



## Cuisine Culture of Syrian Refugees in Unison Process; Konya Sample

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### Extensive Summary

The phenomenon of migration in history has been going on since the day humanity existed. The curiosity about different lands, different society and problems in the region(war, violence,famine), therefore people had chose the migrate. In the 21st century, the migrate are still continuing but these migrates can be legal or illegal because of the many countries raising their border security. The people who migrate moved their culture to new regions.

Middle-east has been always a region which had wars and civil wars. At 2011 civil War started in Syria. It effected to Syria apart from Syria, other countries are also affected, too. The first reason why Syrian chose to migrate to Turkey is they see Turkey as a bridge between Europe and Syria. Also their cuisine is similar to Turkish cuisine.

The events in Syria in 2011 and beyond have been met with cultural interactions by both the Syrian people and the Turks as a result of the migration of many Syrians to Turkey. Syrians have increased the power of this interaction process by moving their culture, lifestyle and culinary habits to the region they migrated during their migration. Immigrants who settled in many regions of Turkey have been involved in the service sector and have contributed to the promotion of their culture by opening businesses in the food and beverage sector such as restaurants, döner enterprises and greengrocers.

Since Syria and Turkey belong to the same religion, many holidays and special occasions are similar. These similarities give rise to the opportunity to live on holidays and special occasions without any pressure, as if they were in their own country, without being greeted strangely. In the same way, Syrian cuisine of Arab origin and Turkish cuisine, which have a

great similarity in food, have facilitated and simplified the process of acclimation for Syrians. Although most dishes of Syrian cuisine are the same as Turkish cuisine, differences such as Syrians making more spicy dishes will contribute to the enrichment of their cuisine by replicating the alternatives of both cultures.

In the research semi-structured interview technique, one of the qualitative research methods, was used. A total of 17 participants were interviewed. However, not being able to express themselves and their culture well, not having enough information and similar reasons, only 8 participants interviewed were identified as the source. Meetings were based on volunteering also interviews recorded by recorded after analyzed. Result of the research Turks and Syrians has similar culture, tradition, religion, cuisine has been identified as adaptation period has been short this situation contributed that Syrians keep living their culture without assimilation.