



KARATEPE OPEN-AIR MUSEUM LAYOUT PLAN



Visiting Hours

April 1-October 1 Opening Time: 09:00 Closing Time: 19:00	October 1-April 1 Opening Time: 08:00 Closing Time: 16:00	Closed on Monday.
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KARATEPE-ASLANTAŞ MUSEUM

Meeting Point with Karatepe Gods



The Museum, which is located in the Karatepe Aslantaş Open Air Museum, was opened on May 24, 2007.

Karatepe-Aslantaş Open Air Museum, which is the place that combines history with nature in turquoise blue Aslantaş Dam Lake in the middle of pine trees, an outpost that was established at the foothills of Taurus during the Iron Age in the Türkiye's first open-air museum that has been established in the border of National Park, "Azativataya" with the Iron Age name, will return to life after 2,800 years in the hands of Halet Çambel and take you to the journey to the Iron Age.

As you pass through the monumental gates of the world famous castle with Luwian and Phoenician inscriptions under the supervision of the storm god, you will meet with the Iron Age gods and become acquainted with the social life, faith and cultural life of the period.

"Only the name of Asativatas is immortal, forever, like the name of the Sun and the Moon..." These words belong to the ruler of Adana Plain which is gift of Seyhan and Ceyhan that have all kinds of natural beauties where climates are intertwined.



After thousands of years, the name of Asativatas was truly immortalized with the reliefs he had made to the walls of the monumental castle gates for Gods and Goddesses that were worshiped, sheltered, begged, feared for the wrath, sacrifices offered, and bilingual inscriptions written in Phoenician and Hieroglyphic writings. Thanks to the bilingual inscriptions, the Luwian hieroglyphs used in Anatolia at that time were analyzed and a lost language came to life.

