



İstanbul

**“All you’ve got to do is decide to go
and the hardest part is over.**

So go!”

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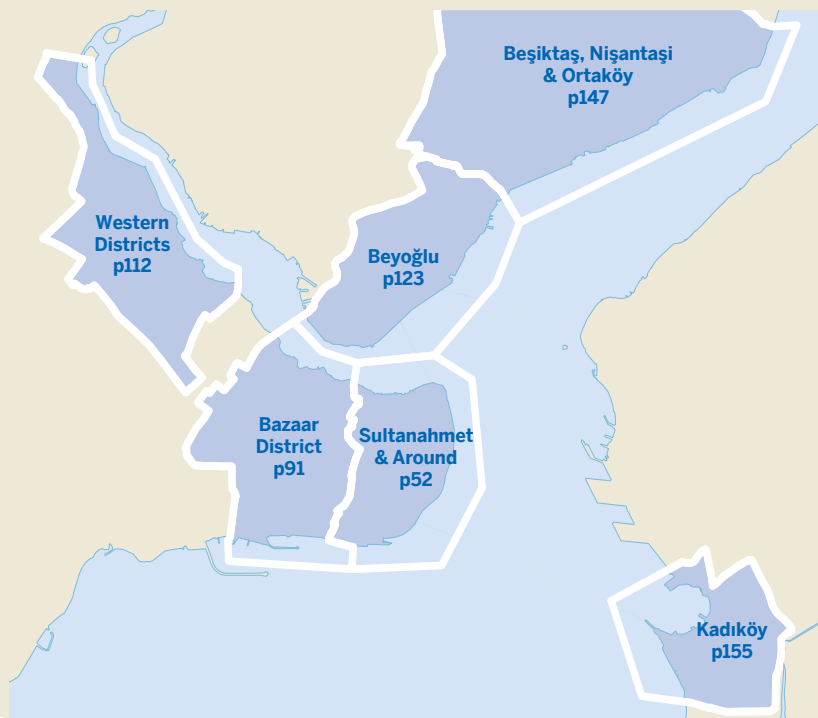
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Top Itineraries

Day One

Sultanahmet & Around (p52)

 Head to Aya Sofya Meydanı (Aya Sofya Sq) and work out which of the museums and mosques in the immediate area will be on your visiting list. Don't miss **Aya Sofya**, the **Blue Mosque** and the **Basilica Cistern**. After your visits, wander through the **Hippodrome**, where chariot races were held in ancient times.



Lunch Join local workers at one of the humble *lokantas* (eateries serving ready-made food) in the area – Sefa Restaurant (p82) is a popular choice.

Sultanahmet & Around (p52)

 Diverge from the crowded tourist trail and follow our walking tour down into the Küçük Ayasofya neighbourhood. Afterwards, source some souvenirs in the historic **Arasta Bazaar**.



Dinner Have fish at Balıkçı Sabahattin (p84) or kebabs at Hamdi Restaurant (p105).

Sultanahmet & Around (p52)

 After dinner, claim a table at **Derviş Aile Çay Bahçesi** or **Cafe Meşale**, where you can enjoy tea, nargile (water pipe) and a free (but very touristy) whirling-dervish performance. Alternatively, head to the **A'YA Rooftop Lounge** at the ritzy Fours Seasons Hotel. In winter a treatment at one of the Old City's **Ottoman-era hamams** is a relaxing and warm alternative.

Day Two

Sultanahmet & Around (p52)

 It's time to investigate the lifestyles of the sultans at **Topkapı Palace**. You'll need a half-day to explore the palace Harem, marvel at the precious objects in the Treasury, admire the recently renovated palace kitchens and wander through the pavilion-filled grounds.



Lunch Investigate the excellent cheap eateries on Sirkeci's Hocapaşa Sokak; old-fashioned Hocapaşa Pidecisi (p83) is one of our favourites.

Beyoğlu (p123)

 Explore the streets, cafes and boutiques of **Galata**, **Tophane**, **Karaköy** and **Çukurcuma** and consider a visit to the eclectic **Pera Museum** or nostalgic **Museum of Innocence**.



Dinner Beyoğlu is the city's eating and drinking hotspot. Enjoy a pre-dinner drink at a hipster bar in Asmalımescit before enjoying fine *meyhane*-style food at Eleos (p135) or modern Turkish cuisine at Neolokal (p133).

Beyoğlu (p123)

 The night is still young! Hit the bars and clubs in **Asmalımescit**, on **İstiklal Caddesi** or in **Harbiye** and **Cihangir**. Those who are still hungry should instead head to **Karaköy** for a late-night baklava fix at **Karaköy Güllüoğlu**.

Day Three

Bazaar District (p91)

 Get ready to explore the city's famous Bazaar District. After visiting the most magnificent of all Ottoman mosques, the **Süleymaniye**, make your way to the world-famous **Grand Bazaar** to explore its labyrinthine lanes and hidden caravanserais, picking up a few souvenirs along the way.



Lunch Grab a cheap eat in or around the Grand Bazaar; head to Dürümcü Raif Usta (p107) or Dönerci Şahin Usta (p107) for kebab, and Bena Dondurmaları (p107) for something sweet.

Bazaar District (p91)

 After lunch follow the steady stream of local shoppers making their way down the hill to the **Spice Bazaar**. While there, seek out the exquisite **Rüstem Paşa Mosque**, camouflaged in the midst of a busy produce market. As the sun starts to set, walk across **Galata**



Dinner Beyoğlu has restaurants, *meyhanes* and street food aplenty – explore these on a night-time food tour with *Istanbul Eats* (p89), *Istanbul on Food* (p146) or *Urban Adventures* (p103).

Bridge towards the eating and entertainment district of Beyoğlu.

Beyoğlu (p123)

 Listen to some live jazz at **Nardis** or **Salon**. Alternatively, take a

Day Four

The Bosphorus (p162)

 Board the **Long Bosphorus Tour** (Uzun Boğaz Turu) for a one-way trip up the Bosphorus and then make your way back to town by bus, visiting museums and monuments along the way. Alternatively, take the Dentur Avrasya **hop-on, hop-off tour** from Beşiktaş and visit the **Sakıp Sabancı Museum** in Emirgan and the Ottoman-era **Küçüksu Kasrı** and **Beylerbeyi Palace**.



Lunch If the weather is fine, enjoy a light lunch in the Hıdiv Kasrı Garden Cafe (p169). In cooler weather try one of the cafes in the shadow of majestic Rumeli Hisarı – we particularly like the casual Sade Kahve (p169).

Beyoğlu (p123)

 If you take a 90-minute cruise on a Bosphorus excursion boat rather than the full-day or hop-on, hop-off trip, you can devote the afternoon to investigating Beyoğlu's exciting contemporary-art



Dinner It's time to sample the national dish, kebabs – head to Antiochia (p134) or Zübeyir Ocakbaşı (p135) to enjoy a meaty feast.

scene. Don't miss the **İstanbul Modern**, **ARTER** and **Pera Museum**.

Beyoğlu (p123)

 Bid farewell to the city over a post-dinner drink at one of Beyoğlu's

Istanbul Maps

Sights

- Beach
- Bird Sanctuary
- Buddhist
- Castle/Palace
- Christian
- Confucian
- Hindu
- Islamic
- Jain
- Jewish
- Monument
- Museum/Gallery/Historic Building
- Ruin
- Shinto
- Sikh
- Taoist
- Winery/Vineyard
- Zoo/Wildlife Sanctuary
- Other Sight

Activities, Courses & Tours

- Body surfing
- Diving
- Canoeing/Kayaking
- Course/Tour
- Sento Hot Baths/Onsen
- Skiing
- Snorkelling
- Surfing
- Swimming/Pool
- Walking
- Windsurfing
- Other Activity

Sleeping

- Sleeping
- Camping

Eating

- Eating

Drinking & Nightlife

- Drinking & Nightlife
- Cafe

Entertainment

- Entertainment

Shopping

- Shopping

Information

- Bank
- Embassy/Consulate
- Hospital/Medical
- Internet
- Police
- Post Office
- Telephone
- Toilet
- Tourist Information
- Other Information

Geographic

- Beach
- Gate
- Hut/Shelter
- Lighthouse
- Lookout
- Mountain/Volcano
- Oasis
- Park
- Pass
- Picnic Area
- Waterfall

Population

- Capital (National)
- Capital (State/Province)
- City/Large Town
- Town/Village

Transport

- Airport
- Border crossing
- Bus
- Cable car/Funicular
- Cycling
- Ferry
- Metro station
- Monorail
- Parking
- Petrol station
- S-Bahn/Subway station
- Taxi
- T-bane/Tunnelbana station
- Train station/Railway
- Tram
- Tube station
- U-Bahn/Underground station
- Other Transport

Routes

- Tollway
- Freeway
- Primary
- Secondary
- Tertiary
- Lane
- Unsealed road
- Road under construction
- Plaza/Mall
- Steps
- Tunnel
- Pedestrian overpass
- Walking Tour
- Walking Tour detour
- Path/Walking Trail

Boundaries

- International
- State/Province
- Disputed
- Regional/Suburb
- Marine Park
- Cliff
- Wall

Hydrography

- River, Creek
- Intermittent River
- Canal
- Water
- Dry/Salt/Intermittent Lake
- Reef

Areas

- Airport/Runway
- Beach/Desert
- Cemetery (Christian)
- Cemetery (Other)
- Glacier
- Mudflat
- Park/Forest
- Sight (Building)
- Sportsground
- Swamp/Mangrove

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8 Fountain of Sultan Ahmet III G1	44 Jennifer's Hamam D6
9 Hippodrome C3	45 Khaftan C5
10 Imperial Gate G1	46 Mehmet Çetinkaya E4
11 Kaiser Wilhelm's Fountain D2	47 Mehmet Çetinkaya Gallery D5
12 Little Aya Sofya A6	Nakkaş (see 15)
13 Marmara University Republican Museum B4	48 Yılmaz Ipekçilik E4
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SULTANAHMET & AROUND - SOUTH









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Sights (p99)

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- 6 Beyazıt SquareC5
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- 14 İstanbul University.....C3
- 15 Laleli Mosque.....A5
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Eating (p102)

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- 25 Dönerci Şahin Usta.....E5
- 26 Dürümcü Raif UstaE4
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- Gaziantep Burç
Ocakbaşı(see 1)
- 27 Hamdi RestaurantD2
- Havuzlu Restaurant.....(see 1)
- Kokoreççi Erding
Usta(see 25)
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Drinking & Nightlife (p106)

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- 33 Erenler Nargile ve Çay
Bahçesi.....D5

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- 34 Kahve DünyasıE5
 - 35 Lale BahçesiB3
 - 36 Mimar Sinan Teras Cafe.....C2
 - 37 PandeliE2
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 - 38 Vefa Bozacısı.....A3

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- 39 Ali Muhiddin Hacı Bekir.....E3
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 - Derviş(see 1)
 - Dhoku(see 1)
 - Epoque(see 1)
 - EthniCon(see 1)
 - 43 Hafız MustafaE3
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 - 44 Kurukahveci Mehmet
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 - 49 Silk & Cashmere.....E5
 - 50 SofaE5
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 - 52 Vakko İndirimE3
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- 56 Hayriye Hanım KonağıC2
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BEYOĞLU – NORTHEAST





BEYOĞLU – NORTHEAST *Map on p244*

📍 Top Sights

(p125)

- 1 İstiklal Caddesi C5
2 Pera Museum A6

📍 Sights

(p127)

- 3 Akbank Art D4
4 Avrupa Pasajı B5
5 Aya Triada E4
6 Çiçek Pasajı C5
7 Fish Market B5
8 Galatasaray Lycée C6
9 Galeri Nev B6
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11 Mixer E4
12 Taksim Meydanı E3
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🍴 Eating

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15 Çukurcuma 49 D5
16 Cuma C6
17 Hacı Abdullah C4
18 Hayvone C5
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20 Kafe Ara B6
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22 Savoy Pastanesi D6
23 Zencefil D4
24 Zübeyir Ocakbaşı D4

🍷 Drinking & Nightlife

(p140)

- 360 (see 9)

- 25 5 Kat E6
26 Araf C4
27 Cafe Grand Boulevard B5
28 CUE İstiklal B6
29 Haspa D4
30 Indigo B6
31 Kloster B5
32 Manda Batmaz B6
33 MiniMüzikHol E6
34 Solera C6
35 Tek Yön E5
36 Topless Teras D4
37 Urban C5

🎬 Entertainment

(p142)

- 38 Başka Sinema C5
39 Garajistanbul B6
40 Jolly Joker C5
41 Munzur Cafe & Bar D5

🛍 Shopping

(p143)

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43 Ali Muhiddin Hacı Bekir D4
44 Antijen Design C6
45 Hafız Mustafa E4
46 Mephisto C5
47 Nahil D4
48 Pandora D4
49 Petek Turşuları B5
50 Reşat Balık Market B5
51 Seyahan B5
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3 Azapkapı Sokollu Mehmet Paşa Mosque	A4	48 Old Java	D3
4 Christ Church	D3	49 Parantez	C2
5 Depo	E3	50 Ravouna 1906	D1
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7 Galata Tower	C4	52 Sensus Wine Bar	C3
8 Galerist	C1	53 Smyrna	F1
9 İstanbul Modern	F3	54 Unter	E4
10 Museum of Innocence	E1	☆ Entertainment	(p142)
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12 Pera Palace Hotel	C1	Galata Mevlevi Museum	(see 6)
13 SALT Galata	C4	56 Nardis Jazz Club	C4
14 The Empire Project	F1	57 Salon	B2
🍴 Eating	(p131)	🛒 Shopping	(p143)
15 Aheste	C2	58 Artrium	C3
16 Antiochia	C2	59 Arzu Kaprol	C3
17 Asmalı Canım Çiğirim	C1	60 Bou Art & Design	E4
18 Asmalı Cavit	C1	61 Denizler Kitabevi	D1
19 Cafe Privato	C3	62 Eyüp Sabri Tuncer	E4
20 Dandin	F3	63 Hamm	E2
21 Datlı Maya	F1	64 Hiç	D3
22 Demeti	G1	65 İroni	C4
23 Eleos	C2	66 La Cave Wine Shop	F1
24 Güney	C3	67 Lale Plak	C2
25 Hamdi Restaurant Pera	B1	68 Mabel Çikolata	D5
26 Helvetia Lokanta	C2	69 Mariposa	G1
27 Jash	G1	70 Mekhann	E2
28 Journey	F1	Misela	(see 15)
29 Kahve 6	F1	71 NYKS	D2
30 Karaköy Güllüoğlu	D5	72 Opus3a	G1
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34 Namli Gurme	D5	🛏 Sleeping	(p182)
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36 Sahrap	C2	77 Casa di Bava	E1
37 Sofyalı 9	C2	78 Hamamhane	E1
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38 Alex's Place	C1	80 Louis Appartements	C3
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41 Federal Coffee Company	C3	83 TomTom Suites	D1
42 Fil	E4	84 Vault Karaköy	C5
43 Geyik	F1	85 Witt İstanbul Hotel	F2
44 Karabatak	E4	86 World House Hostel	C3
45 Kronotrop	F1		





BEŞİKTAŞ, NİŞANTAŞI & ORTAKÖY



📍 **Top Sights**

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- 1 Dolmabahçe Palace C4

📍 **Sights**

(p150)

- 2 Askeri Müze A2
 3 Çırağan Palace E3
 Fehime Sultan Yalı (see 4)
 4 Hatice Sultan Yalı H2
 5 İstanbul Naval Museum D4
 6 National Palaces Painting Museum C4
 7 Ortaköy Mosque G3
 8 Palace Collections Museum D4

- 9 Yıldız Park F2
 10 Yıldız Porselen Fabrikası F2
 11 Yıldız Şale E1

🍴 **Eating**

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- 12 Alancha C3
 13 Banyan G2
 14 Foodie B1
 15 Hünkar A2
 16 Kantin B3
 17 Pare Baklava Bar B2
 18 Saat Kule Cafe C5



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19 Vogue C4 27 Gönül Paksoy B2

Drinking & Nightlife (p153)

20 Çırağan Palace Kempinski Hotel F3
 21 Klein A3
 22 Love Dance Point A3
 23 Malta Köşkü F2
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 25 Sortie H1

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26 City's Nisantasi B2

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Four Seasons Istanbul at the Bosphorus (see 28)

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 29 Sofa Hotel B2

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- 1 Kariye Museum (Chora Church) B3

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 3 Church of St Stephen of the Bulgars D3
 4 Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople D3
 5 Fethiye Museum C4
 6 Gül Mosque E4
 7 Mihrimah Sultan Mosque A4
 8 Palace of Constantine Porphyrogenitus B2
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Eating (p121)

- 11 Agora Meyhanesi C2
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Drinking & Nightlife (p122)

- 15 Coffee Department C3

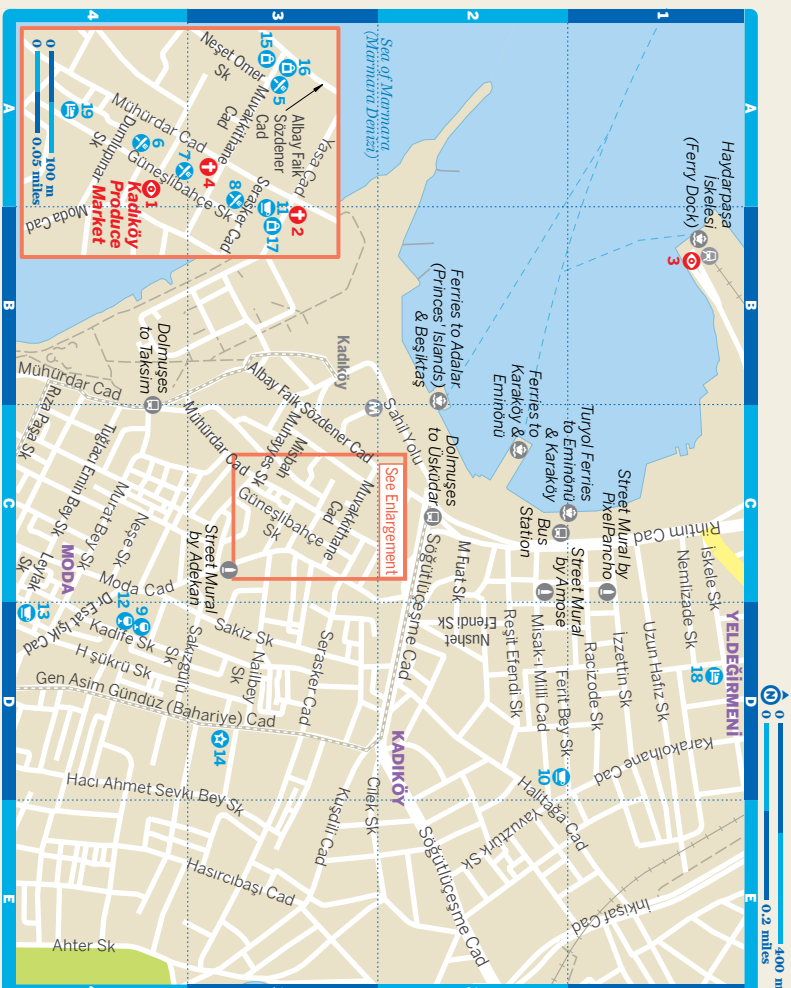
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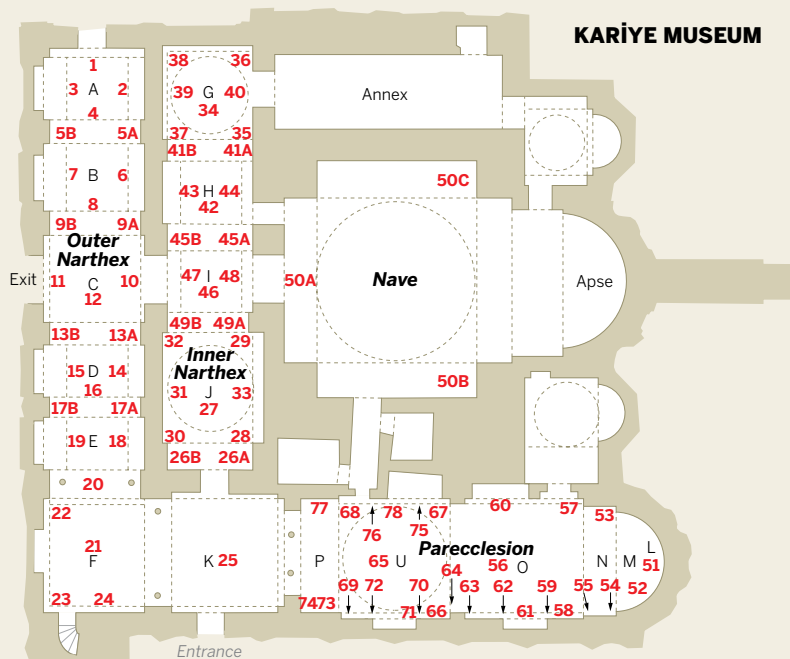
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