



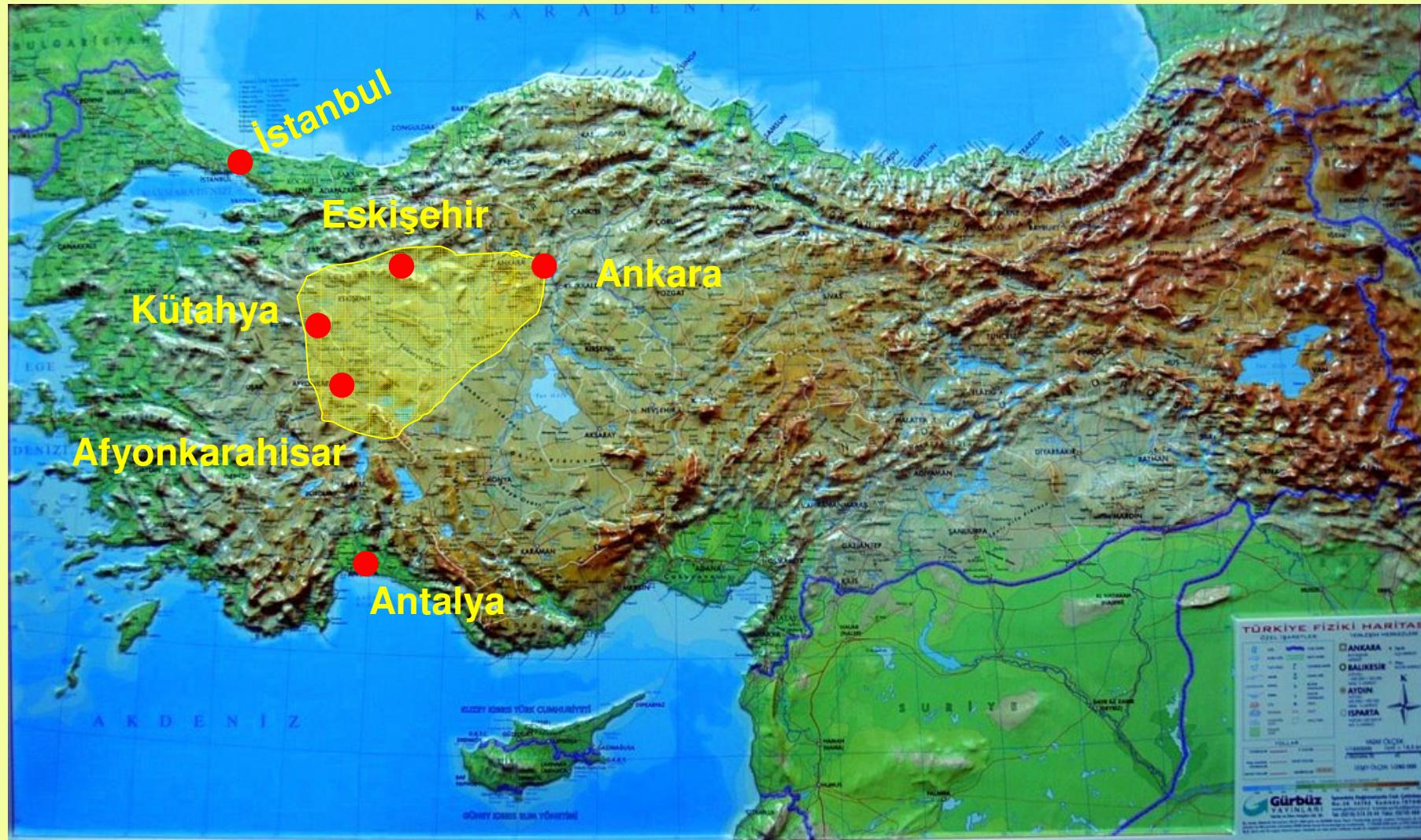
# Phrygian Way

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# Phrygian Valleys: Location

Phrygian Valleys are within the borders of Afyonkarahisar, Ankara, Eskişehir and Kütahya



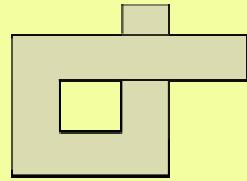
# Phrygian Civilization: History

- Phrygians came from Europe (Thrace) in 1200 BC and seized the control of the region in central Anatolia (Asia Minor)
- They became dominant power in central Anatolia in the Early Iron Age (9-7th century B. C.)
- Today the region is now known as Phrygia
- Phrygians invented the music instrument flute and held the first music contest in history





# Phrygian Way Project



**Friq Yolu**

**Purpose:** To establish a trekking route to help hikers and visitors to see Phrygian monuments and natural beauties in the valley more efficiently and safely.

- It is long distance walking trail through the Valleys

**It will be:**

- about 400 km long
- marked with international standards and documented
- completed in the Fall of 2011

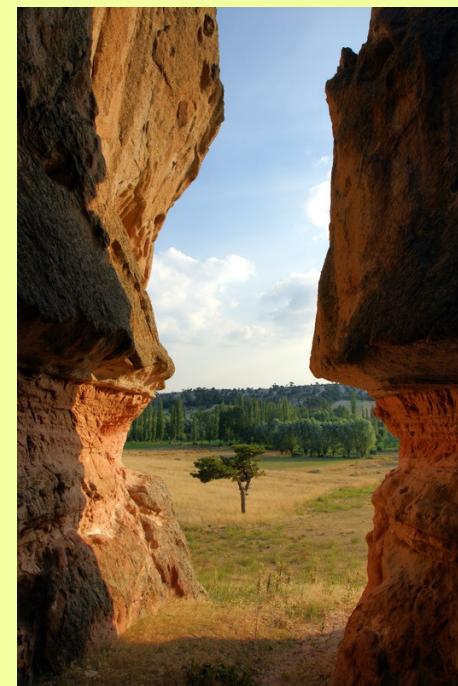
# Phrygian Valley: Geology

- Greater part of the region is covered by volcanic tuff (Mount Turkmen) so it is easy to carve out stones to build temples and monument



# Phrygian Valley: Geology

- There are many open-air temples, monuments, natural rock formation, earth pillar (fairy chimneys) and rock-cut churches



# Phrygian Civilization



**Yazılıkaya-Midas City**



- Gordion (near Ankara) was the capital of Phrygians
- The city Midas was the religious metropolis of the region (Cult center of Phrygians)

# Phrygian Valleys: Landscape



There are mainly two rivers in the region

Sakarya river (Sangarius)

Porsuk river (Tembiris)



# Phrygian Valleys: Landscape

Phrygian valley; like open-air museum; culture and nature are mixed



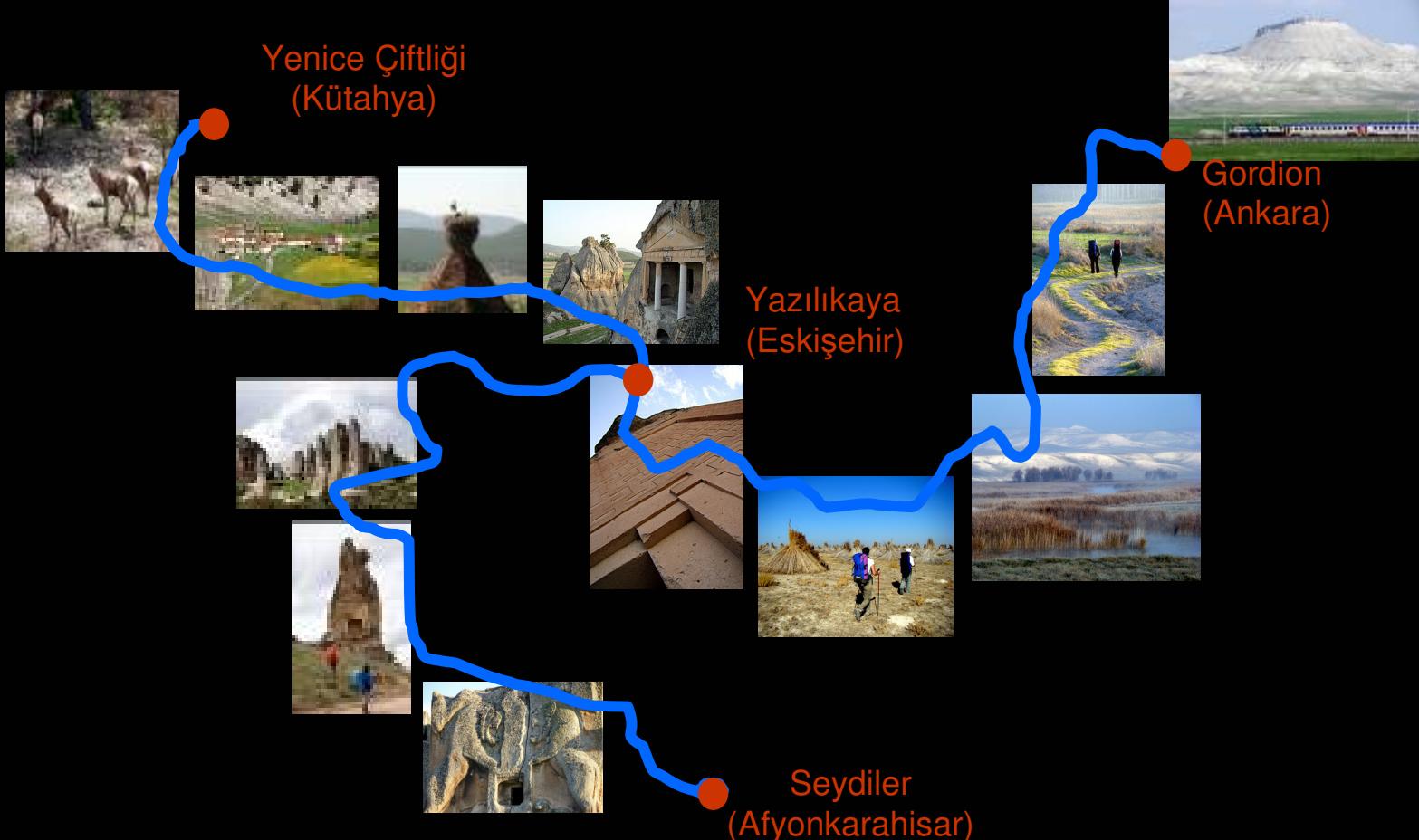
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It is in a position to connect the other routes nearby





# Phrygian Way-Route





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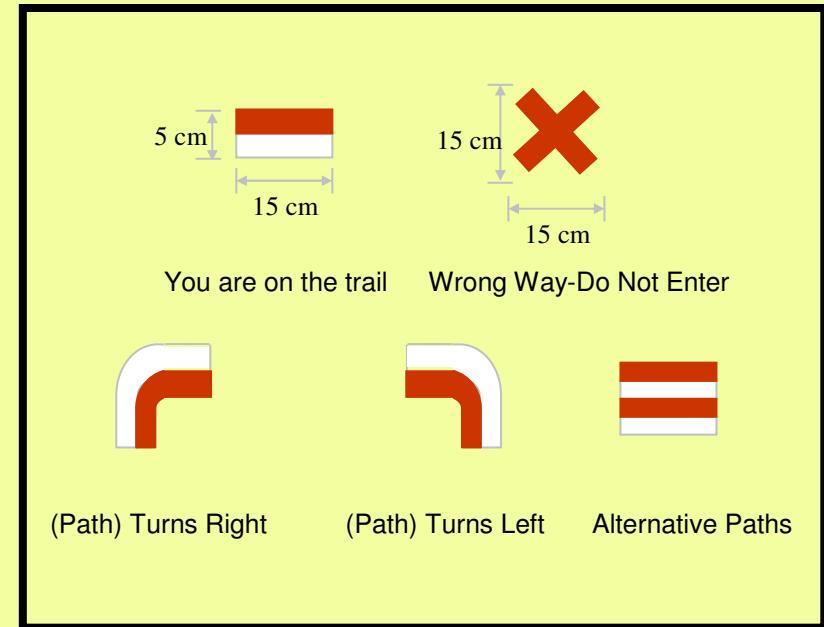
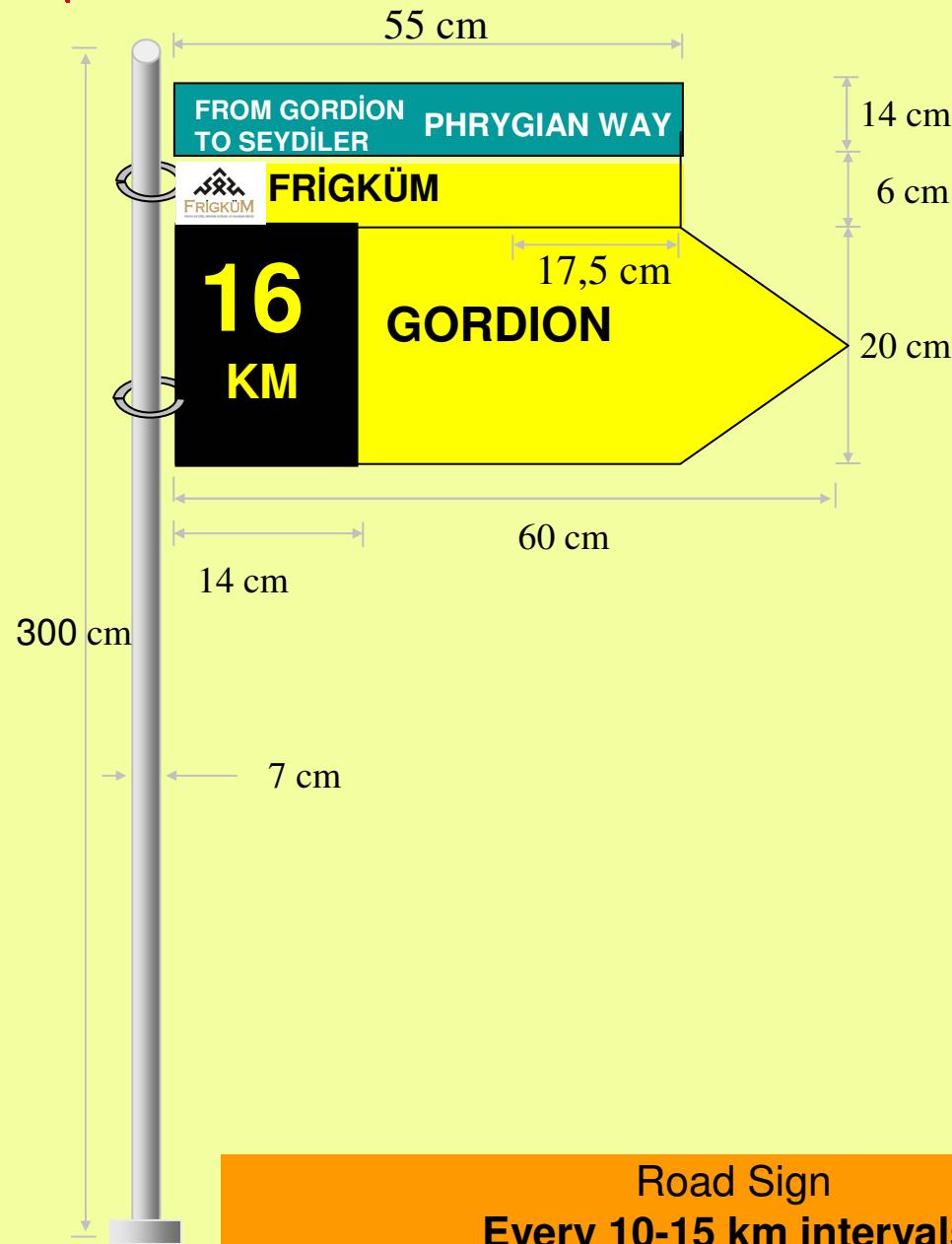


# Phrygian Way-Phases





# Phrygian Way-Waymarks



Road Marks



# Phrygian Way: Waymarks





# Phrygian Way-Starting Points



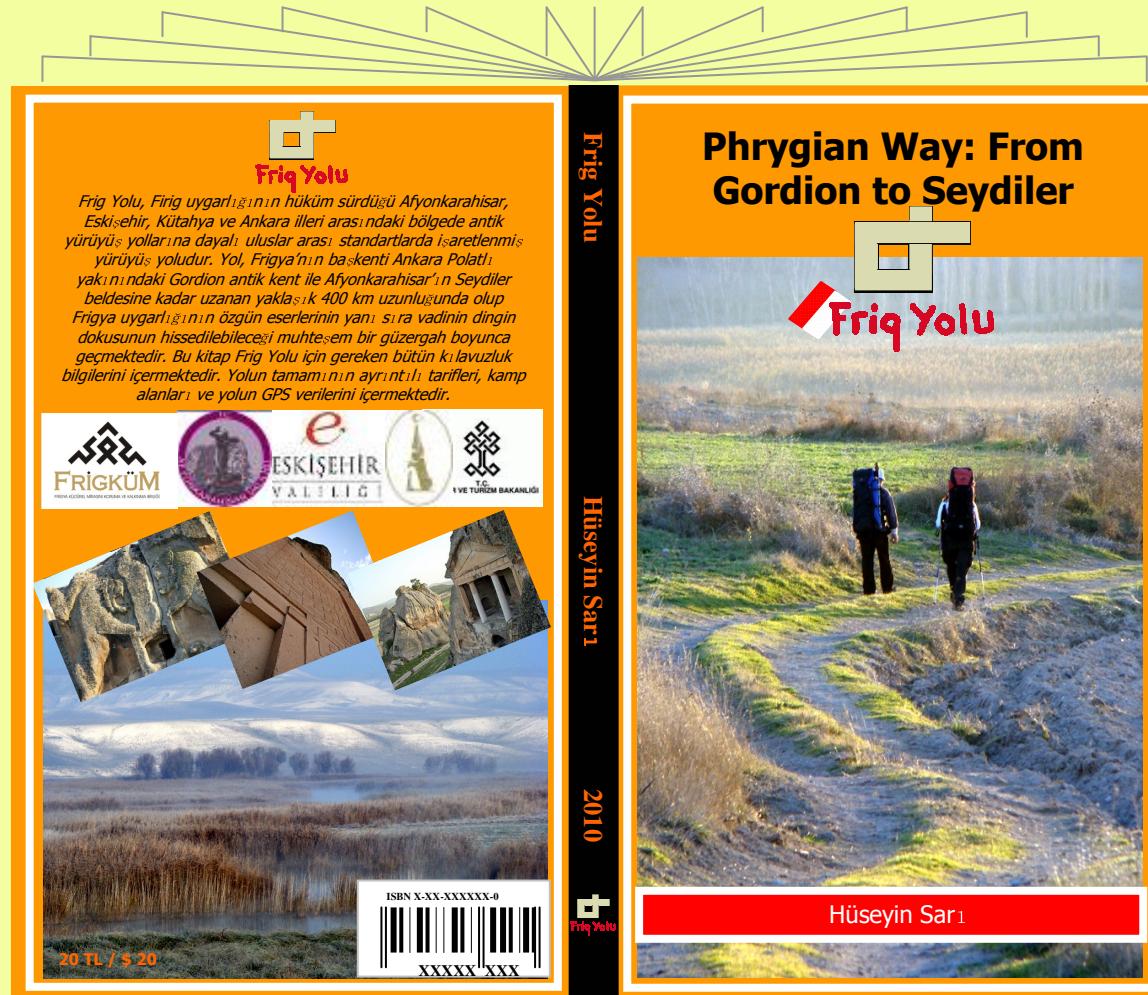
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Yol Başlangıç Tabelaları:  
Yürüyüş yolunun Başlangış/Bitiş (Gordion, Seydiler  
ve Yenice Çiftliği) noktalarında yol hakkında bilgi  
veren başlangıç tabelaları konacak (3 adet)



# Phrygian Way-Guide Book

A guide book both in Turkish and English including detail map and GPS points of the trail will be published



# Phrygian Way



Birleşmiş Milletler  
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Türkiye Milli Komisyonu

- Due to the cultural and natural importance of the region Phrygian Way is recognized by **UNESCO Turkey National Commission**



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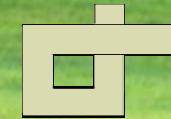
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