

Adana Archaeology Museum





Adana Archaeology Museum Visiting Hours

April 1-October 1

Wednesday 8.30 Saturday 8.30 Sunday 8.30 Monday Tuesday 8.30 Thursday 8.30 Friday Closed 19.00 19.00 19.00 19.00 19.00 19.00

Box Office Closing: 18.30

October 31- April 1

Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday 8.30 8.30 8.30 8.30 8.30 8.30 17.30 17.30 17.30 17.30 17.30

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The Largest Museum of the Middle East, Reappearance of a centennial factory: Museums complex in Adana







History of Adana Museum

Adana Museum established right after the proclamation of the Republic, in 1924. is one of the ten oldest museums in Turkey. The museum initially started with an exhibition of the sarcophagi and column capitals from the region which were collected at Police Department of the period. In 1928, it was opened to visit at Madrasa of Cafer Pasha Mosque, which no longer exists, near Taş Köprü (Stone Bridge). In 1950 the objects were transferred to Kuruköprü Memorial Museum that was then being used as Ethnography Museum.

The Museum building opened on 5 January 1972 served for many years. The necessity of new museum building occured since its capacity was not enough for storage and exhibition of the cultural objects. As a result of the search for a new museum location, it was decided that the National Textile Factory in Seyhan township in Adana Province be restored, as new Museum Complex. In 2013 the construction of the new Adana Museum complex began as part of the first period works, and opened to visitors on 18 May 2017.



The National Textile Factory

National Textile Factory in Seyhan township in Adana, one of the earliest factories of the city, founded by Aristidi Kozma Simyonoğlu, was planned as the new museum complex as a part of investment programme of the Ministry of Culture and Tourism in 2013. When it is completed, it will be the largest museum of Turkey and the Middle East. The complex is planned to house archaeological objects, mosaics, ethnographic, agricultural, industrial object, and consists of exhibition and conference halls, open air cinema, cafeterias, and restaurants. Archaeology Museum was opened to visitors after the completion of the first period works of the new Adana Museum Complex. The history of humanity from prehistoric ages to present is told in ten sections in the Archaeology Museum.









The early stages of the Earth, the migrations from Africa, Paleolithic, Neolithic, Chalcolithic, and Bronze Ages, Iron Age, Classical Period, Roman Period, Hellenistic Period, Byzantine Period, Ramazanoğlu Beylik(Principality) and Ottoman Period are exhibited in chronological order. A documentary about the cultural wealth of Adana is presented to visitors at the entrance. The cultural objects founded

in the excavations carried out in the region; i.e. Tatarlı Site, Sirkeli Site, Tepebağ Site, Misis Site, Anavarza and Magarsus are exhibited. The sacrificial offering scene in Tatarlı Site temple area, interactive applications for excavations, and the model of Antique Misis are also available in the section. Next to hall reserved for excavations, mosaics discovered in the Adana and its districts are shown in-situ position.

There are Misis, Yumurtalık Artemis, Hippocampus, Tethis, Sugözü, Orpheus, Dirke, Faydalı, Anavarza Tethis, Anavarza fish, Üççamlar and Karlık mosaics. The sarcophagi are on display in showcase. There are also columns and capitals, and an animated replica of a sarcophagus from the Roman Period