

Aeneas stretches from the vibrant shores of the northwestern Aegean to the sandy beaches of Lazio in Italy, by sea and partly by land. This route is inspired by the mythical legend of Aeneas as told by the Latin poet Virgil. Aeneas fled the burning city of Troy with his family and companions and embarked on a long journey of discovery through cultures, landscapes, and civilisations, to seek and build a new city after the legendary Trojan War.

the footsteps of a Trojan hero. a wonderful passage through time that allows you to walk in the world. The Aeneas Route is a journey of a lifetime, a

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The Epic Path of Aeneas

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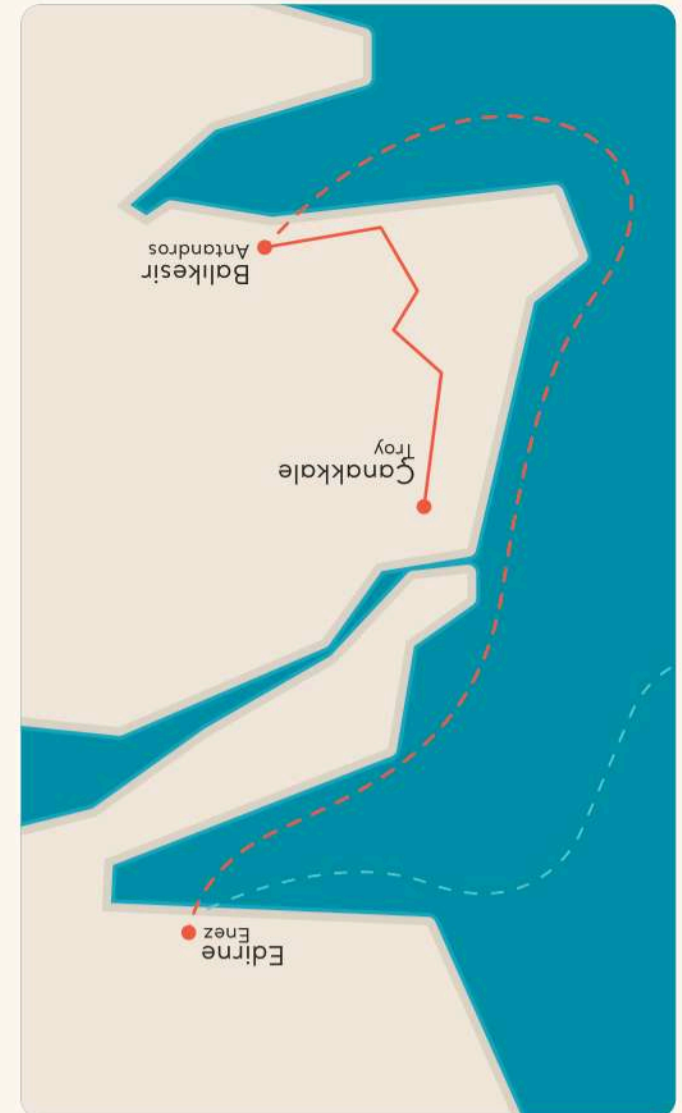
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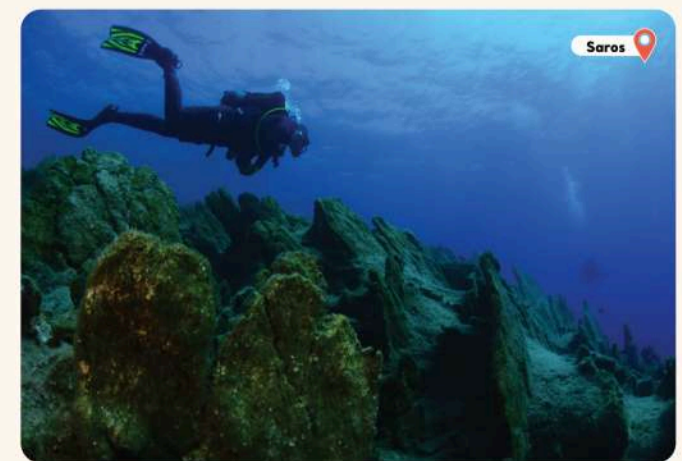


# AENEAS ROUTE

## LEGENDARY JOURNEY OF THE TROJAN HERO



A Mythical Journey from Troy  
From historical Troy, you can visit another world hidden for so many years, which brings the site to life and now shining in new splendour, thanks to the efforts and talents of renowned archaeologists. It is recognised as UNESCO World Heritage Site, and also be viewed from the museum's rooftop terrace.



The journey of Aeneas takes you to the majestic history of Antandros, now known as Altınoluk, located on the northern coast of the Edremit Gulf in Balıkesir province, where there are some of the most beautiful and impressive stretches of coastline with silvery green olive groves. Legend has it that he travelled through Ezine and Ayvalık, and set foot in the forests in the valleys, Ida is the key to a great history of its ancient cities and rich mythology of stories. In early spring, Aeneas finally sets sail. Now imagine a cosmopolitan cruise, that includes from ancient sites to beaches, from tasting the famous Ezine cheese to culinary delights. Ezine a place where history and legends intersect is a charming town with culinary delights, natural beauty, and historical and cultural sites along the route. And the Ayvalık, known for its turquoise bays, olive trees and ground-breaking sunsets, is a must for the savvy photographer. Aeneas and his companions eventually crossed the forests of Mount Ida, which was sacred to the gods.



**The First Road Leading to Rome**

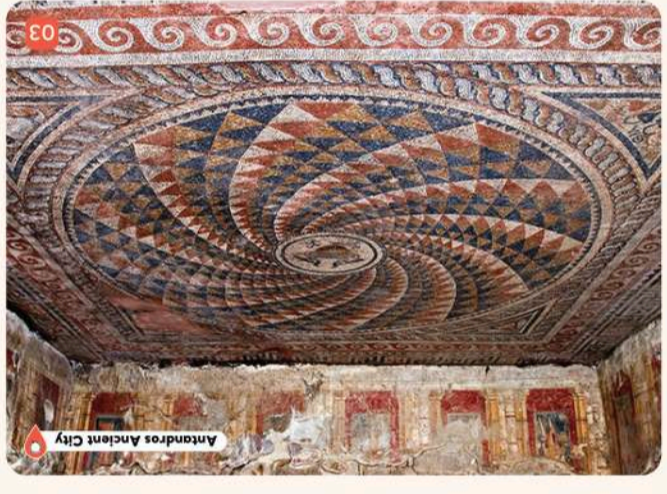
Here, with the permission of the goddess Cybele, they built twenty ships using the pines of the Ida forests for the journey ahead. The Aeneas Route now continues across the Aegean Sea northwards bound to Dardanos, a place still present today and close by to the familiar sights of Çanakkale. Now from the Gulf of Edremit, you might not decide to ferry up the water river Meriç, it is here where Aeneas and his companions briefly founded a new home before fate again dealt them a blow to their settled lives. Here you will arrive in the more recognisable and charming town of Enez. Here you will find yourself at the final point of the Aeneas Route in Türkiye, and where we come to Çanakkale, a place where leaders, commanders, warriors, artists, philosophers, explorers, and poets who

**Worth a Detour:**

- Tevfikiye Village / Archeo-village
- Şahinderesi Canyon
- Ayazma Spring Nature Park
- Diving (in Çanakkale, Ayvalık, Saros, İbrice Harbour)
- Gallipoli Peninsula Historical Site
- Discover local delicacies and explore the region's rich culinary heritage!
  - Ezine Cheese in Çanakkale
  - Marzipan and Ciğer Tava (Fried Liver) in Edirne
  - Höşmerim (Cheese Helva) in Balıkesir
- Travel in time, these ruins also have legends to whisper to you
  - Ancient City of Dardanos (birthplace of Aeneas)
  - Ancient City of Alexandria Troas
  - Assos Ancient City and Athena Temple



The Journey from the Sea  
Approaching the entrance to the Dardanelles, which connects the Aegean Sea with the Sea of Marmara, the Trojan hero would continue his quest, eventually heading for Italy and fulfilling his duty of building a "New Troy".



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1. TROY ANCIENT CITY
2. TROY MUSEUM
3. ANTANDROS ANCIENT CITY
4. AINOS ANCIENT CITY (ENEZ)



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