



Republic of Türkiye
Ministry of Culture and Tourism

THE RELATION BETWEEN LIVING HERITAGE AND SUSTAINABLE CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURISM IN TURKIYE



Directorate General of Living Heritage and
Cultural Activities



Intangible Cultural Heritage (Living Heritage)

Intangible Cultural Heritage includes living cultural expressions passed down through generations, such as:

- Oral traditions and expressions
- Performing arts (music, dance, theater)
- Social practices, rituals, festive events
- Traditional craftsmanship
- Knowledge concerning nature and the universe

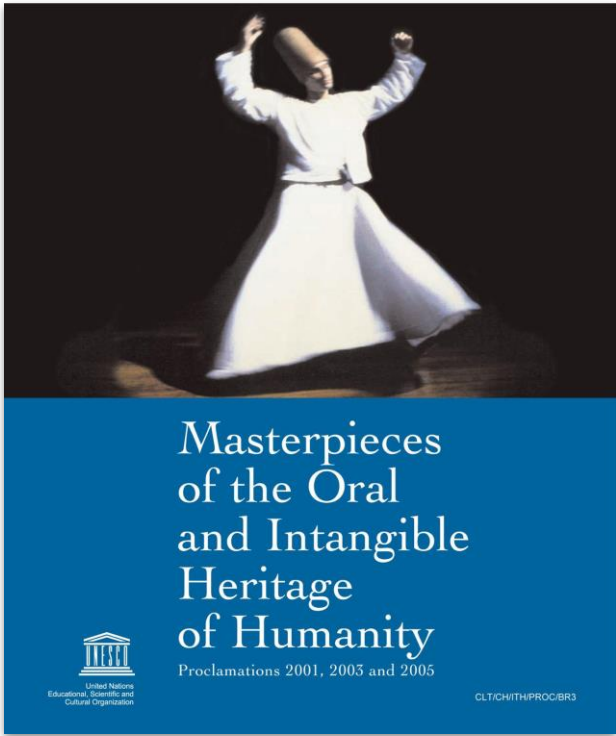




The Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage (2003 Convention)



- On 17 October 2003, the 32nd General Conference of UNESCO adopted the ‘Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage’.
- Türkiye became a state party for the 2003 Convention on 27 March 2006





Türkiye on UNESCO ICH Lists

31 ICH elements inscribed on UNESCO ICH Lists, Türkiye is one of the prominent state parties for the Convention.

- 17 National Nomination
- 14 Multinational Nomination
- 28 Elements on the Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity
- 3 Elements on the List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding





Inventory System of Türkiye for Safeguarding Living Heritage

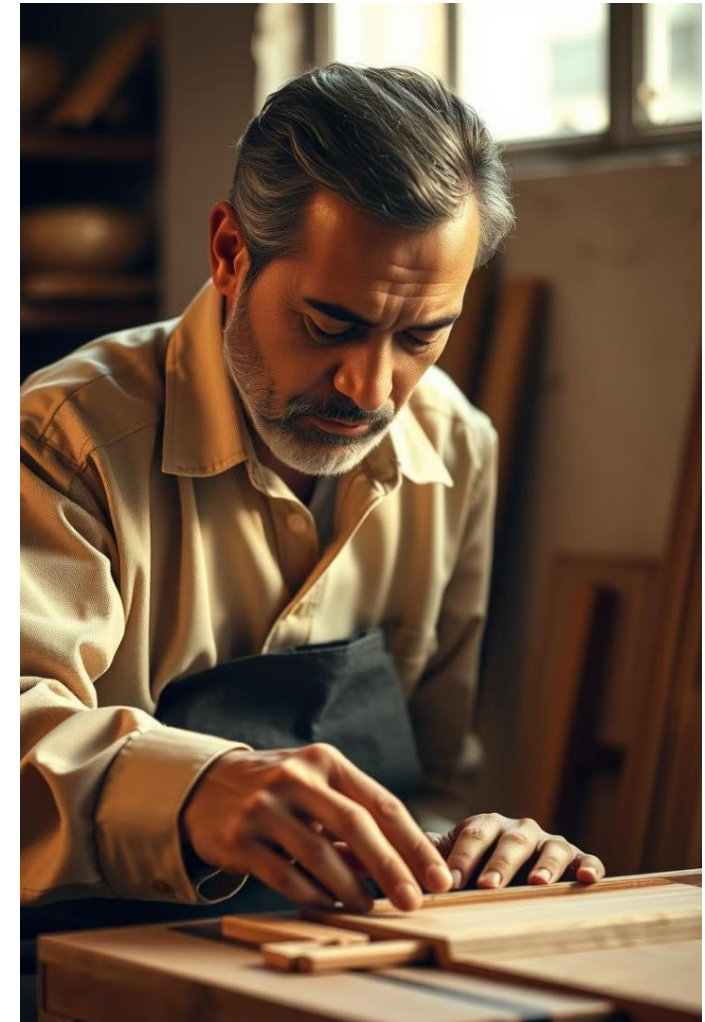
- The ICH National Inventory of Türkiye
- The Living Human Treasures National Inventory of Türkiye

ICH National Inventory

- 352 Elements
- 1255 local registration of the elements

Human Treasures National Inventory

- 92 persons or groups





Sustainable Safeguarding of Living Heritage Elements

“Traditional Knowledge, Methods and Practices Concerning Olive Cultivation” is inscribed on the List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding in 2023.



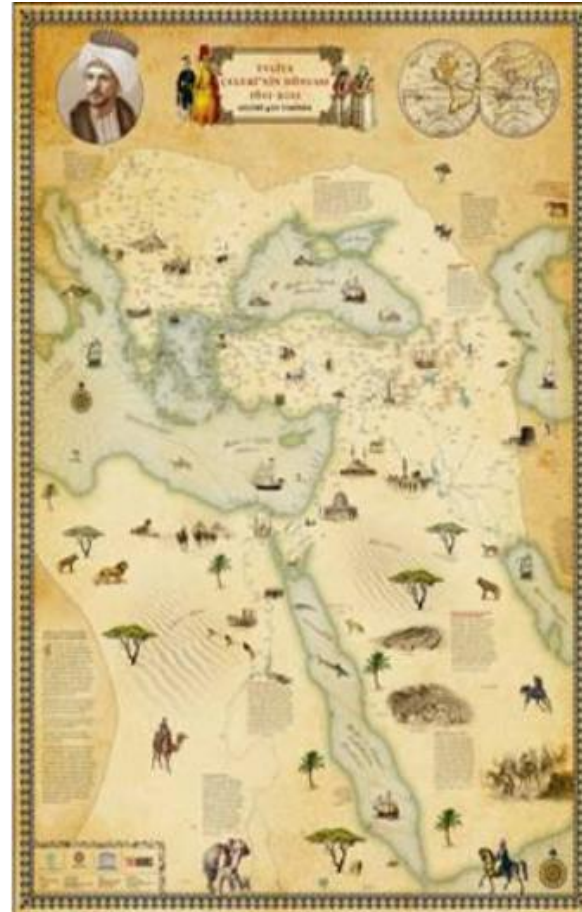
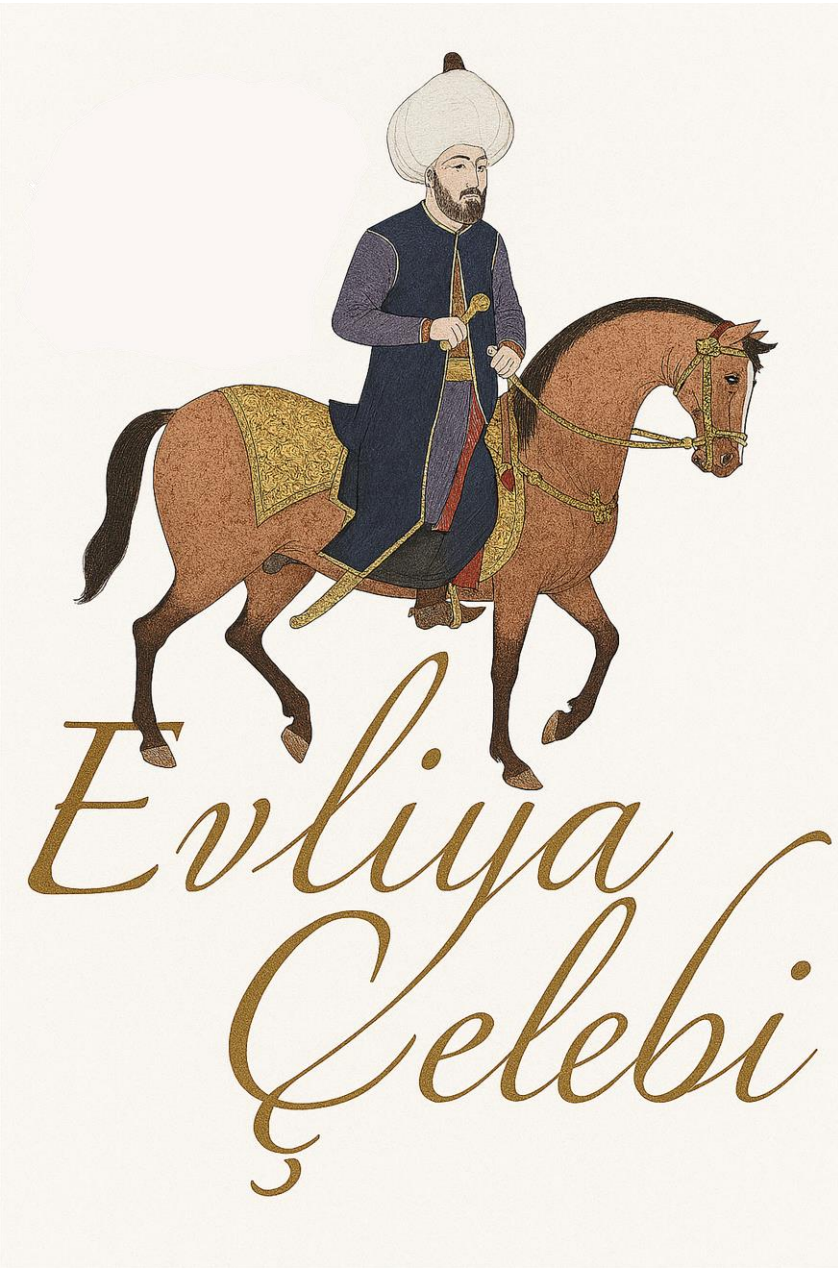
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The Routes of the Olive Tree in Türkiye

The olive tree dates back millions of years. It is considered a mythical and sacred tree. The relationship between the olive tree and an immensely rich, living cultural heritage, embedded in the everyday habits of the Mediterranean people.



Cultural Routes



Safranbolu





Efforts for Bearers and Practitioners of Living Heritage



Bearers and Practitioners of ICH Identification Card





Threats for Living Heritage

- Overcommercialization
- Deconceptualization



So-called Semazen performing sufi dance, with fire in his body, inappropriate space and inappropriate rituals.



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Thank you



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