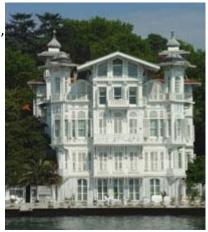
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Yali huse ved Bosphorus Strædet: (nogle af verden dyreste, pris: 20-60 mill. Dollars)

THE AFIF AHMET PASA YALI

This mansion, built in the Neo Baroque style by Alexandre Vallaury, architect of the famous buildings of Osmanli Bankasi and Pera Palas Hotel, was later bought by Misbah Muhayyes, the previous owner of Pera Palas. When Agatha Christie visited Istanbul to write her novel "Murder on the Orient Express", she was a guest in this mansion. The current owners are the Uzan family.





THE SEHZADE BURHANETTIN EFENDI YALI

This mansion was bought by the son of Sultan Abdulhamit II in 1911, therefore, carries his name. It has 64 rooms and it is one of the biggest yalis on the Bosphorus. It includes a large wooden house in the back garden. The present owners are the Erbilgin family, and its estimated value is 60 million US dollars. After the Kibrisli mansion, it has the longest pier on the Bosphorus. When Misirli Ahmet Ihsan Bey, bought the mansion, it was known as the Misirlilar Yalisi.

THE ZARIF MUSTAFA PASA YALI

Zarif Mustafa Pasa Yali is one of the most beautiful and valuable mansions on the Bosphorus. It was purchased by Kani Bey, the coffee magnate of Sultan Mahmut II. in 1800's. When the yali was originally built, it was composed of three sections: the Harem, the Selamlik and the Boat-house. It was originally three times bigger than its present size. In 1848, it became the property of Zarif Mustafa Pasa. The mansion was built on the ruins of a Byzantine monastery. The Ayazma (sacred water source) of the monastery is still in its garden.

