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# There was Istanbul before Greenwich



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The beginning meridian was in Istanbul until the beginning of 1880's.

Istanbul, the capital of three empire empires, a center of culture, history and trade, was accepted as the zero point of the world until about 117 years ago, and the world was divided into two as east and west of Istanbul.

Istanbul has been the capital of the world for nearly 1,500 years. It is accepted as the "zero point" of the world. Byzantine and Roman capital cities, the whole world, according to Istanbul's clock. Here is the "million stone" symbolizing the center of the earth and the "zero stone" as another name. Zero stone is located at the entrance of Yerebatan Cistern in Sultanahmet Square in Istanbul.

At the beginning of the 1880s, a Geography Congress was held in England, and from 1884, the town of Greenwich, England, is regarded as the "Place of the Beginning Meridian". And in time, the world is starting to adjust its clock to Greenwich. The "GMT" phrase for the time zone also comes from here; "Greenwich Mean Time". Istanbul, the world; clock, distance, direction center so that it is removed.

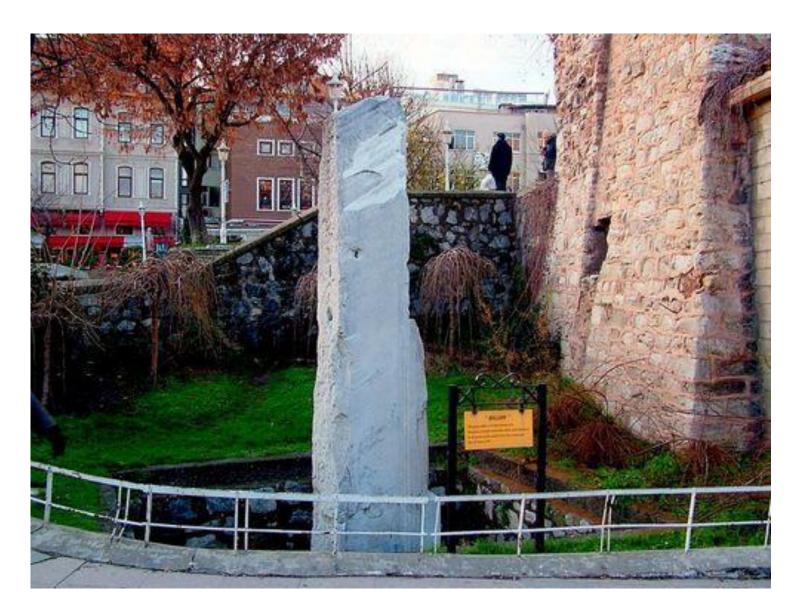
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### Brief information about Zero stone or Million Stone

Zero Stone "is located next to the tramway road near the entrance of Yerebatan Cistern on the northwest corner of Sultanahmet Square in Istanbul opposite the Hagia Sophia Mosque.

The starting point for all ancient Roman roads reaching the city of Constantinople in the Byzantine Empire and the zero point used to calculate the distance of this city from other cities on earth. It is considered to have been placed by the Emperor Constantine I in the 4th century. In some historical sources, it is written that some of the empire ceremonies after held in Hagia Sophia, continued under this monument stone.





## The "Zero Stone" Distances of the Various Cities of the World

🔮 Tokyo	8954 Km
S London	2502 Km
🔮 Moskow	1757 Km
🔮 Mecca	2407 Km
🔮 Berlin	1740 Km
🔮 Amsterdam	2214 Km
🔮 Baku	1756 Km
🔮 Tehran	2040 Km
🔮 Rome	1377 Km
🔮 Paris	2258 Km
🔮 Damascus	1488 Km
Vicosia Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus	1846 Km



### DEMONSTRATING THAT THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY PRIME MINISTRY OTTOMAN ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT ISTANBUL WORLD'S ZERO POINT MAP

