



*Türkiye*

## Our Location



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## Live Sufi Music & Whirling Dervish Ceremony

Everyday at

20:00



- Performance duration around 1 hour
- Advance Booking required

### Ticket Prices

Adult : 35.00 TL  
Child (Under 15) : 25.00 TL

Call Center : (0212) 511 98 60

At Alemdar Restaurant's Dinner & Performance Hall



## Mevlana Celaleddin Rumi

Mevlâna Jelaleddin Rumî (1207-1273) is among Islam's greatest poets and mystic philosophers. He gave hope and inspiration to humanity as an Anatolian holy man.

Mevlana and the sect which was founded after him, have not only influenced the Anatolian - Turkish civilizations but indeed have had far-reaching influences on the intellectual and artistic life of many individuals and nations.

*"Whoever you may be, come. Even though you may be an infidel, a pagan, or a fire-worshipper, come, Our brotherhood is not one of despair, Though you have broken*

*Your vows of repentance a hundred times, come."*

- Mevlana Celaleddin Rumi -



## Whirling Dervishes

The Mevlevi (followers of Mevlâna Jelaleddin Rumî), or Whirling Dervishes, Their spellbinding worship service, the Mevlevi sema, has dervishes in long white dresses whirling ecstatically for a quarter hour at a time to the drone of ancient Islamic hymns. The Mevlevi have always been ecumenical in outlook, welcoming non-Muslims to the semain the belief that all people are equal in the sight of God. The sema (seh-MAH) is derived from Rumî's habit of occasionally whirling in ecstatic joy in the streets of Konya. The Semâ ceremony represents all a mystical journey of man's spiritual ascent through love, deserts his ego, finds the truth and arrives to the "Perfect". Then he returns from this spiritual journeys as a man who reached maturity and a greater perfection, so as to love and to be of service to the whole creation, to all creatures without discriminating in regard to belief, class, or race...



## Alemdar Restaurant

Alemdar Restaurant is located only 100 m from Hagia Sophia Museum and Basilica Cistern on Alemdar Street. It has a capacity of 250 people in its Restaurant section. It also has a 400 people capacity terrace with a wonderful view of Hagia Sophia Museum, Where Whirling Dervishes Ceremony is carried out. You may enjoy the great atmosphere and take pictures during the show. You may feel the great combination of comfort, a charming view and elegance.

The central heating and air conditioning systems are available inside the restaurant. Our professional staff serve you the best Turkish foods with delicious mezes. It will be an unforgettable night activity because you may enjoy a live traditional Turkish music show after the Dervishes.

