



Turkish Greetings and Salutations

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| Merhaba | mare-aba | Hello |
| Günaydın | goon-eye-din | Good morning |
| İyi Akşamlar | ee-ak-shahm-lar | Good evening |
| Hoşça Kal | hosh-cha-call | Be well |
| Görüşürüz | goo-roosh-oo-rooz | See you later |
| Hoş geldin | hosh gel-din | Welcome |
| Hoş bulduk | hosh bool-dook | Happy to be here |

Small Talk in Turkish

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| Nasılsın? | na-sil-sin | How are you? |
| İyiyim sen nasılsın? | ee-ee-yim, sen na-sil-sin | I am doing well, how are you? |
| Benim adım... | ben-im ad-im | My name is |
| Senin adın ne? | sen-in ad-in nay | What is your name? |
| Teşekkür ederim | tesh-ek-yoor ed-air-im | Thank you |
| Afiyet olsun | af-ee-yet ol-soon | Bon appetit |
| Evet | | Yes |
| Hayır | | No |

At the restaurant

Drinking:

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| Rakı | The national alcoholic spirit of Turkey — an unsweetened, anise-flavored drink with 45% alcohol level |
| Ayran | Yogurt seasoned with salt, served as a drink |
| Çay (Chai) | Tea |
| Süt | Milk |
| Bira | Beer |
| Kahve | Turkish Coffee |
| Sade | No sugar (Turkish coffee comes with or without sugar, you need to specify when ordering) |
| Kırmızı şarap | Red wine |
| Beyaz şarap | White wine |
| Su | Water |
| Maden suyu | Sparkling water |
| Şerefe! | Cheers |

Street food

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| Döner | A sandwich stuffed with lamb or veal cooked on a vertical rotisserie |
| Simit | Turkish bagel |
| Pide | Flatbread, often with meat or cheese |
| Lahmacun | Flatbread with ground lamb |
| Kestane | Chestnuts |
| Mısır | Corn |
| Gözleme | Sweet or savory pancake topped with various of toppings |
| Kumpir | Baked potato with stuffing |



Meat

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| Et | Meat |
| Kebab | Grilled meat |
| Şiş kebab | Meat grilled on a skewer |
| Iskender kebab | Döner kebab prepared from thinly cut grilled lamb basted with hot tomato sauce over pieces of pita bread, slathered with melted sheep butter and yogurt. |
| Tavuk | Chicken |
| Pirzola | Lamb chops |
| Köfte | Meatballs |

Fish

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| Balık | Fish |
| Izgara | Grilled |
| Kızarmış | Fried |

Numbers

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| 0 | Sıfır | 6 | Altı |
| 1 | Bir | 7 | Yedi |
| 2 | İki | 8 | Sekiz |
| 3 | Üç | 9 | Dokuz |
| 4 | Dört | 10 | On |
| 5 | Beş | | |

Days of the week

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| gün, hergün | GURN, HEHR-gurn | daily |
| bugün | BOO-gurn | today |
| yarın | YAGR-uhn | tomorrow |
| hafta | hahf-TAH | week |
| Pazartesi | pah-ZAHR-teh-see | Monday |
| Salı | sah-LUH | Tuesday |
| Çarsamba | char-shahm-BAH | Wednesday |
| Perembe | pehr-shehm-BEH | Thursday |
| Cuma | joo-MAH | Friday |
| Cumartesi | joo-MAHR-teh-see | Saturday |
| Pazar | pah-ZAHR | Sunday |

Turkish Phrases for when you Need Help

Turks are friendly and more than willing to help foreigners find their way. In fact, if you speak Turkish with them, they will most likely treat you like an honored guest and go to great lengths to make sure you get what you need.

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| Affedersin | af-ay-dair-sin | Excuse me / or to get someone's attention |
| Bana yardım eder misin? | ba-na yar-dim ed-air mi-sin | Can you help me? |
| İmdat! | eem-dot | Help in Emergency |
| Metro nerede? | met-row nair-ed-ay | Where is the metro |