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Where blue meets green,
Luxury meets comfort,
Nature meets modern architecture.

Most importantly, Art meets Joy.

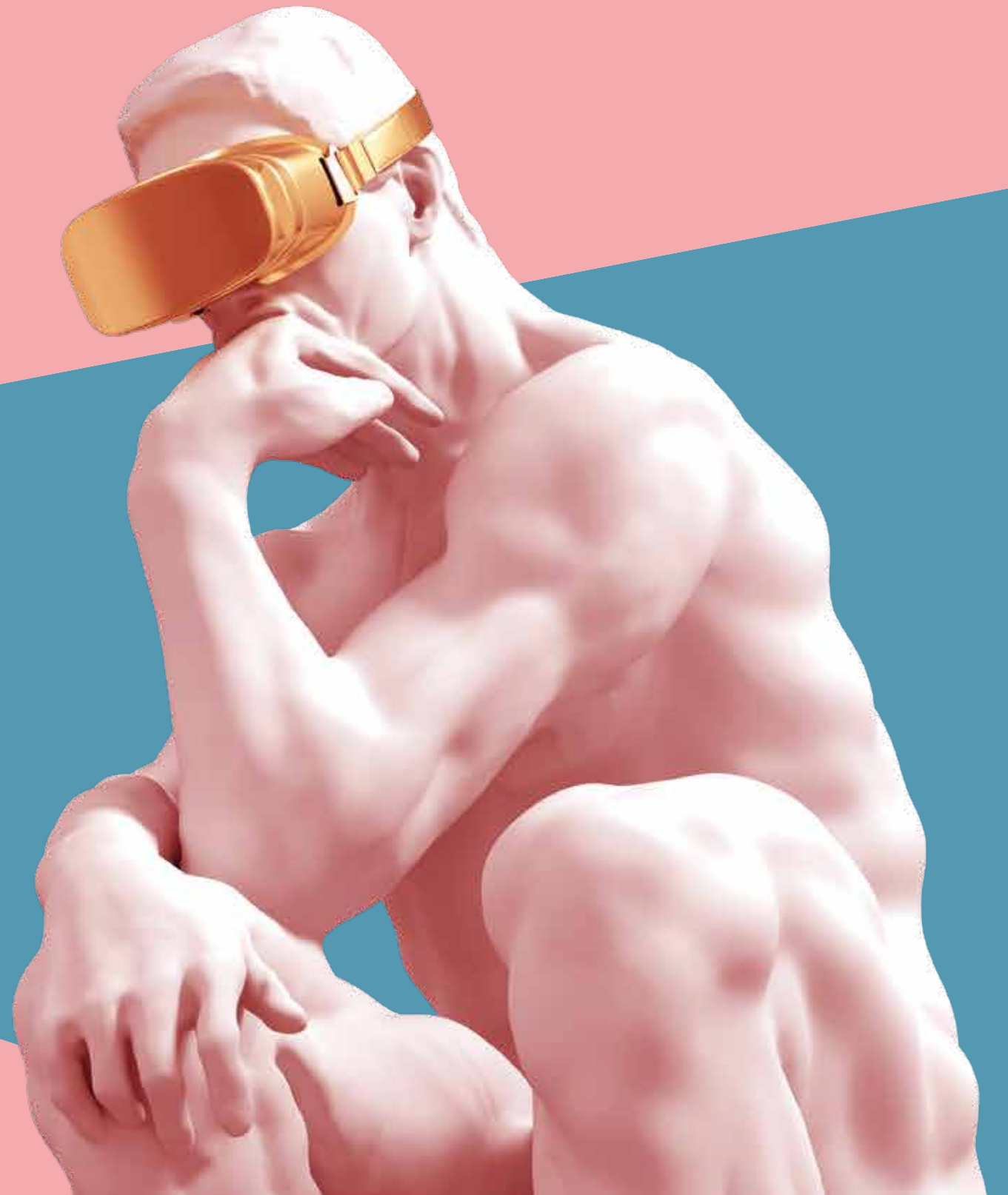
As the American writer, artist and philosopher Elbert Hubbard puts it;
"Art is not a thing, it is a way."
At Lujo we wish all our guests find the way to their inner joy by
re-discovering themselves through art.

Bodrum has been a home to many writers, musicians, painters and
artists as well as a number of civilizations throughout history. Its
nature and past still inspire many. That is why we chose to make it a
home for ourselves and for everyone who consider themselves as
extraordinary.

Again, welcome to Lujo. We are here to make you feel at home.

The Artful

SIDE OF BODRUM





Bodrum's Artful History

Currently sought after for its vibrant nightlife and ravishing beaches, Bodrum, formerly called Halicarnassus, has always been remarkable. In fact, this small coastal town used to harbor one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World! You can still feel the traces left behind by the Lelegians, Carians, Persians, Byzantines, the Knights of Rhodes...

Bodrum provides the perfect combination of history, natural beauty and entertainment. Read on to find out about the history of Bodrum and its inhabitants through time.

Bodrum's Artful History

Famous for being one of the Seven Wonders of the World, this magnificent structure was built by Artemisia II to be the tomb of her brother (and later spouse) Mausolus, the ruler of Caria. According to the descriptions the monument was almost square and the four sides were adorned with sculptural reliefs, each created by one of four Greek sculptors: Leochares, Bryaxis, Scopas of Paros, and Timotheus. It was bounded by 36 columns, and the top formed a 24-step pyramid crowned by a four-horse marble chariot. It was identified as one of the Wonders because of its astonishing aesthetic triumph.

Unfortunately the Mausoleum was destroyed by successive earthquakes from the 12th to the 15th century and could not make it to our day. Some of its stones were reused in building the Bodrum Castle (Castle of Saint Peter) and can still be seen.

Bodrum Castle (Castle of Saint Peter)

Castle of St. Peter, also known as the Bodrum Castle, was built from 1402 onwards by the Knights of St. John. The stones from the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus' ruins were used in its construction. The Bodrum Castle is open to the public and it houses Bodrum's remarkable Museum of Underwater Archaeology. Also several Turkish cultural festivals are held here throughout the year.

Bodrum Antique Amphitheatre

Still actively used for concerts, festivals and cultural activities, the Bodrum Antique Amphitheatre is one of the best preserved structures of the ancient Halicarnassus. Locals and tourists visit it as an open-air museum or attend concerts in this historic scene. The theatre has a beautiful aura and offers panoramic views of the Bodrum peninsula.

Zeki Müren Museum

Zeki Müren (1931 - 1996) was a famous Turkish singer, composer, songwriter, actor and poet. His house in Bodrum has been turned into a museum for his fans to visit. Also known as "The Sun of Art", he used to design his own costumes and was a prominent figure in the Turkish classical music.

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Sponge-Diving

Back when Bodrum was still a quiet coastal town, sponge diving was one of the most significant means of subsistence in the Bodrum peninsula. According to existing sources; sponges were first mentioned in the works of the great poet Homeros.

Traditional sponge-diving consisted of two stages; the sponge first had to be located in the sea, and then harvested. This used to be an extremely difficult and fatiguing job as the technology was not advanced yet and divers had to use their own breath and had help from basic tools such as hooks and harpoons to remove the sponges from the sea.



Luckily and inevitably, some diving suits called scaphander were invented to help these "naked divers". A statue of one stands on the coastal path of Bodrum center for the passers-by to admire. And if you are interested, more details await you at the Bodrum Maritime Museum.



Leather Bodrum Sandals

To this day, Bodrum is famous for its authentic handmade sandals. These sandals are made one by one by craftsmen in their workshops. The most famous ones are traditional woven sandals for women, but the designs vary each year.

In the old times sandals were viewed not as "shoes", but as symbols of status in Rome, Athens and Byzantium. You can still see some gladiator sandals as odes to those days.

Fishery

As with most coastal towns, fishing has been one of the main livelihood options of Bodrum inhabitants. However in the early days the transportation proved to be difficult and the caught fish could not be sold on a large scale. So the fisherman sold to the locals, and traded with the Greeks. According to sources they would meet in the middle of the sea and exchange fish for ingredients or gold.

With the advancement of transportation and progress in fishing, the fishermen of Bodrum began hiring trucks to send their catch to Izmir's wholesale fish market.



Although fishery has always been a part of Bodrum, it has never become its main livelihood. The need for boats lead to the building of Gulets, the characteristic boats of Bodrum that are still highly valued today.

Art in Town

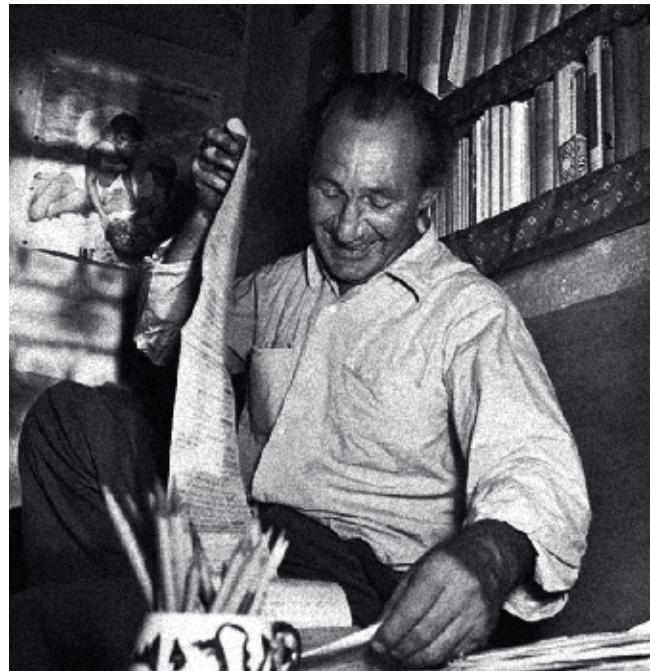
Bodrum has always been, and continues to be, an inspiration to many creatives; artists, poets, songwriters, musicians, singers, designers... even us. This unique combination of natural beauty and artful inspiration is one of the main reasons Lujo was built in Bodrum.

Bodrum Artists Who Made a Mark in History



Cevat Şakir Kabaağaçlı The Fisherman of Halicarnassus

Cevat Şakir Kabaağaçlı is his real name, but everybody knows him as "Halikarnas Balıkcısı" (The Fisherman of Halicarnassus). The funny thing is; this man that is almost synonymous with Bodrum was actually not a native. Bodrum is by chance where he was exiled to, and upon seeing it, where he felt he belonged to. After he completed his sentence in Istanbul, he moved to Bodrum to live in this town that he had fallen in love with.



He was an author, ethnographer and travelogue. Signing his work as "The Fisherman of Halicarnassus", he wrote about the beauties of Bodrum. About its natural beauty, sponge-diving, the lives of everyday people. At first his stories caught the attention of his friends and the reading public and drew them to this town.

The 25 years that he lived in Bodrum, he always worked to make it even more beautiful. He has contributed to the urban landscape by planting more than 25 types of seeds and seedlings brought from other cities and countries. Rumor has it that one of these plants is the bougainvillea the symbolic pink flowers of Bodrum.



Zeki Müren

Zeki Müren's musical talent was discovered by his teachers as he was attending school in Bursa. From an early age he has had prominent roles in school musicals. After completing high school in Istanbul, he attended the Istanbul State Academy of Fine Arts (now Mimar Sinan University).

While he was still a university student he entered TRT Istanbul Radio's music competition and ranked number-one out of 186 contestants. He was highly praised by critics and established musicians only after his first live performance.

He immediately began performing on radio channels, recording songs and giving concerts. He was a prominent figure in the Turkish classical music and in 1991, he was chosen as a State Artist.

Also known as the "Sun of Art", Müren has had over 600 recordings throughout his career. He loved music and the people. He designed his own stage clothes for his concerts and album covers. Some of these clothes and other details of his life can be seen at his house in Bodrum, which has been turned into a museum.



Neyzen Tevfik

Neyzen Tevfik's birth name was Tevfik Kolaylı. He is known as "Neyzen" because he was an excellent "ney" player. "Neyzen Tevfik" translates as "Tevfik the Ney Player".

Born in Bodrum in 1879, he has always had an interest in music and poetry. He used his poetic abilities to match his satiric style and his critical epigrams against the conservative sultan Abdul Hamid II has led to his exile to Egypt in 1903. Neyzen's epigrams are still quoted frequently in everyday life.

White & Blue Houses of Bodrum

Bodrum's traditional houses with white walls and blue window sills built side by side form a wonderful view. It is believed that the reason for this tradition has been practical. The lime, found in the white paint, repels bugs and scorpions, providing a safe environment for the inhabitants. And the blue window sills act as "evil eye beads" to ward off bad luck.

Practical or not, this overall color integrity has become one of the cultural characteristics of Bodrum. Since 2006, it has been required to accept painting the walls white in order to acquire a building permit.

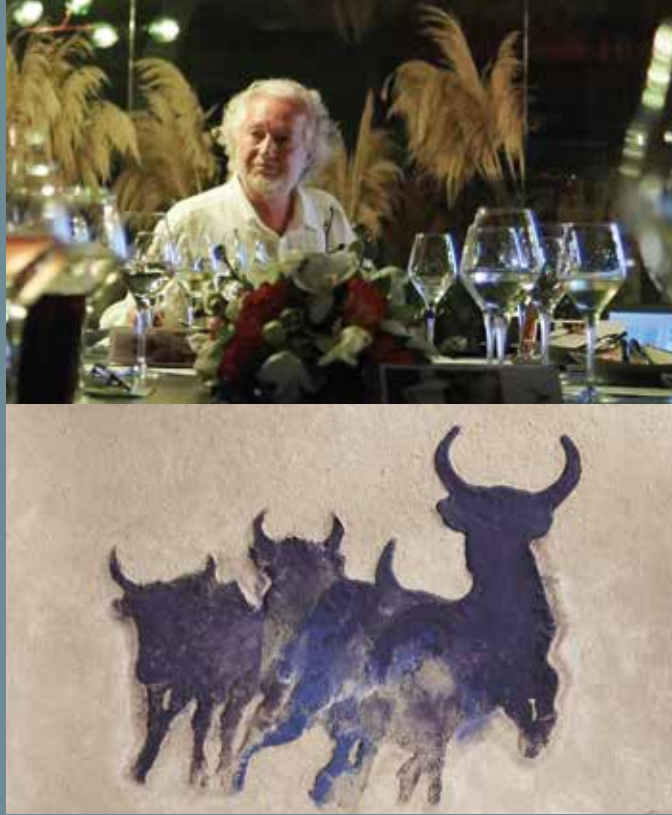




Art in Lujo

Art is open to interpretation, but its universality and timelessness is not questionable. While experts discuss the nature of its purpose, it has existed since the early days through many different forms. It is beyond nationality, religion, even language. It amazes, moves, and above all, connects viewers of all ages in various ways.

At Lujo we are honored to display original art scattered all around as well as host regular expositions and collaborate with artists.



Acrylic painting on canvas 2014 | 100x120



Ender Güzey Events

Ender Güzey is a multidisciplinary artist who has built his own ArtHill in Bodrum. Feeding off of nature, culture and history, he creates expressive artwork.

We are proud to have hosted his exhibition during Lujo's Grand Opening Festival. Our guests also had the pleasure of his company during a private dinner chat with the respected artist.

Erol Eti & Setenay Özbek

We have also collaborated with other seasoned artists who have chosen Bodrum as their home.

Last year we had the privilege of exhibiting the works of Erol Eti and Setenay Özbek, two professionals who have participated in many solo and group exhibitions before.

Art Talks



EMRE ZEYTİNOĞLU

academist | ceramic artist | writer | curator

It was 1972 when I first came to Bodrum. The moment I saw it I was struck with awe - amazed how such an incredible place could exist on earth. I remember staying awake for a few nights just to watch its beauty...

Back then Bodrum began with Halikarnas, was followed by the castle on the coastline, and ended with Ahmet Ertegün's house on the other side of the castle. There was also a mosque, I believe it has been renovated.

I have returned to Bodrum many times after my initial visit in 1972. I have witnessed its gradual change.

The disappearances or alterations of places we regularly dropped by. This always happens to cities - they feed off themselves to evolve.

During this process it is important that they keep their cultures, their stories intact. That is how they preserve their authenticity.

Bodrum is, and has always been an astonishing city.

This would still remain a fact if they had built brand new constructions and avenues - but then it would have lost its historical texture.

Something would be missing. A city needs to have its own culture and history apart from its natural beauty or architectural magnificence.

People need to have their own memories on its streets. Only then can its residents truly enjoy living in that environment. Visitors can feel this texture and can form their own memories to recall the next time they visit.

Eduardo Galeano has a quote on this in his book Soccer in Sun and Shadow. After mentioning the many unforgettable moments in historical yet unassuming stadiums, he continues his passage by saying "King Fahd Stadium in Saudi Arabia has marble and gold boxes and carpeted stands, but it has no memory or much of anything to say." To me, a city is very much like this.

When you think about a city you know and love, the new and old is usually intertwined. You cannot even tell them apart anymore. Art is also a part of this shift in thought.

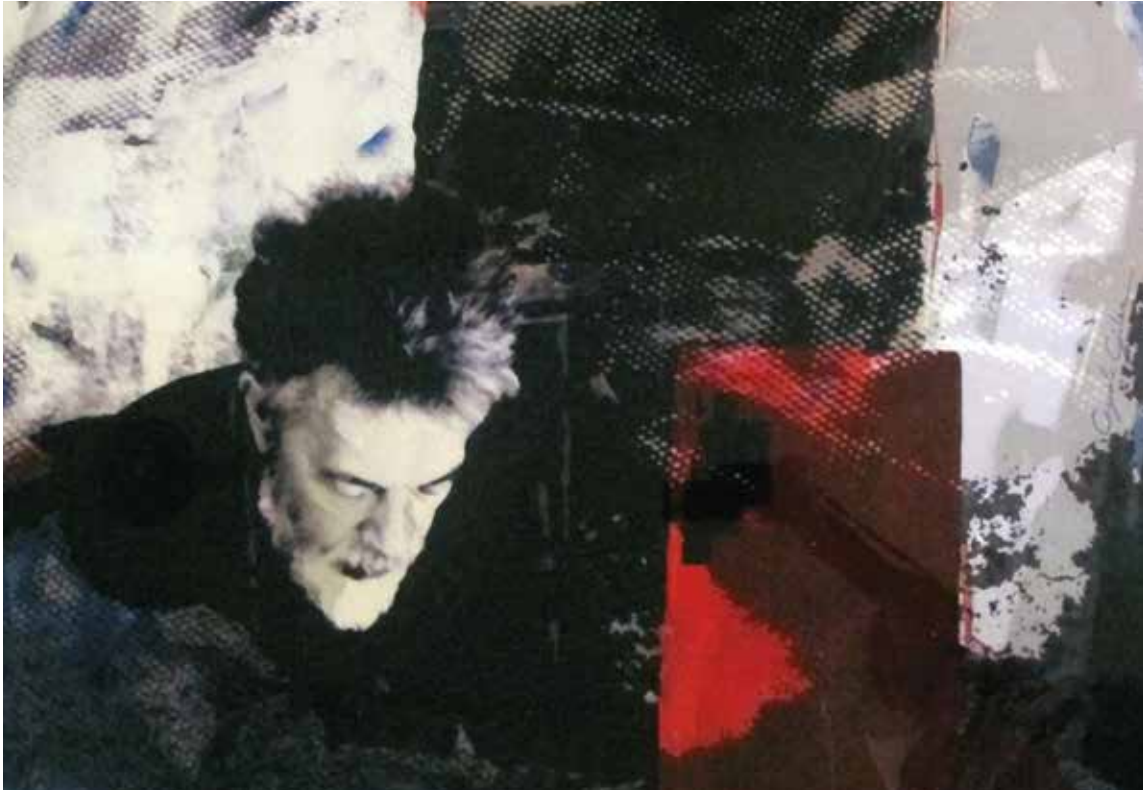


Take Istanbul, for example. Imagine Istanbul and one of the first sights that you will form in your mind is its silhouette with Hagia Sophia, Topkapi Palace and The Blue Mosque. However this important symbol of Istanbul has been formed on the ruins of civilizations before them. You can no longer tell where the old ends and the new begins. Just like in Bodrum...

Lawrence Durrell begins his book Bitter Lemons by saying "Journeys, like artists, are born and not made. A thousand differing circumstances contribute to them, few of them willed or determined by the will - whatever we may think." A city's relationship with art is a very complex one. It is extremely affected by visitors, their moods, artists performing their art...

I sincerely believe art has had a huge influence on Bodrum through the ages. Towards the end of the 60's there are records of a cruise involving Bedri Rahmi Eyüboğlu, Eren Eyüboğlu, Sabahattin Eyüboğlu and Azra Erhat. Some say this is what began spreading the fame of this coastal city. And of course, Cevat Şakir Kabaağaçlı, known as the Fisherman of Halicarnassus, is the one who drew these people to Bodrum in the first place.

Bodrum has been home to many civilizations through time. The artists I mentioned have tried tracing their footsteps from one bay to another, almost starting a humanist movement. They were trying to grasp the Anatolian culture removed from the context of time or nationalism and form a text around their discoveries. Their research and the works of the Fisherman of Halicarnassus created an enormous cultural heritage on their own.



This corresponds to the same time Azra Erhat has translated Iliad. Bodrum was a very important cultural arena until Bedri Rahmi Eyüboğlu's death in 1975.

After that wave has calmed, another one has begun. I remember Mehmet Sönmez - one of Bodrum's first painters. He moved to Bodrum and began painting classical Bodrum scenes with the blue sea, white houses and flashy bougainvilleas. These were sold as prints and became very popular especially in Ankara and İzmir.

Long story short, Bodrum's stories spread through art.

Bodrum's view is amazing, especially as you go higher. Enjoying the view and recalling memories is actually very similar to looking at a piece of art. You contemplate a work of art and see the soul behind it.

It is like gazing into the gulf and reminiscing. You look at an object or an art piece and recognize something in it from your soul. I also find the process similar in cities.

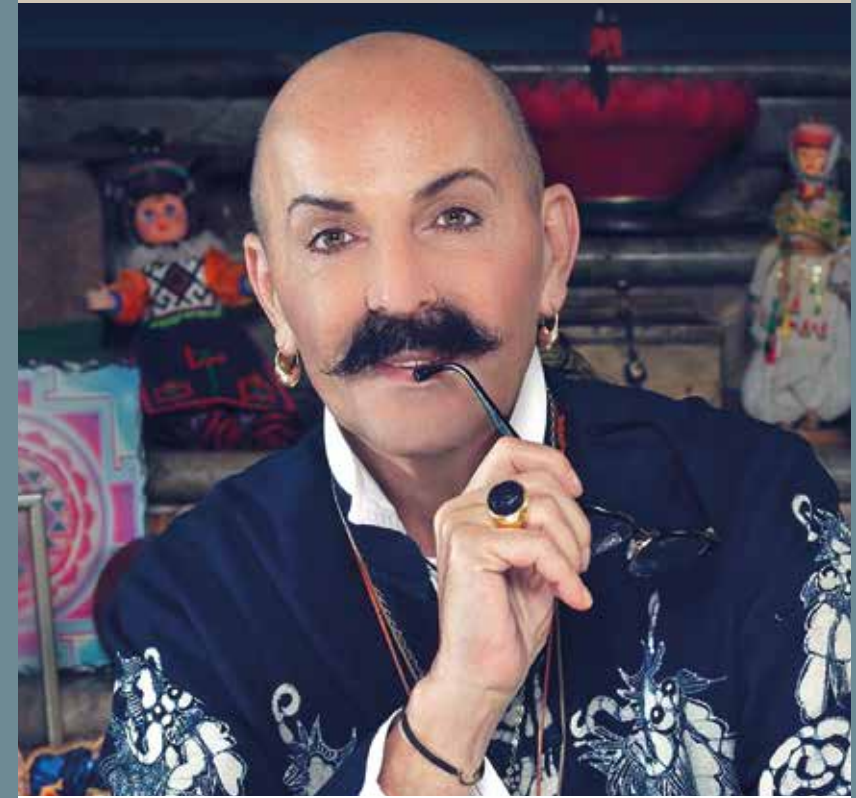
You can look at the Bodrum Castle and see the castle of a knight. Remember the stones of the mausoleum were used to make it. We see merged objects and situations all the time. City structures, artworks, sights... The things you feel are similar.

Here, I look at the walls and I see art. These are not just metal structures or piles of stones. These have souls of their own, and, depending on how you view them, feel, react, everything merges. Art, view, Bodrum, they all come together and this brings an enormous pleasure.

Maybe this is all there is to be said.

Please visit our YouTube channel to watch Emre Zeytinoğlu's video and more ArtTalks by Lujo.

Art Talks



CEMİL İPEKÇİ

| fashion designer |



Here we are; at my atelier in Bodrum... This is an old Bodrum house. I believe we should preserve these old Bodrum houses because each one is a work of art. The houses, the sea, the blue accents of the windows... looking at them from an artist's perspective, you can see how artful they all are.

For me, Bodrum is among the most heavenly places on earth. If you ask me why, I will tell you how the Bodrum Peninsula has served culture and art for thousands of years, since the Carians six thousand years ago. It has set the scene to so much artistic creation; many plays have been staged at the ancient theatre, countless poems recited.

Many well-known sculptors and architects were born here – all those who built these iconic houses. With time, Bodrum has been transformed into art itself.

I love Bodrum. I truly mean it – because Bodrum is a very unique place. On top of all this art, nature has blessed Bodrum with a foundation of chalcedony stones, which provides people with love, art and freedom when combined with the sun.

And the blue of Bodrum Sea, Halicarnassus Fisherman who came here many years ago, important names like Mina Urgan and Neyzen Tevfik who followed him... Who knows the conversations they had here, the artful experiences they went through.

They made the first sea cruise. Even the name is beautiful: Blue(Mavi). We call it Bodrum's Blue. No matter what media you use as an artist; whether you are a painter or a designer, it is called Bodrum Blue. A city that has a color named after it!

The city of Bodrum was very important to me. I have devoted many years to it and I still do.

When I'm in Bodrum I am always amazed because I don't just experience this century; I feel the past centuries as well. I feel the traces of the Carian period, the ages before it, Alexander the Great... I feel the footprint of the Ottoman Empire and Byzantium. And with that mystical, appealing atmosphere of this city, artists of all mediums perform much better here.

When I came to Bodrum years ago, I knew that all artists would flock here one day. When you look around today, you can see that the most beautiful ceramic studios, the best ceramic masters, sculptors, painters, writers and poets are all in Bodrum. Bodrum city gets what it deserves.

Bodrum is not about only throwing your hands up in the air and partying, that is a misunderstanding.

Bodrum itself is art, and hosts art. You can only visit Bodrum to experience the art as it lives.

I am a fashion designer and therefore I can express myself through clothes. For example, this is a dress made of Şile cloth. This type of cloth is used not only in Şile but throughout the Aegean and Anatolian regions.

When I was designing this dress, I was influenced by the scarlet sages of Bodrum that have orange, fire-like flowers. The green comes from the olives and olive trees of Bodrum.

The purples are a darker shade of bougainvillea flowers and form a drape similar to the waves.



This dress was formed in my mind as I was watching Bodrum, the sea, the amazing view. I visualized this dress. If I were an artist I would probably express Bodrum on canvas in a similar way. If I were a poet, I would probably express Bodrum in love. If I were a sculptor, I would express Bodrum as a smooth object with a touch of blue somewhere on it. Every artist has a different way to express themselves in Bodrum.

Now Bodrum is experiencing one of its prime times. The number of artists and cultural activities are increasing, especially in the Bodrum city center, Gümüşlük and Ortakent. Certainly one day, the art scene in Bodrum will be much more spectacular.

Art Talks



Neco



I have been in this profession for 54 years. I call it a profession because I have been providing for my family with the money I earned, the people I met being a musician. However, if you ask me how it all began, I cannot give you an exact answer. It all happened so quickly that I found myself in it – just like I found myself before you today.

When I got into this industry towards the end of 60's, music played a very important role in people's lives. And this continued until the late 80's. Finding music to listen to wasn't easy back then. Materials were scarce. Some orchestras were formed to play live music and people were interested to be a part of it. They came to listen to these orchestras playing music that they couldn't easily find.

These live orchestras kept growing. I could name 30 of them playing in Istanbul in the 70's! There were music halls, exclusive night clubs for the concerts. The media still hadn't grown so mainstream back then, and people were hungry for more and more.

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Upon seeing this demand, media companies began holding contests for new orchestras and musicians. A few important names were discovered through these contests; but more often than not, they just added to the noise. Especially as the TV industry grew and dedicated channels were formed, the music industry was flooded by the media companies. Those who did not make quality music disappeared in time, but the industry wasn't what it once was.

There is a good and bad in everything. Those who sing well, those who don't. Those who produce quality music, those who don't. People who claim to "listen to every kind of music" actually make a mistake. In an art sphere, what you find likeable through your mind and taste create a value that reflects your view.

How was I nicknamed Neco? Let me tell you its story...

In the winter of 1960, through an interesting chain of events, İlhan Feyman accepted me to his orchestra. It was such an amazing team! Yavuz Özışık was there, may he rest in peace. Our piano player is today the conductor of İstanbul Symphony. Erol Erdinç, Alper Feyman...

Only 20-21 years old, I was just bewildered, looking around... at the same time, I realized I had to keep up with them. After only our first rehearsal, İlhan Feyman took me to the İstanbul Radio. We entered the Mesut Cemil Studio. I did not know that İlhan Feyman was hosting a weekly radio show of his own! There our tonmeister Orhan Borar asked him who I was. "Don't worry," he replied and went on recording. "The İlhan Feyman Orchestra is about to begin!", he announced. "And our singer is Neco!" I was looking around to see who this "Neco" was when Mr. Feyman nudged me to get up and sing my songs. I sang 2 songs that evening. After the show, I asked him; "Why did you call me Neco, sir?" My actual name was Tahir Nejat Özyılmazel. "Listen to me, kid", he replied. "Your birth name is too long. It is very hard to repeat such a long name, or to fit that name in neon signs. Neco is nice. Short for Nejat."

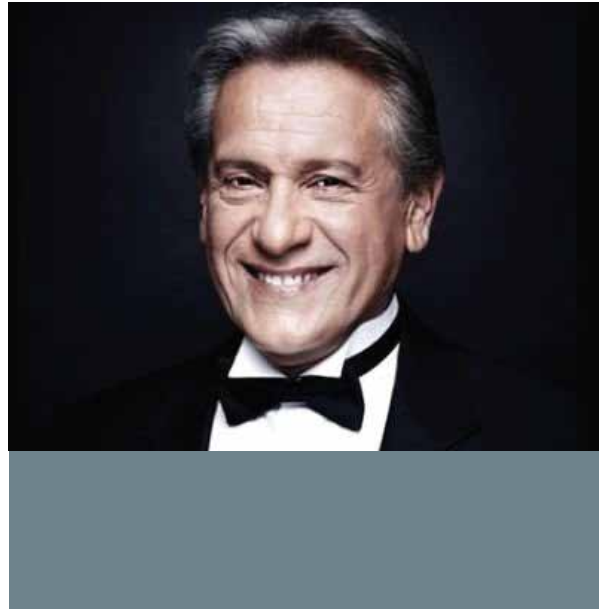
After that, my name was Neco. Only my school friends or my very close friends call me Nejat. To everybody else, I have been Neco for 50 years.

In time I realized the importance of being involved in my other interests apart from music, which is one of the most significant matters of human connection. For example, I really like soccer. I was so involved in my team Beşiktaş that I began managing the team at some point!

I also observed that acting was very closely related to what I was doing. I became interested in acting and beginning with movie roles, I wanted to improve my acting skills. I saw that this role suited me. And I think the many leads I played in movies and musicals have been proof of this.

One of the career choices I made was to represent my country at international festivals. I applied to a few international festivals and received immediate answers from some. Thanks to this, I gave concerts in almost every European country, except for a few ones. I participated in competitions and gave concerts in the Far Eastern countries Japan and South Korea. With the assignment of the state and the foreign ministry in the United States of America, I gave 7-8 consecutive concerts in the USA to gather the Turks there.

All of this allowed me to lead a very action-filled and colorful life in this profession. I am glad I have entered this field because I learned many things and met many important people.



Among these, I have one memory that I will never forget. One day, Erkan Özerman had taken me to an important foundation anniversary ball in Paris. I was wearing a very stylish tuxedo that was custom made for me. It was the first time I had accessorized my collar with long, silk colored scarves. I felt a tap on my shoulder and I looked around to see who it was... Alain Delon! "I would like to ask you something," he said, "where did you get your tuxedo?" I asked him if he liked it, and he confirmed that he really did. "I got it from a grand company in İstanbul," I replied proudly. "A fabulous fashion designer working in that company custom-made it for me."

When I was attending a festival in South Korea, Quincy Jones, who was one of the jury members, congratulated me and I got to meet him. And I had the opportunity to meet many more amazing people like these through the years...

While we were shooting the documentary "Hello World with Neco", I met the presidents and prime ministers of many countries. Among these, the conversations I had with Mário Soares, the prime minister of Portugal, and the warm relationship between us stands out. I also had a wonderful interview with a very big Pakistani cricket player, Imran Khan, in 1994. He is the prime minister of Pakistan right now!



As I said, I had the chance to meet many wonderful people and to visit a large portion of the world. I have been in very different cultures; most of European countries, many countries in the Far East, even America except South America and Central America. These brought me enormous joy.

However, in the end all I can think is that the culture that my country has is amazing with every aspect...

We have an incredible culture from Sufism to food culture, from life styles to historical diversity. However, I think we have a hard time explaining the beauties of our culture in detail.

I would still like to emphasize the importance of the culture Turkey and the Turkish people have. Each and every part of it is indispensable.

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I have suffered greatly from the population of big cities. Years ago, when we were travelling through the Aegean coast with a friend in 1967, I was fascinated with Bodrum even in those days. It had all the advantages of the Aegean Region. Look at the sea... If you go towards the left, you reach Gökova. If you continue to the right, you have İzmir, all the way to Çanakkale! 12 Islands are across the sea. Such a wonderful environment... Also, nothing is too much here. The nature is just amazing. When the dominant wind is not from the southwest, the weather is extremely nice. The fresh air, ease of life, nature all help you experience much more happier moments and days.

The communities and people of Ancient Bodrum have considered some fundamentals to live more in peace. For example, this house and street structure of Bodrum, which has remained from ancient times and has become a part of the culture, is actually very strategic. The roads are narrow and generally face north or northeast because the climate is hot. They arranged them so that the summer winds would pass through these streets and cool the houses. Also, being close to each other allows them to warm up easily in winter.

I love Bodrum very much. My life is much more easier here. I love being in touch with people. I see how the locals get along with those who moved afterwards. I value every breath that I take in Bodrum. This is where I want to live my remaining years, because this place gives me peace.

If you ask me what I am planning to do in the future; I will eat healthy food, live in healthy environments, and breathe in the fresh air of the beautiful Bodrum...



A Night at the Extraordinary Helikon Opera

Having embraced "Art&Joy" as our concept, we are always on the lookout for "the most extraordinary" for our guests. We put on magnificent shows, team up with trailblazer artists, prepare delicious meals freshly with authentic cooking methods.

In an attempt to broaden our horizon even more, this winter we visited Moscow and held an exceptional event to strengthen our relationship with our valued business partners.

The Helikon Opera House, where this event was held, is a significant building of its own. Before the reconstruction, the estate used to be a residence. Many of its rooms are still preserved in their original, varying decoration styles. Some of them are used as exhibition halls today. The stage cloak of the famous Maria Callas can be viewed in one of them.

In others, considerable Russian artists hold exhibitions occasionally. Every 20 minutes, a guided tour takes the visitors through the history of this grandiose building.

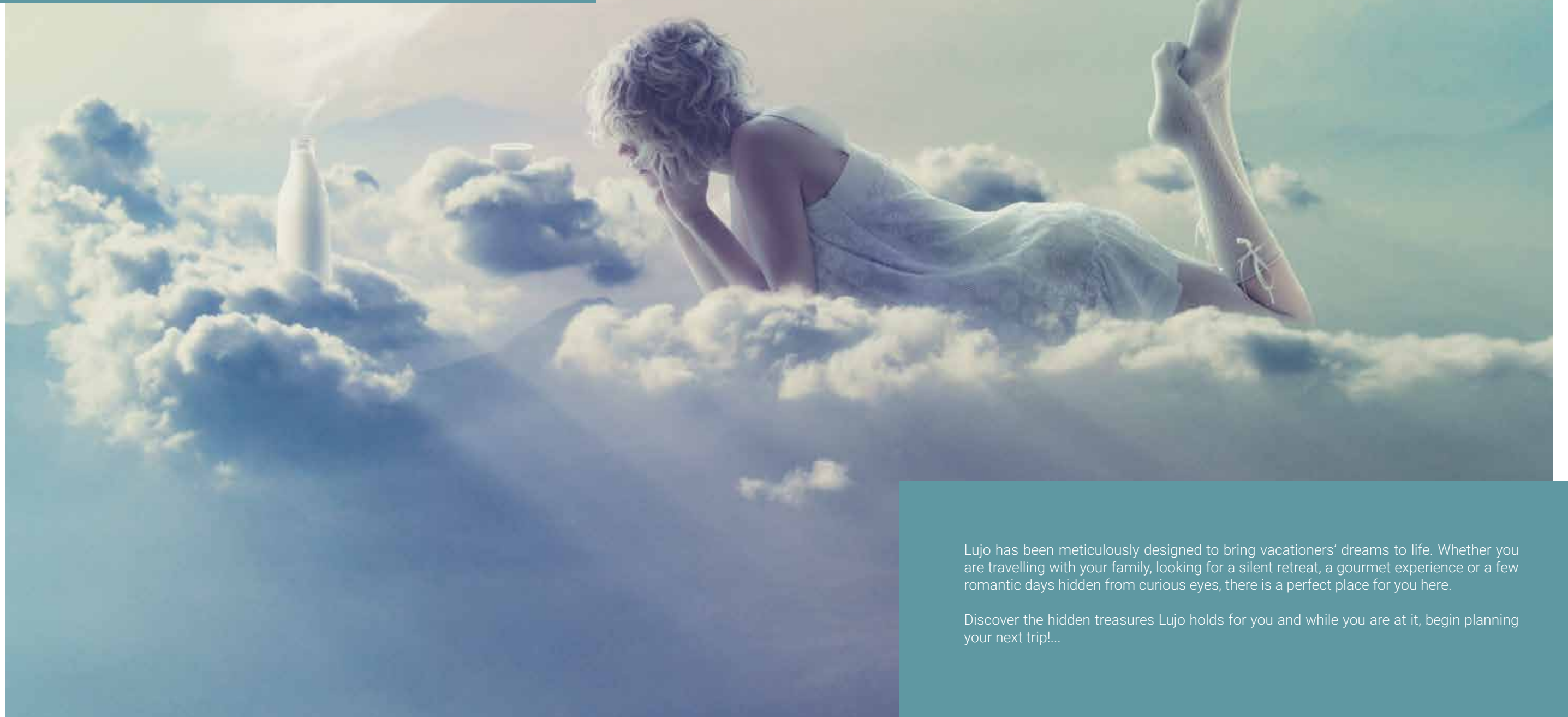
You will be surprised to know that the luxurious opera hall actually used to be the building's courtyard. Now they have completely restored the area and the monumental façade acts as the decoration of the fascinating hall. We were honored to be able to host an event at such an amazing venue.

The repertoire of the night consisted of well-known and beloved opera songs such as "Libiamo ne' lieti calici" (Verdi), "Couplets of Escamillo" (G. Bizet), "Duetto buffo di due gatti" (G. Rossini).

We hope to continue our extraordinary collaborations and events in the future, in and outside of Lujo.



An Artful Approach to Vacation...



Lujo has been meticulously designed to bring vacationers' dreams to life. Whether you are travelling with your family, looking for a silent retreat, a gourmet experience or a few romantic days hidden from curious eyes, there is a perfect place for you here.

Discover the hidden treasures Lujo holds for you and while you are at it, begin planning your next trip!...

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FAMILY VACATIONS

YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT LUJO!





Vacationing with Children

We have various family room options and activities for kids to make everyone in your family happy. We would also like to remind you that we offer babysitting services in case you need assistance with anything - or you just want to take a break.

Let us share some tips and reminders with you to make the most of your time here;

Pick a family song

Play it when you have returned from the beach, as you are preparing for dinner or before you go to sleep as a bedtime ritual... As they get older, your kids will remember your happy time in Lujo whenever they hear that song.

Notice the details

A vacation is a great time to spend time as a family and notice the things that make your kids happy, inspired, hopeful, proud, loved... take notice of these moments to make your family ties even stronger.

Take many photographs - and don't delete any of them

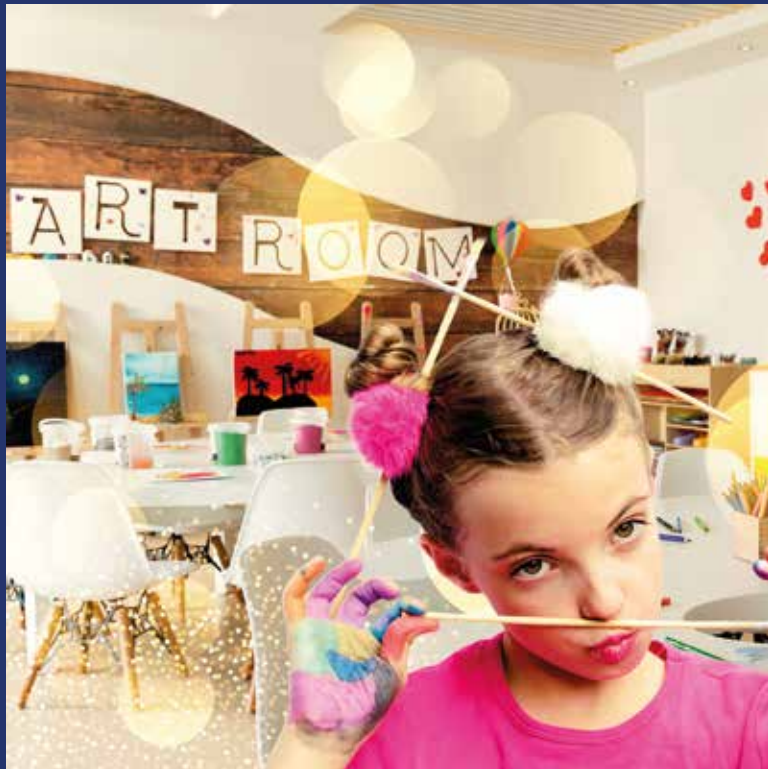
This goes without saying, but children grow up fast. Take many photographs and don't delete any of them - even the ones where your kids are throwing sand in their dad's face. They will become precious memories as the years go by.

Let your kids be kids

They might want to jump on the daybed while you were dreaming of building castles in the sand. Want to wear something else than you planned. Spend the day with their new friends instead of with you. Try to make peace with the fact that they have their own agendas and don't care about your plans - because they are just kids. Try to enjoy your vacation keeping this in mind.

We've got you covered

You might have packed your child's shoes and clothes and favorite toys and everything in between... but just in case you forgot anything, we've got you covered. Feel free to ask for what you need and we will deliver it to you.



Sorry adults – you are not allowed through the doors of Kijo!

Operating every day from 9 AM until 2 AM, Kijo is an alternate universe for our young guests. They are free to stay for as long as they like and participate in any and all of the activities Kijo Club has to offer. The variety makes Kijo charming for all age groups.

Here they will have the opportunity to meet new friends, try new activities, acquire new skills and make unforgettable memories.



Some of the activities include but are not limited to;

Kijo sports (gymnastics, pilates, yoga, belly dance, Zumba),
Scented stone,
Wood log painting,
Candle design,
Pencil case design,
Watercolor art,
Bag painting,
Frame design,
Ceramic art,
Hat design,
T-shirt painting,
Soft toy design,
Mask painting.

Please check with Kijo for the current schedule.

There are also activity rooms such as Art Room and Music Room which teaches kids of all ages new skills. Both children and parents are very happy with the results.

"Thank you art room.
Your team is amazing my children had
fabulous week of art with you! :)"

We love making families happy!
Thank you for your
Instagram comment, @agnieszkabirol

A surreal beach scene featuring a woman in a bright green dress and a young boy in blue swim trunks jumping over giant strawberries. The strawberries are large, red, and have green leaves, appearing to be part of the beach landscape. The background is a bright, hazy sky with soft clouds. The overall mood is joyful and whimsical.

Joy Beach

Imagine all those amazing beach images that you have dreamed of as you were envisioning your vacation... The tranquil sea glimmering with sunshine, white sand beach laying before your eyes, blue sky overlooking this joyful scene... This could only be called “the Joy Beach”.

You will have the time of your lives with your family as your kids play in the sand or take their first steps in the shallow parts of the beautiful Aegean Sea. The white sand is specifically chosen to keep your feet cool and safe.

And the best part? There are alternatives for those who prefer silence - so you don't have to worry about your kids laughing with joy as you play together!

Delicious Custom Menus

All our restaurants offer special menus for children and canned food for babies (except Opa! and Teppanyaki, where age restrictions apply). Especially in Koza, there is a special buffet for children where they can choose their own meals. They also have a special area in the restaurant dedicated to them.

Our chefs will be happy to prepare custom dishes for your family as well. Please let us know in advance if you have any dietary requirements or food allergies.

During the day Kijo Club also offers meals for children where they eat together as a group.

Kids' Amenities

All our family rooms have special amenities for children and babies;

List of Kids' Amenities

Bathrobe,
Slippers,
Beach bag,
Special treats in minibar,
Bathroom and cosmetic set:
shampoo, lotion, bath loofah, detangle spray and
comb, toothbrush, toothpaste
For babies:
shampoo, lotion, rash cream, bath loofah,
toothpaste and baby towel

Upon Request

Baby bathtub and baby washing set
Baby monitor
Night milk
Bedside lamp
Game carpet
Steam maker
Digital thermometer
Mom's lap and car sit
Sink step



The Art of

SPORTS



Sports is a delicate subject.
Most of us have a love / hate relationship with it.
Some view it as art, whereas some others
view it only as a physical activity.

What are your thoughts?
While you are here, why don't you give new sports a go and
see how you feel about them afterwards?



Lujo Sports Academy

Each one of our sports teachers are qualified personal trainers determined to give you the best personal experience possible. This year they have combined their powers to form a Sports Academy for you!

There are varying sports activities throughout the day, every day. We believe you will be especially interested in beginning your days with different types of yoga practices and finding the one that suits your style. If you would like to try something new you could see if you like paddling, antigravity yoga, kickbox, Muay Thai or AquaFitmat (finding your balance and doing exercises on thick mats spread over the pool).

Crossfit and TRX lessons are also included in the Sports Academy group lessons for those who want to give it a try. If you like it and want to improve yourself you can always continue a personal program with our sports teachers.

Group Lessons

If you like to keep your fitness in check even on vacation, or discover a new sportive side of yourself, this is the place for you. Our professional trainers are here to help you with equipment, to create custom workout plans for you, or to guide you in mini group lessons.

Lujo Sports Academy lessons consist of 3-5 guests per session. This combines the fun of group dynamic and energy with custom care and attention.



TRX

Total Body Resistance Exercise

TRX is a full-body strength workout that is appropriate for beginners as well as professional athletes. This workout utilizes a person's own body weight instead of relying on machines or dumbbells.



BodyArt Flow

BodyArt Flow allows your body and mind to be realigned and benefit from the flow state in a holistic approach. All movements are guided by your breath. Your trainer will guide you through a journey from the external to the internal and you will feel its effects physically, mentally and emotionally.



Fit Mum

Get back into shape by this group exercise targeting all the major muscle groups. You will have fun while working out and feel much more energized afterwards.

Pilates Reformer is a game changer for anyone who uses it. It is a tool that uses springs, leverage and body weight as resistance while you target specific muscle groups.

Trainers at Lujo will help you make the most of this phenomenal equipment. If you have questions, here are a few benefits of the Pilates Reformer to convince you;

Pilates Reformer

Increases muscular endurance

The resistance provided by the Reformer will help you increase muscle endurance. This in turn helps you get through everyday tasks with ease.

Increased core strength

In order to position yourself correctly on the Reformer, you need to use your core; your abdomen and lower back muscles. This increases your core strength and thus decreases your risk of injury in daily life.

Improved posture

A good posture will help with your back, make you more stable, even make you appear thinner and taller! This is obtained by the Reformer improving your spinal alignment.

Increased flexibility

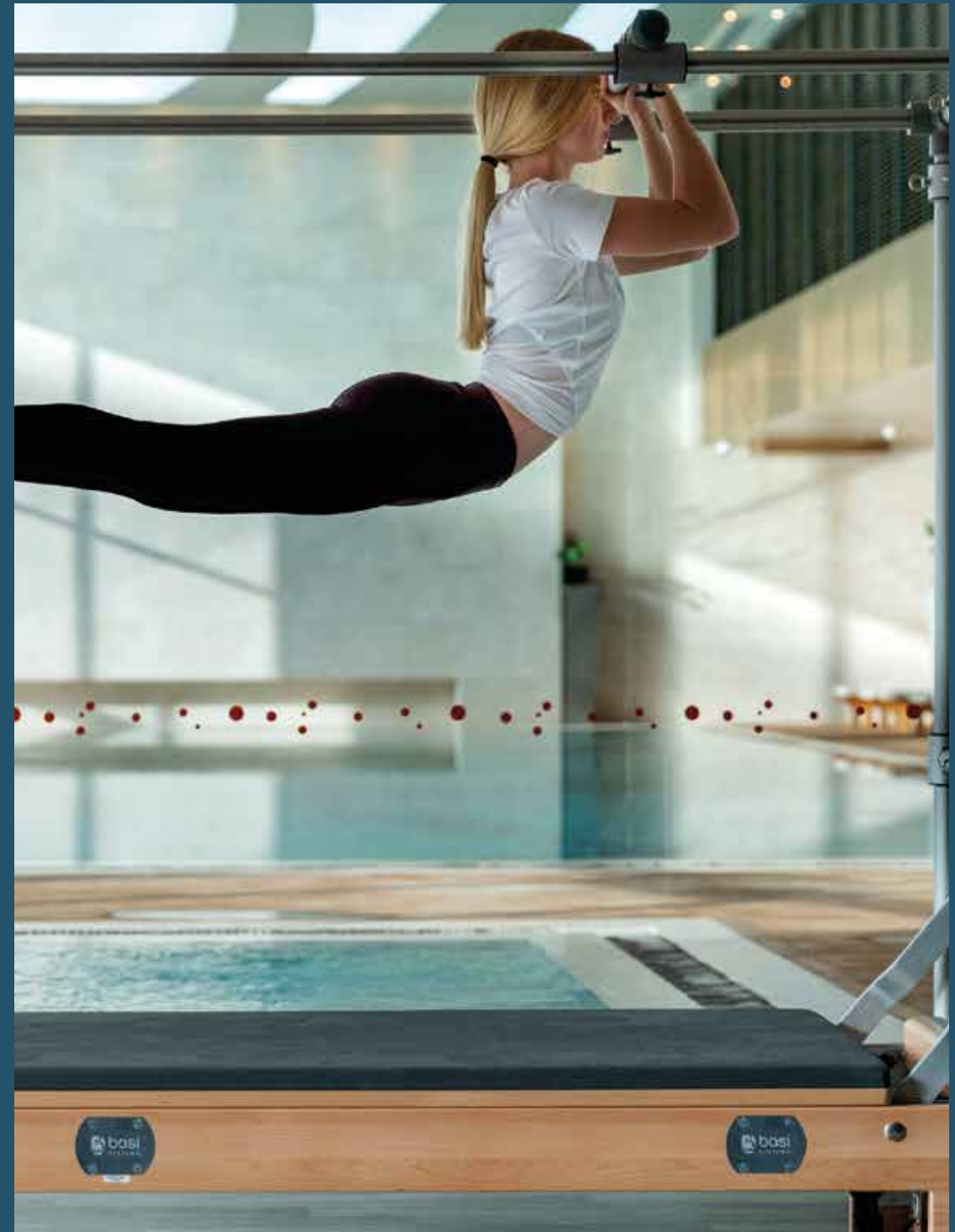
As you exercise on the Pilates Reformer you use your muscle groups in a full range of motion. This improves your flexibility in everyday life and you continue your life with less strain and fatigue.

Improved breathing

During your workouts one of the things you will emphasize on will be breathing. Breathing deeper and less frequently will help you relax more. This will increase your oxygen and energy levels during exercise and also at rest.

Reduced body fat

Any kind of exercise helps with reducing body fat. However, combined with the other benefits of Pilates Reformer, your newly defined muscles will help burn fat even when you are resting.





SWIMMING LESSONS

We know how inviting the beautiful Aegean Sea and infinity pools look. Sunshine reflecting on the surface of the water, laughter of your friends and family enjoying themselves, the urge to cool down on a hot summer day...

We can only imagine how frustrating it can be not knowing how to swim.

End this now once and for all by taking private swimming lessons - either to learn how to swim or to improve your strokes.



TENNIS LESSONS

Need an excuse to dress all in white and put on a cool hat? We've got you covered.

Even if you have never held a tennis racket in your hands before, you can take tennis lessons to try your hand at this royal sport.

Our professional tennis instructors will provide the equipment and make the reservations - so you only need to make up your mind book yourself a lesson.



WATER SPORTS

Add some color to your vacation and the blue Aegean Sea with various water sports! Choose a popular option such as Banana, experience flying with Parasailing or Fly Board, take a tour with the Jet Ski.



BEACH VOLLEY

No summer vacation should be complete without a good game of Beach Volley. Accompanied by the fun beats of a live DJ performance, all parties enjoy the game, music and the sun.

There is a weekly Beach Volley tournament for the competitive souls. Or if you just want to have fun and enjoy the game, there is a regular Beach Volley session everyday.

Trekking

Leleg Trekking Route

The Leleg Trekking Route is a wonderful option for those who would like to witness the history of Bodrum as well as its natural beauty while enjoying outdoor sports.

The route takes its name from the Lelegs, who are believed to be among the first few civilizations of the region. They were part of the Carian people but were known for living on the high rocky plateaus of the Bodrum Peninsula in order to stay safe and keep an eye on their enemies from above.

Bodrum Leleg Route might be described as the western extension of the historical Lycian and Carian routes. The whole route is about 185 kilometers and it can take up to 5 days to complete by foot. There is also a 20-km biking trail for the bike enthusiasts.

Be warned; once you begin hiking, you will need to climb up and down at times. It is not a difficult route but not a walk in the park either. Along the way you will come across Kaplan Dağı (Tiger Mountain), Çiftlik Kaklık, and Kocaçal Tepesi where you can see remains from the Lelegs and a wonderful view overall.

The Carian Trail

The Carian Trail consists of several different routes in and around Bodrum. The one in Bodrum is a 12 km path, ending in Torba. As you hike on this trail you will pass through Pedasa and Gebe Church, enjoying both the ancient city ruins and the sea view.

Along the way you will see the bays of Turgutreis and Yalıkavak in this order. After taking in the view and possibly a few photographs, you will continue until the ancient city of Pedasa. Also known as Pegasus or Pegasus, this was a town of ancient Caria. If you continue following the path, you will reach the Gebe Church. Even though it is named a church, here you will actually see tombs from the Lelegians. The path will end in Torba, however beware - the walking paths might be covered by the plants around, making it difficult to pass through.

Lujo Tip

Your Joy Advisor will remind you to put on sunscreen, wear comfortable walking attire including appropriate shoes and a hat, and bring water and snacks with you.



The Art of

LAUNGING BY THE SEA



The moment you have been counting down to has finally arrived! You are in Lujo and about to surrender yourself to the embrace of the charming Aegean Sea...

Now the only question is which beach to pick.

Is it going to be the quiet Escape Beach or the family-friendly Joy Beach with their white sand shores? Indigo Beach Club where there is an ongoing party with live DJ performances at any moment of the day? Or the Pier Lotus that extends into the sea?

As the sun and the sea increases your appetite make sure to visit our bars and restaurants for delicious lunch or snack options to satisfy your hunger.



Here are some tips before you go;

Use sunscreen

You might lose track of time as you are having fun - and if you are in the sun all the time, this may cause sunburn at night. In order to keep on partying don't forget to use sunscreen.

Drink water

Our mixologists prepare amazing drinks that keep you coming back for more. Don't forget to order a glass of water every now and then to keep hydrated.

Dance like nobody's watching

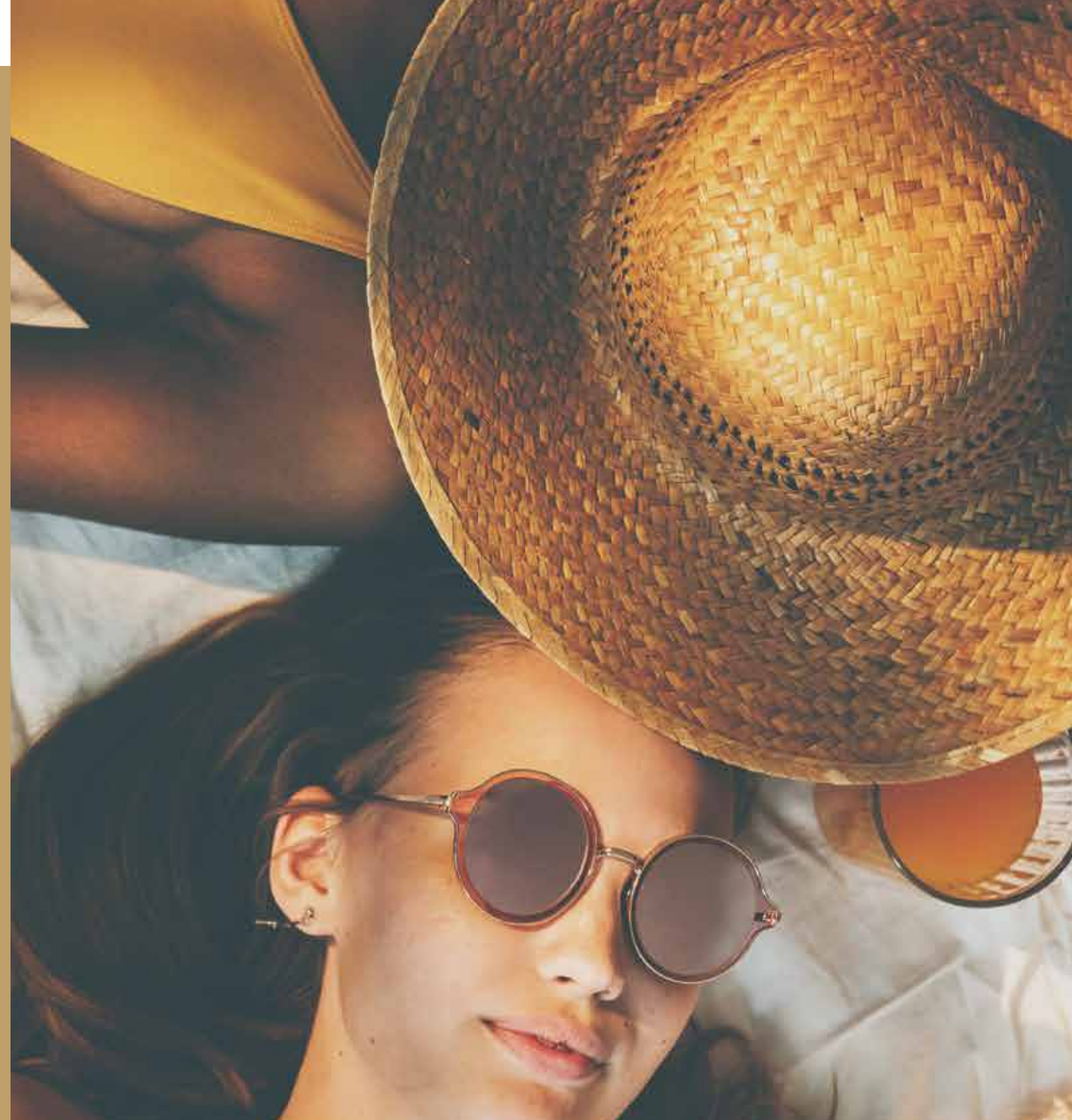
Join the beach party at the Indigo Beach Club and dance to the DJ's tunes. Some playlists are already on Spotify if you want to practice dance moves before you begin.

Play in the sand

We bet it's been a while since you played in the sand by yourself. Build castles with it, draw on it, dig a hole in it... playing with the sand will relieve your stress and you will be much happier afterwards.

Try other beaches

We have many choices at Lujo for a reason. We want you to try new things and discover what brings you joy. Visit different beaches to experience new things.



We wish you a pleasant day at the beach!



A woman in a pink dress is reaching up towards a large cluster of pink balloons in a forest. The scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The trees are tall and slender, with green foliage. The overall mood is dreamy and ethereal.

The Art of

GASTRONOMY

TO EAT TO LIVE, OR TO LIVE TO EAT?

Putting together delicately chosen ingredients to create fascinating recipes... Gastronomy is an art form altogether. Or dare we say, magic? Lujo's masterful chefs prepare exquisite dishes that feast your eyes as well as your taste buds.

Eating and drinking has been one of the constant pleasures of humans for centuries. People have traveled to taste new delicacies, discover new spices to enrich their meals. At Lujo we view each dish as a chance to delight our guests even more.

We have separate restaurants with magnificent views for various dining choices. At each one, your meals are prepared upon your order with the very best quality ingredients.

Lujo Restaurants



El Gaucho - Steak House

Dry Aged Dallas Steak

Dry aging a steak is a gastronomical process to be performed in professional environments and not to be taken lightly. This method; which makes the meat softer, more delicious and easy to digest, also eliminates the heavy odors in the meat, making it more aromatic and nutritional.

However, it is not applicable to every meat. Visit El Gaucho Steak House to take your pick among our selection of dry-aged meats and savor every bite.



Sorriso - Italian Kitchen

Salt Crust Cooking Fish

In his book "Salt: A World History", Kurlansky talks about how mankind has been using salt to preserve meat and fish since centuries, beginning with Ancient Egypt. Today, the method of cooking in the salt has been improvised by people experimenting with food - born entirely out of curiosity.

At Lujo, we aim to please and surprise our guests with the most delicious and natural cooking and presenting methods possible. The salt crust cooking fish lets us do all at once. And here is a sneak peak at the recipe of this fascinating dish:

- 4½ cups flour
- 3½ tbs sea salt
- 1 cup water
- 2 egg yolks
- 300 gr turbot fish with skin
- 50gr leek
- 1gr red pepper
- 25gr butter
- 50gr onion
- 200 ml cream

Mix flour, egg yolks, water and sea salt to form a dough. Separately add lemon peel, tarragon, garlic and peppercorn to the turbot fish to marinate. Wrap the dough around the fish and bake at 180°C for 35 minutes. Boil fish broth, cream and butter. Reduce by 50% and your sauce is ready for serving on the fish dish.

Asma - Turkish Kitchen

"Matbah-ı Amire" is the customary name of palace cuisines in the Ottoman Empire. The kitchen section of Topkapı Palace, built by Fatih Sultan Mehmet between 1475 and 1478, is spread over a large area of 5250 m2.

Lujo restaurants are inspired by this culinary understanding to offer our guests excellent service. Your taste buds will take you on a journey through history as you savour the dishes and desserts prepared using the same traditional methods that were used to serve sovereigns and sultans such as Hürrem Sultans and Haseki Sultans...

Our experienced chefs use the same palace techniques so that you, our esteemed guests, can enjoy this historical heritage and culture from the delicacies.

Enriched by the blending of the Seljuk, Balkans, Aegean, Caucasus, Syrian, Lebanese and Anatolian cuisines; Ottoman palace cuisine is among the top three world cuisines. We are honored to be able to present this rich heritage to you.



Kebab in Sealed Clay Pot

Once you try this dish, you will immediately taste its difference. The sealed clay pot has been officially registered as a cooking technique for this select dish. Since the clay's raw material is natural, it gives the meat a unique flavor and zest.

There are clay pots in various sizes for this dish. They all have a line right below their bottlenecks. This will break upon a single tap with a hammer – preventing the broken pieces to mix with the food.

Wash and filter the meat cut into large pieces and pour into a large bowl. Peel the onions and add to the bowl. Chop the tomatoes and the peppers into large pieces and add to the bowl as well. Mix with the tomato paste, salt, cumin, black pepper and sunflower oil. Fill this mixture into the clay pot. Seal its opening tightly with a piece of dough. Cook in a hot oven for 1.5 hours. Let it rest for 20 minutes. Take the dough out and it's ready to be served...



Bistro - Mexican Kitchen

A Combination of 4 Kitchens

Due to the cultural heritage they had until they were conquered by the Spanish in 1521, the Mexican cuisine consists of 4 different kitchens that are inseparable from each other.

The oldest of these cuisines is the Zapotecs, the first civilization of the region. Predominantly consisting of fruit and fish, this cuisine forms the cold part of the Mexican cuisine. All the cold soups and fruit salsa emerge from this cuisine.

Maya Civilization;

With the development of agriculture, they built a kitchen built on corn. Tacos, tortillas and tamelas have been invented by this cuisine.

Aztecs have brought poultry and different types of pepper into their cuisine.

And finally the Spanish Cuisine has introduced sweetness in the form of cinnamon and cloves on the cuisine of the country.

Mexican Cuisine is famous for its hot and spicy characteristics. It consists of various regional cuisines and different flavors. Beans, fruits and various vegetables play important roles. And pepper is indispensable.

Opa! - Greek Kitchen

Oven-Baked Octopus

Greek cuisine is one of the first cuisines that come to our mind when we talk about the world cuisines. Due to their geographical proximity, Greek Cuisine carries great similarities with Turkish cuisine, especially Aegean cuisine. From time to time, the people of these two countries argue about the origins of some dishes. Sometimes the Turks win, and sometimes the Greeks.

What is agreed upon is that both sides are extremely successful in cooking and preparing food. How the eggplants, tomatoes, lemons, grapes, seafood and herbs are used in the kitchen with such devoted labor is unmatched in any other cuisine.

Greece, along with other Mediterranean countries, is one of the most important olive producers in the world. It is no wonder that mostly olive oil is used in dishes. This ensures a light and healthy culinary tradition in the country.

Shibori - Asian Kitchen

Sushi Corner

Sushi is a famous dish of the Japanese cuisine. Due to its easy and fast construction, it has become known as a fast food. For its preparation mainly seaweed (nori), rice (sari) and raw seafood are used.

The original form of sushi is known as nare-zushi. It has emerged in Southeast Asia and before it became popular in Japan in the 8th century it was seen in China. Sushi, a term no longer used in Japanese, means "sour".

A traditional rice dish is made by placing salted fish in fermented rice. Nare-zusi food is prepared by keeping a salt-filled fish in fermented rice for a few months. The fermentation of rice prevents the fish from being spoiled. As for cooking, rice is discarded and only the fish is eaten.



Oven-Baked Octopus
1 kg octopus (3-5)
250 ml olive oil
10 gr coriander
10 gr black peppercorn

Mix all the ingredients in a baking dish and cover it with 2 layers of aluminum foil. Bake at 140 Degrees Celsius for 3 hours. Saute with butter in a pan and your octopus is ready to serve!

Enjoy your meal...

Extra Menus

For extra special meals, your Joy Advisor will be happy to assist you.

Let us know in advance and we will recommend the most suitable menu for you.

Asian Cuisine

SHIBORI

With its rich culture and fascinating history, Asia has always been one of the most favored and attractive destinations. And food has been another highly considerable element of its appeal.

When Asian cuisine is mentioned, most people can conjure a vivid image inside their head. This image is usually accompanied by the rituals that go with it; a delicious sushi that is enriched with soy sauce, ramen noodles that are wrapped around chopsticks, the exciting smell of the Robata grill...

It seems like the Asians have long discovered how the involvement of senses supplement the taste. Changing the texture of food to delight the taste buds or adding the excitement of sound by the sizzling of the food have been essentials of the Asian cuisine for ages.

Do not leave Lujo before savoring every moment of this sensational experience in Shibori.





Lujo's Steak Chef **İBRAHİM BAŞEĞMEZ**

He has experience both in Turkey and around the world... he has worked for 6 years with Nusret...

Now İbrahim Başeğmez is here at Lujo and he is ready to prepare delicious steak dishes exclusively for you!

The Journey of Meat:

Our meat species: Black Angus (Semental)

After the meat arrives, it is left to rest for 28 days with the dry age method between 0-3 degrees and 70% humidity. During this period, Himalayan salt particles are added to keep the humidity stable, without touching the meat itself.

At the end of 28 days, the dried areas of the meat are cut and discarded. The remaining portion is processed using only special crystal sea salt from England and Turkish spices.

The meat is cooked with a special oak charcoal and robata grill. The degree and cooking time of the meat is adjusted according to the meat and your preference(rare, medium or well-done). Once ready, the meat is served by the chef himself in a special flambé cart.

How should meat be cooked?

For a truly gourmet experience our chef İbrahim recommends that you eat your steak cooked rare. This will allow the meat to be in its juiciest, tenderest and most delicious form.



The dinner experience...

First, you will be served the amuse-bouche meats, our chef's treat.

When you are ready for the main dish, İbrahim chef recommends that you start with a salad to balance your stomach's acidity and then follow with the meat itself. This will ensure a smoother digestion process.

How you cut your meat to take a bite is also very important. Try to cut your meat perpendicular to the fibers as this will allow you to enjoy your meat more easily and deliciously.

Our chef also suggests that you choose a red wine to accompany your meat. The wine cleans the remaining fat trace from your throat and ensures that you are left with only the amazing taste of the meat you just relished.



Our chef's special recipes:

Meat-Sushi

Our chef uses a heat gun to prepare this special meat-sushi inspired by the Far-Eastern traditions. The meat, rolled in rice, is served with avocado and a selection of spices and sauces.

Taco-Brisket

Inspired by the Mexican cuisine, the Taco Brisket is served in corn tacos. The brisket is smoked around 12 hours in the oven and then covered in sauces before being placed in their taco shells. They also come with a variety of dressings for added flavor.

Dynamite Shrimps

You will not believe how crispy and delicious these Dynamite Shrimps are! Covered with tempura flour, shrimps are mixed with hot, sour and sweet sauces before being fried to serve.

Beyran Meat Soup

Beyran is one of the first soups known to man, reaching your tables all the way from the Mesopotamia. Meat and rice is boiled for a long period of time to prepare this soup. It is served in special copper cups and you are welcome to season it to taste using the spices and garlic-vinegar that come with it.

This season our menu is even more varied and your dining experience is enriched with flamboyant presentations to include Turkish steaks, Argentina Steak (Asado), Far Eastern Steak, Brisket and special flambé carts.

Make sure to get wine recommendations from our experts. We have a wide range of local and international wines to accompany our delicious dishes.

Local Flavors

Honey

Mugla has a special place for apiculture, or beekeeping. Its endemic plants and pine forests give a rich flavor to honey that you cannot get enough of. This delicious and beneficial food is still the main income source for thousands of families, and apiculture increases the productivity of agricultural areas by natural means.

You could spread some delicious honey on your bread for breakfast or enjoy its natural sweetness in your afternoon tea. Sometimes the bees may visit your table to see if you like their honey. Don't worry – they will leave you once they see that you are enjoying yourself.



Wine

Along with its natural and historic richness, Bodrum has also been standing out with its gastronomical aspect lately. Viniculture, which has been a part of Bodrum's culture for many years, has been increasingly important as many great wines are being produced in the region.

Since the summer season gets extremely hot in Bodrum, it is very important to work with grapes that will turn this into an advantage. For years there was a prejudice that no good wine could be produced in Bodrum, but now those naysayers are silent. The climate is ideal for especially the Shiraz grape which is used to produce very high quality wine. Also Zinfandel, Petit Verdot and Öküzgözü grapes are used to produce delicious wines.

Olive Oil

The traditional method of Milas, cold-pressing, is the most healthy and delicious way to obtain olive oil from the olive trees surrounding Bodrum. This local taste ranks among the top olive oils in many international competitions. You may enjoy it in your food or salads, or dip your bread in its pure form as an appetizer.



Bodrum Tangerine

Once you smell the delicious and sweet Bodrum Tangerine, you will never forget it again...

Unfortunately you will not be able to taste the real fruit unless you visit Lujo in autumn, but you can still taste this legendary essence through Bodrum tangerine flavored soda drinks, Turkish delights, or even tangerine jam.



Local Herbs

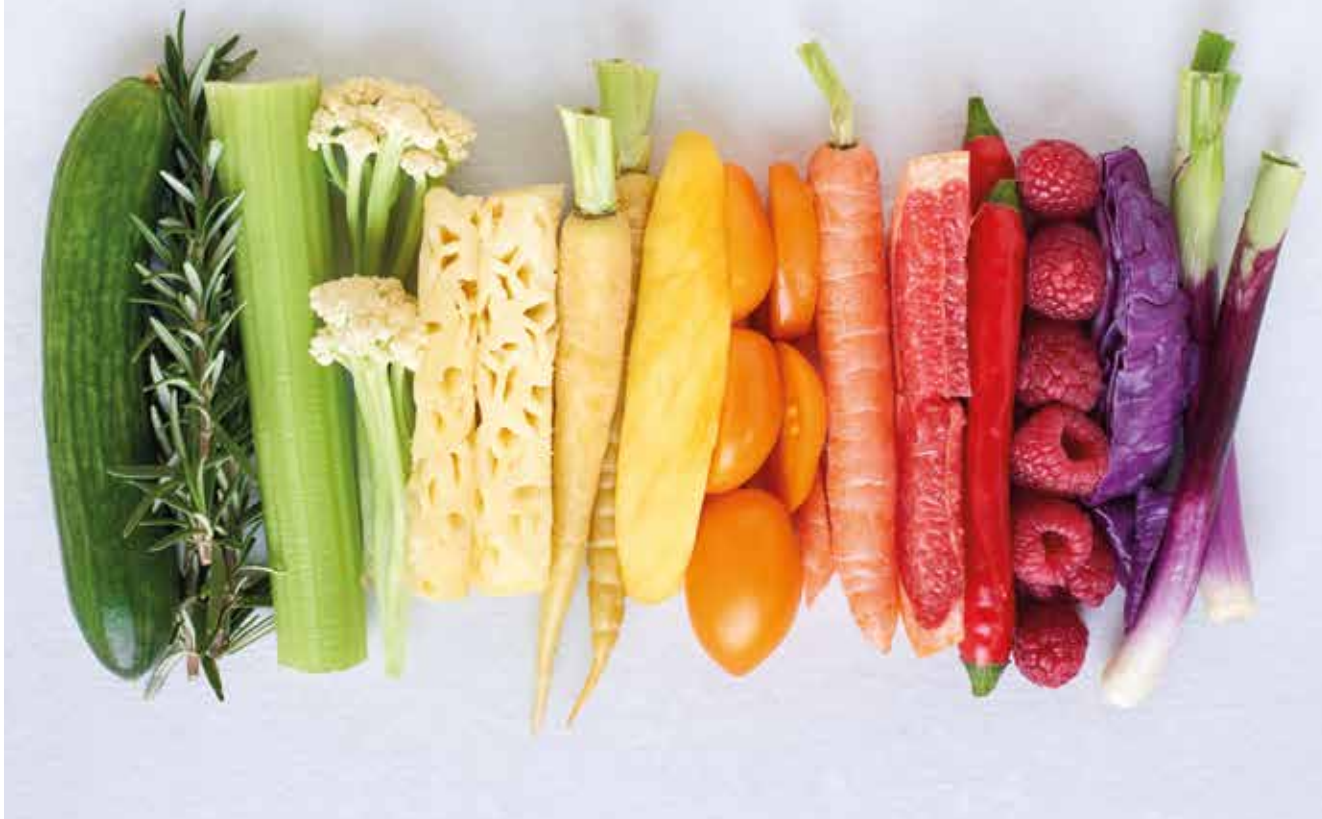
The healthy and delicious natural Aegean herbs are indispensable – especially during the summertime. With a little bit of olive oil and garlic, along with some yogurt, or if you are ready for a gastronomic adventure, with eggs... However you prefer them, make sure to try some of these marvelous herbs that have inspired local feasts: Ortakent Bitter Herb Festival and Halikarnas Herb Festival



Lujo Recipes at Home

Delicious and healthy recipes like we offer here in Lujo are hard to come across every day. Aiming to bring the same joy into your homes, we asked our chefs for some easy recipes that you could easily re-create.

When you try them make sure to share a picture and tag us! #lujobodrum



Coconut Snack Drops

The taste of these coconut drops will immediately transport you to the summer days under the sun...

Ingredients

3 medium carrots,
Oats (75 grams),
Dates (50 grams),
Dried pineapple (100 grams),
Coconut flakes (40 grams)

Preparation

Grate the carrots. Add in the dates after removing their seeds. Put them into a food processor and add the oats and dried pineapple as well. Take pieces of the mixture into your palm and roll. Cover the drops in coconut flakes and they are ready to serve.

Tuna Salad

Tuna; rich in zinc, vitamin C and selenium, helps strengthen the immune system. You can easily prepare a tuna salad with basic ingredients.

Ingredients

Lettuce,
Red onions,
Corn,
Dill,
Tuna,
Salad dressing with olive oil and lemon juice

Preparation

Cut and slice the lettuce, red onion and the dill. Toss in the corns and the tuna. Add the salad dressing and it's ready! Season to taste and enjoy...



Orange – Chicken

Orange chicken is a good antioxidant and helps your body fight the infections.

Ingredients

Chicken breasts,
Orange juice,
Onions,
Garlic (1 clove),
Orange zest,
Olive oil,
1 tbs honey,
Pepper,
Salt,
Thyme

Preparation

Cut the onion into slices. Pour olive oil into a pan and add the onions with crushed garlic. Place chicken breast on a cutting board and slice before putting them into the pan. Once in the pan, cook the chicken breasts over medium heat until golden brown on one side. Then flip the pieces over until you reach this color on all sides. Mix orange juice with honey and spices and pour over the chicken breasts. After making sure it has enough juice, close the lid and let it cook. Lastly add the orange zest for extra flavor.



Breakfast Granola

Granola keeps your body vigorous and helps you start your days energetically.

Ingredients

Dried fruits,
Honey,
Oats

Preparation

Mix any dried fruits you like with honey. This easy granola can be prepared with anything you enjoy eating. Spread the mixture onto a baking sheet and put in the oven for 10 minutes at 180C. Let it cool down and it's ready!



Lime Mango Chia Pudding

The texture of this chia pudding is so rich, you will not believe how healthy it is!

Ingredients

Almond Milk (500 grams),
Chia Seeds (80 grams),
2 tsp Maple Syrup
1 Mango
1 Lime
Vanilla extract

Preparation

Stir the chia seeds into almond milk at room temperature. Add in the maple syrup as well as the vanilla. Pour the mixture into serving cups or bowls. Juice the lime and add in the food processor with the mango. Pour this mixture onto the half-filled cups and chill in the refrigerator for 15 minutes.



From the Vitamin Bar...

Ingredients

Grapefruit,
Strawberry,
Lemon,
Pineapple,
Green apple

The Source of Life

Spinach,
Lemon,
Celery stalk,
Strawberry,
Pineapple





The Art of

MIXOLOGY

We raise our glasses to the extraordinary ones.

The ones who are not satisfied with ordinary. The ones who look for more, ask for more, work for more. Who want custom cocktails prepared for them by the sea. Who enjoy aged whiskies and import cigars while taking in the stunning view of the Aegean Sea.

We are glad you are here among us.

LUJO BARS

Music and drinks are the indispensable elements of a wonderful summer. All you need to decide is where you would like to enjoy them!

At Lujo there are a number of bars to quench your thirst. Beach Bars provide some much needed freshness during hot months whereas specialty bars such as Sports Bar are amazing to relax. Import drinks are served at Premium Bars; Pablo Esco Bar and Chocolate Bar. And the Fly-Inn Pool Bar is ideal for those who don't want to get out of the pool as they enjoy their summer...

Our bars have many delicious recipes and their own specialties... but did you know you could ask our mixologists to prepare a custom drink just for you?



Fly-Inn Pool Bar

Enjoying the cool water as you feel the warm sun dry your skin... What could be better? We know - a delicious cocktail in your hand! The Fly-Inn Pool Bar will serve you your drink of choice as you swim in the clear water above the amazing Aegean Sea view. Try it once and you will never want to get out.

Enjoy a delicious You-Cocktail!
#LujoMixologists

Pablo Esco Bar

Pablo Esco Bar is Lujo's most exclusive bar. Serving aged whiskies and import cigars, Pablo Esco Bar is also for adults only. Every drink is prepared and served with its own private ritual for the enjoyment and delight of Lujo guests.





Special Recipes from the Lujo Mixologists

Medellin

4.5 cl Monkey 47
1.5 cl Green Chartreuse
2 cl Cointreau
4 dashes Belladonna Bitters
4.5 cl Lavender-Mastic Infused Mix
1 cl Egg White

Preparation

Put the ingredients in a shaker in the given order and shake well. After they mix, transfer them into a shaker with ice and continue shaking. This will provide the best results for cocktails containing egg whites. Pour in a timeless Martini glass and garnish with black grapes and levante seeds.

Rienegro

4.5 cl Havana 7 Anos
2.5 cl Cointreau
1.5 cl Orgeat Syrup
Half Satsuma Juice
1 cl Lemon Juice
4.5 cl Maple Tamarind Infused Mix

Preparation

Put the ingredients in a shaker in the given order and shake well. Pour in a timeless coupe glass. For best results serve with a cinnamon stick and some orange peel zest.

Orchidarium

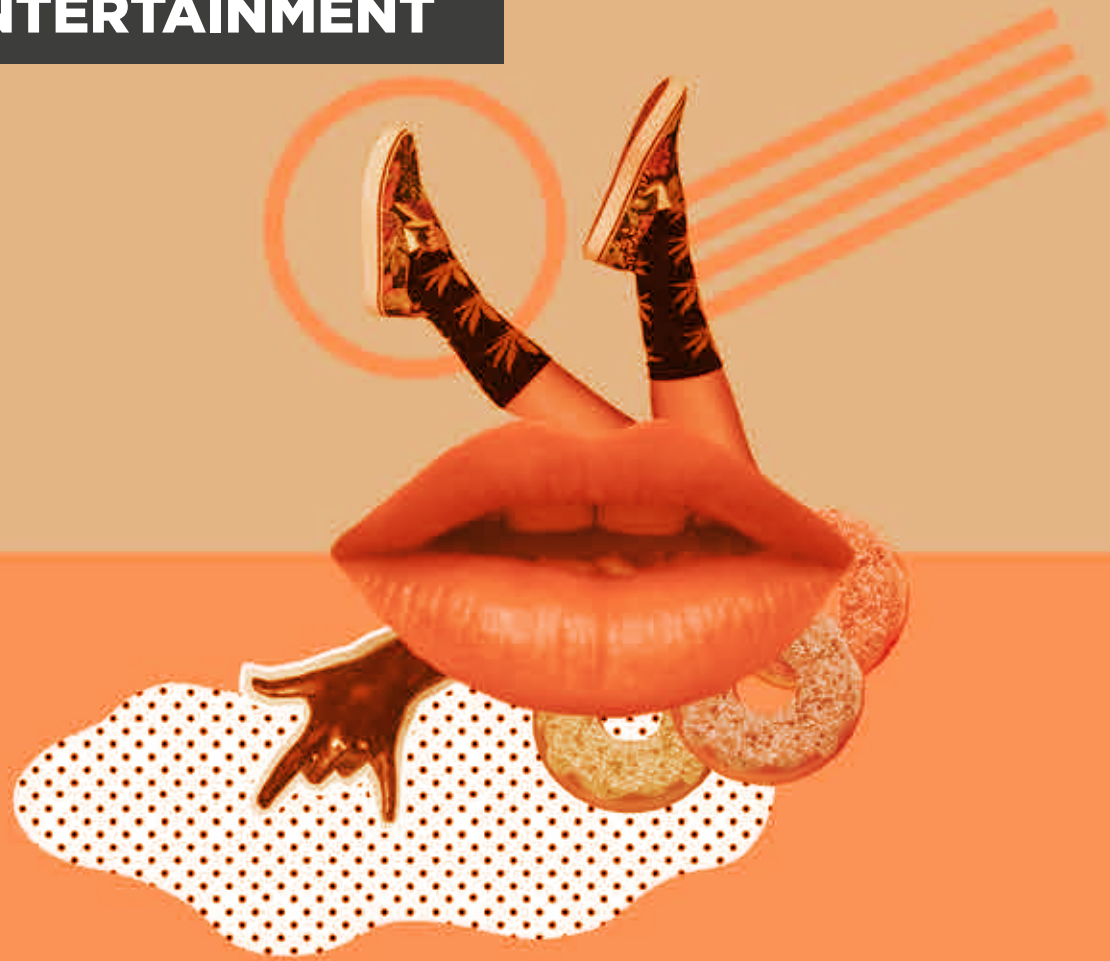
4.5 cl Botanist Gin
1.5 cl Lemon Juice
1.5 cl Baby Rose Gin Infused
4.5 cl Pomegranate and
Baby Rose Infused Mix
1.5 cl Hibiscus Syrup

Preparation

Put the ingredients in a shaker in the given order and shake well. Serve in a timeless coupe glass. For best results adorn with half a passion fruit and Madagascar tea.

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ENTERTAINMENT



Lujo guests will be dancing to the latest beats and listening to the best live performances this summer as well.



indigo

Beach &
Night Club



Special
DJ Performances
Can Hatipoğlu &
DJ Parties with Saxophone

ADULT
ONLY
16+

The best DJ's line up to play at Indigo Beach while our guests dance to the hottest soundtrack of the summer. Join them without missing a beat!

Live Performances

Don't miss the live programs of our famous performers - especially those of Della Miles and Can Hatipoğlu. They have been preparing their best shows for you!

Arena

This immense hall was built to set the scene to your unforgettable memories! You will be delighted and entertained by the live performances of famous names every night.



Did you know you could throw your own parties at Lujo?

Whether it's a romantic dinner for two or a huge celebration for hundreds, our team will be delighted to help you. For details see Event Planning.

Indigo continues to be the talk of the town with its special day and night DJ performances, delicious cocktails and exclusive parties. Those who have never been there desperately want to get in this adults-only club, and those who have seen it never want to leave! Drop in if you are over 16 and see the mesmerizing atmosphere for yourself...



Interview with Della Miles

Our residence performer Della Miles has prepared two new and exciting show for you for the 2020 season! We asked her a few questions so you could know this talented star a little better before you watch her amazing live performance here in Lujo.

Could you tell us a little bit about your life before you came to Turkey? What were the milestones, who did you work with, from whom did you learn the most...?

Originally I am from Houston, Texas. My mother, who taught me singing, was a gospel singer and my father was a jazz musician. I decided to become a professional singer and went to Los Angeles – where I met Michael Jackson! Soon, I was cast as the leading role in "Sisterella," a musical produced by Michael Jackson.

After one of our live shows, I was approached by someone who claimed to be Whitney Houston's musical director and asked if I wanted to sing with Whitney Houston! At first I thought it was a joke, but turns out it was not. I had the opportunity to work with Whitney Houston for 6 years! It was a great experience. From her I learned how to be a professional singer. I learned how to command the stage, how to communicate with the audience, how to be soft enough so they could feel me... this was Whitney Houston, this is something that she passed on to me.

I also had the chance to work with stars like Prince, Chaka Khan, to name a few. All this has made me who I am today and I am grateful for all of them.

How did you first come to Turkey and decide to live here?

Coming to Turkey was a very good idea. I actually came here by coincidence. I was asked to come to replace someone who couldn't make it and I was available, so I said yes. When I ended my performance, I met a wonderful manager, Fatih Oktay. He simply said, "you should come to Turkey more often", and I agreed!

I am so happy that I have met this manager. Living here has changed things for me. I started to understand the Turkish culture. I have laughed, I have cried, felt so many different things being here. I have felt the joy and beauty, as well as the pain. Knowing the culture and the people, witnessing the many wonderful things people do for each other have really influenced me.

I am so grateful I get to see these and also share my music with the people... They have given me so much! Now I am singing in Turkish – and I'm loving it!

How do you feel about being Lujo's residence performer? What does Lujo mean to you?

I have to say, it feels good. At Lujo I get to express myself and be myself. I get to express my art. I get to bring the show that I want to the stage and I don't have to worry about anyone cutting my songs or anyone limiting me. The stage is mine when I'm here in Lujo!

And it's a beautiful stage... I have been on many stages including the O2 World, which is a stadium. Lujo's stage is simply amazing. I believe every artist would love this stage to perform on because it's so relaxed.

What does Art&Joy mean to you?

To me, Art & Joy means creativity. I think Lujo has the point of being creative and so I'm just happy to be a part of it.

Could you talk about the special shows you have prepared for Lujo guests for the 2020 season?

I'm so excited about them! I am not going to get into detail because I want you to come and see them yourselves, but I will say they are powerful. And unlike anything you have ever seen in Turkey before.

The only clue I will give you is that it's soul-rock... I am waiting for you to come and watch me perform right here in Lujo!





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CLUBBER ROOMS

Some days you just don't want the party to ever stop. And at the Indigo Clubber Rooms, it never does until you say so.

Equipped with Kamasutra Beds and Dance Poles, these rooms are not for the faint hearted. Book now for the sexiest vacation you have ever had. The rooms come either with a party pool or a balcony and face Indigo Beach Club - the most popular club of the town. You can continue the party from your room or throw your own custom party with dancers and DJ's.

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SELF CARE



To live life to the fullest; to be able to enjoy every day and be grateful, we must take care of ourselves the best way we can. Just being in Lujo is a wonderful place to start and we congratulate you for it.

SOME SELF CARE TIPS TO BETTER TAKE CARE OF YOUR BODY AND SOUL;

Sleep

No matter how busy you are or how much fun you are having, your body needs its sleep to function healthily. Prioritize your sleep and your body will thank you for it.



Practice yoga

The practice of yoga is known to connect the body, mind and soul. Join an outdoor yoga session to enjoy the added benefit of being in nature as well!

Eat well

Including healthy, nutritious foods in your diet will benefit your mind and body. You can turn it into a game by trying new recipes at home or at the restaurants.



Spend time with your family and friends

Being around loved ones is a wonderful feeling. Focus on the positive emotions. Nurture relationships with the people who make you happy and let the negative people go.



Exercise regularly

We all know that exercise is good for your body. But did you know that it is good for your mental health as well? Try a few new sports to see which ones you will like and can do regularly.



Take time away from work

Since you are here and reading this you have already accomplished this - so well done! Set your boundaries and keep your free time exactly that: free time for you to enjoy as you wish.

Meditate

Meditation is a huge topic on its own. However, in a nutshell, its main emphasis is to be present and to allow yourself to focus on your breathing and your body.



Relaxing is one of the best ways to care for yourself. Not to mention getting reconstructive treatments for your body. At the peaceful atmosphere of Sensus Spa you will have many massage and treatment choices applied by expert hands.





The Benefits of Massage Therapies

Reduce Pain

Doctors often recommend massage treatments especially for lower back pain and chronic stiffness. If you have specific pain areas make sure to let our therapists know about them.

Eliminate Toxins

A little known fact is that stimulating the soft tissues of your body through massage helps release toxins.

Improve Flexibility

As your muscles are loosened and relaxed after a massage, you will be able to move much easier and achieve your body's full movement potential.

Improve Sleep

Self pampering boosts your mood and massages relax your muscles - resulting in a great night's sleep! You will enjoy the next day much more after a restful night.

Enhance Immunity

Few people know that the stimulation of the lymph nodes re-charges the body's natural defense system.

Alleviate Depression and Anxiety

Massage treatments can help to release endorphins in your body, helping you to feel happier, more energized and at ease.

Whichever therapy you choose, there are numerous studies to confirm that massages have benefits for our health:

Reduce Stress

Massage relaxes you and therefore reduces the stress your body releases. Studies show that the reduced stress levels also last for a few days, even weeks afterwards.

Improve Circulation

As our therapists work on your body your muscles loosen up and your blood flow increases. This in turn has a number of positive effects on your body such as reduced fatigue and pain.





Far East Massages

Far East Massage, which consists of elite therapies for relaxation of body, mind and soul, provides numerous benefits.

Traditional Balinese Massage

Traditional Balinese massage is a perfect experience with acupressure, myofascial massage and powerful, soft touches that stimulate energy flow and blood circulation. It then creates a deep feeling of relaxation. For the best results, pure aromatherapy oils are applied to your body type and the results you want to achieve.

Thai Massage

This massage, which has been used for a long time to improve the free flow of energy in the body, makes a great contribution to feeling healthy and good.

Thai Aroma Massage

Thai aroma massage is a massage performed by stretching movements applied to the muscles and nervous system of the body. While the flexibility of the muscles is increased by the movements, the aromatic oils used provide excellent relaxation.

Lomi-Lomi Massage

Based on Lomi-Lomi's holistic healing tradition, this massage improves balance, relaxes muscles and gathers all your tensions at a healing point. The pressure applied to the body firmly and deeply supports the blood flow by reducing muscle tension.

Shiatsu

Shiatsu is a traditional Japanese art of cure, which means "finger pressure." The pressure applied during the massage revitalizes the natural energies in the body. This revival balances the body and keeps it healthy.

Signature Spa Therapies

Our pampering offers for relaxation and relaxation await you. We are sure you will be pleased with our carefully selected therapy collection for a great experience.

Sensum Signature Massage

Sensum Signature Massage is based on techniques selected from traditional Shiatsu, Thai, Swedish and Balinese massages.

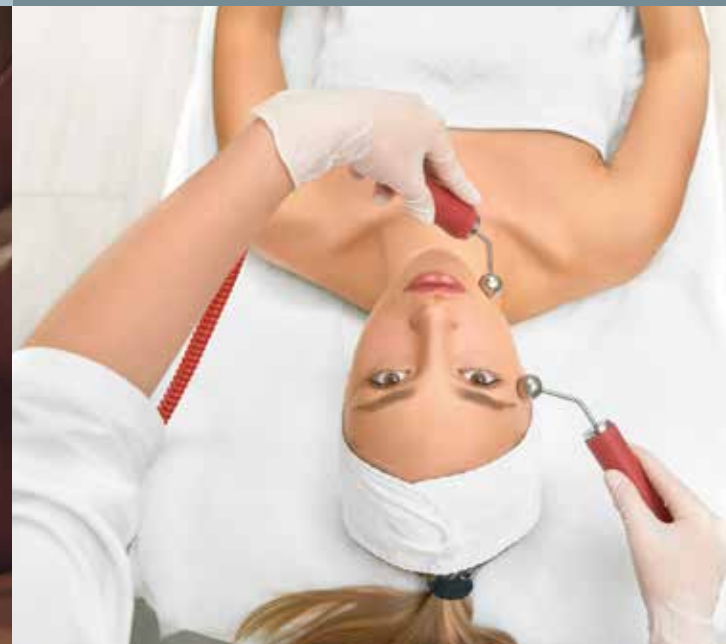
Sensum Therapeutic Massage

This deep-penetrating massage is specially designed by our team of expert therapists to relieve tension, stress and distress in your body. Your therapist will use a unique heating oil to create deep penetrating heat while applying various techniques and pressures, focusing on your problem areas.

Ottoman Palace Bath Experience

Relax in the glory of the hamam as the heat and light aromas prepare you for cleansing of dead cells and foam massage with a traditional scrub glove. Enjoy the warm glow of marble when washing your hair with shampoo and massaging your head before moistening with cream. While your body is covered with a highly nourishing cream mask, enjoy facial cleansing, cleansing of dead cells and a mask experience to revitalize your skin. You will have an undeniable feeling of freshness with the scents of the East.





Rewind Your Age with Radio Frequency (RF)for Face & Body

Only moments are important in life - especially those spent with your loved ones. Sensum offers you a unique retreat just for two... The perfect way to de-stress and unwind in your own private Spa.

Your journey begins by entering your very own personal Spa - complete with your private Turkish Hamam, where you will be taken through to your private body scrub room to experience a relaxing body scrub complete with a nourishing hair ritual.

Once ready, you will be taken to your private treatment room where you will enjoy a therapeutic full body massage, illuminating facial care and scalp massage to relax your body, mind and soul.

Your journey comes to an end with a tea ceremony with delectable Ottoman desserts and fruits served while you spend quiet moments in the Suite Room.

Come to this stunning retreat and forget all about your stress in no time. This experience is surely a must-have for every couple.

Sensum Couple Experience

Sensum Spa offers you the latest pain-free Radiofrequency treatments to help you lift, tighten and smooth the areas of loose, ageing skin on your body.

What is Radiofrequency Treatment?

Combining radiofrequency energy with ultrasound technology to trigger the production of collagen, Radiofrequency treatment at Sensum Spa helps to tighten, lift and smooth the skin using advanced multi-tasking techniques. Radiofrequency (RF) has become a popular skin rejuvenation treatment to help with areas of loose, ageing skin on the face and body.



Aqua Peel Facial

It's pretty rare to find a facial that works for almost all skin types and has zero-downtime, yet here it is! This facial treatment is being requested by both men and women of all ages and across all demographics. It can be used for those who have extremely dry skin to those prone to oilier skin.

This treatment is also particularly requested over the winter time when the skin dries due to harsh weather conditions. It is also highly requested prior to big events such as weddings or red-carpet events because it brings that extra glow to your face.

Post AquaPeel “Do”s and “Don’t”s

Avoid touching or picking your skin

The aesthetician will have performed extractions, so any aggravation could irritate the skin.

If possible, have your AquaPeel in the late after- noon or evening

And don't wear makeup so the creams and serums have time to work their magic.

Complete your workout beforehand

Increased heat and sweat could irritate your exfoliated skin so make sure you are done with your physical activities for the day.

Stay clear of any chemical exfoliants for three days

Your skin will be more vulnerable to UVA and UVB damage. Also make sure to wear sunscreen the following day.

Nutrition

Have you ever heard the saying “You are what you eat”?

We must eat healthy, quality food to nourish our bodies, which in turn will benefit our minds. There are countless resources available to begin eating better. The most important thing to consider is that your diet plan must be personalized for you. If you would like to begin our experts will be happy to create a personal plan for you.





Health and Nutrition Tips based on Science

There will always be “the hottest diet trend of the season” but in reality most of it is not really good for you. Taking care of our bodies is the most important thing we can do for ourselves. Along with getting enough exercise and allowing our bodies to rest and relax, nutrition plays an enormous role in our wellbeing.

At Lujo we prepare your food with local, high quality ingredients using the most beneficial and delicious cooking methods. Here are some tips to continue treating your bodies like the works of art that they are...

Don't drink sugar calories

Experts agree that excess sugar is not good for us. Another thing that they agree on is that even if you really crave sugar, drinking empty calories is worse for you than eating them.

Snack on nuts

If you read the labels you know that nuts are high in fat and calories. But those fats are actually good for you. Focus on how nutritious and healthy nuts, especially almonds, are for you.

Avoid processed junk food

Fast food, or any processed junk food is usually low in fiber and high in preservatives and sugar. If you crave a juicy hamburger try to cook it at home with the ingredients you know and love. While you are here, make sure you try our famous Lujo Burger.

Coffee is your friend

A well brewed coffee is not only delicious and awakening, but it is also high in antioxidants which makes it a healthy choice.

Eat fatty fish

For cooking and garnish ideas try the fish at Lujo first.

Eat probiotics and fiber

Studies reveal that the health of your gut is directly related to your overall health. To take care of your gut eat plenty of yogurt and fiber.

Water, water, water

We have been hearing about the benefits of drinking water forever.

Did you know drinking enough water can even help increase the number of calories you burn? Drink 2-3 liters a day and you will feel the benefits in all of your cells.

Don't overcook your meat

By now most people know that chefs don't recommend well-done steak because it is much juicier, more delicious and tender when it's rare, medium, or at least medium well. Turns out overcooking meat might make it form and release harmful compounds as well. At Lujo our chefs will make sure you get your steak just the way you want it, but at home, beware.

Load up on vitamin D

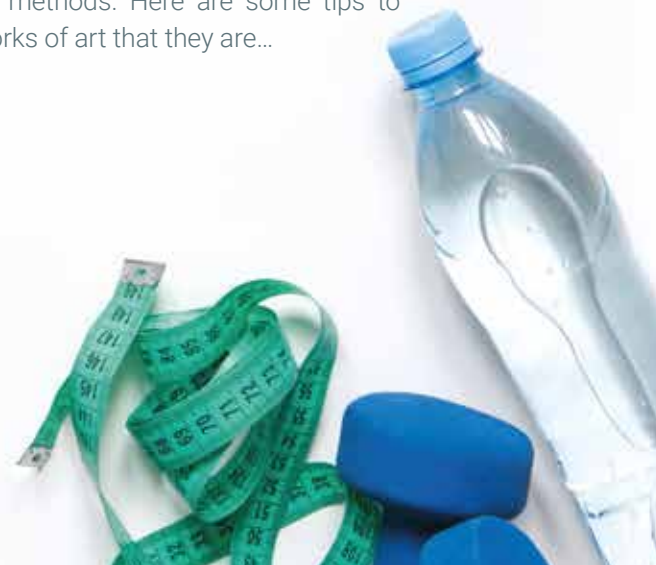
If you can't continue sunbathing under the brilliant Mediterranean sun, vitamin D supplements will have to do. Improved bone health, increased strength and reduced symptoms of depression.

Use extra virgin olive oil

Not only is it one of the healthiest vegetable oils available, it also tastes delicious! This goldmine packed with powerful antioxidants that can fight inflammation is Mediterranean's favorite. Enjoy the finest at Lujo and get a family and friends.

Herbs and spices add both to taste and health

Most chefs' secret is the various herbs and spices they use in their recipes. These delicious underrated secret weapons can also help your wellbeing. Don't be afraid to try new combinations to discover their power.



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THE ART OF SIGHTSEEING



Harvesting Bodrum Tangerines

With their distinctive flavor and scents, the mandarins of this region are spotted from a mile away. Bodrum Tangerines, used to produce Turkish Delights, fruit sodas, cologne and many more souvenirs, are picked from the trees towards the end of December.

Enthusiasts from all ages and places gather at the mandarin gardens of Bitez and they pick the mandarins one by one from the branches; eating, chatting and laughing along the way.

Organized with the support of Bodrum Chamber of Commerce, Bodrum Municipality and several community organizations, this year the Tangerine Harvest Festival will be held for the fifteenth time.



Bodrum Music Festival

Locally and internationally acclaimed orchestras, sought after musicians, ensembles and soloists have been playing their music under the Bodrum stars since 2005.

Growing ever stronger, the festival takes place around the peninsula during the summer.



The Bodrum Cup

The Bodrum Cup is an annual event conceived in 1989 by ERA Bodrum Sailing Club in order to teach sailing to sea enthusiasts and professional yachting crews.

It is one of the rare regattas in the world in which yachts can race with guests on board.



This distinguishing feature of The Bodrum Cup offers people who like the sea, but who have never had a chance to sail, experience firsthand the excitement of a sailing race.

We would be happy to bring you to the Bodrum Cup to watch and be a part of this inclusive experience. There are also art exhibitions and happenings that are organized alongside the main event.

A woman in a white, textured dress stands in a field of tall, thin, mushroom-like plants. She is looking up at a bird flying in the sky. The scene is dreamy and ethereal, with soft lighting and a hazy background.

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EVENT PLANNING

Romantic getaways, unforgettable proposals, intimate dinner parties or huge celebrations...

Whatever you have on your mind, we have the perfect team and venue to make your dreams come true.

Wedding & Honeymoon

Whether you are planning an intimate ceremony between family and close friends or you are planning a huge wedding with hundreds of guests, our professional team is here to help you plan your big day.

Tell us your dreams and enjoy as our team makes it a reality. We will exceed all your expectations with decorating, catering and entertaining.



Catering

The professional Lujo catering team is at your service. Our chefs will come up with the perfect menu for your theme and prepare amazing dishes that will delight your guests.



Decorating

There is a reason our concept it "Art & Joy". Let us work our magic with decorating in the most artful way, giving you the most joy. All you need to do is describe your wildest dreams.



Wedding Cake

A wedding cannot be imagined without a gorgeous cake! Our Patisserie team will bake you a blissful cake from scratch. Make sure to try their signature pastries before you make up your mind...

Pre - Party

The bachelor - bachelorette parties? If you would like a pre-party before the main event, we will happily make the arrangements!

Let your bridesmaid and best man contact us if you would still like it to be a surprise!



Honeymoon

After all this preparation and partying you will need a romantic honeymoon with your partner. A few private days to enjoy each other's company. The sun, the sea and the beach. Custom delicious dinner served by the beach or to your room. Cabanas to spend lazy summer days. Special massage treatments for couples...

Describe your ideal honeymoon or let our team guide you.



Guests

Lujo offers various accommodation options for all of your guests. You will have an amazing time as all your loved ones come together for an unforgettable event.

Transfers are available upon request.





Business Events

Motivation trips, corporate events, big launches, conferences...

Our team is ready to plan, organize and execute your events so you exceed your business goals. With divisible conference rooms, industrial elevators and cutting edge technology we are more than equipped to host events and make you proud.

Private Parties

Do you have a surprise on your mind? Would you like to invite your best friends for an impressive dinner party? Party for five days straight without giving a break? Do you have a surprise on your mind? Would you like to invite your best friends for an impressive dinner party? Party for five days straight without giving a break?

Tell us your wildest dreams and we will make them a reality.

Premium Services

Life is to be enjoyed.

And what better way is there to enjoy life than with premium Lujo services?

Cabanas

Equipped with delicious treats, the cabanas provide privacy for you and your loved ones. You will be in the prime location right by the sea, yet your cool cabana will be waiting for you when you want to relax in the shades.

Yacht

Take the Lujo Yacht around the peninsula to discover many pristine bays, or arrange a romantic dinner for two. Let us know your heart's desire and we will prepare her for you.





Lujo Edition

All the privileges of being at Lujo.
Even more distinguished.

The Lujo Edition is an upgraded experience of life in Lujo. You will still benefit from all the Lujo luxuries and services, and have even more of them.

Guests of the select Lujo Edition rooms have access to a private “Secret” area where they have a separate restaurant, a fitness center, a spa, a reception and another exclusive beach.

VIP transfers, turn-down services, special amenities, and many more extra advantages are also available for our exquisite guests. If you would like to benefit from this program, simply select your accommodation within the Lujo Edition options.

A woman with blonde hair tied back, looking down at a framed picture she is holding. The picture shows a beach scene with waves and a sandy shore. The background is a real beach scene with waves and a sandy shore, matching the picture she is holding. The sky is blue with some clouds. The overall mood is nostalgic and serene.

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MEMORIES

Bring Your Vacation Home with You

After you go home, you will remember the amazing time you had in Lujo and smile as you think about the memories. We would like to share a few tips to make your smile deeper and last longer.



Frame the Photographs

We have no doubt you will take amazing photographs while you are in Lujo. Have them printed and put them in frames around the house to bring back the memories.



Wear Special Clothes

You will continue wearing your clothes after you go back home - so make the most of them! Wear your cocktail dress as you listen to our performers, put on some special earrings as you taste the dishes of our amazing chefs. When you see those items back home, you will remember those times.

Use Sensum Bath Products

Smell is one of our strongest senses. Using Sensum bath products will remind you of the relaxing atmosphere of our serene Spa and make you much more calmer and happier.



Bring Back Souvenirs

Don't just buy souvenirs for friends - get them for yourself too! Seeing a tiny bit of Lujo, of Bodrum in your home will make the post-vacation glow last much, much longer.



Souvenir Shop

Don't leave buying gifts to the airport. Enjoy Lujo's selection of authentic hand made goods and luxury items to make your family and friends know how much they mean to you. And while you are at it, pick something for yourself and your home to pamper yourself. After all, this vacation is meant for you to discover your inner joy.



Experiences make the best memories! Join one of our workshops and print the photograph to hang in your home. Learn a new skill to delight your friends and family. Discover your joy and that will be the greatest gift of all...





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