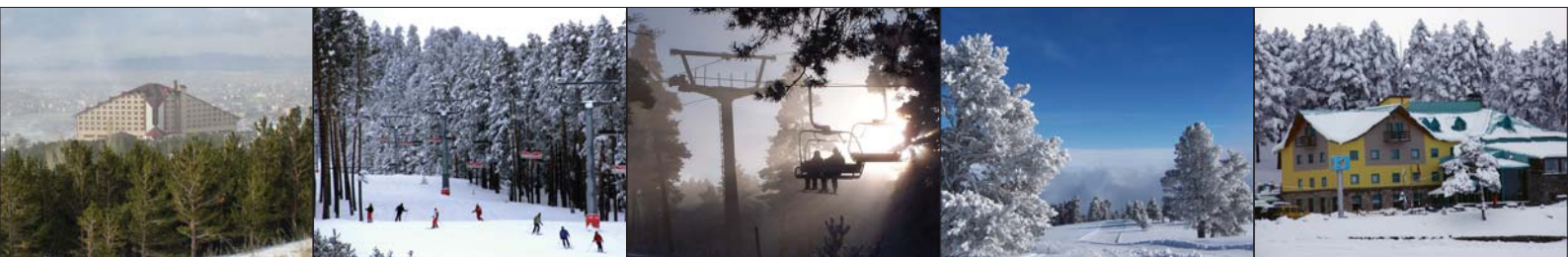




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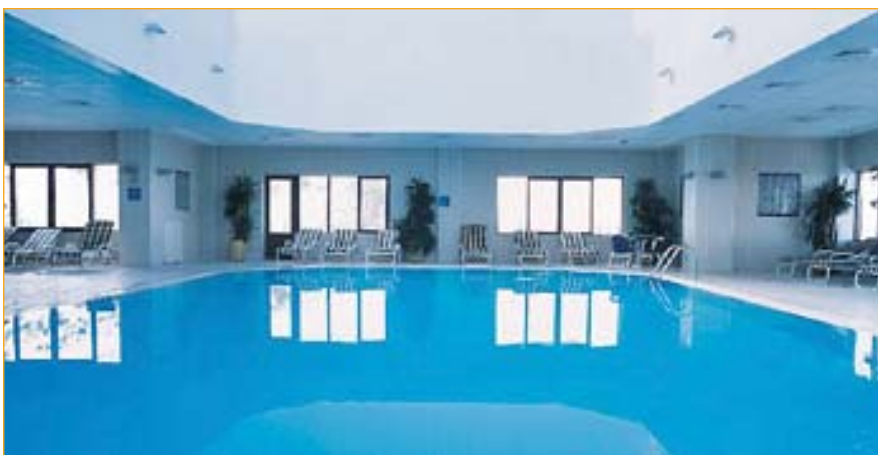


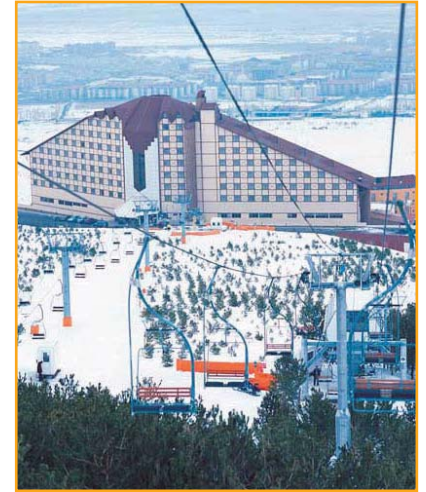
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Ski in luxury at the Palandoken Polat Renaissance Hotel (5 star) ski resort

This resort ski package is an exceptional opportunity to enjoy a world class hotel in the stunning setting of Turkey's Palandoken Mountains. Palandoken Polat Renaissance Hotel- 15 minutes from Erzurum city centre, 25 minutes from the airport and with dedicated chair lifts from the hotel. There are regular flights from Erzurum airport, some international, with many connections to international destinations via Istanbul only an hour away by plane. This is a chance for you to enjoy the absorbing city of Erzurum and skiing on Palandoken (3185 m) while staying in the luxurious Polat Renaissance Hotel.





Palandoken Polat Hotel is 15 minutes from Erzurum city centre, 25 minutes from the airport. There are regular flights from Erzurum airport, some international, with many connections to international destinations via Istanbul.

Ski lifts and runs can be accessed directly from the hotel and provide the skier with some of Turkey's most dramatic skiing where the snow is light and powdery and ideal for skiing. The resort is located at quite a high altitude on the Erzurum plain in eastern Turkey; the Palandoken peak is at 3185 metres and can be accessed by chair lifts. There are rarely queues to take the lifts and the hotel has three dedicated chair lifts. The resort covers about 2200 acres and contains 20 trails and runs; the

mountain is treeless so it is quite simple to go off-piste at any point and with spectacular uninterrupted views there is little chance of getting lost. Ski runs are among the longest in the world and the resort accommodates a range of abilities; seven of the twenty runs are beginner grade, eight intermediate, and two advanced. The remainder are natural providing considerable off-piste options. A particularly useful aspect of this resort is that skiers of all levels can go to the top together, set out in different directions, and meet again at the bottom.

You can rent any ski equipment through the hotel and courses are available with in house instructors. Polat Hotel is a 5 star hotel that has a wide range of superb amenities

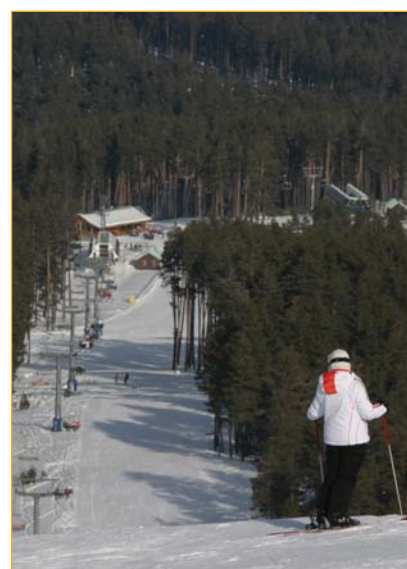
and services including a swimming pool, fitness centre (offering fitness classes), Jacuzzi, Turkish bath (Hamam), Sauna and Steam Room. The hotel has an excellent kitchen with four restaurants, shops and there is free wireless connection throughout the hotel.





A beautiful ski resort set in the wonderful pine forests of Sarikamis

Kars/ Sarikamis set in the beautiful pine forests of Sarikamis the resort is situated in an environment of exceptional beauty. Representing wonderful value the Çamkar is a boutique hotel offering hospitality and entertainment in an intimate setting with great skiing either on or off piste and with cross country routes. Çamkar Hotel, offers you immediate access to some of Turkey's best skiing with state of the art lifts to take you to Cibiltepe at 2700 metres and the magical world of Sarikamis.





Hotel Çamkar is located 45 km from Kars and 140 km from Erzurum in eastern Turkey. There are airports in both cities and regular scheduled flights to Istanbul with international flight connections. Sarikamis is 50 km and about a 45 minute journey from Kars Airport.

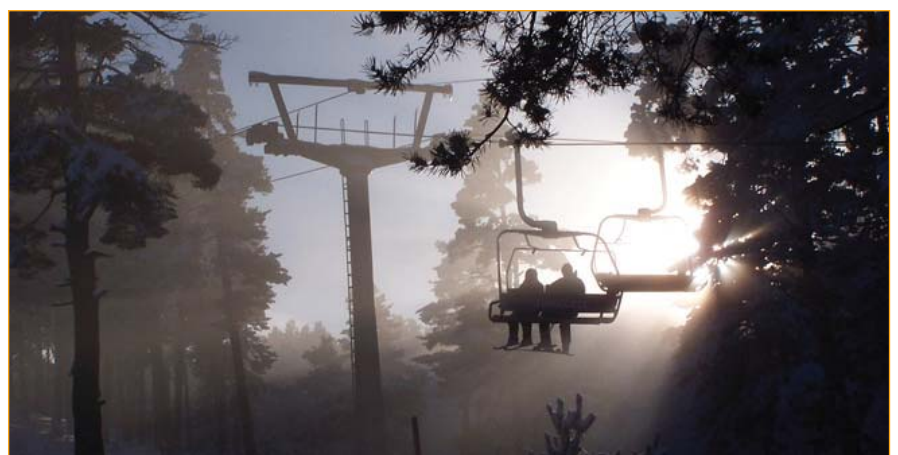
Çamkar is on the outskirts of Sarikamis and set in a beautiful mountain setting amidst extensive pine forests. This is a mid-sized boutique hotel offering a friendly, relaxed and intimate atmosphere. There is both an indoor and outdoor restaurant, bar and night club. The hotel has a well-appointed Health Club with fitness centre, Sauna, Jacuzzi and Turkish Bath. The hotel has an in-house Ski School with a free service of one hour each day under the supervision of professional instructors.

An important characteristic that distinguishes Sarikamis from other resorts is the type of the snow, the natural beauty of the local mountains and extensive pine forests. The crystal snow, which is

extremely convenient for skiing and is of a type also found in the Alps; as a result Sarikamis has been called Turkey's Innsbruck. Although most of the year is sunny and clear, the snow remains consistent in depth and quality for the full season and gives the skiers the pleasure of skiing in safety. Since the pistes are surrounded by Scotch pine forests skiers are protected from the wind. Sarikamis Skiing Facility, which is located very close to Hotel Çamkar, is the largest skiing facility in Turkey with its computer equipped télésiège chair lift system that has a capacity of 2400 people per hour. In Cibiltepe, which has an altitude of 2700m, there are 2 laps with 5 pistes with suitable difficulty levels for all skiers. First lap is 2400m

long and has an ideal slope for beginners. There are 4 pistes in the second lap which has the length of 2200m. When you complete the piste of 7km through the forest, you will have completed the longest piste in Turkey. There are also many opportunities for cross country skiing.

Several times each week you can join the hotel's evening horse drawn sleigh rides through the forest and participate in the exciting dancing and singing performances by Sarikamis' Caucasian dance troupe. This region received many refugees from the Caucasus prior to and during the first World War and their descendants provide the area with a rich cultural mix today.



Adventure Ski Tours

We also provide a range of adventure ski tours on Mt. Ararat / Mt. Suphan / Mt. Artos



Mt Ararat ski tour 6-day programme

Six Day Ski Tour of Mt Ararat: Starting in the City of Van this tour will give you 4 days on the mountain and involve camping and skiing in harsh and difficult environments. After climbing and skiing, with altitude acclimatisation, you will achieve the summit of Ararat (5137m) on day 5 before skiing the descent. This tour requires a high degree of fitness and skiing ability.



Mt Ararat ski tour 8-day programme

Eight Day Ski Tour of Mt Ararat: Starting in the City of Van this tour will give you 4 days on the mountain and involve camping and skiing in harsh and difficult environments. After climbing and skiing, with altitude acclimatisation, you will achieve the summit of Ararat (5137m) on day 5 before skiing the descent. Day 6 includes a tour of the Dogubayazit area with visits to Ishak Pasha Saray, the site which is reputed to contain the remains of Noah's ark and the hot springs at Diyadin. Day 7 transfer to Van with visits to Van Citadel and the Church of the Holy Cross on Akdamar Island in Lake Van. Day 8 depart. This tour requires a high degree of fitness and skiing ability.



Mt Suphan & Mt Ararat ski tour 11-day programme

Eleven Day Ski Tour taking in the two principle volcanic peaks of eastern Turkey, Mt Süphan and Mt Ararat. The first day will give an opportunity to visit the sites of the city of Van including the spectacular Citadel. Day 2 starts your ski tour with an ascent of Mt Süphan with the summit (4050m) on day 3. Ski descent and transfer to Dogubayazit and Day 5, your ascent of Ararat. The summit of Ararat (5137m) is day 8 and descent by ski. On day 9 local sightseeing including the hot springs at Diyadin before returning to Van on day 10 for a visit to Akdamar Island and the Church of the Holy Cross.

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