Most Touristic Regions of Antalya

ANTALYA – MANAVGAT REGION

Manavgat is a town and district of the Antalya. It is located 72 km (45 mi) on the east side of Antalya province. The Manavgat River has a waterfall near the town. Holidays to Manavgat take you to an authentically Turkish city with a riverfront setting. And beyond, you've got sandy beaches, majestic mountains and spectacular Roman sights.

Manavgat's major tourist draw is the river, with its cascading waterfall and crystal clear pools. There's a beautifully landscaped riverside park which is great for evening strolls, and it comes with lots of restaurants, tavernas, cafés and bars. And there are plenty of toe-dipping opportunities along the riverbanks.

Antalya

You can hop on a boat ride along the Manavgat river – passing sea turtles along the way – to the famous waterfall, which is accessorised by shady tea gardens. Once you reach the river mouth in Side, there are sandy beaches that offer a full spectrum of watersports. And while you get stuck into these, most boat tour operators will be busy preparing lunch for your return.

ANTALYA – ALANYA REGION

Alanya is a resort town on Turkey's central Mediterranean coast (also known as the Turkish Riviera).

Its wide beaches lined with hotels include Cleopatra Beach, where the Egyptian queen reputedly swam. Alanya Castle, a giant Seljuk-era fort turned open-air museum, stands on a rocky bluff above the beachfront, alongside red tile–roofed Ottoman villas and the octagonal Red Tower, a symbol of the city dating to 1226. *Alanya* formerly Alaiye, is a beach resort city and a component *district* of *Antalya* Province on the southern coast of Turkey, in the country's Mediterranean *Region*, 138 kilometres (86 mi) east of the city of Antalya.

Alanya Region

ANTALYA - BELEK REGION

Belek is a township with own municipality in Serik district in Antalya. It is located 30 kilometers on the east side of Antalya.

Belek is the Beverly Hills of the Turkish Riviera, drawing an exclusive international crowd to its shores. The beachfront is a parade of upmarket hotels and exclusive restaurants, backed by 16 golf courses. And behind these undulating fairways are the tree-lined boulevards of Belek town, where there's plenty in the way of cafés and shops, plus a thriving bazaar on Saturdays.

Every Saturday morning, the bazaar rolls into Belek town centre.

Antalya Luxury

Scores of stalls lay out their wares, selling everything from fake designer bags to football shirts. Look out for products with a local twist, like Turkish delight and apple tea.

Belek Region

ANTALYA - KEMER REGION

Town, country, beach, mountains – this resort in southwest Turkey has got a bit of everything. In the centre, you've got boutiques, bazaars and bars, together with a chic marina moored with jet setters' yachts. While further out, there are Roman ruins and national parks. Make tracks for Mount Olympos, and you can catch a cable car to its peak for a panoramic view of it all.

Kemer Region

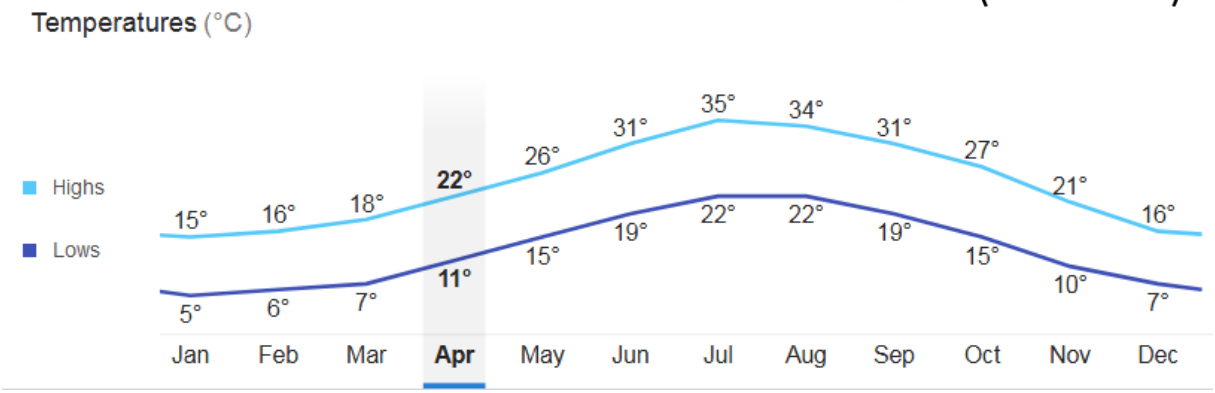
Places To Visit in Antalya

1. Antalya Kaleici (Old Town)

Kaleici, the old centre of Antalya, tight swirl of old red-roofed Turkish and Greek houses, threaded by narrow cobbled streets, sits above the marina - on the site of the old Roman port. There are lots of restaurants and small hotels (£20 a night or less), but it's worth a stroll around even if you don't stay. Kaleiçi is the old town of Antalya, where you can admire the mixture of Roman and Ottoman architecture. Upon entering the old town, you pass Hadrian's Gate, the triple arch that guards the entrance to the old town and was built in the 2nd century. Close by is another symbol of Antalya, the 40-meter high grooved minaret (Yivli Minare). It was built together with a Seljuk Turkish mosque in the 13th century, which is today in ruins. Then take in some sightseeing from the tram which runs up and down the seafront to the city's main beach at Konyaalti, and the Antalya Museum.

Kaleici (Old Town)

Antalya Weather - Average



2. Duden Waterfalls

Antalya's limestone country is rich in karst* waterfalls, caves and springs. From the Taurus Mountains to the Mediterranean Sea runs the Duden river, which along the way creates two cascades of waterfalls. The cascades are known as Upper and Lower Duden Waterfalls. This a scenic spot, surrounded by gardens, and it is a popular picnic place for locals and tourists alike. The Upper Duden Waterfall is 15 meters high and hides a natural cave behind it, where you can sit and watch the cascades.

**Karst is a terrain with distinctive landforms and hydrology created from the dissolution of soluble rocks,*

Duden Waterfalls

3. Manavgat Waterfalls

The Manavgat Waterfalls are located along the Manavgat River just outside the town of Manavgat. Manavgat is located almost six miles from Side and about 50 miles from Antalya. The river flows through Manavgat and out to the Mediterranean Sea, making this area very fertile for growing fruit, vegetables, and other crops. In some parts of the river, trout is bred and can sometimes be seen near the falls.

Manavgat Waterfall

4. Kursunlu Waterfalls

The Kursunlu Waterfall is a small cascade set amid a cool, pine forest. While not as impressive as the more visited Duden Waterfalls, the Kursunlu falls feel a little more remote due to their setting and access via a short and pleasant walk through the forest.

Only 20 minutes from central Antalya, the surrounding area offers plenty of walking opportunities, especially along the Aksu river. While the falls are more of a trickle in the summer months, it is sometimes possible to spot trout and turtles in the pools that form here.

Kursunlu Waterfall

5. Mount Tahtali and Olympos Cable Car

The view from the top of Mount Tahtali is quite stunning, as this natural structure rises 2,365 meters into the sky. For the average hiker it might be too big of a challenge to climb all the way up, but you can still reach the top using a cable car. Go from the bottom of the beach to the top of the sky in one day, and enjoy the amazing view of the coastline and Taurus Mountains on the way. The real adventure-hunter might want to consider paragliding down, or even skiing in winter.

Olympos Cable Car

6. Manavgat Koprulu Canyon

Köprülü Canyon is a national park covering 141 miles sq (366 square km) of forested wilderness and its most famous feature is the deep gorge formed by the River Kopru as it slices down through limestone and sandstone on its journey to Turkey's south coast. Meandering 14 miles (22.5 km) between dramatic rock stacks and sheer cliffs, in places the canyon is more than 1,312 feet (400 meters) deep and it is famous as one of the best – and most spectacular – white-water rafting experiences in Turkey.

Koprulu Canyon

7. Konyaalti Beach

Konyaalti Beach is one of the two main beaches in Antalya located on the western side of the city. It's 7 kilometers (4.3 miles) long and consists of small pebbles and rough sand. Near the beach, you'll find a park, residential area, bars, cafes, and hotels. Towards the west, away from the city, you'll see the dramatic backdrop of the Beydağlari mountains.

Konyaalti Beach

8. Antalya Aquarium

Located near Konyaalti Beach in Antalya, the Antalya Aquarium ranks as one of the largest aquarium complexes in the world. The complex encompasses 40 themed aquariums, including a 430-foot (131-meter) tunnel aquarium that takes visitors below the surface of the water to observe aquatic critters from all sides.

Antalya Aquarium

9. Alanya Castle - Red Tower

The touristic destination of **Alanya** is the furthest resort from Antalya airport with a transfer time of approximately 2 hours 30 minutes. The 13th-century, 115-metre red tower dominates the coastline, scattered with sandy beaches.

Alanya Castle

10. Alanya - Sealanya Dolphinpark

One of the best spots to see dolphins along Turkey's Mediterranean Coast, Sealanya Dolphinpark is the latest additional to Alanya's renowned Seapark. Offering a rare chance to marvel at dolphins, sea lions, and seals, visitors are treated to twice-daily dolphin and seal shows, during which professional trainers demonstrate the animals' acrobatic abilities.

Sealanya Dolphinpark makes a popular day trip from nearby Alanya or Side, and visitors can also opt to combine entrance with the adjoining Seapark, where highlights include tropical reef snorkeling, a stingray tank, and a shark tank.

Sealanya Dolphinpark