

Kusadasi, Aegean, Turkey

The Aegean's busiest cruise stop, Kusadasi punches above its size: ancient Ephesus is 20 km away, the bazaar starts at the dock gate, and turquoise water laps every direction. A shore day here has layers.

 Docked (cruise terminal)

 Typical call: 7–10 hrs

 Currency: Turkish Lira (TL)

 Language: Turkish

 UNESCO Ephesus nearby

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Ships berth at Kusadasi Cruise Port, a short walk from the town center and bazaar.

Best For: History lovers (Ephesus), shoppers, beach seekers, and Turkish cuisine.

Walk to center: 5 min on foot to the old bazaar; Pigeon Island causeway is a 10-min walk along the seafront.

Don't Miss: The Library of Celsus at Ephesus — one of the most photographed ruins in the world.

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  50–100 TRY in-city; €80–100 return to Ephesus ·  **Rideshare**  Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Ancient Ephesus** — Walk the marble-paved Curetes Street past the Library of Celsus, the Great Theatre (capacity 25,000), and the Temple of...
- **Sirince Village** — A hilltop Greek-founded village known for its fruit wines (peach, pomegranate, strawberry), stone houses, and panoramic...
- **Dilek National Park & Beaches** — Aegean National Park beaches with crystal-clear water, pine forests, and minimal crowds compared to town.
- **Pamukkale Thermal Terraces** — Turkey's famous white calcium terraces and warm thermal pools (Hierapolis).
- **Kusadasi Town & Pigeon Island** — Stroll the seafront promenade to Pigeon Island (Güvercin Adası), a small fortified island connected by a causeway with...

BEST WALKS

- **Waterfront & Pigeon Island Loop** 2–3 km · Easy · 45–60 min — From the cruise terminal, head north along the promenade past cafés and souvenir stalls to Güvercin Adası (Pigeon Island).
- **Bazaar & Old Town** 1.5 km · Easy · 30–45 min — Exit the port gate and enter the bazaar immediately.
- **Port to Pigeon Island Waterfront Walk** 2.5 km | 30 min one-way | Easy | Paved promenade — Exit the port gate and head north along the waterfront promenade past the marina and seafront restaurants.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		69°	54°	6d
Jun		85°	70°	4d
Aug		92°	76°	0d
Sep		85°	70°	2d
Oct		76°	62°	4d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:35AM–7:46PM · Jun 5:48AM–8:34PM · Aug 6:26AM–8:03PM · Sep 6:53AM–7:18PM · Oct 7:19AM–6:33PM

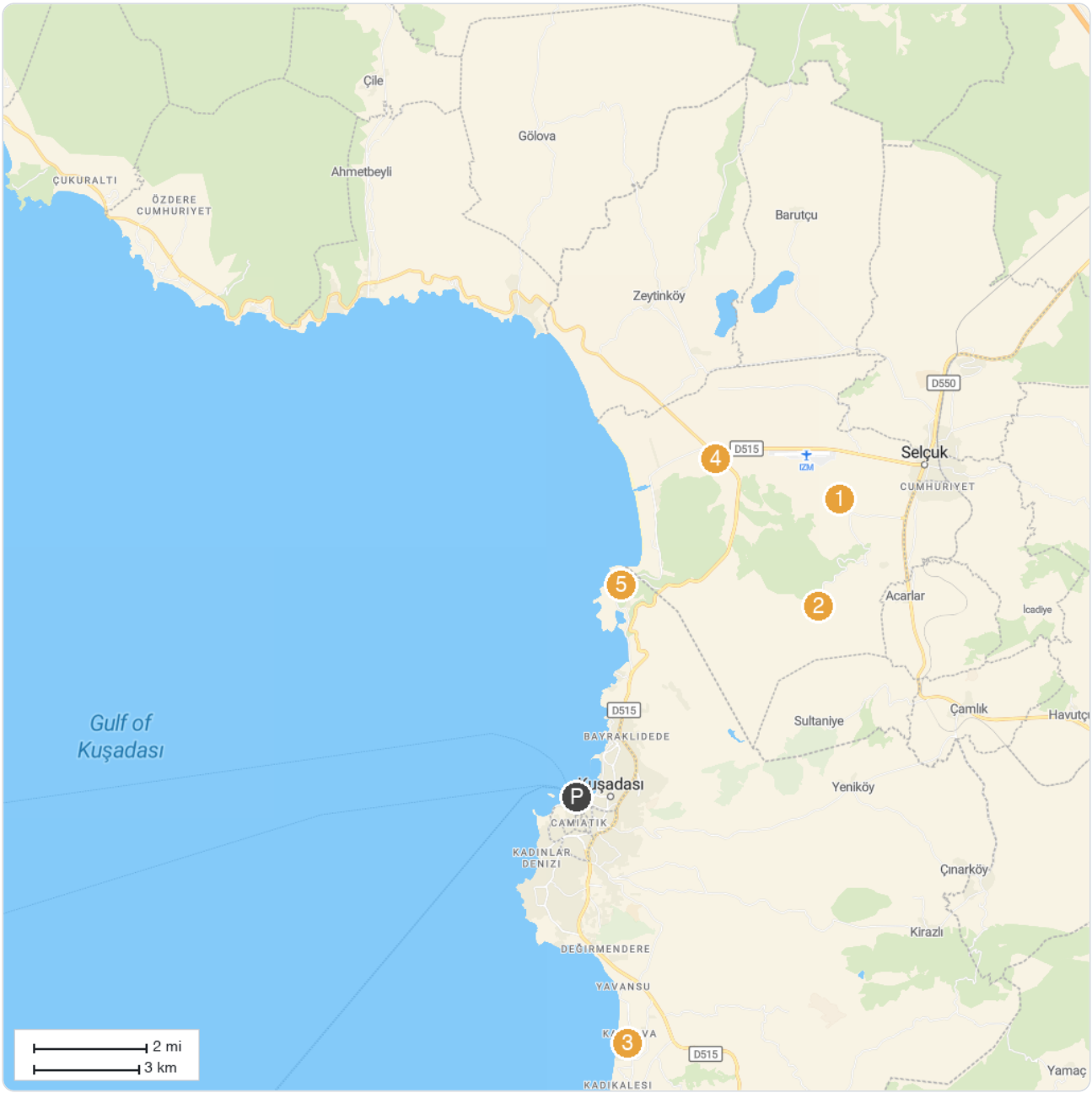
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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Kusadasi, Aegean, Turkey — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1

Library of Celsus

Grand Roman library ruins in Ephesus, a historical marvel.
- 2

House of Virgin Mary

Sacred shrine, believed last home of the Virgin Mary.
- 3

Tortuga Pirate Island Theme & Water Park

Pirate-themed water park with slides and family fun.
- 4

Cetin Model Village

Miniature village showcasing Turkish landmarks and traditional life.
- 5

Adaland

Large water park with slides, dolphin shows, and sea park.
- P

Cruise port / terminal