



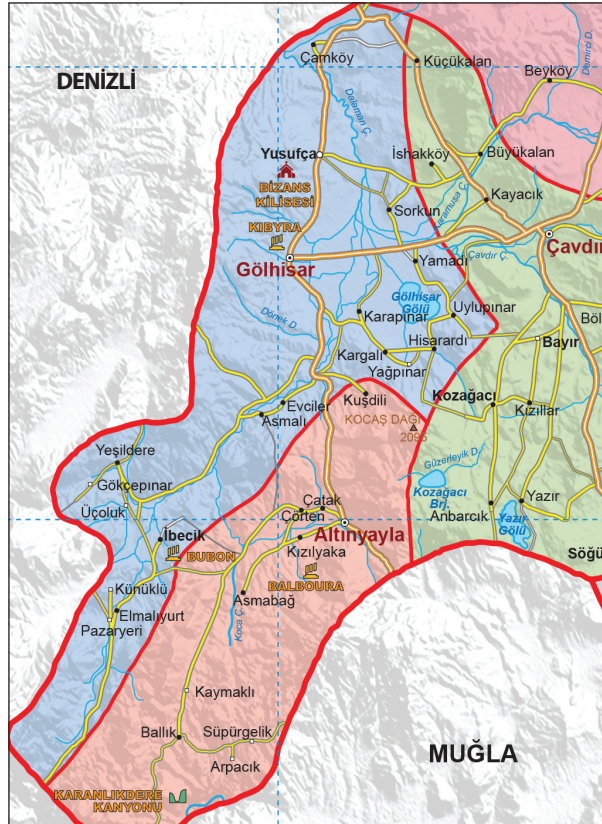
# Burdur Gölhisar

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Gölhisar has been one of the favorite settlements of the region since ancient times. It has always managed to attract people with its fertile lands, climate and rivers. The ancient city of Kibyra, unearthed with the excavations carried out in recent years, reveals the glorious social life of ancient times. In addition to basic social structures such as Kibyra Stadion with a capacity of 11 thousand spectators, Basilica, Upper and Lower Agora, Roman Bath, Gymnasion, Theater and Odeion (Music House) with a capacity of 3,600 people, and many other structures prove that a crowded and distinguished population lived in Kibyra. Excavations first started in 2006 under the authority of Burdur Museum. Current excavations are carried out under the leadership of Assoc. Prof. Şükrü Özudođru from Mehmet Akif Ersoy University on behalf of the Ministry of Culture and Tourism.

The monumental structures in the Ancient City of Kibyra generally reflect the Roman Period. The Medusa figure on the stage floor and the mosaics in the front of the Odeion have survived till today.



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## Gölkisar / Kibyra Ancient City

Gölkisar was opened to Turkish population right after the 1071 Malazgirt Victory. Following the domination of Hamitoğulları Principality, the region came under Ottoman rule in 1391. Having a developed urban culture, Gölkisar became famous especially for its handicrafts, carpets and kilims during the Ottoman period. İbecik fabric and dolls made with it are in demand as souvenirs specific to the region. Gölkisar was administratively made a district in 1953. Its current population is 22,180.

In addition to its rich history, Gölkisar also stands out with its fertile lands and water resources. Use of technological methods in agriculture including greenhouse cultivation is quite common. In addition, livestock is an important source of livelihood.

Beautiful accommodation facilities in and around Gölkisar serve its visitors throughout the year.

