

# WELCOME TO ISTANBUL

Get ready to amp-up your stay in the fascinating city built on two continents, divided by the Bosphorus Strait where you can see a modern Western city combined a traditional Eastern one. Whether you're visiting for work or play, we've got you covered with the coolest, locals-only tips to maximize your stay.



**TURKISH GERMAN BOOKSTORE & CAFE**  
Şahkulu Mahallesi, İstiklal Cad. No.237,  
Beyoğlu/Istanbul

A café with a stylish yet simple design where you can read books and taste delicious snacks. The bookstore softly whispers music to your ears as you walk down the Istiklal street.

**INSIDER TIP:** You will find philosophical, economics, mythology, archeology and many more books in German, Turkish and English.



**ISOKYO**  
Koru Sokak, Zorlu Center, Raffles Istanbul, 1.kat  
- Beşiktaş, Istanbul

The best of the East comes with a perfect harmony, magnificent and unique Umami flavors from Japan, Thai options balancing sweet and spicy tastes, sour and bittersweet delicate and mature Chinese food!

**INSIDER TIP** Champagne Chamber offers a pleasant atmosphere for groups of up to 8 people.



**GÖZLÜK GURUSU**  
Kemankeş Karamustafa Paşa Mh., Fransız Geçidi 9 Karaköy

A vintage Eyewear Store by Communication Science Specialist Hakan San who is an eyewear collector, collects the hard-to-find products and different designs of famous brands. Most of the sun-glasses are hand-made and first-hand.

**TALK LIKE A LOCAL**  
Learn the slang from the streets.

**Free of charge!**

**BELEŞ**

- **Hesap ne kadar?** (How much is the bill?)

- **Beleş!** (Free of charge!)

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**İlgi Turan**  
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**MACKA PARK**  
Harbiye Mh. Macka Vadisi, İstanbul

Maçka Democracy Park is one of Istanbul's few city parks between Dolmabahçe and Nisantasi and this green space provides locals with a place to take their kids, jog, walk dogs, or just sit and relax.

**INSIDER TIP** There are outdoor sports equipment if you're in the mood for some exercise.



**DIO**  
Teşvikiye Mah. Ahmet Fetgari Sokak  
No:35/A Nişantaşı

Dio, which takes its name from Dionysos in Greek mythology, is one of the latest spot where you can spread on the cushioned seats, facing the street, watching the Nisantaşı crowd while dining and enjoying the DJ performance.



**KASE NO.16**  
Tevsikiye Fırın Sokak 16, Tevsikiye

### A BOWL OF JOY!

Imagine design bowls, brought together side by side, carefully selected from world cuisine and each one includes at least three different flavours inside. Vegan and vegetarian selections also offer everyday options on the Kase menu.



**EFENDİ**  
Teşvikiye Mahallesi, Hacı Emin Efendi Sokak,  
No:28/A, Şişli

Standing out with its own style and niche crowd, the bar is like the cool kid in school. It's a cozy place with a narrow entrance and people flowing out to the streets.

**INSIDER TIP:** Behind the bar, Uğur Tekebaş, whom everybody calls "Dede", works wonders with unique "herby" touches and recipes. Whatever you order, ask for "erik turşusu" (green plum pickles) - you'll be amazed how many you can have.



**ARTER**  
Tomtom Mahallesi, İstiklal Cd. No:211 Beyoğlu

### SPACE FOR ART!

An initiative of the Vehbi Koç Foundation, opened in 2010 to offer a sustainable infrastructure for producing and exhibiting contemporary art.

Arter has been presenting solo and group exhibitions with the aim of providing a platform of visibility for artistic practices and encouraging the production of contemporary artwork through the support it provides in the context of these exhibitions.

AT THE W İSTANBUL

May 4th, Friday

ZIGAN ALDI

warm up - AYTEK & SEMİ

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