

# Villa Koru, Kalkan, Turkey



## Villa Koru

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A luxury 3 bedroom villa, with a large private pool and terrace, Villa Koru can sleep 5-7 guests, and is available for rent from April to October (£450-£750 per week).

## Kalkan

Kalkan is a beautiful and sophisticated bougainvillea-covered harbour village, set in a breathtaking landscape on the Turquoise Mediterranean coast of Turkey

Winding cobbled streets, colourful shops and excellent harbour-side or roof terrace restaurants and bars are combined with stunning views – whether you are looking up to the dramatic mountains behind the village, or down across the harbour to the broad sweep of the Mediterranean.

Kalkan is a small town (of only a few thousand) and this creates a wonderful intimate feeling. But don't let its size mislead you - there is plenty to do in and around Kalkan. During the day the town is surprisingly empty as most guests choose to swim or explore the multitude of beautiful ancient Lycian and natural sites of the area. However, everything changes in the evening when Kalkan bursts alive for a long, festive night. Dozens of restaurants offer a variety of excellent Mediterranean menus at very reasonable prices, often on a terrace overlooking the beautiful waters of Kalkan Bay.

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## The Villa

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Smoking is not permitted in the Villa.

## Villa Facilities:

- Large Private Pool (6.6 x 3.6m.) & Terrace Area
- Indoor and Outdoor Eating Areas
- Open Plan Lounge - seats six to eight
- Dining Area - seats six
- 1 Double bedroom
- 1 Twin Bedroom and 1 Single bedroom
- 2 Single sofa beds in the lounge
- 2 Shower Bathrooms (1 en-suite)
- Ground Floor WC
- Fully fitted kitchen :- gas hob, electric oven, dishwasher, large fridge/freezer
- Washing Machine
- CD Player
- TV & DVD Player, Games pack
- Fully air-conditioned
- Patio furniture, large parasols & sun loungers
- Bed linen, tea-towels, towels (excluding pool/beach towels) are provided

The Villa is cleaned twice a week, linen changed weekly, daily pool maintenance.

\* Pool available May to October

\* The pool has no shallow end so non-swimmers should be supervised.

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## Kalkan

A small peaceful Mediterranean resort and fishing town on the beautiful Turquoise Coast of Turkey, Kalkan has not been touched by mass tourism. More sophisticated than the usual resort town, Kalkan appeals to travellers looking for more than a 'sun and sea' holiday. Because of its great charm, Kalkan has a growing number of perennial visitors who say the town is the only holiday destination they would choose to visit repeatedly.

There is simply no other town quite like Kalkan along Turkey's coast. Kalkan curls snugly around an ancient harbour sheltered at the foot of the towering Taurus Mountains. The town overlooks a beautiful bay in which islands seem to magically float upon the shimmering sea. Narrow streets twist down to the harbour through the historic town and are lined with listed whitewashed villas with shuttered windows situated alongside small local specialty shops and restaurants. Overhead hang original ornately carved Ottoman timber balconies garlanded with brilliantly coloured bougainvillea cascading to the streets below. It is a very special place.

Not only is Kalkan beautiful, but unlike other Turkish coastal resort towns Kalkan's main economy is tourism and therefore its citizens put much pride and effort into the town's historic preservation. Because of this Kalkan has retained the texture of its history with its distinctive Greek architecture (it was once a Greek and Turkish fishing village). Very strict building codes keep the town small and architecturally blended with the historic heart of the town known as 'Old Kalkan'.

Besides the famous 'Kalkan Style' historic architecture, the many excellent restaurants of Kalkan contribute to the special atmosphere of the resort. Good dining has always been the way of life in Kalkan. In fact, Kalkan is said to have the highest number of restaurants and bars per inhabitant or square metre on the Turkish coast. Additionally, Kalkan is especially renowned for its numerous roof-top terrace restaurants and bars which offer a wonderful view of the town, sea and stars. You can also sit at one of the many fine harbour-side restaurants and watch the fishermen leave early in the morning as you tuck in your breakfast, or see them return with the day's catch in the evening.

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The people of Kalkan happily welcome you, and you may at first be surprised by the universal friendliness within the town. It is absolutely genuine. Warm Turkish hospitality and friendliness is the basis of life here and the people of Kalkan sincerely enjoy getting to know their guests. So do not hesitate to accept one of the many tulip-shaped glasses of 'cay' (tea) you will be offered while you amble along Kalkan's winding streets.

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## Places to Go

### Beaches

Kalkan itself has a small beach but it worth travelling out to Kaputas Beach or the famous Patara Beach both of which can be reached using the regular dolmuş (shared taxi / minibus) service from the town centre as well as boats from the marina.

The nearest of the two is Kaputas is a lovely sandy swimming cove nestled at the foot of a striking mountain gorge which is approximately 15 minutes drive away and offers clear waters a brilliant colour of turquoise with a beautiful coarse beach. Umbrellas can be hired here and a few enterprising locals sell snacks and beverages.

Approximately 20 minutes from Kalkan is Patara beach with its 18km of gorgeous sand. The beach is backed by dunes and is without a single building on it. However, at the end near the dolmuş drop-off are a few basic restaurants to supply you with food, beverages, umbrellas and sun beds. Patara beach is closed after sunset as it is one of the few places in the world where the endangered Loggerhead turtles come to lay their eggs. Horse riding across the dunes and along the beach is available and is a lovely way to see more of Patara.

### Mountains & Gorges

High in the mountains above Fethiye, rushing icy torrents of the Eşen River have cut a narrow gorge through the mountains over thousands of years, creating Saklikent Gorge.

A natural wonder, the resulting canyon is 300m deep and 18km long and is a breathtaking sight. The walls are so high that they cut out most of the sunlight and the fresh spring waters that flow through are icy cold. Restaurants at the base of the gorge are known for their fresh-cooked trout from local hatcheries.

In summer the Turks come here to escape the heat and relax in this cool oasis.

During winter the Saklikent region is a popular resort for winter sports. In March and April you can ski in the morning and swim in the warm waters of the Mediterranean in the afternoon.



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## Ancient Sites

Turkey is a modern state whose history contains many names and episodes that still fire the imagination :

- 1300-1260 BC the Trojan Wars
- 725 BC King Midas ruled the Phrygians
- 334 BC Alexander the Great crosses the Dardanelles
- 56 AD St. Paul stays in the city of Ephesus and writes his famous Epistles
- 330 AD Constantine rebuilds Byzantium and renames it Constantinople
- 1299 AD The Ottoman state is formed

## Lycia

Southwest Turkey, along and inland from the popular "Turquoise Coast", is the home of the ancient Lycians who were one of the most enigmatic people of antiquity. Although little historical record has been left behind them, what has been discovered reveals a fascinating people culturally distinct from the rest of the ancient world. Around twenty major sites remain today with the Lycians' unusual funerary architecture dominating the breath-taking unspoiled land of Lycia.

### Tlos

Tlos is one of the most important historical sites of Lycia. You can walk right up to, and inside, the ancient tombs and fortifications, and enjoy magnificent views across many miles of countryside.

### Xanthos

Xanthos, the ancient Lycian capital, was buried after an earthquake and is still being excavated from Roman and Byzantine times. You will see a magnificent amphitheatre, several monuments and the ruins of a large church with some clearly visible coloured mosaics.

### Letoon

Letoon was an important religious centre for the Lycian people and has remains of temples to Leto, Artemis and Apollo. It also has an amphitheatre and the remains of many buildings.

Visit [Lycian Turkey](#)

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## Flights

The nearest airport is Dalaman (90 mins), flights are available from most UK airports, usually Monday to Monday. A visa is necessary to visit Turkey and is paid for and stamped into your passport at Dalaman airport. The cost is £10 in cash (new notes) per person, valid for 3 months.

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Travel Insurance with medical cover is recommended for travel to Turkey as the E111 and the new EHIC (European Health Insurance Card) are not valid in Turkey. With travel insurance from the Post Office™, you get peace of mind and great value for money.

## Transfers

Private air conditioned taxis can be booked through Samira De Lux. You will be met at the airport by a driver holding a sign with your name and driven along the scenic hill and coastal road to Kalkan. Payment is direct to the company and in £ sterling. If you wish we can make the booking for you.

Airport transfers can be booked direct or through us.

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## Bookings

### Weekly Rates:

April £450

May/October £550

June/September £650

July/August £750

Four or more guests please add £75 per week.

A 20% non-refundable deposit is required to secure a reservation with the balance due 6 weeks prior to your arrival. Full terms and conditions will be mailed to you.

Gas and electricity is included within the charges, as are towels (not pool/beach towels) and linen. Bottled water can be purchased from Samira De Lux or direct from the local shops.

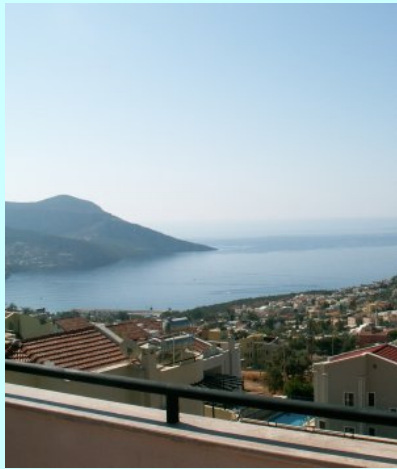
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## Villa Photographs



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View from a roof Restaurant



Skydiving over Kalkan



Typical Harbour front Restaurant

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Kalkan at Night



The Harbour



Mosque in the Old Town

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Shopping in the Old Town



Kaputas Beach



Kalkan Bay