



## SUMAHAN ON THE WATER

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**T**he Sumahan sits on the Asian side of the very edge of the Bosphorus

Straits which separate Europe from Asia and link the cold waters of the Black Sea to the warm waters of the Sea of Marmara and the Aegean beyond. The hotel is a rare find; one of very few riverfront properties that remain in the hands of its original owners. Turkish-American owner-architects Nedret and Mark Butler have transformed an unlikely family heirloom – a derelict Ottoman alcohol factory into a boutique hotel with 18 rooms.

Guests of the Sumahan

can enjoy the panorama across the Bosphorus from the quiet privacy of a secluded waterfront. There is a choice of suites and bedrooms, each with its own personality, most with fire places, but all with an ever-changing view of the fisherman and ferryboats beneath it. The suites include three with mezzanine floors and Philippe Starck baths next to the beds, and five with terraces and outdoor decking.

The Sumahan sets a standard in restoration architecture and interior design, the choice of wood, marble, steel, brick and minimal furnishings all





serving to highlight the hotel's greatest asset – its awesome view. The large bathrooms are luxurious with marble surfaces, thick Turkish towels and traditional natural toiletries, many of the rooms boast their own Turkish-style bath or hamam.

**Tapsuma** restaurant is a new addition to the Sumahan, offering seasonal fish dishes with a twist on modern Turkish and Mediterranean cuisines. An eight-metre long marble bar inside the restaurant showcases a daily selection of Turkish mezzes perfect for lunch or to begin your evening

meal. Guests can choose to eat by the bar or outside on the decking by the private pier from which the hotel's private boat runs services to and from downtown.

The hotel is located just outside Çengelköy, famous for its fruit orchards and market gardens, it is a village of wooden houses, fish restaurants and seaside promenades. The Sumahan is the ideal base for the independent traveller to enjoy beautiful design, breathtaking views and truly personalised service in the intimacy of a family-owned hotel.

