

TRANSPORTATION GUIDE

We would like to provide you some suggestions that we think will be useful for transportation from Istanbul Airport to Novotel Istanbul Bosphorus.

1. Taxi

- **Duration:** A taxi ride typically takes 45-60 minutes. However, this can vary depending on traffic conditions in Istanbul.
- **Cost:** Taxi fares depend on the distance, time of day, and traffic. The distance from Istanbul Airport to Novotel Bosphorus Istanbul is approximately 45 km. The average taxi fare might range between 30-40 €.
- **Note 1:** It is recommended to use official taxis. Taxis are generally easy to find, with designated taxi stands at the airport.
- **Note 2:** For official taxis, please check www.istairport.com/en/airport/airport-transportation/urban-transportation/other/?locale=en
- **Note 3:** Please state that you will be going to “**Novotel İstanbul Bosphorus @ Karaköy – Galataport**”.

2. Havaist (Airport Shuttle Bus)

- **Duration:** Havaist buses are at “**Arriving Passenger -2nd Floor**”. Usually it takes 60-75 minutes to reach “**Taksim Square**”. Heavy traffic in Istanbul might increase this duration.
- **Cost:** The Havaist ticket costs 204 TL (around 6-7 €) for **Taksim Square**. From **Taksim Square**, you can continue to **Novotel Bosphorus** by taxi.
- **Note 1:** Havaist buses offer comfortable seating and ample luggage space. Tickets can be purchased from “**Havaist Kiosk Ticket Sales**” or paid on the bus by **credit card**. Please check www.hava.ist/?lang=en
- **Note 2:** To go to **Taksim Square** with Havaist, you have to find the bus at line code **HVL-9 (HVİST-16)**. After arriving at **Taksim**, you’ll be about 2.5 km away from the hotel, and a short taxi ride will take you there.
- **Note 3:** Please **do not** try to buy online ticket for Havaist, since the “**buy ticket**” link does not seem to work well for foreign passengers.

3. Metro and Tram

- **Duration:** Public transportation will take around 90 minutes.
- **Cost:** You need an **Istanbulkart** to use all sorts of **public bus options and/or Metro and/or Tram**. You can purchase an Istanbulkart at the airport or at metro stations. If

you use an Istanbulkart, each leg of the journey will cost approximately 20 TL (less than 1 €).

- **Route:**

1. Take the **M11 metro** from the airport and get off at **Gayrettepe station**.
2. Transfer to the **M2 metro** line and travel to **Taksim station**.
3. From Taksim, take the **F1 Funicular line to Kabataş**.
4. From Kabataş, take the **T1 tram** and get off at **Tophane station**.
5. It is no more than 10 minutes walking distance from station to the hotel.

- **Note 1:** This is one of the most economical options. Though it seems to take more time, it is the only way to escape from traffic jams.
- **Note 2:** For Istanbul Railway Network Map, please click [here](#). For all network maps, please check www.metro.istanbul/YolcuHizmetleri/AgHaritalari