

Istanbul

Distance to town:

Around a 45 minute walk Old Town

Shopping:

Galata Port Mall is the place to head for the best shops

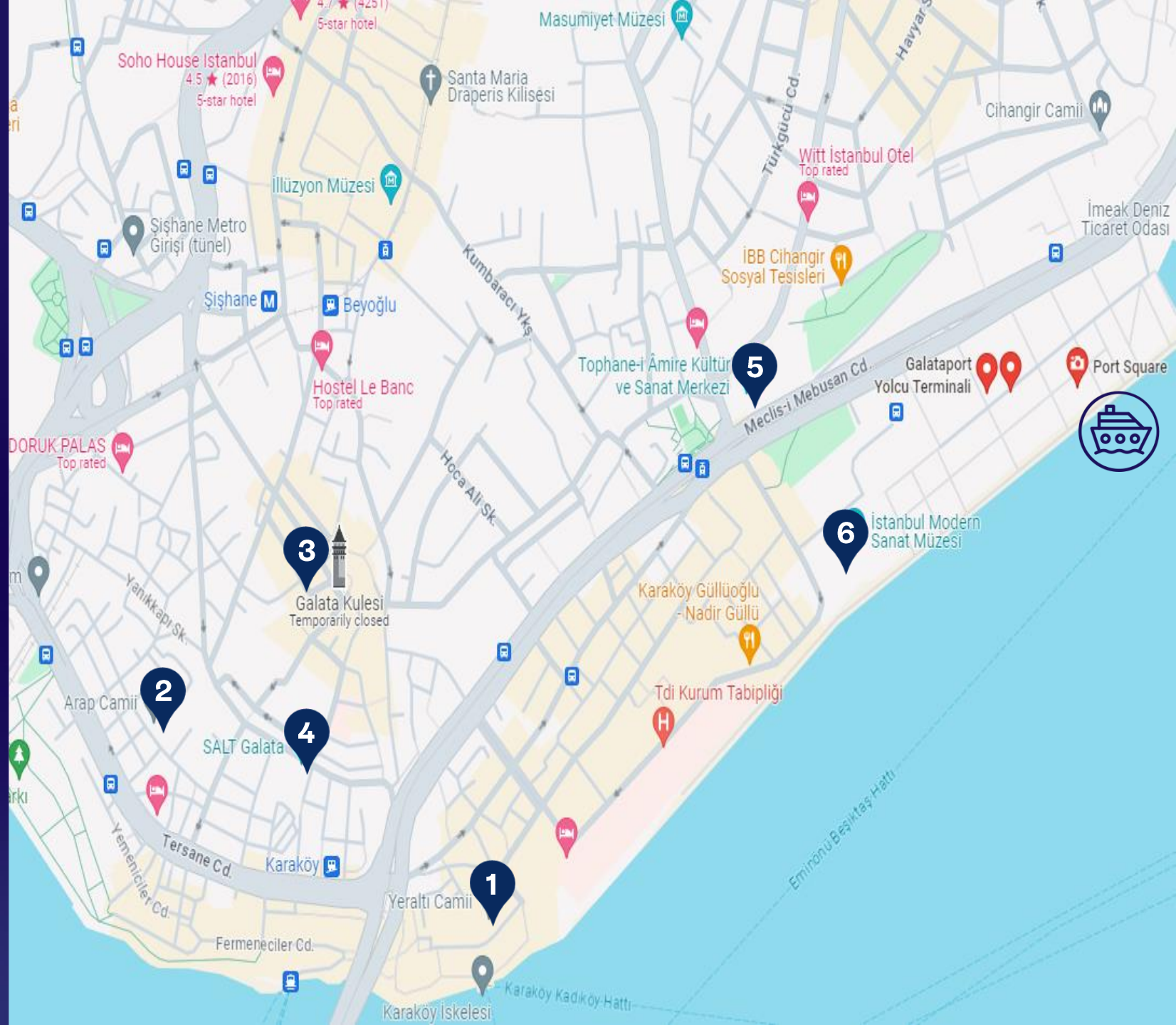


Docking Location

Top Sights:

- 1 Yeralti Camii (Mosque)
- 2 Arap Camii (Mosque)
- 3 Galata Kulesi Tower
- 4 Salt Galata Museum
- 5 Culture & Art Museum
- 6 Istanbul Museum of Modern Art

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CURRENCY

TURKISH LIRA OR EUROS



LANGUAGE

ENGLISH TURKISH, GREEK & ARABIC



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AT A GLANCE

The Old Town of Istanbul, also known as Sultanahmet, is a historic district brimming with iconic landmarks and centuries of rich history. From the majestic domes and minarets of the Blue Mosque and Hagia Sophia to the bustling Grand Bazaar and vibrant streets lined with traditional Ottoman houses, the Old Town offers a captivating journey through Istanbul's storied past and vibrant culture. Visitors can immerse themselves in the sights, sounds, and flavours of this ancient city, discovering hidden gems around every corner and experiencing the timeless charm of Istanbul's historic heart.

OUT AND ABOUT

Hagia Sophia: A historic marvel with a massive dome and intricate mosaics, Hagia Sophia boasts over 1,500 years of rich history.

The Blue Mosque: Famous for its blue tiles and Ottoman architecture, the Blue Mosque offers a serene atmosphere and stunning interior.

Galata Bridge: A bustling hub over the Golden Horn, Galata Bridge offers panoramic views and lively cafes along its lower level.

Spice Bazaar: Dating back to the 17th century, the Spice Bazaar is a vibrant marketplace filled with colourful spices, teas, and Turkish delights, offering a taste of Istanbul's culinary heritage.

BEST BEACHES

Near the Old Town of Istanbul, visitors can explore three distinct beaches. Kilyos Beach, along the Black Sea coast, offers sandy shores and clear waters. On the European side, Kumburgaz Beach boasts a long stretch of sandy coastline, shallow waters, and amenities like beachside restaurants and water sports rentals. Caddebostan Beach, located on the Asian side, provides a peaceful escape with clean sands, calm waters, and lush greenery, along with beach clubs and picnic areas for relaxation.

SHOPPING

Embark on a shopping odyssey in Istanbul, where the iconic Grand Bazaar awaits with over 4,000 shops offering a dazzling array of textiles, ceramics, and jewellery. Delight your senses at the Spice Bazaar with exotic spices and Turkish delights, then explore trendy boutiques in neighbourhoods like Beyoğlu and Nişantaşı for cutting-edge fashion and contemporary designs. Istanbul promises a shopping experience like no other, blending tradition with innovation for an unforgettable adventure.

DO IT LIKE THE LOCALS

Immerse yourself in the vibrant energy of Istanbul's street food scene, sampling savoury kebabs, crispy böreks, and sweet baklavas from bustling food carts and authentic eateries, just like the locals do every day.

JUST SO YOU KNOW

Just so you know, remember to dress modestly and remove your shoes when visiting mosques in Istanbul.