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TÜRKİYE ANNOUNCES HIGHEST NUMBER OF CRUISE ARRIVALS IN THE LAST 12 YEARS



Cruise docked in Galataport © GoTürkiye

New York - October 6, 2025: As of the end of August, Türkiye has welcomed 1.5 million passengers across its 18 cruise ports, marking the highest number of arrivals in the last 12 years. August also achieved the highest monthly arrival total in the country's history: a record-breaking 357,646 passengers. The number of passengers increased by 56% compared to 2023 and 18% compared to 2024, and the total number of cruises increased by 17% compared to 2024.

Türkiye is also projected to surpass its 600,000-passenger target by the end of this season, achieving a 130% increase compared to 2024. This growth is further supported by by new routes to unique port cities

Like Çanakkale, Sinop, Trabzon, Samsun and Marmaris, alongside established hubs like Istanbul's Galataport and Kuşadası's ancient city of Ephesus. With these ongoing investments and other strengthened port infrastructure, combined with its unmatched cultural heritage and natural beauty, Türkiye promises to further strengthen its role as a leading hub for global cruise tourism.

For more information on visiting Türkiye by cruise, please visit: <https://cruising.goturkiye.com/>

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