



Why Belek should be your next golfing destination

With over 20 courses, five-star accommodation and no fewer than 300 days of sunshine a year, Belek is a golf lovers paradise



Located on Turkey's southern Mediterranean coast, Belek is a haven of tranquility. Favoured for its year-round sunshine, caramel-hued beaches and turquoise waters it comes as no surprise that Belek is making waves as a desirable destination. But sun, sea and sand isn't all that Belek has to offer. With golf courses designed by such golfing luminaries as Sir Nick Faldo and Colin Montgomerie, Belek is home to a myriad of high-quality holes to tee off on. You can hone your craft on world-class courses played by Tiger Woods, John Daly and Lydia Ko. With landscapes of pine, sandy wastelands and some clubs with up to 45 available holes, players of all abilities will be spoilt for choice. We've put together some Belek highlights to help you plan your trip.



The courses of Belek feature dramatic background scenery of pine forests and the Taurus mountains

The Montgomerie-designed course in the Serik district promises a superb set of challenges. Featuring an 18-hole championship course, a nine-hole executive course, a 40-bay driving range and practising bunkers, there is plenty to keep you entertained. With pine-lined fairways, incredible elevations and natural lakes ready to welcome anything offline, you'll feel tested like a professional. And so you should, since this course has hosted a number of national and international tournaments. Over 104 hectares, it asks some tough questions as your traverse from one panoramic view to another.

Located in the northwest region of Belek, the first course built on the Turkish Riviera is an 18-hole Championship classic, showcasing Belek's beautiful landscape through mature eucalyptus and pine trees plotted

Each district of Belek offers courses with different difficulties and challenges



across a gently rolling terrain. The towering Taurus Mountains act as the dramatic backdrop to create a uniquely beautiful environment bathed in sunshine. With an abundance of natural lakes, narrow fairways and forest to negotiate, it is by no means straightforward. But with fresh scenery at every swing of your club, this course makes for one of Belek's must-play destinations.

If you're after more something more traditional, then the western part of the region of Belek has the perfect course for you. While there, you'll find a tailor-made performance lab that offers a unique experience for enthusiasts looking to improve their skills. This state-of-the-art facility is a Tour Standard workshop using a Motion Analysis Technology system to transform you into a 3-D avatar. Reflective markers

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are placed on key points of your body as well as on your club to allow six high-speed cameras to capture your movements. This instantly produces a 3-D image of you. With the professional club fitter, you'll be able to evaluate exactly what your swing is doing dynamically. This provides valuable feedback for you to get back on tees with a thorough understanding of your swing characteristics.

A fine balance between demanding and forgiving, in the western region of Belek, there is a course that offers something special for all levels. It's a relaxing location that poses a few questions along the way without overstretching your concentration. Just shy of 6,000 metres, this compact course is perfect for golfers who may struggle to drive the ball long distances. In turn, it is ideal for those wanting to focus on improving their other skill sets such as managing the subtle contouring of the green. Remember to take advantage of the resort spa. Complete with traditional Turkish baths, Sauna room and jacuzzi you'll find it easy to just sit back, relax and unwind.



↘ **Where to switch it up**
Fancy a round of a different game? One of the golf clubs located right in the middle of Belek has eight clay professional standard tennis courts to choose from. Ace.

↘ **Where to unwind**

Belek has a unique blend of style and luxury. With many 24-hour bars where you can enjoy a post round cocktail no matter how long it takes you to get around the course.

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