

1 WEEK IN IZMIR

Information about the City:

İzmir is the third largest city on the west coast of Turkey, with 3,795,000 inhabitants. A significant Turkish port city, İzmir lies next to the Aegean Sea and the Gulf of İzmir, and has long been the capital of the province with the same name. The city of İzmir is composed of nine metropolitan districts. İzmir is an attractive cosmopolitan city with lots of history and interesting places to visit both inside and outside the city boundaries. İzmir is the successor of almost 3,500 years of urban past, and possibly up to that much more in terms of advanced human settlement pattern.



SUGGESTED WEEKLY PLAN FOR YOUR VISIT

1st Day: Visiting Izmir University

In your first day, we would be waiting for you in our International Relation Office. We work from 8:30 to 17:30, Monday to Friday. You will be given a tour of our university and more information about your stay in Izmir. Here is the address of Izmir University:

Gürsel Aksel Bulvarı No:14 Üçkuyular / İzmir 35350 TÜRKİYE

2nd day: Izmir City Center Tour: Konak – Kemeraltı:

Konak is considered the touristic center of Izmir and is full of historical mosques, the famous clock tower and many small streets with cafes, restaurants and bars.



Kemeraltı Market is basically the Grand Bazaar of Izmir; it's a massive maze like market where you can buy absolutely ANYTHING. You must try Turkish coffee and bargain when you are shopping 😊



3rd Day: Ephesus - Meryem Ana – Şirince – Kuşadası Tour

Ephesus is an ancient Greek city founded around 3000 years ago. It is most famous for the Temple of Artemis, one of the seven ancient wonders of the world. It was also considered the home of Mary, mother of Jesus. Entry is 30tl but if you are interested in history Ephesus is a must see.



Sirince is not far from Ephesus is a small Turkish village famous for its beautiful white houses and for making fruit wine which you can buy in shops around most of Turkey. Entry is free and you will be treated to many free glasses of wine to try as you walk around its streets. As it is very close to Ephesus it is recommended to see both these places in a one day trip.



Meryemana, The House of the Virgin Mary



Kuşadası is a resort town on Turkey's Aegean coast and the center of the seaside district of the same name in Aydın Province. Kuşadası lies at a distance of 95 km (59 mi) to the south from the region's largest metropolitan center of İzmir, and 71 km (44 mi) from the provincial seat of Aydın situated inland. Its primary industry is tourism.



4th Day: Çeşme – Alaçatı Tour:

Çeşme is currently the most famous holiday resort for Turkish tourists and is becoming increasingly popular with the foreign visitors. Çeşme offers an upmarket, authentic holiday experience and is home to the second best surfing waters in the world.

It is in an ideal location, just a 40 minute drive from Izmir Adnan Menderes Airport that receives direct flights from all over the world year round.



5th Day: Izmir Alsancak-Kordon Tour

Alsancak is a centrally situated large quarter in İzmir, Turkey, within the boundaries of the metropolitan district of Konak. As a notional zone, Alsancak extends from along the tip of the southern shores of the Gulf of İzmir, starting near İzmir's historic square that carries the same name as the district (Konak Square) with the 19th century-built Pasaport Quai marking the point, and extending along a 3200-meter-long seaside street and promenade called "Kordon". In this zone, you can find lots of beautiful shops, restaurants and bar.



SOME RECOMMENDED ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS:

1) Wyndham Izmir Hotel:

<http://www.wyndhamizmir.com/>

2) Izmir Hilton Hotel

www.hilton.com.tr/tr/Hilton-Izmir/

3) Izmir Kaya Prestige Hotel

www.kayaprestige.com.tr/

4) Walk in Hotel

<http://walkinhotels.com/en/>

USEFUL INFORMATION:

- **Emergency Phone Numbers**

Fire: 110

Ambulance: 112

Police: 155.

- **Electricity / Phone Patch**

The Turkish domestic power system is 220 V AC, 50 Hz. Standard continental two pin plugs (with earth) are used.

- **Country dialing code:** +90

- **Telephone area code:** 0232

- **Average daily Izmir January temperature:** 12°C / 54°F

- **Average daily Izmir July temperature:** 33°C / 91°F

- **Currency:** Turkish Lira

TRANSPORT:

You will have the opportunity to travel to any place in Izmir by ferry, subway, buses by using "kentkart".



Taxi / Rent a Car Company: We advise you to visit historical/seaside places with a taxi. You can make your visit very effective. Please contact International Relation Office for more details.

We hope that you will have a fabulous time in Izmir 😊