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The heart of the Turkish Republic, Ankara, is the second largest city of Turkey after Istanbul. The city lies on the border where east between west. The European and Middle Eastern cultures merged and coloured the city's architecture, food, wine, nightlife, fashion and arts. Drop the anchor in Ankara, as its name suggests, cross the border between tradition and modernity.



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# THE CITY



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Ankara is not only the capital of Turkey, but also the heart of the nation's artistic talents. The National Opera, National Ballet, National Theatre, and the Presidential Symphony Orchestra are all based here. Around 60 percent of the city's population is under the age of 30, making it an energetic metropolis under a mini-cultural revolution.

### DO & SEE



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To experience the ancient Ankara head over to Ulus, where the narrow and winding streets are filled with stalls and shops selling antiques and Kilims, traditional Persian tapestry. Kızılay is the place to go to for an outdoor beer, deep fried mussels, and inexpensive shopping. If fashion is what you seek, the fashionable central Tunalı and Çankaya have the best offer of modern food and clothing.

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#### Ankara Kalesi



This early medieval castle offers a great view of 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.

Photo: muratart/Shutterstock.com Address: Ankara Kalesi, Ankara Internet: www.ankarakalesi.com

#### **Museum of Anatolian Civilizations**



Located on the south side of Ankara Castle, the Museum of Anatolian Civilizations houses a huge collection of Palaeolithic, Neolithic,

Hatti, Hittite, Phrygian, Urartian, Roman and Lydian treasures. It was elected as the first "European Museum of the Year" in 1997.

Photo: Bjørn Christian Tørrissen/cc by-sa 3.0/Wikimedia(image

cropped)

Address: Gözcü Sokak 2 Ulus, Ankara Opening hours: Daily 8:30am-7pm

Phone: +90 312 324 31 60

Internet: www.sanalmuze.gov.tr/muzeler/ankara-anadolu-me

deniyetleri-muzesi

# **State Art and Sculpture Museum**



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 also features temporary exhibitions of international works.

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Photo: Husshho / Wikimedia Commons

Address: Talatpasa Bulvari Opera Meydani-Altindag-Ankara,

Ankara

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 9am-5pm

Phone: +90 312 310 20 94

# **Ethnography Museum**



The Museum of Ethnography focuses in the Ottoman period, especially its textiles, metalwork and carved wooden doors. The

museum will give you a solid understanding of Turkish history and identity.

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Address: Etnoğrafya Müzesi, TalatPaşa Bulvarı Türkocağı Sokak, Ankara

Opening hours: Sat & Sun 9am-7pm (until 6pm in winter) Internet: www.turkishmuseums.com/museum/detail/1942-ank ara-ethnography-museum/1942/4

# Kocatepe Mosque



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

anywhere in the city of Ankara.

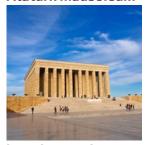
Photo: Bjørn Christian Tørrissen/cc by-sa 3.0/Wikimedia Address: Kocatepe Camii, Kültür, Dr. Mediha Eldem Sk.

No:67, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 417 74 89

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#### Atatürk Mausoleum



This mausoleum honours the founder of the Republic of Turkey, Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. The mausoleum hall is a colonnaded temple with

huge bronze doors. Every day, Turks from all around the country and foreigners come to pay their respect to the founder of the Republic.

Photo: Orhan Cam/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ataturk Mausoleum, Monument Cad., Ankara Opening hours: Sun-Sat 9am-4/5pm. Opening hours vary

depending on the season.

Phone: +90 312 231 2805

Internet: www.anitkabir.org

# Karagöl



With beautiful scenery in winter and autumn, this is a local favourite for picnics in nature. You can walk along one of the many trekking routes

along the mountains, as well as canoe in the lake — outdoor activities are certainly not lacking.

Photo: yusuf ipekci/Shutterstock.com Address: Çubuk Karagöl Tabiat Parkı

More Info: Karagöl is literally 'black lake' in Turkish

# Atakule Tower



This 125-metre high observation and communication tower is located in the heart of the city, in Çankaya district.

The tower also doubles as

a shopping mall, just perfect to do some shopping after contemplating the sun setting over the city. Destination: Ankara Publishing date: 2022-09-14

Photo: Merve Selcuk Simsek/unsplash.com Address: Gazi Osman Paşa Çankaya, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 447 6500 Internet: www.atakule.com.tr

#### Hattusha



Hattuscha, an UNESCO World Heritage site, was the capital of the Hittite Empire in the late Bronze Age. Its ruins, lying near the village of Boğazköy,

are an important archeological site and a must-see when in Ankara

Photo: WitR/Shutterstock.com Address: Şehit Osman Avcı, Ankara

# Hacı Bayram Mosque



This beautiful mosque is located in the heart of Ankara. Built in the 15th century, the mosque and its magnificent wood roof with floral motifs will not

cease to amase you.

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 entertaining fun day out.

Photo: Ex13(image cropped)

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

Ankara

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# Cermodern



Like every big city,
Ankara needs its own
Museum of Modern Art.
Holding exhibitions in
old, restored industrial
buildings, Cermodern has

artworks for all tastes.

Photo: blurAZ/Shutterstock.com

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

Opening hours: Tue-Thu 10am-8pm

Phone: +90 312 310 0000 Internet: www.cermodern.org Email: bilgi@cermodern.org

# Aqua Vega Aquarium



At Aqua Vega you can step into a world full of exotic fish and other creatures from the ocean. This is a wonderful place to bring the children, who

will be amused by the underwater aquarium tunnel.

Photo: Brocreative/Shutterstock.com Address: Doğukent Bulvarı, Ankara

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-8pm, Sat-Sun 11am-9pm

Phone: +90 312 554 28 28 Internet: www.aquavega.com.tr Email: info@aquavega.com.tr

# Şengül Hamamı



The Turkish hamam plays an important in Turkish society. This 15th-century public bath and spa is just perfect for a restoring and refreshing bath or

Turkish massage.

Photo: F. Serra Mubeccel Gulturk/Shutterstock.com Address: Anafartalar Mah. Denizciler Cad. Acı Çeşme Sok. Destination: Ankara Publishing date: 2022-09-14

No.3, Ankara

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 5am-12am

Phone: +90 312 324 3739

Internet: www.sengulhamami.com
Email: info@sengulhamami.com

# **Temple of Augustus and Rome**



Located next to the Haci Bayram Mosque, the temple was built in AD 10 as a tribute to Emperor Augustus. Only ruins of the walls and columns

still remain, making it the perfect spot for history enthusiasts.

Photo: muratart/Shutterstock.com

Address: Hacı Bayram Mahallesi, Altındağ, Ankara

# **DINING**



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Turkish cuisine is a bridge between far-Eastern and Mediterranean cuisines. blending ingredients and flavours from Europe, Asia, the Middle East and Africa. connecting far-Eastern and Mediterranean cuisines. The emphasis is always on the natural taste and flavour of the ingredients. Main courses are usually served with rice as a side dish.

Turkish dinners are rather long, the food is plenty and enjoyed in the company of friends with passionate conversations carried through

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the night. After dinner, fresh fruit or desserts like baklava and kadayıf are usually offered by the restaurant.

#### Rumeli Iskembe Salonu



Known for serving a hearty tripe soup, this 24-hour restaurant is the right place to end up after a night out. They also serve traditional

Turkish food and grilled meat dishes.

Photo: Scarc / Shutterstock.com Address: Bestekar Sok. 86/B, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 467 13 62

Internet: www.rumeliiskembecisi.com.tr Email: info@rumeliiskembecisi.com.tr

#### Kalbur Balık



The interior of this restaurant might be simple and not extravagant, but the food is exceptional. Here you can order seafood, meze,

meatballs, kibbeh, or, for those who are into exotic cuisine, kokoretsi, lamb intestine stuffed with lamb heart, liver. or kidneys. Reservation is required and remember to bring cash.

Photo: GEOWRC / Shutterstock.com

Address: Oran Şehri Çarşı Merkezi C-3 Blok, Ankara

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 11am-10:30am

Phone: +90 312 490 5001 Internet: www.kalbur.com.tr Email: kalbur@kalbur.com.tr

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# Fige Restaurant Bar



Located in a building once owned by the famous actress Zsa Zsa Gabor, this building now serves as a restaurant.

Here you can have a

Turkish and international dishes, and listen to live music on the weekends.

Photo: Regesha Iryna / Shutterstock.com

Address: Abdullah Cevdet Sokak 15, Çankaya, Ankara Opening hours: Sun-Thu 11am-12am, Fri-Sat 11am-1am

Phone: +90 312 438 0721 Internet: www.fige.com.tr Email: info@fige.com.tr

# **Trilye**



If you want a break of the deliciously addictive
Turkish cuisine, Trilye is the place to go. Its
magnificent seafood,
savoury dishes will make

your taste buds travel to the Mediterranean.

Photo: 3sstudio / Shutterstock.com

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 serves as a lounge and bar. Here you can enjoy some great food while

listening to some great music in a relaxing atmosphere, just perfect for a romantic dinner.

Photo: Alp Aksoy / Shutterstock.com

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

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Opening hours: Sun-Sat 8am-1am

Phone: +90 312 219 03 04
Internet: www no4restaurant com

Email: info@no4restaurant.com

# **Haci Arif Bey**



This restaurant serves a great variety of tasty
Turkish kebabs. Your
meal can be enjoyed
either inside or outside in
the cosy, outdoor garden

area. It is also a great place to have a taste of other Turkish dishes, such as pide and hummus.

Photo: Ali Haydar / Shutterstock.com

Address: Guniz Sokak 48, Kavaklidere, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 467 5767

Internet: www.haciarifbey.com.tr

#### Özler Döner



Claimed by the many to serve the best doner in Ankara, this place is a "must-eat" if you fancy kebabs. Pop in at one of the locations spread

throughout the city for a quick meal and enjoy a culinary experience in the Turkish way.

Photo: Nadir Keklik / Shutterstock.com

Address: Yalıkavak Sk., Aşağı Eğlence, 06010

Keçiören/Ankara,

Phone: +90 312 321 97 28 Internet: www.ozlerdoner.com.tr

#### **Quick China**



This popular Asian cuisine restaurant has five branches spread throughout the city. Dishes are inspired by Eastern Asia gastronomy,

and you can try them either at the restaurant or

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# order them for takeaway.

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Address: Büyükesat, Uğur Mumcu Sk. No:64/B, 06700

Çankaya/Ankara

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 10am-11:45pm

Phone: +90 312 437 03 03 Internet: www.quickchina.com.tr Email: bilgi@quickchina.com.tr

#### **Butcha Steakhouse**



Butcha is a carnivore's paradise with American ambiance. Bone soup, home made mustard, filling salad with cheese and a plethora of steak

cuts to choose from.

Photo: SHUTTURKEY / Shutterstock.com

Address: Mustafa Kemal, Dumlupınar Blv. 266 B-10, 06105

Çankaya/Ankara

Phone: +90 312 285 11 12

Internet: www.butcha.com/en/ankaraen More Info: Located in the Tepe Prime Mall

# **Balikcikoy Fahri**



Even though Ankara lies some distance from the sea, it certainly doesn't lack seafood restaurants. Guests are encouraged to go heavy on the

appetizers, which are varied and a true culinary experience.

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Address: Ahmet Taner Kışlalı Mah. 2853 Cad. No:24, Ankara

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 11am-2am

Phone: +90 312 240 1567 Internet: www.balikcikoy.com.tr Email: info@balikcikoy.com

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### **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, and discuss politics or soccer. The European style cafés offer a wider variety of food and drinks. Turkish coffee is usually served in small cups and you can choose how much sugar you like in it. Turkish are very proud of their coffee – it is believed that the Turkish were responsible for the introduction of coffee to Europe.

### Café des Cafés



Turkish tea, cheese, and olives are among the delicacies served by this popular venue. Café des Cafés is famous for its long Sunday breakfasts,

great atmosphere, and outstanding service.

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Address: Tunali Hilmi Caddesi, 83 A Kavaklidere, Ankara Opening hours: Sun 10:30am-10pm, Mon-Sat 9am-11pm

Phone: +90 312 426 55 11

Internet: www.cafedescafes.com/tr/ana-sayfa

Email: marke@marke.com.tr

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### Cafemiz



In service since 1993, Cafemiz is located on the popular Arjantin Street. Its antiquate atmosphere and the traditional menu with a modern twist will

certainly broaden your views of Ankara.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com Address: Arjantin Caddesi 19, Ankara Opening hours: Sun-Sat 8:30am-11pm

Phone: +90 312 467 7921 Internet: www.cafemiz.com.tr Email: info@cafemiz.com.tr

#### Kafes Firin



Either you crave a cup of coffee or a slice of cake, you will find anything you want in Kafes Fırın's menu. Don't let its fancy aspect scare you – here

you will have the chance to have an authentic, affordable Turkish afternoon tea experience.

Photo: muhammed yasin irik / Shutterstock.com

Address: Ümit Mh., Eskişehir Yolu 5.km No:122, Ankara

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 7:15am-9pm

Phone: +90 312 286 9888 Internet: www.kafesfirin.com Email: info@kafesfirin.com

### Pilita Pasta Evi



This tiny yet charming café is the perfect place to try some Turkish typical pastry. Treat yourself a tasty, hearty dessert after a day of

hiking through the tangling streets of Ankara at Pilita Pasta Evi, you certainly won't regret it.

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Address: Turgut Reis Caddesi 16/3, Ankara

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 7am-11pm

Phone: +90 312 215 3535 Internet: www.pilita.com.tr Email: bilgi@pilita.com.tr

#### Café Botanica



Café Botanica is located in a cosy wooden building close to a lush flower garden. As it is usual for Turkish cafés, the menu is very extensive,

including a Sunday buffet breakfast.

Photo: Witoon Ekpiriyamont / Shutterstock.com

Address: Barbaros Mahallesi, Billur Sk. 5/1, 06680 Ankara

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 9am-11:30pm

Phone: +90 312 466 60 89 Internet: www.cafebotanica.cafe

# **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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Its huge student population, as well as the fact that it is the capital of Turkey, make Ankara a city abundant in bars and clubs. There are venues for all tastes, from the more usual dance music clubs to jazz and rock bars.

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#### **Manhattan Bar**



At Manhattan Bar you can enjoy live performances of jazz, alternative rock, blues, and ethnic music. You won't find another venue

in Ankara as unique as Manhattan Bar, the heart of the city's jazz scene.

Photo: Roman Voloshyn / Shutterstock.com Address: Üsküp Caddesi No. 7, Çankaya, Ankara

Opening hours: Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 8pm-5am

Phone: +90 312 427 62 63 Internet: www.manhattan.com.tr

#### The Soul Pub



The Soul Pub is a great spot for quality food and drink. Cold beers, flavourful snacks, and great music are abundant in this bar. The friendly

staff adds to the already wonderful atmosphere.

Photo: Action Sports Photography / Shutterstock.com Address: Kavaklıdere Mh., Olgunlar Cd No. 18, Ankara

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 12pm-1am

Phone: +90 312 424 01 44 Internet: www.thesoulpub.com

### **IF Performance Hall**



IF Performance Hall is a popular venue where both international and Turkish artists perform regularly. This vibrant and crowded place hosts

various concerts every week.

Photo: Andrey Armyagov/Shutterstock.com

Address: Tunus Cad. 14/A, Ankara

Opening hours: Tue-Wed 8pm-4:45am, Thu 9pm-4:45am,

Fri-Sat 7pm-4:45am

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Phone: +90 312 418 9506

Internet: www.ifperformance.com

# **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.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com

Address: Park Caddesi 32/4 Ümitköy, Ankara

Opening hours: Friday 9pm-8am, Saturday 9pm-8am

Phone: +90 312 240 70 18

Internet: www.checkpointankara.com Email: info@checkpointankara.com

### eSkiyEni



During the weekend, eSkiyEni's two floors are flooded by funky and pop music that will make it difficult for you not to dance. There is also an

outside terrace, just perfect for a nighttime beer.

Photo: Jacob Lund / Shutterstock.com

Address: Cumhuriyet, İnkılap Sk. 6/A, 06410 Çankaya/Ankara

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# **SHOPPING**



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Ankara is the city with most shopping malls in Turkey and the majority holds the most famous international brands. New and trendy shopping malls are spread throughout the city.

#### Ulus



Ulus, located in the historic district, has an indoor maze of market stalls under selling unbelievably affordable goods. The area is also to

most of the town's antiques dealers.

Photo: Ankara'dan(image cropped)

Address: Ulus, Ankara

# Dösim



For quality tourist souvenirs, handicrafts, carpets, and kilims, head over to Dösim, run by the Ministry of Culture. With an unmatchable quality,

its products will definitely make for perfect souvenirs to your loved ones.

Photo: Vladyslav Danilin/Shutterstock.com Address: Mithatpaşa Caddesi No. 18, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 430 36 42 Internet: www.dosim.gov.tr

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#### **Izmir Street**



Izmir Street is famous for leather and shoe shops.
The street lies on the Kizilay, the central district of Ankara, where the main shopping and

business buildings are located.

Photo: Corrado Baratta / Shutterstock.com

Address: Izmir Street, Ankara

#### **Karum**



Karum is one of the shopping malls you may not want to miss. With over 330 shops on three floors, you will certainly find anything you look

for.

Photo: fizkes/Shutterstock.com

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

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 10am-10pm

Phone: +90 312 467 1547 Internet: www.avmkarum.com

# **Armada Shopping & Business Center**



Armada is one of the most modern shopping centres in Ankara, with over 125 stores. There is also an abundance of movie theatres, cafës, and

restaurants, granting a great time for all sorts of personalities.

Photo: SAİT71/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped) Address: Eskişehir Yolu No:6 06520 Söğütözü, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 219 13 19 Internet: www.armadasite.com

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### Ankamall Alisveris Merkezi



Ankamall is a huge and central mall in Ankara right next to the Akkopru metro. It hosts stores all the popular international fashion brands, and a

small outdoor amusement park for children as well. 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



Located right next to the aquarium, this huge shopping centre will get you lost for hours – it has stores for all tastes and ages.

Photo: Vacancylizm / Shutterstock.com Address: Dogukent Bulv. Mamak, Ankara

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Opening hours: Sun-Sat 10am-10pm

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.

Photo: Sonpichit Salangsing / Shutterstock.com

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.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com Address: Yozgat Bulvarı 99, Ovacık Keçiören, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 567 10 00 Internet: www.forum-ankara.com Email: info@forum-ankara.com

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### **Local Markets**



Even if don't plan 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 Ipekçi Park in Sihhiye. The market is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Photo: ol\_photo/Shutterstock.com Address: Sihhiye, 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 Bulvari Magaza 190, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 287 50 35 Internet: www.zara.com

# н&м



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.

Photo: kikovic/Shutterstock.com

Address: Halil Sezai Erkut Cad. Afra Sok. No:1/A Ayvalı,

Ankara

Phone: +90 312 322 50 44

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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 stores, cafes,

restaurants, bowling, video games and a cinema theatre, you will not get bored.

Photo: Jorge Franganillo(image cropped)

Address: Turan Güneş Bulvarı No. 182 Oran Çankaya, Ankara

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 10am-10pm

Phone: +90 312 490 42 50 Internet: www.panora.com.tr Email: info@panora.com.tr

### **TOURIST INFORMATION**



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# Ankara Esenboğa Airport (ESB)



Ankara Esenboga Airport is located approximately 33 kilometers north of Ankara. Airport shuttle buses run regularly to and from the city. The

buses for the city centre do not operate between 9.30pm-3am. There are also public city buses

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operating shuttle services to and from the airport. Taxis are also an option – even though they are more expensive, taxi service is available 24 hours a day.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Ankara Esenboğa Havalimanı, Ankara

Phone: +90 312 590 4000

Internet: www.esenbogaairport.com

Email: info esb@tav.aero

### **Best Time to Visit**



Ankara's inland location grants the city a continental climate. From June to September is the peak tourist season since the warm weather makes

for a pleasant summer with refreshingly cool nights. Winters in the city can reach negative temperatures with occasional snowfall. It rains during spring and autumn.

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### Passport/Visa



Tourists from the majority of countries belonging to the Schengen Area can enter Turkey without a visa for periods of 30 up to 90

days. Other countries that benefit from visa-free access are Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belize, Bolivia, Ecuador, Iran, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Jordan, Lebanon, Mongolia, Morocco, Qatar, Russia, Tajikistan, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.

There are 42 countries that have permission to apply for an e-Visa online, among which are Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, Ireland, Mexico, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, the UK,

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and the US.

National identity cards are accepted instead of passports for citizens of Belgium, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Netherlands, Northern Cyprus, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, and Ukraine.

If you're not sure whether to apply for a visa and how long you can stay in Turkey, it is advised that you visit the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs website or contact the embassy or consulate in your country.

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### **Public Transport**



In Ankara, transportation is varied, cheap, and easy. The Metro is the fastest way to get around most parts of the city.

The city buses are also

very convenient and reliable. Asti Bus Terminal is the main bus terminal for long distance coaches.

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#### 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 Dolmuş, a cheap taxi service with cars and minibuses, stopping at requested stops.

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#### **Post**



Post offices are generally open from 8:30am-5:30pm, and

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.

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### Pharmacy



Pharmacies, called Eczane, are plenty and easy to spot. You can find pharmacies open during the night in every neighbourhood. Their

names and addresses are written on the windows of all pharmacies. Pharmacies are normally open 9am-7pm.

Photo: Gemma Garne

# Telephone

Country code: +90 Area

code: 0312

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# **Electricity**

220 V, 50 Hz



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#### **Population**

5.7 million (2021)

#### 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 until later. On Sundays and public holidays, shops are normally closed. Banks are generally open 8.30am–12.30pm and 1.30pm–5.30pm and closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

#### Newspapers

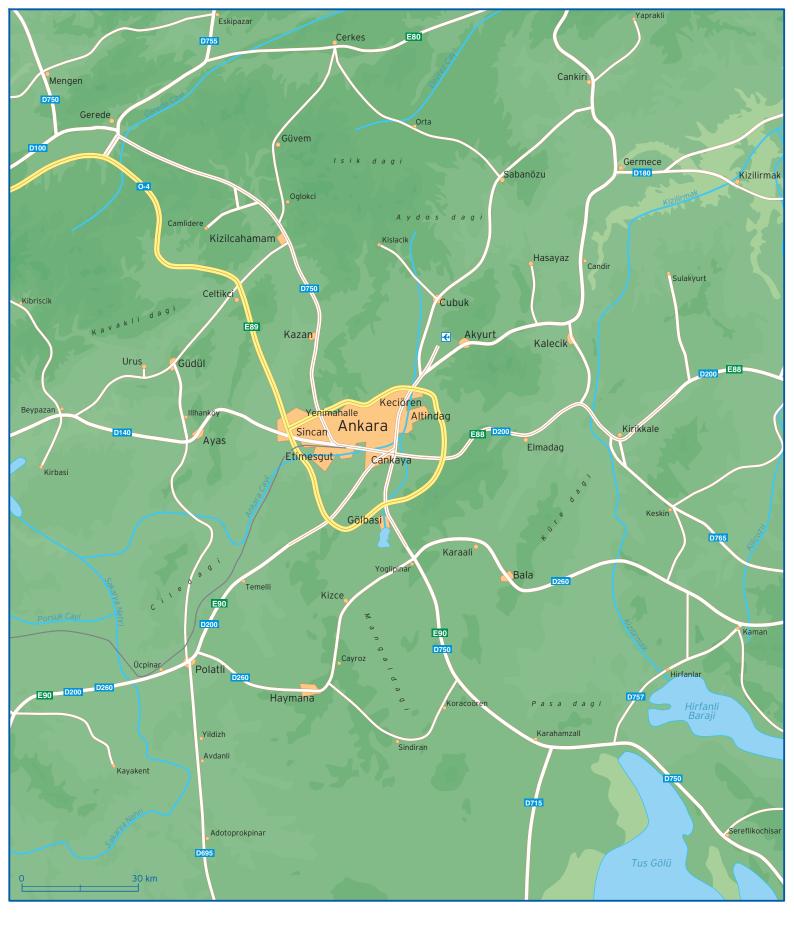
Foreign newspapers and magazines are available. In addition, Turkish daily newspapers and Today's Zaman are published in English.

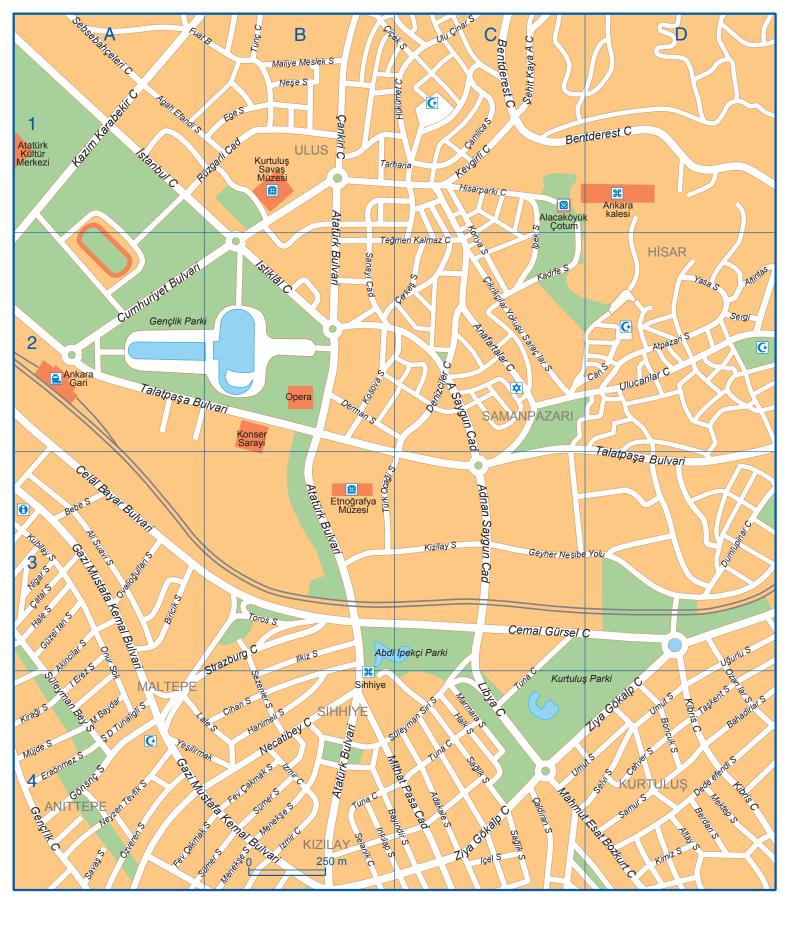
# **Emergency numbers**

Emergency: 112 Police: 155 Fire Brigade: 110

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