



Turkish Delights

Style Map | Istanbul It is the only city in the world to straddle two continents, zipped up smartly by the Bosphorus. And with a booming art and design scene, Istanbul is continuing to live up to its reputation as a cultural crossroads. The metropolis — as choked with traffic as it is crowded with mosques — offers a lush, gritty synthesis of East and West, ancient and modern. **SHONQUIS MORENO**

3. Ece Sukan Vintage →
Run by the stylist and model Ece Sukan in the swank Nisantasi neighborhood, this shop is the best — if not the only — source for high-end vintage fashion in the city. Racks are crowded with labels like Dior, Chanel and the local designer Arzu Kaprol. Sukan's own line is in the works. Ahmet Fetgari Sokak No. 152, Tesvikiye; +90-212-233-54-39; ecesukanvintage.com.

4. Haaz
Relocating this year from a gallery space in the business district, Haaz is one of Istanbul's few Western furniture showrooms (Tom Dixon, Marcel Wanders). In the interim, locally made accessories can be found at the Haaz Store in the trendier Besiktas neighborhood. Suleyman Seba Caddesi No. 34, Akaretler; +90-212-227-97-00; haaz.info.



5. Doors
The fashion designer Umit Unal has been inspired by the stories of the Golden Fleece, Babylon and fallen angels. His boutique, beneath his atelier at the top of the Tunel funicular, is part workshop, part theater. Asmalı Mescit Mahallesi, Ensiz Sokak No. 1B, Tunel, Beyoglu; +90-212-245-78-86; umitunal.com.



6. Zeynep Erol Taki Tasarim
The jewelry designer Zeynep Erol reinterprets traditional Indian styles and invents new ways to truss the body, e.g. body-dripping collars and cagelike rings. Atiye Sokak, Yuva Apartment 8/3, Tesvikiye; +90-212-236-46-68; zeyneperol.net.



1. Witt Istanbul Suites
Behind its traditional Turkish sandstone facade, this 17-room hotel is a living showcase of furniture and lighting by the local design duo Autoban. Guest rooms feature perforated walls and pale marble juxtaposed with black tile, mirrored surfaces and the cresting lips of Corian sinks. Defterdar Yokusu No. 26, Cihangir, Beyoglu; +90-212-393-79-00; wittistanbul.com.



2. Depo and Rodeo →
Tutun Deposu, a renovated tobacco warehouse, is the center of Istanbul's new art scene. Depo puts on exhibitions and screenings. Rodeo specializes in regional artists. Luleci Hendek Caddesi No. 12, Tophane. Depo: +90-212-292-39-56; www.depoistanbul.net. Rodeo: +90-212-293-58-00; rodeo-gallery.com.



7. A la Turca
Anchoring the Cukurcuma hillside antiques district, Erkal Aksoy's three-story house is crowded with treasures: annotated maps, a bird cage shaped like a mosque, Uzbek headdresses. Rugs are tied with silk ribbon and arranged à la flowers in a vase or stacked on the library shelves like great classics. Faikpasa Yokusu No. 4, Cukurcuma, Cihangir. +90-212-245-2933; alaturcahouse.com.

8. Sivasli Istanbul Yazmaci
In this shop in the Grand Bazaar, rectangles of Turkish fabric are piled up to the ceiling and spill over onto every surface: gauzy silks as thin as a sigh, vintage scarves embroidered with metallic thread, brilliant flower-printed cottons. . . Don't miss the theater costumes: heavy tunics and ballooning trousers in Barbie-coll pink. Kपालicarsi, Yaglikcilar Caddesi No. 57; +90-212-526-7748.