

## Departure Ports

### Marmaris

Once a sleepy fishing village, Marmaris has ballooned into one of the largest resorts on the Aegean coast of Turkey. Little of its history remains, as the town is now a modern development with tourism at its heart and soul. The population swells to a massive 200,000 in the summer, with most hotels, restaurants, nightclubs and shops catering to low-cost package holidays, although there are facilities for all budgets. Despite the development which reaches around 10km along the west of the bay, Marmaris is also well-known for its expanse of green, present the whole year round thanks to the pine-covered hills which surround the town. There are many beaches around the bay, and there are ancient cities and seaside villages close by for day trips. The yacht harbour is the biggest and newest in Turkey, and therefore the busiest charter port especially for trips along the Turquoise Coast. In addition to the climate, beaches and facilities of the town, the transportation infrastructure is a definite plus for attracting visitors. It has easy connections to the nearby airport Dalaman, ferries to Rhodes, and on the road to Datca and Fethiye. The harbour has attracted by private boats from around the world, with yacht maintenance and production in the workshops on the Yalanci Strait. With the climate being comfortable even in winter, and the nearby impressive mountains and pine forests, Marmaris is likely to remain a popular and practical holiday spot for a long time.

Nearest Airport: Dalaman International Airport / 1hr 30min to Marmaris

### Bodrum

Homer describes Bodrum as "The land of eternal blue" and the words of another resident of Bodrum, Cevat Akir, who said "The heavenly bliss of life in Bodrum is better than any eternal bliss that may await us" were not without foundation in reality. Throughout history of Bodrum, known as Halicarnassos in ancient times, has always been fought over and people have been unwilling to share its beauty with others. Built on a peninsula formed by the meeting of the eastern and western harbors, Bodrum, with its narrow streets winding down to the sea, is famous for its castle, its world-renowned yachts, its shipyards and the dazzling white houses and tombs lining the shores of its two harbors. Bodrum, has the all facilities to meet the expectations of tourists from all income levels, ranging from the rich yacht owners to the penny counting tourists who just want a reasonable room to make his vacation last all summer.

Nearest Airport: Bodrum International Airport / 30min to Bodrum

### Fethiye

Fethiye with its cultural wealth, natural beauties and geography, is among the important touristic centres of Turkey. It is famous for its works of art belong to Persians, Lycians, Carians and Romans. This charming county is in a bay within Fethiye Gulf where both large and small islands are scattered. The rear of the bay is surrounded by pine forests.

Nearest Airport: Dalaman International Airport / 1hr to Fethiye

### Gocek

Gocek one of the indispensable stops of sea journey is a small heavenly bay whose fame transcends the borders of the country. Gocek located on the west coast of the Mediterranean, (it is established on the village Kalimche between Fethiye and Dalyan) is a cute bay and resting place hiding obscure retreat of the Kap1 Mountains. It is a harbor to which people want to come by escaping from cities, speed and uproar of city.

Nearest Airport: Dalaman International Airport / 20min to Gocek