurants/cafés, two department stores, an 8-hall movie theater, the CarrefourSA hypermarket, and the Praktiker Store providing decoration solutions. The kids' store along with the tailor's shop, the drugstore, kids' playground, the dry cleaner's and the car care service as well as the bowling alley are among the elements that make the CarrefourSA Ümraniye Shopping Mall a particular place.

www.ceficturkey.com

Providing solutions for anything you may need

CITY SHOOPING MALL



Located in Nişantaşı, which is synonymous with shopping, City's is the place to go for quite a lot of Turkish and international brands. On top of the location and the rich brand collection, the Mall has a lot to offer as far as quality restaurants including some of the major food & beverage spots of Istanbul. There are also many restaurants and cafés in the surrounding area, which is just ideal for those who want to have a fine dining experience before or after shopping. Among the other services are the grocery, the tailor's and the dry cleaner's.



www.citysnisantasi.com

Elite shopping

DEPOSITE OUTLET CENTER



Opened in 2008, Deposite Outlet brings together well-known Turkish and international brands. Enjoy affordable shopping at various stores from garments and construction goods to electronics and accessories. This mall is a particular one in housing a go-kart track and an indoor ski-run as well as a toll-free indoor and outdoor parking lot, a health and sports complex along with a recreational center for kids. And that's not all; the place also includes an amusement park. The events and special offers magazine, Depomag and the Deposite Kids' Club where they have courses for rhythm, drama, the guitar, ballet and folklore, prove the Mall's interest in arts. Deposite Outlet also stands out with the delicious spots of Turkish taste at separate locations instead of a single eating area that is full of fast-food restaurants.



www.deposite.com.tr

Affordable shopping

GALLERIA SHOPPING MALL





Opened in 1988, Galleria means a lot since it is the first shopping mall ever opened in Turkey. The convenient coastal road location just 5km. from the Atatürk Airport provides for a great advantage. Galleria Shopping Mall serves an average of 20,000 visitors per day through 119 stores ranging from luxury wear to well-known brands. And it offers many options as far as restaurants go. Among the standard services are the parking lot, a drugstore, the dry cleaner's, a foreign currency exchange office, a baby-care room, car wash and banks. The 500m2 event space, the bowling alley, Migros Store and the 15-hall movie theater are the other pros that Galleria possesses.









www.galleria-atakoy.com.tr

The first shopping mall of Turkey

HISTORIA FATIH SHOPPING MALL



The first and only shopping mall on the Historical Peninsula, Historia stands out with a bright atmosphere and spacious decorations. The Tax Free Point at the Mall makes the place even more attractive particularly for foreign tourists. Historia hosts 80 individual concept stores ranging from garment to technological goods. Offering many food & beverage options for any taste, the Mall also provides other services such as car wash, shoe-shining, a drugstore, the tailor's and dry cleaning as well as a prayer room. The place is just as attractive as the Historical Peninsula, itself thanks to the bowling alley, the Cinebonus movie theater and the kids' playgrounds along with the fashion shows, live performances and celebrity signings





organized on special occasions.

www.historia.com.tr



The only shopping mall of the Historical Peninsula

KALE OUTLET CENTER



Located approximately 15 minutes to the Atatürk Airport, Kale Outlet Center stands out among the other outlets in offering world brands off more reasonable prices. Opened on April 22, 2007, the Outlet serves the visitors through 120 stores and 24 fast-food restaurants on 8 storeys. Growing their brand potential and enriching its portfolio, Kale provides toll-free parking, a drugstore, dry cleaning and shoe-shining as well as a free kids' theater, kids' playground and a movie theater. A reminder: All the shops have Tax Free.



www.kalecenter.com.tr

World brands off reasonable prices

KOZZY SHOPPING MALL





Opened in April 2010, Kozzy is located 40 and 30km to the Atatürk Airport and the Sabiha Gökçen Airport respectively. The mall hosts 57 stores and 11 stands as well as restaurants, an outdoor terrace, a parking lot, dry cleaning, a shoe-shine parlor, bill pay points, a baby-care room and a movie theater. The mall is also referred to as a cultural center as it frequently houses cultural and artistic activities, and includes the 400-capacity Gazanfer Özcan Theater along with exhibition areas. Kozzy Shopping Mall is conveniently located to the Bağdat Street and Highway E5 on the Asian Side.







www.kozzyavm.com

Shopping meets arts & culture

M1 MEYDAN MERTER SHOPPING MALL



Built on a similar theme with the M1 Meydan Ümraniye Shopping Mall, M1 Meydan Merter stands out with its usage of solar energy, folding roof-top and wide green areas. The Real and Media Markt Stores are among the main reasons why you should visit Meydan Merter. The amusement park and the go-kart track add a newer dimension to recreation. Among the other services are the parking lot, the drugstore and the dry cleaner's.

www.meydanmerter.com.tr

Green solutions at the shopping mall...



M1 MEYDAN UMRANIYE SHOPPING MALL



Standing out with a green identity among the other shopping malls, Meydan Shopping Mall's geothermal system saves 1,3 million kW/h primary energy every year. Visitors enjoy a good time shopping, eating at the restaurants, going to the movies or attending social activities while the green lawn roof-tops provide a spacious area. The huge IKEA, Real and Media Markt stores let you browse through quite a lot of products under a single roof. The mall has been awarded multiple times for its green identity and the architectural style. Among the extra services are the parking lot, shoe-shining and dry cleaning.



www.meydanumraniye.com.tr

Supporting energy conservation...

METROCITY SHOPPING MALL



Serving since 2003, Metrocity is a 170-store mall hosting branches of many Turkish and international brands. The subway stop beneath is just a great advantage for Metrocity, where everyone could find something for any budget. Among the Mall's services are the parking lot, the drugstore, dry cleaning and shoe-shining as well as the gym and the spa. And the ice rink is just a well-planned privilege for those looking for a different kind of activity.





www.metrocity.com.tr

A shopping mall with subway running beneath

MEOMARIN SHOPPING MALL





Serving visitors with 130 stores since 2009, Neomarin Shopping Mall is located approximately 10 minutes to the Sabiha Gökçen Airport. The mall offers quite a lot of food & beverage options from restaurants and brasseries to fast-food and cafés. It also includes a parking lot and a drugstore as well as a shoe-shining parlor. Among the other privileges are the biggest kids' center on the Asian Side, the major technology brands that come together under the same roof and the go-kart track located on the terrace.



www.neomarin.com.tr

Go-kart fever combined with shopping

OLIVIUM OUTLET CENTER



Opened in 2000, the Olivium Outlet Center is located 11km to the Atatürk Airport. The Mall offers a parking lot, a drugstore, shoe-shining, free customer service as well as valet service and car wash as standard services on top of the 133 stores. Olivium also hosts the largest Mango Outlet of Europe and the only Polo Garage Outlet of Istanbul. The highest "Climbing Wall" of Turkey and the Tax-Free point are just two of the reasons why Olivium is so preferable. The rich collection of brands





www.olivium.com.tr

Tax-free point offering a rich collection of brands

OPTIMUM KADIKOY OUTLET and RECREATIONAL CENTER



Located on the Asian Side, Optimum Outlet has been synonymous with shopping since November 2008. Having received the 2010 Specialized Outlet Award of ICSC (International Council of Shopping Centers) in the European Conference held in Prague, Optimum holds the title of the only award-winning shopping mall of Turkey. Women's, men's, kids', sportswear and electronics stores and the hypermarket along with the construction market, home textile, personal care and accessory shops combined with the recreational areas and the 2500-capacity spacious eating space provide the visitors with more than they could ever expect to see. Among the other pros are the ice rink and the movie theater.







www.optimumoutlet.com

The award-winning outlet

PALLADIUM SHOPPING MALL



Opened with such a perspective to provide a living experience beyond shopping, Palladium has been in service since 2008. It is a popular destination of the Asian Side thanks to 188 stores, a 2500-capacity parking lot, a rich collection of brands and its location. The stores generally focus on garments. Among the extra services of Palladium are the parking lot, the drugstore, dry cleaning and shoe-shining.







www.palladium.com.tr

For those looking for a rich collection of brands...

PERDORYA SHOPPING MALL



Opened in December 2009, Pendorya Shopping Mall is located only 8km to the Sabiha Gökçen Airport and houses 105 stores. The mall includes a parking lot and a drugstore while housing a hypermarket and an enormous store for technological goods at the same time. The first movie theater on the Maltepe-İzmit route has also been built in this mall.







www.pendorya.com

Shopping and entertainment right by the airport!

TEPE NAUTILUS



Inspired from the sea, Tepe Nautilus is the first thematic shopping mall of Turkey. The mall has been opened in 2002, and hosts a various selection of stores for every taste and budget as well as restaurants, fast-food chains and cafés offering flavors from the Turkish or the international cuisine. 112 stores and 25 stands, the smart, hi-tech and toll-free parking lot along with the gym and the movie theater altogether provide the visitors with a huge range of options. Tepe Nautilus is located on the Asian Side; 45 and 35km. to the Atatürk Airport and the Sabiha Gökçen Airport respectively.







www.tepenautilus.com

The first thematic shopping mall of Turkey

TORIUM SHOPPING MALL





Opened in Autumn 2010, Torium takes pride in bringing in a newer shopping mall concept that combines shopping and recreation. Turning the remote location into an advantage through convenient transport options, Torium offers many brands at enormous stores and a wide range of products. The Mall provides for a convenient shopping experience thanks to the architectural structure and the social spaces as well as its location. Torium stands out especially with the Snowpark, the first snow-themed recreation center in Turkey and another recreation center with many amusement park gadgets most of which will meet the visitors for the first time. Among the other pleasing services are the parking lot and shoe-shining along with a medical room, an ambulance, baby room, wireless internet connection, car wash and the valet service.









www.torium.gen.tr

The biggest indoor recreation center of Turkey in service...

VIA / PORT OUTLET SHOPPING MALL





Opened in August 2008, Via/Port Outlet is located 3km to the Sabiha Gökçen Airport. It is the particular choice of those who prefer remote accommodation as it includes the Via Hotel and the Via/Port Convention & Expo. This huge complex serves both as an outlet and a recreational center while contributing to the fair and tourism sectors thus introducing the European and the American outlet concept to Istanbul. The Outlet offers products for every age group, budget and style with a brand collection at 184 stores. Cappadocia stones has been exclusively brought for the construction of Via/Port -a major architectural piece- while the Via Bedesten dome, inspired from the Nuruosmaniye Gate of the Grand Bazaar, is among the largest in Turkey.







www.viaport.com.tr

Unique concept

WEDDING WORLD KUYUMCUKENT



Taking the shopping mall concept to a whole new level with the 'wedding' theme, Wedding World Kuyumcukent houses a collection of brands which offer anything you may need before and after marriage. Bringing together all the potentially hard-to-find wedding materials from chocolate to jewellery and henna under a single roof, the Wedding World eases off the wedding rush with options for any budget. Conveniently located to the Atatürk Airport, the Mall also includes a wedding hall.







www.kuyumcukent.com.tr

Easing off the wedding rush!