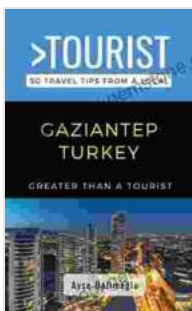


# Greater Than Tourist: Gaziantep, Turkey



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Gaziantep is a city in southeastern Turkey, and the capital of Gaziantep Province. It is the sixth-largest city in Turkey, and the largest city in southeastern Turkey. Gaziantep is a major industrial and commercial center, and is known for its food, particularly its kebabs.

Gaziantep has a long and rich history. It was first settled in the 4th millennium BC, and has been ruled by many different empires over the centuries, including the Hittites, Persians, Greeks, Romans, Byzantines, and Ottomans. Gaziantep was a major center of the silk trade in the Middle Ages, and was also an important center of pistachio production.

Today, Gaziantep is a modern and vibrant city. It is home to a number of universities, museums, and cultural institutions. The city is also known for its food, and is particularly famous for its kebabs. Gaziantep kebabs are made from minced lamb or beef, and are grilled over charcoal. They are typically served with rice, salad, and yogurt.

In addition to its kebabs, Gaziantep is also known for its baklava. Baklava is a sweet pastry made from layers of filo dough, nuts, and honey. Gaziantep baklava is particularly famous for its delicate flavor and flaky texture.

If you are visiting Turkey, be sure to add Gaziantep to your itinerary. The city is a great place to experience Turkish culture and cuisine. Here are some of the top things to see and do in Gaziantep:

- Visit the Zeugma Mosaic Museum. The Zeugma Mosaic Museum is home to a collection of Roman and Byzantine mosaics that were discovered in the ancient city of Zeugma. The mosaics are some of the most beautiful and well-preserved in the world.
- Visit Gaziantep Castle. Gaziantep Castle is a medieval castle that overlooks the city. The castle was built by the Byzantines in the 6th century, and was later expanded by the Ottomans. The castle is a popular tourist destination, and offers stunning views of the city.
- Take a cooking class. Gaziantep is a great place to learn how to cook Turkish food. There are a number of cooking classes available in the city, where you can learn how to make kebabs, baklava, and other Turkish dishes.
- Eat at a traditional Turkish restaurant. Gaziantep is home to a number of excellent Turkish restaurants. Be sure to try some of the local specialties, such as kebabs, baklava, and pistachio ice cream.

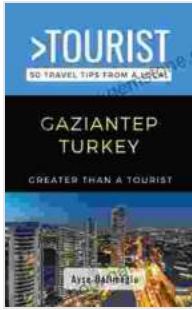
Gaziantep is a great place to visit any time of year. The city has a mild climate, and is sunny for most of the year. However, the best time to visit Gaziantep is in the spring or fall, when the weather is mild and pleasant.

If you are looking for a unique and authentic Turkish experience, be sure to visit Gaziantep. The city is a great place to learn about Turkish culture and cuisine, and to experience the warm hospitality of the Turkish people.

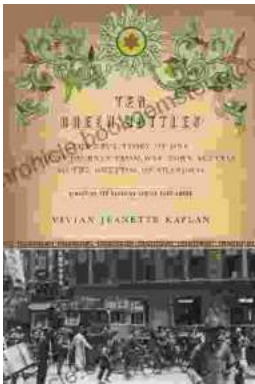
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