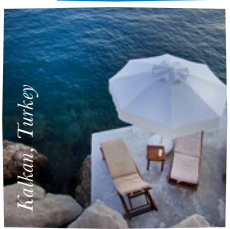


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KORSAN GUNEY, TURKEY

FOR SEASIDE LIVING, KALKAN STYLE, CHECK *into* THIS LUXURY VILLA

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Kalkan, Turkey



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WARM WELCOME

THE VIBE

Party pad or total peace – it's up to you. Even though there is a twin property next door, a high wall and foliage mean you barely know anyone is there. The caretakers look after you like family: Huseyin delivers warm bread for breakfast and daily treats cooked by his wife, Havva. Meanwhile Zubeyde, the concierge, fixes anything from a private gulet (boat) trip to a Turkish bath. She can even magic up hard-to-book tables at the best restaurants in town. It's all effortless.



LOCALLY SOURCED

THE FOOD

On your first morning, Huseyin's family serve you a welcome breakfast (creamy feta, omelettes, sweet cucumbers and juicy peaches), and it just gets better from there. Need shopping? Just WhatsApp a list to Zubeyde and the local mini market delivers within the hour (no extra charge). With the lira weak against the pound, it's cheap to eat out – try Fish Terrace for panoramic views and giant prawns, or Korsan Meze for an Ottolenghi-worthy spread (korsankalkan.com).

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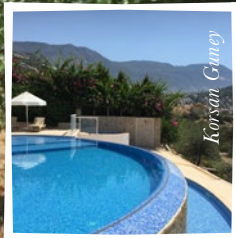
THE LOCATION

Beautiful Kalkan is a 10-minute taxi ride away for shisha cafes, boutiques and clubs. If you like your beaches wild and untouristy, drive 20 minutes west to Patara, one of Turkey's best beaches, where the waves pound like the Atlantic. Saklikent National Park, famous for its waterfalls, is 40 minutes north, while further on is Pinara, with its ancient ruins. For shopping, Kas is like a bigger Kalkan, with cool boutiques.

PURE LUXURY

THE LOOK

At the end of a rocky track that winds along the coast from the seaside town of Kalkan on Turkey's south coast lies Korsan Guneey: an imposing three-storey mansion overlooking the Mediterranean Sea. Inside is all white, with glass doors opening out to the pool, plus five bedrooms. A path leads to a private jetty over the rocks, where you'll find sun loungers and a kayak, and can dive straight into the sea. And, when you've had too much sun, cool off with a game of pool in the shade.



Korsan Guneey



Patara beach

GETTING THERE Stay at *Korsan Guneey* from £4,500 per week for 10 people (including Jeep hire, welcome hamper and daily cleaning); fairlightjones.com. Return flights from London to Dalaman from around £190; easyjet.com. Transfer time from airport is around 1 hr 45 mins