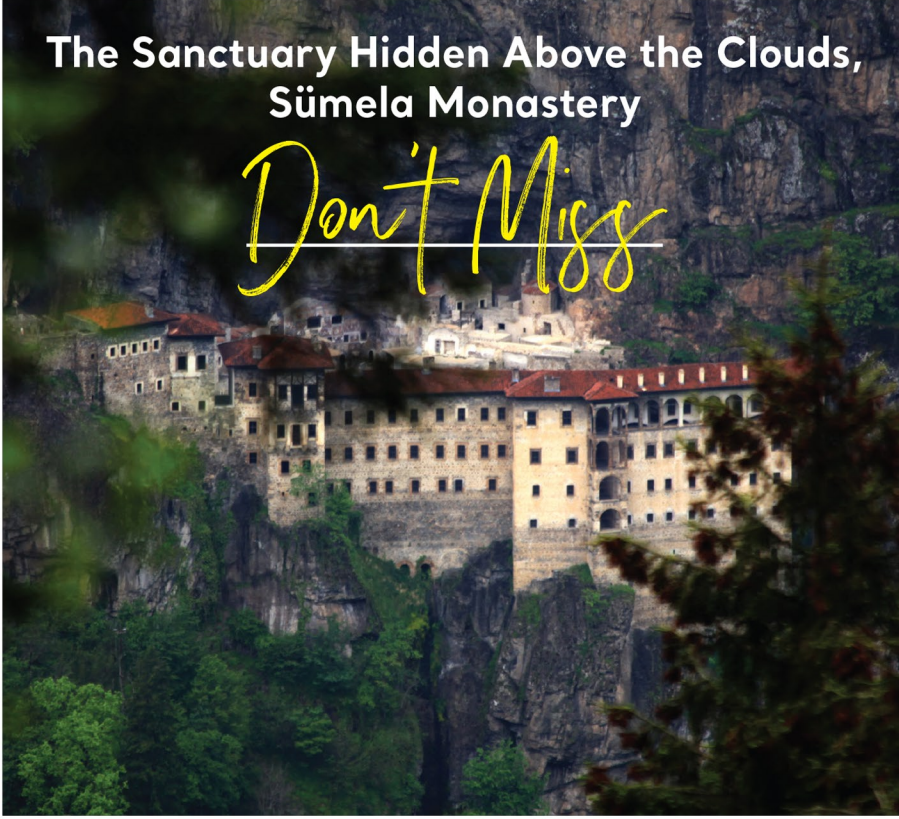


The Sanctuary Hidden Above the Clouds, Sümela Monastery

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St. Anna (Küçük Ayvasıl) Church

The Oldest Church in Trabzon



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Only the scene of deposition of Christ can be perceived from the frescoes. In this scene on the south wall of the naos, although the protruding body and head of the figure of Jesus can be seen partially and Mary standing by the Jesus can only be perceived as rough contour lines.



The church is known to be rebuilt in the 9th century during the reign of Roman Emperor Basil I and it is known as the oldest church of Trabzon. The building was arranged in a three-nave basilica plan in the east-west direction and the naos consists of one main and two side apse sections. The apses which have internally and externally semicircular shape are overflowed. There are two ion-headed columns in the naos. The two columns and capitals inside the basilica shows the signs of Roman architectural influence. There are frescoes on the inner walls which are covered with plaster. It is believed that the marble relief, which was understood to have been made during the Roman Period on its south gate, was taken from an old temple and reused in the church.

