



**ROOM AND BATH**  
From top: Boutique hotel Vault Karaköy; Kılıç Ali Paşa Hamamı, a restored 16th-century Turkish bath; interiors shop Atölye 11 also functions as a design consultancy; the lobby of 10 Karaköy, part of the Morgans Hotel Group.



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH  
**TURKISH DELIGHT**

Decades ago, the waterside neighborhood of Karaköy was the Wall Street of Istanbul, the city's commercial heart and a bastion of bankers, until more recent years saw its devolution into a haphazard maze of shabby hardware and electronics purveyors.

Yet the centrally located zone is walking distance to both Taksim Square and historic Sultanahmet and an easy ferry jaunt across the Bosphorus from the city's Asian side. And now, in anticipation of the proposed Galataport cruise terminal, it's undergoing a major face-lift. First the art galleries moved in, with the **İstanbul Modern**, **artSümer** and **Galeri Manâ** leading the charge. Then hip cafes **Karabatak** and **Bej** followed to slake gallery-goers' thirst.

Perennially packed restaurants like the turquoise-tiled **Karaköy Lokantası** (the area's unofficial power-lunch spot), fifth-floor **Ferahfeza**, which boasts panoramic water views, and industrial-chic **Colonie** have made Karaköy the city's culinary hub du jour. Quirky interiors havens **Mae Zae**, **No Vacancy** and **Atölye 11** (nestled beneath the bell tower of an Orthodox church) round out the eclectic mix. It will take you more than a day to explore the dozens of new spots, so consider staying a night or two at one of the neighborhood's stylish new boutique hotels, such as **Vault Karaköy**, set in a former bank, or the Morgans

Group's 71-room **10 Karaköy**, which debuted in a neoclassical building in November. Should you begin to wonder whether you've accidentally been transplanted from Istanbul to Brooklyn, a restorative visit to the **Kılıç Ali Paşa Hamamı** will set your geography straight: The 16th-century hammam was revived from ruin in 2012, and its sepia-tinted dome and opulent marble baths evoke the height of Ottoman splendor. Despite the buzz, Karaköy still feels like a neighborhood on the verge—but it won't stay that way for long. —Sarah Khan



**CAFE CULTURE**  
From top: Colonie restaurant; Karabatak cafe is housed in a former metal workshop; Istanbul Modern museum specializes in contemporary art; Karaköy Lokantası's turquoise interior.



**MADE IN SUEDE**

The classic denim-jacket shape for men gets an upgrade this season in buttery, sumptuous leather and natural tones.

From left: Suede jackets by Maison Kitsuné, \$4,400, kitsune.fr; Tom Ford, \$6,650, Tom Ford New York; Michael Bastian, \$3,450, michaelbastiannyc.com; Saint Laurent by Hedi Slimane, \$5,350, Saint Laurent 57th Street, New York.



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