



Newsletter

everything you need for your stay in Dalyan

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Hello everyone!

April was a real spring month... Showers, sometimes heavy rain for a few days, a bit of cold wind flowing from the snowy mountains in the north...but all followed by immediate sunshine.

One of our guides (Sonja) was up in the Cappadocia region for a 10-day mountain-bike tour in mid April. She had to change the routes almost everyday thanks to the snow (!!!), cold wind, heavy rains changing a lovely tractor road into a muddy one. So, just think, what a lovely environment we live here in Dalyan: You can do a mountain-bike tour (or any tour in fact) properly on a tractor road; showers could only help us to cool down a bit; and, if you still want it, go ahead and have a mud bath at Sultaniye:) In fact, that's exactly what the next guests will be doing in early May on their cycling tour.

Meanwhile, your favourite tours are already up and running: Jeep safari that lets you see all the essential places and have that long awaited fun and the relaxing boat tours in Dalyan and the Göcek bay under the warm sun.

Hope to see you all soon!



Cycling along the turquoise coast...

HOLIDAY OF A LIFE TIME outdoors + history + real Turkey

It's that time of the year again and our guests from the U.S. are about to start another long distance cycling tour in Turkey, from Selçuk to Çirali near Antalya.

The tour lasts 12 days and participants cycle the 500-km route, in sections and distances per day set as they wish, on MTBs with road tyres on selected side roads wherever possible. A minibus with a trailer accompanies the tour at all times providing transport and support to participants with snacks & drinks along the way.

The best times to do the tour is April through May and September through November.

It's not just a cycling tour though... The aim is to visit real Turkey as we pass through villages, unspoiled natural sites and ancient cities and enjoy the authentic Turkish cuisine while staying at small but beautiful hotels. Starting with a guided tour of world-famous Ephesus, participants get a chance to see Miletos near Söke and Herakleia on the shores of Lake Bafa, then enjoy a 1-night Gulet sailing on the turquoise waters of the Gökova bay, continue cycling towards Dalyan, Göcek and Xanthos the capital of Lycia, and after visiting Simena the sunken city near Üçagiz on seakayaks, finally end cycling at Olympos near Kemer, Antalya.

To us, it's a holiday of a life time for groups of friends who like outdoors and want to see the real Turkey. Why not get together with friends or loved ones and join us? For all enquiries and reservations, please write to us at

bookings@kaunostours.com

SAVE ANATOLIA

You all know what a threat Yuvarlakçay river faced last year and how the brave villagers succeeded in their campaign against the powerplant project. Well, did you know almost all the rivers of Turkey face a similar threat from more than 1600 hydro-electric powerplant projects?

As part of a campaign against destruction of the nature and culture, activists have started in early April a long distance walk to Ankara, Turkey's capital, from 10 regions of Turkey, including one from Yuvarlakçay in order to raise awareness. Participants attend the walk voluntarily on all or part of the routes, some with donkeys, dogs and even camels. They will reach Ankara around 3rd week of May and plan to stay there until the recent laws that pave the way for more destruction due to mining and energy projects, including nuclear, thermal and hydro are changed for good.

Their aim is simple and straight forward: We will not let anyone destroy Anatolia, or as it appears in the Turkish name of the campaign:

Anadolu'yu vermeyeceğiz!
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Cycling on the "mud bath" of Cappadocia

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