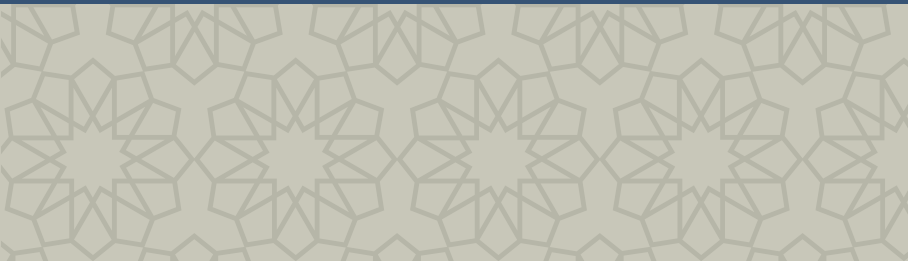


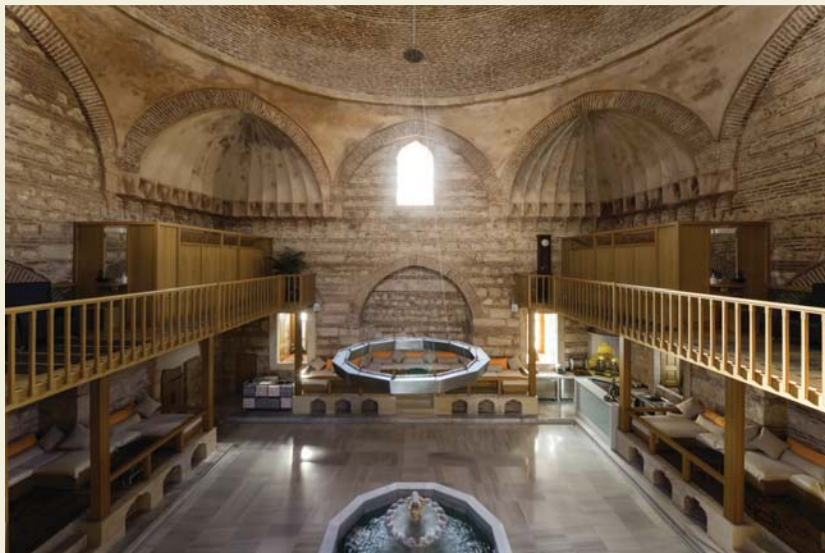
KILIÇ ALİ PAŞA HAMAMI

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1580



A TURKISH BATH – TRADITION MADE NEW





Commissioned to the great architect Sinan by the famous Ottoman Admiral Kılıç Ali Paşa as part of the mosque and school complex, the Kılıç Ali Paşa Hamamı was constructed in between 1578-1583 to serve the levends (marine forces in the Ottoman navy).

Famous for its architectural lines and majestic dome, the Hamam is one of the symbolic buildings in Tophane, Istanbul's harbor district.

Open every day, Kılıç Ali Paşa Hamamı is welcoming ladies and gentlemen in separate hours:

Ladies-only time: 8.00 am - 4.00 pm

Last reservation time: 2.30 am

Men-only time: 4.30 pm - 11.30 pm

Last reservation time: 10.00 pm

With its ancient spirit and new face, Kılıç Ali Paşa Hamamı invites you to experience this immaculate journey through time.



- Turkish Bath with its traditional rituals
- Massage Services with full-body or partial-body alternatives
- Enchanting and spacious Lounge restored to its original 16<sup>th</sup> century form
  - Café, serving delicious refreshments and appetizers
  - Authentic goods and souvenirs available at the hamam boutique, Derya
- A gift of timeless experience for your beloved ones with special gift certificates



## THE TRADITIONAL HAMAM RITUAL

As you walk into the camegah (lounge), you will be enchanted by the grandeur of the building and the impressive main dome, considered among the largest Hamam domes in Istanbul.

While our colleagues explain you the details of our service/the ritual, you may enjoy the mystical environment and sip our traditional home-made şerbet (sherbet). Once you feel ready, you will be guided to the dressing rooms to don your peştamal (the classic cotton hamam wrap) and to start your Hamam experience.

A special attendant, - natır (for ladies) and tellak (for men) - who will be assisting you all along your journey inside the Hamam, will be welcoming you at the entrance of the hot room. To relax and soften your skin as well as helping your body to adjust to the heat of the Hamam, first you will lie down on the Göbektaşı, the hexagon heated marble in the middle, for at least 10 minutes. Then, your attendant will take you to the next to the Kurma (the marble water basin) where he/she will exfoliate your body with a special scrubbing mitten, the kese. After rinsing, the final step of the ritual – Köpük (bubble soap wash) will start and you will be rubbed with a loofah, leaving you with a feeling of purification.

If you want to treat yourself further, you can enjoy the ambience of the Hamam as long as you may require. And those guests preferring to leave the hot rooms right after the ritual, camegah is the area where you may rest on the comfortable sofas and taste the traditional refreshments and delicacies of the Café Menu.



### **HAMAM WITH CHILDREN**

Accompanied by their moms or dads, our guests between 6-12 ages perhaps will be experiencing the most enjoyable bathing session of their lives. And our little guests, aged 1-5 years, may benefit from this service completely free of charge.

At Kılıç Ali Paşa Hamamı, we practice a special, softer treatment for the children visiting us, as their skin is more delicate and they might dehydrate more quickly. We kindly request all the parents to keep an eye on their children in order not to have any unpleasant situations.

### **MASSAGE SERVICES**

After your hamam experience, you may choose from our massage services to rejuvenate your weary muscles.

Deep Tissue Massage (75 minutes)

Sports Massage (55 minutes)

Aromatherapy Massage (55 minutes)

Anti-Cellulite Massage (45 minutes)

Partial-Body Massages (25 minutes)





### Legend of Kılıç Ali Pasha

In the 16<sup>th</sup> century, Kılıç (the Sword) Ali Paşa was one of the greatest admirals in Ottoman history. Born in Calabria, southern Italy as *Giovanni Dionigi Galeni*, Kılıç Ali Paşa was captured by one of the captains of Ottoman navy and was forced to serve as a galley slave in his youth. As an oar slave, he participated in many battles and within a few years, he converted to Muslim, changing his name to Uluç Ali. Since he had shown great skill and performance in many significant battles, this success soon enabled him to become the captain and owner of a galley.

He gained a reputation as one of the boldest captains in the Mediterranean and due to his achievements in the battles, the administration of some islands and Aegean Sea was awarded to him. He continued to rise in the ranks and Sultan Selim II appointed him as the governor (beylerbeyi) of Algiers. The milestone of his career was the battle of Lepanto in 1571, after which he was given the honorary title of Kılıç ("Sword") and appointed as Kaptan-ı Derya (The Chief Admiral). He was subsequently known as Kılıç Ali Paşa and his name can be observed in the literature under several different names. While in Italy, he was referred to as Occhiali, Miguel de Cervantes called him Uchali in chapter XXXIX of his *Don Quixote de la Mancha*.

### Specialities of the Turkish Bath at the Hamam Botique: Derya

Situated outside the building, next to the entrance, Derya our Hamam boutique offers a selection of goods and souvenirs that represent the hamam culture. Have a look at the classic cotton hamam wraps (peştamal), towels and bathrobes, marked soaps, loofahs (lif), scrub mitts (kese), copper bowls (tas), metal cups (maşrapa), tombac ewers (ibrik), kirden, pattens, and many more fine detailed pieces which have been tastefully selected.





## LOCATION AND TRANSPORTATION

**By Car :** On the other side of the road to Tophane-i Amire, Next to Alpet Gas Station and Kılıç Ali Paşa Mosque, on the Karaköy Meclisi Mebusan Avenue. The first right street to the coast line, from the Tophane tramway station.

**Subway:** 4<sup>th</sup> Levent-Taksim M2 Subway Line- From the Şişhane Station to Karaköy by tunnel.

**Tramway:** Zeytinburnu-Kabataş T1 Tramway Line, Tophane Station. You can reach to Kılıç Ali Paşa Hamamı easily from many districts of İstanbul by the railway. From Sultanahmet, you can reach to Tophane by tramway; and you can take tunnel to Karaköy from Galata or Taksim.

**Boat:** You can take a boat to Karaköy or to Kabataş when coming from the Asian side of İstanbul



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