Thanks to European Union funds, in 2010 the United Nations Development Programme – Partnership for the Future (UNDP-PFF), was able to renovate the market bringing it up to modern European Union hygiene standards.

What you can do at the Bandabuliya

Free WiFi Internet Connection! At the Bandabuliya you can bring your laptop, grab some fresh fruits or enjoy a traditional Cypriot coffee while getting some work done or showing the renovated market to your friends abroad!

Visit the adjacent Bedestan cultural centre, located opposite the market, which was also restored thanks to European Union funds, by UNDP-PFF and is now used as a bi-communal culture centre.



Learn more about
Bandabuliya by visiting the permanent exhibition!

6am
to 7pm



NOT JUST ANOTHER MARKET





Not just another Market

The Bandabuliya is one of Nicosia's oldest covered markets and is a 'must visit' destination for a real Cypriot shopping experience. At the Bandabuliya people like to eat, shop and talk to each other, and they have been doing so for almost a century.

The market, as it is known today, was built in 1930s but the marketplace area existed a long time before along the Ermou Street on the southern side, Arasta and Kuyumcular (Goldsmiths) Streets. In 1929, the City Council voted to demolish what was then the uncovered street bazaar of Nicosia and build the Bandabuliya, which was reopened on 1 October 1932.









But it's not just the building and its architectural historical value that makes Bandabuliya special - it is also about the people and the products that can be found there.

Daily fresh groceries, vegetables, fruits and meat can be found at Bandabuliya every day from 6am to 7pm. Bandabuliya is an excellent place to buy souvenirs, handicrafts, traditional clothes, textiles and local sweets.



The renovation project

The renovation of the market started in October 2010 and was completed in June 2012. The works were funded by the EU and implemented by the United Nations Development Programme Partnership for the Future (UNDP-PFF). The renovation covered a ground surface of 4,500 m² and encompassed the rehabilitation of 77 stalls.

The overall project aimed to enhance the organizational set up of the market as well as to upgrade the market appearance and its infrastructure in line with modern international standards. The works entailed repairing walls and roofs, the provision of new equipped kitchenettes and characteristic furniture, and training in hygiene standards.







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GREEN GROCERS

BUTCHERS

POULTRY

COFFEE SHOP

RESTAURANT

TOILETS, FIRST AID
CHANGING ROOM

STORAGE MECHANICAL ROOM

Are there disabled areas and facilities?

The circulation area of the market, including its cafes and restaurant are accessible to all, and ramps are located at the centre of all main corridors. Toilets for persons with disabilities are also available at the end of the butchers' corridor.

Is Smoking allowed in the Market?

The Market is a Smoke-free zone

Where is the best place to park in the Market?

There are various car parks within walking distance of the market such as the one behind the Bedestan cultural centre and the old temporary relocation site.

What is the password for the internet?

There is no internet password. You can select Bandabuliya from the available networks and enjoy the WiFi internet connection



