

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO ANTALYA AND THE MEDITERRANEAN COAST, TURKEY

LOCATION: Antalya, Turkey's premier "sun-and-sand" resort area, is located on the central part of the Mediterranean Coast. The city has a magnificent setting. It is situated at the head of the Gulf of Antalya, with the spectacular Taurus Mountains rising just behind. Elevations within the city are close to sea level, but rise to some 8,000 feet and more not far to the north.

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC |
|-----------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| HOURS OF DAYLIGHT | 9:57 | 10:49 | 11:57 | 13:07 | 14:08 | 14:39 | 14:26 | 13:35 | 12:28 | 11:17 | 10:15 | 9:42 |
| HOURS OF SUNSHINE | 5:31 | 6:16 | 7:24 | 8:24 | 10:02 | 12:04 | 12:56 | 12:14 | 10:50 | 8:35 | 7:00 | 5:40 |
| AREA OF BLUE SKY | 49% | 49% | 54% | 54% | 62% | 78% | 87% | 88% | 85% | 71% | 61% | 53% |
| LOW FOR MONTH | 33° | 34° | 37° | 43° | 51° | 58° | 65° | 65° | 58° | 49° | 41° | 35° |
| SUNRISE TEMPERATURE | 43° | 44° | 46° | 52° | 59° | 67° | 73° | 72° | 67° | 59° | 51° | 46° |
| AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE | 59° | 60° | 64° | 70° | 77° | 86° | 93° | 92° | 88° | 80° | 70° | 62° |
| HIGH FOR MONTH | 65° | 67° | 74° | 81° | 91° | 99° | 106° | 103° | 98° | 91° | 80° | 69° |
| FROSTY MORNINGS | 3% | 4% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 3% |
| AFTERNOONS OVER 90° | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 6% | 37% | 63% | 59% | 36% | 7% | 0% | 0% |
| AFTERNOON HUMIDITY | 53% | 54% | 52% | 54% | 53% | 49% | 44% | 46% | 44% | 45% | 51% | 55% |
| NEARBY WATERS | 63° | 59° | 61° | 61° | 68° | 71° | 77° | 81° | 79° | 73° | 68° | 64° |
| DRY DAYS | 62% | 64% | 76% | 80% | 85% | 93% | 98% | 99% | 96% | 84% | 76% | 64% |
| REASONABLY DRY DAYS | 57% | 67% | 83% | 89% | 93% | 97% | 99% | 99% | 99% | 89% | 81% | 61% |
| 5-DAY PRECIPITATION | 1.62 | 1.19 | 0.58 | 0.29 | 0.18 | 0.06 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.39 | 0.75 | 1.72 |
| SNOWY DAYS | 0% | 1% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| THUNDER DAYS | 14% | 14% | 11% | 9% | 12% | 9% | 3% | 3% | 6% | 14% | 14% | 14% |
| FOGGY DAYS | 1% | 0% | 1% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 1% | 0% | 1% | 1% | 0% | 1% |

COMMENTS: Antalya has the standard three-season Mediterranean year. Spring (March and April) is a transition season between the cloudy changeable weather and rains of winter and the sunny, stable, and dry days of summer. Summers are sunny, hot and dry. The season starts in early May and runs until the first major rains of October. Winter is a season of storms and rain, rather than serious cold. It is still fairly sunny, but storms move across the city from west to east every three to five days, bringing frequent rain and changes in the weather. Snow flurries are not unknown during the winter, but are rarely seen more than one year in three or four. The mountains behind the city, however, are snow-capped for much of the winter. Since the ground does not normally freeze very often or to any great depth, local vegetation and crops grow throughout the winter months. The wheat and barley that are planted in the fall are harvested in the early summer. The local woody vegetation is mostly evergreen, hence no fall of leaves and no autumn season in the view of the residents.