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The heart of the Turkish Republic, Ankara, is the second largest city of Turkey after Istanbul. The city genuinely lies on the border where east meets west. This means that a traveller can sit outside at a café under the shade of a tree-lined boulevard eating Meze. The European influences combined with the ones of the Middle East have coloured the architecture, food, wine, nightlife, fashion and arts. The two cultures have merged to build a city with a unique identity. By dropping anchor in Ankara, as its name suggests, you are crossing the border of history.

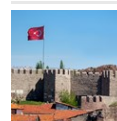
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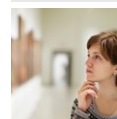
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THE CITY



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Ankara is not only the capital of Turkey, it is also the centre of state run artistic talent. The National Opera, National Ballet, National Theatre and the Presidential Symphony Orchestra are all based here. There is just as much talent outdoors on the streets and 60 per cent of the city's population is under the age of 30. The energy and drive that comes with youth means that Ankara is now experiencing a mini-cultural revolution. Its structure is like a modern European city with parks and wide boulevards.

DO & SEE



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To visit ancient Ankara, head to Ulus, where the narrow and winding streets are filled with stalls and shops selling antiques and Kilims. Kızılay is the place for outdoor beer houses, fried mussels and inexpensive shopping. To experience Ankara today, head to the fashionable city centre Tunalı

and then upwards towards Çankaya for a mix of modern food and clothing.

Ankara Kalesi



This castle overlooks the city from Ulus, the historic district. Within its walls, there is a small village with shops and restaurants in wooden beamed houses and the Old Turkish House Museum.

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Address: Ankara Kalesi, Ankara

Internet: www.ankarakalesi.com

Museum of Anatolian Civilizations



The Museum of Anatolian Civilizations houses a huge collection of Palaeolithic, Neolithic, Hatti, Hittite, Phrygian, Urartian, Roman and Lydian treasures. It won the European Museum of the Year in 1997.

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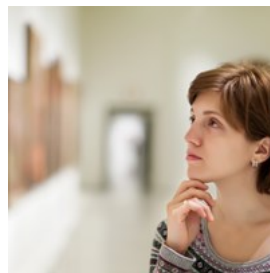
Address: Gözcü Sokak 2 Ulus, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 324 31 60

Internet: www.anadolumedenyetlerimuzesi.gov.tr

Email: anmedmuz@ttnet.net.tr

Museum of Painting and Sculpture



At the Museum of Painting and Sculpture you can find a major permanent collection of modern Turkish paintings, featuring works by Osman Handi and Hikmet Onat. This space is also reserved for temporary exhibitions of international works.

Photo: Iakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com

Address: Talatpasa Bulvarı Opera Meydanı-Altındag-Ankara,
Ankara

Phone: +90 312 310 20 94

Museum of Ethnography



Museum of Ethnography specialises in the Ottoman period, especially textiles, metalwork and carved wooden doors. The museum really reflects the Turkish history and character.

Photo: Bernard Gagnon (image cropped)

Address: TalatPaşa Bulvarı Türkocağı Sokak, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 311 30 07

Internet: www.etnografyamuzesi.gov.tr

Email: bilgi@etnografyamuzesi.gov.tr

Kocatepe Mosque



Kocatepe Mosque is a huge, white mosque constructed in the late 20th century. The beautiful mosque has four minarets making it visible from almost anywhere in the city of Ankara.

Photo: Bjørn Christian Tørrissen (image cropped)

Address: Kültür Mh., Ankara

Ataturk Mausoleum



This mausoleum honours the founder of Turkey, Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. The mausoleum hall is a colonnaded temple with huge bronze doors. Turks from all around the country and foreigners pay their respect to the founder of the Republic every day.

Photo: Orhan Cam/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ataturk Mausoleum, Monument Cad., Ankara

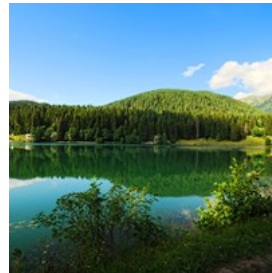
Opening hours: Opening hours vary depending on the season.

General opening hours 9am-4/5pm

Phone: +90 312 231 2805

Internet: www.anitkabir.org

Karagol



With beautiful scenery in winter and autumn, this is one of the favorite places for picnics in Ankara. There are several trekking routes across the mountains. You can find Karagol about 68 kilometres north of the city on the airport road, turn off for Cubuk.

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Address: Karagol

Atakule (Tower)



This 125 metre high observation and communication tower is located in the heart of the city in Çankaya. The tower also doubles as a shopping mall so before you are laden with bags, travel to the top to get a panoramic view of the city, or better yet, watch the magnificent Ankara sunset.

Photo: Scisa (image cropped)

Address: Gazi Osman Paşa Çankaya, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 447 6500

Internet: www.atakule.com.tr

Hattusha



Hattuscha is an ancient area just outside the village of Boğazköy. These ruins are important archeological sites and must-sees when in

Ankara. When visiting Hattuscha it is recommended to go on a guided tour or to bring a guide book.

Photo: WitR/Shutterstock.com

Address: Şehit Osman Avcı, Ankara Province

Hacı Bayram Mosque



This beautiful mosque is located in the heart of Ankara. Hacı Bayram Mosque was built in the 15th century and has a magnificent roof with ornamental wood and floral motifs.

Photo: muratart/Shutterstock.com

Address: Hacı Bayram Mh., Ankara

Gençlik Park



This park is located in the centre of the city and is a great retreat for a relaxing walk or run. Gençlik Park is the perfect place to bring the children for a fun day out with a lot of play.

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Address: Gençlik Parkı, Doğanbey Mh., Ulus Dolmuşları, Ankara

Cer Modern



Almost every city has one, a Museum of Modern Art. If you want to visit one in Ankara, this is the place. Cer Modern exhibits modern art in restored

industrial buildings.

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Address: Altınsoy Cad. No:3, Altındağ Merkez, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 310 0000

Internet: www.cermodern.org

Email: bilgi@cermodern.org

Aqua Vega Aquarium



At Aqua Vega you can step into another world full of exotic fish and other creatures of the ocean. This is a great place to bring the

children for a walk through the aquarium tunnel, totally surrounded by water and sharks.

Photo: Brocreative/Shutterstock.com

Address: Doğukent Bulvarı, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 554 28 28

Internet: www.aquavega.com.tr

Email: info@aquavega.com.tr

More Info: Nata Vega Outlet

Tarihi Sengul Hamami



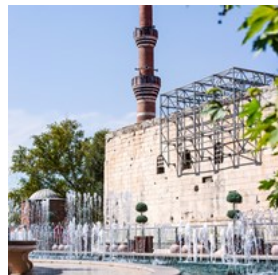
The Turkish hamam has played an important role in the Turkish history. When in Ankara you should try this old bathing tradition at one

of the spas. Tarihi Sengul Hamami dates all the way back to the 15th century and is still in use after several restorations.

Photo: F. Serra Mubeccel Gulturk/Shutterstock.com

Address: Anafartalar Mah. Denizciler Cad. Acı Çeşme Sok.
No.3, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 324 3739
Internet: www.sengulhamami.com
Email: info@sengulhamami.com

Temple of Augustus and Rome



Located next to the Hacı Bayram Mosque, the temple was built in A.D. 10 as a tribute to Emperor Augustus. If you are interested in history this is a great place to visit even if there is only a wall and some wall foundations and bottom part of columns left.

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Address: Ankara

More Info: Next to the Hacı Bayram Mosque

DINING



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Turkish cuisine is one of the top three cuisines of the world thanks to the variety of its recipes, natural ingredients, flavours and its influence throughout Europe, Asia, the Middle East and Africa. It may be said that Turkish cuisine, in a sense, is a bridge between far-Eastern and Mediterranean cuisines. The emphasis is always on the natural taste and flavour of the ingredients. Main courses are usually served with a side dish of rice. Meat and fish

restaurants are plentiful in Ankara and due to its strategic location, Ankara is blessed with a wide variety of daily fish flown in from all parts of the country.

Turkish dinners are rather long, the food is plenty and enjoyed in the company of friends with passionate conversations carrying on into the night. Turks are also fond of casseroles and stews so you can find many restaurants offering these. After dinner, the fresh fruit or dessert served is usually with compliments of the restaurant, unless they have a dessert menu. Desserts here are extra sweet like the baklava, kadayıf and muhallebi, only to name a few. Türk kahvesi, Turkish coffee, is served in small cups and you can choose how much sugar you like in it. Turkish coffee is a big part of the culture and considering it was the Turks who introduced coffee to Europe, they are right to be fond of their Turkish coffee.

Washington Restaurant

The restaurant is a “must-eat” and popular among politicians, journalists and celebrities. Borsch is strongly recommended and the Halep style meatballs, sis (meat on a skewer) with yogurt and mixed grills are all favourites here.

Address: Doyran SK N: 5-7, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 311 43 44

Rumeli

Tripe Soup has made this restaurant famous. After a long night of drinking, this is the last stop before bed as it is open 24 hours. They also serve traditional Turkish food and grilled meats and meatballs.

Address: Bestekar Sok. 86/B, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 467 13 62

Internet: www.rumeliiskembecisi.com.tr

Email: info@rumeliiskembecisi.com.tr

Kalbur Balık Restaurant

This restaurant might be plain on the inside with only a few tables, but the food is claimed to be exceptional. Here you can order seafood, meze, grilled meatballs, içli köfte, pastırma, sucuk, tandir and kokoreç. Reservation is a must and remember to bring cash.

Address: Oran Şehri Çarşısı Merkezi C-3 Blok, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 490 5001
Internet: www.kalbur.com.tr
Email: kalbur@kalbur.com.tr

Fige Restaurant & Jazz House

Once owned by famous actress Zsa Zsa Gabor's, this building now serves as a restaurant. Here you can savour a Turkish and international menu and listen to live music on the weekends, and some weeknights.

Address: Abdullah Cevdet Sokak 15, Çankaya, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 438 0721
Internet: www.fige.com.tr
Email: info@fige.com.tr

Trilye

The restaurant Trilye has been a true classic since 2002. This is mainly because of its magnificent seafood, tasty Mediterranean cuisine and the lovely setting. They even have a play area for children.

Address: Kazım Özalp Mah. Kuleli Sokak No.32, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 447 1200
Internet: www.trilye.com.tr
Email: info@trilye.com.tr

No4 Restaurant Bar Lounge

No4 Restaurant Bar Lounge is a stylish restaurant that also functions as a lounge and bar. Here you can enjoy some great food while listening to some great music in an easygoing ambience.

Address: Yasam Caddesi 4. Sokak No:4 Sogutozu, Ankara

Opening hours: Restaurant open 12pm-1am

Phone: +90 312 219 03 04

Internet: www.no4restaurant.com

Email: info@no4restaurant.com

Haci Arif Bey

This restaurant and café is claimed to serve a great variety of tasty Turkish kebabs. Your meal can be enjoyed either inside or outside in the cosy, outdoor garden area. You can choose between kebabs, salads and much more.

Address: Guniz Sokak 48, Kavaklıdere, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 467 5767
Internet: www.haciarifbey.com.tr

Özler Döner

Claimed to serve the best doner in Ankara, this place could be a "must-eat" if you fancy kebabs. Pop in for a quick meal or sit down and enjoy a culinary experience, Turkish style.

Address: Aşağı Eğlence Mah., Mestan Sok. 40/A, Etilik, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 321 97 28
Internet: www.ozlerdoner.com.tr

Quick China

This popular restaurant has five branches around town. Quick China offers great sushi in a cosy atmosphere. You can also choose to order takeout and get it delivered.

Address: Park Cad. No:15/3 Çayyolu, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 241 1414
Internet: www.quickchina.com.tr
Email: bilgi@quickchina.com.tr

Butcha Steakhouse

If you are craving a nice piece of meat you should go to Butcha Restaurant that serves impeccable steaks. Do not be shy to ask the chef for his recommendations. There are three locations in Ankara, one of them is located here:

Address: Oran Mah. Turan Günes Blv 182 Dikmen, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 491 11 75
Internet: www.butcha.com.tr

Num Num Café & Restaurant

Num Num Café & Restaurant can be found in many places around both Ankara and Istanbul. Here you can choose from a wide range of dishes like sandwiches, salads and burgers.

Address: Panora AVM. Güneş Bulvarı No:182 Çankaya, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 490 45 15
Internet: www.numnum.com.tr

Balickikoy Fahri

If you want to try some Turkish seafood you can go to Balickikoy Fahri for lunch or dinner. Here you can enjoy a great variety of dishes like shrimp salad or fried anchovies.

Address: Ahmet Taner Kışlalı Mah. 2853 Cad. No:24, Ankara
Opening hours: Open every day 11am-2am
Phone: +90 312 240 1567
Internet: www.balickikoy.com.tr
Email: info@balickikoy.com

Teppanyaki Alaturka

Experience the artwork of food made by skilled chefs at this Japanese Grill with an elegant setting. Teppanyaki Alaturka brings together an impressive grill method with the delicious Turkish tastes and where your meal is grilled in front of you.

Address: Muhsin Yazıcıoğlu Cad. Kızılırmak Mah. No: 30/C Çukurambar, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 284 09 19
Internet: www.teppanyakialaturka.com/ankara.php
Email: info@teppanyakialaturka.com

Makkarna

Claimed to be one of the best pizza restaurant in Ankara where the attentive team serves crispy thin pizza for a reasonable price in a warm

atmosphere. Other dishes on the menu are pasta and meat dishes.

Address: Reşit Galip Cad. No : 89/2, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 436 8088
Internet: www.makkarna.com.tr
Email: makkarna@makkarna.com.tr

Kolyoz Balık Restaurant

If you are craving for a mouth-watering fish dish, then this lovely restaurant is the place to visit. Besides serving fresh fish cooked to perfection the menu offers outstanding dishes of international cuisine. There is also a play area for the children.

Address: Filistin Cad. Attar Sok. No:8, Gaziosmanpaşa, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 468 4511
Internet: www.kolyozbalik.com
Email: kolyozbalik@gmail.com

CAFES



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Cafés have been an indispensable part of the Turkish culture for centuries. The café, Kahve in Turkish, is a traditional place where people play cards, drink tea or coffee, play backgammon and discuss politics and soccer. The European style cafés offer a variety of food and drinks. Ankara has many of the old as well as the new type of cafés.

Café des Cafés

Popular Café des Cafés is a place famous for its long Sunday breakfasts. For breakfast you can have Turkish tea, cheese, green and black olives, butter, honey and cakes.

Address: Tunali Hilmi Caddesi, 83 A Kavaklıdere, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 428 0176
Internet: www.marke.com.tr
Email: marke@marke.com.tr

House Café

House Café, part of a very successful Turkish chain, is set behind an elegant stone façade on Nenehatun Avenue which is one of the city's most desired neighbourhoods. The café occupies two floors and a large terrace and serves Sunday brunch every week.

Address: Nenehatun Caddesi No:74 G.O.P. Ankara
Opening hours: Open Mon-Sun 8.30am-1am
Phone: +90 312 446 46 88
Internet: www.thehousecafe.com

Cafémiz

This café opened in 1993 and is located on the famous Arjantin Street. Here you can choose from an extensive menu, why not try one of Cafémiz's favourites like "Hayal Salad" and "Hayal Pasta".

Address: Arjantin Caddesi 19, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 467 7921
Internet: www.cafemiz.com.tr
Email: info@cafemiz.com.tr

Kafes Fırın

This is an ideal place to enjoy a coffee or tea and if you have a sweet tooth, don't worry, there are plenty of pastries, ice creams, cakes and cookies to choose from. Or why not try the recommendation, the lemon cheesecake? On the menu you will also find food such as salads, soups, toasts, wraps and kebab.

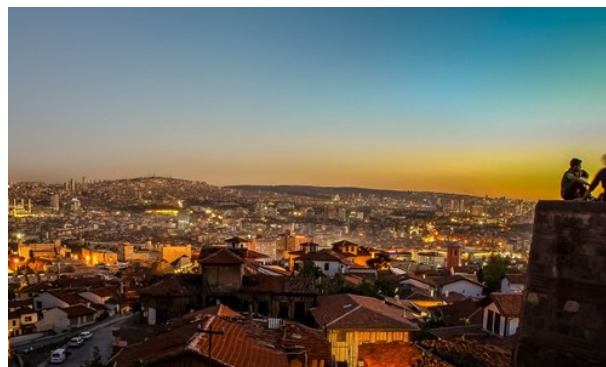
Address: Ümit Mh., Eskişehir Yolu 5.km No:122, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 286 9888
Internet: www.kafesfirin.com
Email: info@kafesfirin.com

Pilita Pasta Evi

At this cosy and sweet place you can enjoy a lot of tasty sweets, cookies, cakes and desserts. If you on the other hand are feeling hungry the menu offers meals and starters which are prepared with fresh ingredients.

Address: Turgut Reis Caddesi 16/3, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 215 3535
Internet: www.pilita.com.tr
Email: bilgi@pilita.com.tr

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



Omer Unlu (image cropped)

Since being the capital city of Turkey, and thanks to its huge student population, there are many bars and clubs in this city. If you like the rock scene then Sakarya in Kızılay is the place for you. As you go up toward Çankaya, the style of bars and clubs change into a trendier club scene. Sakarya/Kızılay and Tunali Hilmi/Kavaklıdere are nice areas if you like to people-watch.

The North Shield Pub



The elegantly decorated pub, The North Shield Pub, is known for its selection of whiskies and for the cosy atmosphere. Here you can also choose dishes from an International menu.

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Address: Çankaya İhsan Doğramacı Bulv. 6, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 266 4434

Internet: www.thenorthshield.com

Email: thenorthshield@bilkentotel.com.tr

More Info: Bilkent Oteli Hotel

Manhattan Bar



At Manhattan Bar you can enjoy live music every night with tunes ranging from jazz, alternative rock, blues, ethnic and popular music.

Manhattan Bar is an all-time Ankara classic.

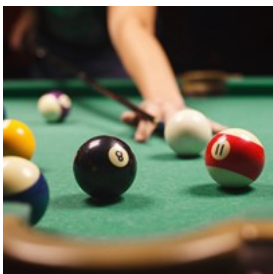
Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: Üsküp Caddesi No:7 Çankaya, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 427 62 63

Internet: www.manhattan.com.tr

Copper Sports Bar



Copper Sports Bar is situated in the Sheraton Hotel and is a great place to unwind while sipping a cocktail. If you are into sport, you can enjoy sport games on TV or why not play pool or throw darts?

Photo: Kucher Serhii/Shutterstock.com

Address: Noktali Sokak, Kavaklıdere, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 457 6000

Internet: www.sheratonankara.com

More Info: Located at Sheraton Hotel

The Soul Pub



The Soul Pub is a great spot for quality food and drink. Here you can relax with a cold beer and enjoy great music. The friendly staff adds to the

great atmosphere.

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Address: Kavaklıdere Mh., Olgunlar Cd No:18, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 424 01 44

Internet: www.thesoulpub.com

Salata Mesa



If you are looking for live music, mouth-watering food and tasty drinks, then head to Salata Mesa that also provides very colourful and stylish

interior design. The venue has an outdoor area that holds 2000 people.

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Address: Mesa Plaza No: 42 Çayyolu Ankara

Phone: +90 312 241 12 01

Internet: www.salatamesa.com

Email: info@salatamesa.com

Tektekci



Tektekci is located in Ankara's most important entertainment spot, Bestekar Street, and has become a popular meeting point. Here you can drink mouth-watering shots and listen to great music in a welcoming atmosphere.

Photo: bogdanhoda/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bestekar Sokak 86 A, Cankaya Mahallesi, Ankara

Phone: +90 544 673 1203

Internet: www.tektekci.com.tr

Email: info@tektekci.com.tr

IF Performance Hall



IF Performance Hall is a popular venue where both international and Turkish artists are performing. This vibrant and crowded place is mostly playing rock music.

Photo: Andrey Armyagov/Shutterstock.com

Address: Tunus Cad. 14/A, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 418 9506

Internet: www.ifperformance.com

Lotus Bar And Lounge



Unwind at this cosy bar and lounge with a stylish and unique ambiance. Here you can sip a fancy cocktail and listen to live piano music or watch sport on the wide-screen TV. Lotus Bar And Lounge is located inside Ankara HiltonSA hotel.

Photo: Jacob Lund/Shutterstock.com

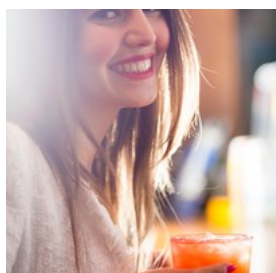
Address: Tahran Caddesi No 12 Kavaklıdere, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 4550 000

Internet: www3.hilton.com

More Info: Ankara HiltonSA hotel

Sess



Another bar inside hotel Ankara HiltonSA is the Sess. This sports-themed bar is a great place to unwind due to its warm ambiance. It is the perfect place to catch up with friends.

Photo: Minerva Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Tahran Caddesi No 12 Kavaklıdere, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 455 0000

Internet: www3.hilton.com

More Info: Ankara HiltonSA hotel

Checkpoint Lounge & Terrace



Checkpoint Lounge & Terrace is the place to go to for live music and live DJ acts. With a big outdoor terrace and a dance floor you can easily mingle around while sipping a fabulous cocktail.

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Address: Park Caddesi 32/4 Ümitköy, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 240 70 18

Internet: www.checkpointankara.com

Email: info@checkpointankara.com

SHOPPING



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Ankara is the city with most shopping malls in Turkey and the majority holds the most famous international brands. Some new and trendy shopping malls are located around the city like the Panora, Gordion, Armada, Cema, Kentpark, Ankamall, Arcadium, Optimum and Antares.

Ulus



Ulus, located in the historic district, has a maze of market stalls under one roof selling goods for low-budget shoppers. Another must

in the area around Ulus is the Atpazarı, Old Horse Market, and Çıkırıçılar yokuşu. It does not get more authentic than that. The area is also home to most of the town's antiques dealers.

Photo: Ankara'dan (image cropped)

Address: Ulus, Ankara

Souvenirs And Handicrafts



For quality tourist souvenirs, handicrafts, carpets and kilims go to Dösım, run by Ministry of Culture and Gesav, set-up by the Traditional Turkish

Handicrafts Foundation.

Photo: Vladyslav Danilin/Shutterstock.com

Address: Mithatpaşa Caddesi No:18, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 430 36 42

Internet: www.ges.gov.tr

Email: bilgi@ges.gov.tr

Izmir Street

Izmir Street is famous for leather and shoe shops such as Moda Çanta and Togo. You will find Izmir Street in Kizilay which is the central district of Ankara, centre of main shopping and business locations.

Address: Izmir Street, Ankara

Arjantin Caddesi



If you are looking for a little more luxury shops try the trendy street Arjantin Caddesi in the Gaziosmanpasa where the famous designer names

line up.

Photo: Anatoly Tipyashin/Shutterstock.com

Address: Arjantin Caddesi, Ankara

Karum



Karum is one of the shopping malls you may want to visit. With its 368 shops on three floors you will find what you are looking for. If you want to

take a break there are restaurants and coffee shops inside. This shopping mall can be found just adjacent to the Sheraton Hotel.

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Address: İnan Cad. No:21, Kavaklıdere, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 467 1547

Internet: www.avmkarum.com

Armada



Armada is the latest shopping mall in Ankara and provides 125 stores. Besides shopping there are 11 movie theaters and 20 restaurants and cafés.

Stores you will find here are Guess, H&M, Benetton, Swarovski, Elle Shoes and Mango among others.

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Address: Eskişehir Yolu No:6 06520 Söğütözü, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 219 13 19

Internet: www.armadasite.com

Ankamall Alisveris Merkezi



Ankamall is a huge and central mall in Ankara and easily accessible as it is next to the Akkopru metro. It houses all the popular international fashion brands such as Gant, H&M, Levi's, Mango, Lee and Zara. There is also a small outdoor amusement park for children just outside the entrance. Be aware that this is a very popular mall so it might get overcrowded.

Photo: wavebreakmedia/Shutterstock.com

Address: Akkopru Mah. Konya Devlet Yolu No:5, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 541 12 12

Internet: www.ankamall.com.tr

Zeytinhane



You will find this little gem just outside the Citadel gates. This is the perfect store for non-kitschy gifts and provides a selection of items for the home, bath and kitchen such as soaps, olive oils, Turkish towels and a variety of other lotions.

Photo: Ankara'dan (image cropped)

Address: Rahmi Koc Muzesi, Cengelhan Dukkanlari 10/1, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 311 89 44

Internet: www.zeytinhane.com.tr

Email: nihatrenda@zeytinhane.com.tr

Nata Vega Outlet



This is not just a shopping mall with a wide variety of stores such as Tommy Hilfiger, Mango outlet, Samsung, Pierre Cardin but also houses an

amazing aquarium. While you are shopping you can also taste the delicious Turkish and international cuisines in one of the restaurants inside the mall.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: Dogukent Bulv. Mamak, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 554 27 00

Internet: www.natavega.com.tr

Kentpark Alisveris Merkezi



Kentpark Alisveris Merkezi is a very modern and spacious shopping mall that provides everything from fashion clothing and shoes, to jewellery, electronics, homemaker's and restaurants. Here you will find many high fashion brands such as Calvin Klein, Gap, Lacoste, Timberland, Victoria Secret, Tommy Hilfiger, Disney Baby and Swatch.

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Address: Eskisehir Yolu 7.km No:164 Çankaya, Ankara

Phone: +90 444 74 77

Internet: www.kentpark.com.tr

Email: hello@kentpark.com.tr

Forum Ankara Outlet



Forum Ankara Outlet is located in the Ovacik region of the Kecioren district and is easily accessible from around the city. It opened its doors in 2008 and since then it has become a major centre of attraction. Here you will find everything from fashion clothing and shoes to toys, books, jewellery, bags, sport items, electronics and a cinema.

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Address: Yozgat Bulvarı 99, Ovacık Keçiören, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 567 10 00
Internet: www.forum-ankara.com
Email: info@forum-ankara.com

Local Markets



Even if you are not planning to buy any food, it is still fun to take a walk through one of the many local markets. The largest market is situated in the centre of Ankara behind the Abdi İpekçi Park in Sıhhiye. The market is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

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Address: Sıhhiye, Ankara

Zara



This world famous brand soon has a store in every mid-size town and in Ankara you find several outlets. Here you find the latest fashion for men, women and children, everything from street wear to the more up-dressed look.

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Address: Konya Yolu Mevlana Bulvarı Magaza 190, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 287 50 35
Internet: www.zara.com

H&M



This Swedish chain, that you nowadays find almost everywhere in the world, provides high street fashion for both men and women at prices suiting everyone. Here in Ankara you can find boutiques located on different locations around town.

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Address: Halil Sezai Erkut Cad. Afra Sok. No:1/A Ayvalı, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 322 50 44
Internet: www.hm.com
More Info: Anares Avm

Panora AVM



Another big shopping mall in Ankara where you will find not only unique international brands but also national brands. With five floors of shopping, cafes, restaurant, bowling, video games and a cinema you will not get bored. They also provide a kid's playground so the little once can also have a good time at this huge shopping complex.

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Address: Turan Güneş Bulvarı No:182 Oran Çankaya, Ankara
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Email: info@panora.com.tr

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Esenboğa International Airport



Ankara Esenboga Airport is located approximately 33 kilometers north of Ankara. Havaş, airport buses and shuttles, run regularly to and from the

city. The buses for the city centre depart from the airport approximately 25 minutes after landing and do generally not operate between 9.30pm-3am, depending on their final stop. They have two stops in the city, one near the stadium and one in Asti Bus Terminal, which is located further away.

There are also public city buses, Ego, running to and from the airport. The buses leave right outside the arrivals floor, in both the Domestic Terminal and International Terminal.

Taxis are another option and they are available 24 hours every day. Car rental and parking are available at the airport.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Ankara Esenboga Airport, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 590 4000

Internet: www.esenbogaaairport.com

Public Transport



In Ankara there are many means of transport, which are both cheap and easy. Asti Bus Terminal is the main bus terminal, here you can take the bus to

any destination within the country and it is located about 5 kilometres southwest of the city centre.

The Metro and Ankaray, both underground transports, are the fastest way to get around

some parts of the city.

City buses go all around the city, but you need to buy tickets. On Belediye Otobüsü buses (EGO), the red and blu ones, you should opt for the electronic ticket. On Halk Otobüsü buses, the green or blue ones, you pay with cash.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Internet: www.ego.gov.tr

More Info: www.ankaray.com.tr

Taxi



In all Turkish cities it is not hard to get a taxi, and they are also the easiest way to get around. Look for the yellow taxis with the sign "Taksi" on top. In

Ankara and Turkey in general, you can also find the Dolmuş. Dolmuş is a sort of cheap taxi service with cars and minibuses, stopping at requested stops.

Phone: +90 312 360 1393

Post



Post offices are generally open from 8.30am-5.30pm, and some branches close for lunch between 12.30pm-1.30pm. Some

of the major post offices stay open until 12am. A few branches are also open on Saturdays.

One post office can be found:

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: Çankaya Şubesi Sedat Simavi, Sok.no:34 Çankaya, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 438 7037

Internet: www.ptt.gov.tr

Pharmacy



Pharmacies, called Eczane, are plenty and easy to spot. In each neighbourhood, you can find one pharmacy that is open all night, a so called

Nöbetçi Eczane. Their names and addresses are written on the windows of all pharmacies.

Pharmacies are normally open between 9am-7pm.

Photo: Gemma Garne

Telephone



Country code: +90 Area code: 0312

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity



220 V, 50 Hz

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population

Approximately 5,100,000

Currency

Turkish Lira (TRY) 1 = 100 kuruş

Opening hours

Shops are normally open Mon-Sat 9am-7/8pm, some are closed over lunch. Larger shops and malls often stay open later. On Sundays and public holidays shops are normally closed. Banks are generally open 8.30am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-5.30pm and stay closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

Newspapers

Foreign newspapers and magazines are available. In addition, Turkish daily newspapers and Today's Zaman are published in English.

Emergency numbers

Emergency: 112

Police: 155

Fire Brigade: 110

Tourist information

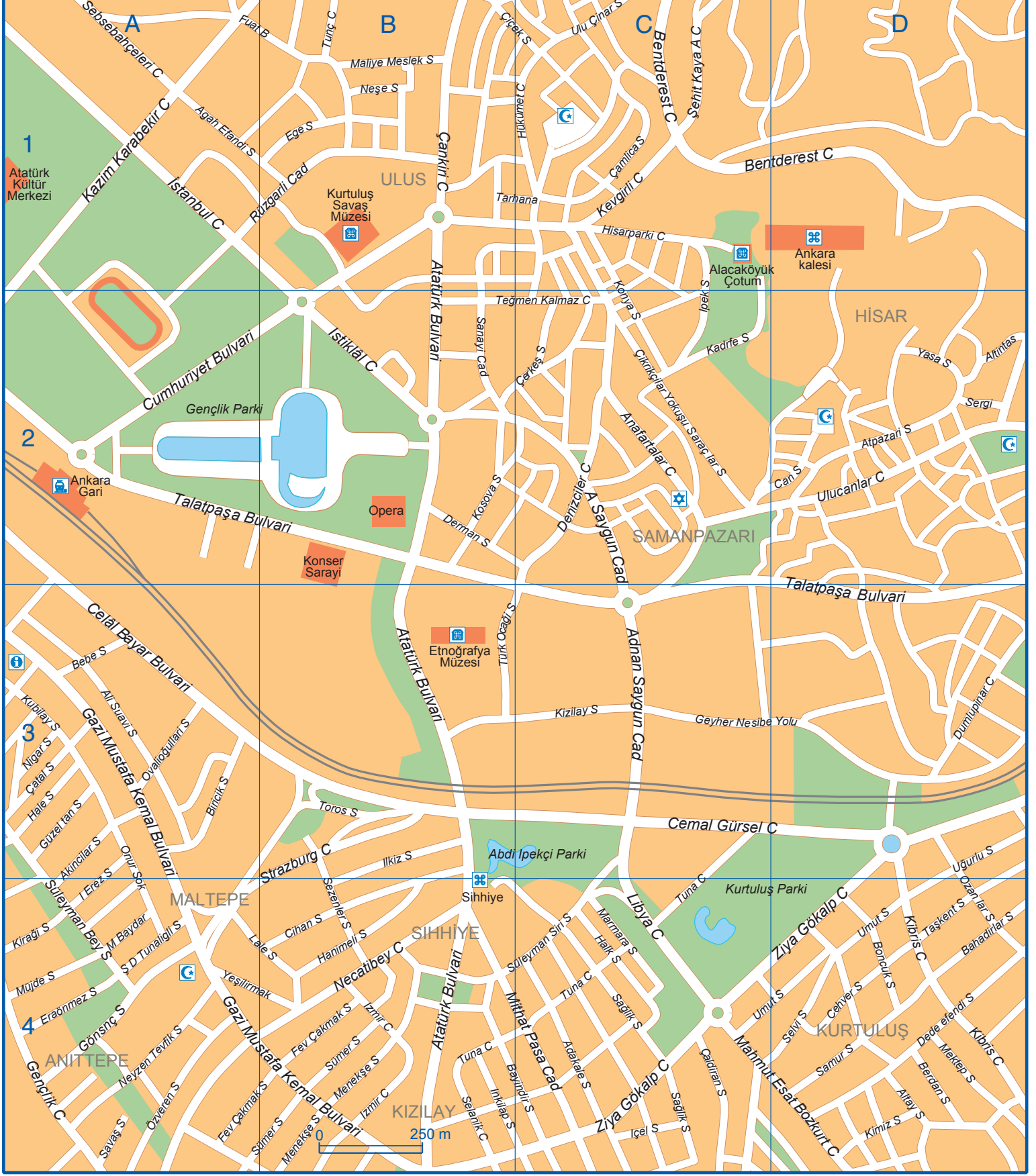
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