Prepare for Your LASIK Eye Surgery Trip to Turkey



Documents and Visa Requirements

- Valid passport or travel ID as international travel documents needed for Turkey.
- Visa requirements vary; check the latest information based on your country of origin at the official Republic of Turkey Electronic Visa Application System or contact the nearest Turkish consulate.
- Medical documents: referral from your local ophthalmologist, previous medical records related to your eye health, and any prescriptions.
- Clinics in Turkey offer diagnostic tests like corneal topography and OCT if you lack certain medical documents.



Accommodation Options

Accommodation is not typically included in the procedure package. You can book hotel rooms at special partner prices through medical travel arrangements, or opt for self-booking. Some clinics may have arrangements with nearby hotels for discounted rates. Average hotel stay per night ranges from \$50 to \$150.



Transfer Services

- Many clinics offer free airport-clinic-airport transfers; otherwise, this service may be charged.
- Popular taxi services include BiTaksi and iTaksi in major cities, with prices starting around 0.5 USD/km.



Interpreter Services

Interpreter services are available, sometimes at no additional cost. When not provided for free, clinics may offer these services at varying rates. It is advisable to confirm the availability and cost with the clinic beforehand.



Payment Methods

- Cash and credit/debit card payments are commonly accepted.
- The local currency is the Turkish Lira (TRY), and having local cash is recommended for smaller expenses and convenience.
- Many places also accept payments in dollars or euros, but it's advisable to have some local currency.



Pre-Op LASIK Eye Surgery Tips

- Refrain from wearing contact lenses for at least 2 weeks before the surgery as they can alter the shape of your cornea.
- Arrange for someone to drive you home post-surgery, as your vision may be temporarily impaired.
- Avoid any eye makeup or creams on the day of the surgery.
- Keep yourself well-hydrated before the procedure but avoid caffeine on the surgery day.
- Ensure you have a pair of sunglasses to protect your eyes from bright light after the surgery.
- Discuss all your current medications with your surgeon as some might need to be paused.
- Have a light meal a few hours before the surgery, as you will not be able to eat immediately after the procedure.
- Postoperative instructions will be provided by your LASIK eye surgery doctor.



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