This is a list of words that have entered into the English language from the Turkic languages. Many of them came via traders and soldiers from and in the Ottoman Empire. There are some Turkic words as well, most of them entered English via the Russian language.

Languages of Turkic peoples left numerous traces in different languages, including the English language. Turkic borrowings, which belong to the social and political vocabulary, are generally used in special literature and in the historical and ethnographical works, which relate to the life of Turkic and Muslim peoples. The ethnographical words are generally used in the scientific literature, and in the historical and ethnographical texts.

The adoption of Indian words, among which there were some Turkic borrowings, became one of the ways for the words of the Turkic origin to penetrate English. Additionally, several words of Turkic origin penetrated English through East European languages like Russian and Polish. German, Latin, Spanish, Italian, French, Hungarian and Serbo-Croatian were also intermediary languages for the Turkic words to penetrate English, as well as containing numerous Turkic loanwords themselves (e.g. Serbo-Croatian contains around 5,000 Turkic loanwords, primarily from Turkish [1]).

In the nineteenth century, Turkic loanwords, generally of Turkish origin, began to penetrate not only through the writings of the travelers, diplomats and merchants, and through the ethnographical and historical works, but also through the press. In 1847, there were two English-language newspapers in Istanbul – The Levant Herald and The Levant Times, seven newspapers in French, one in German and 37 in Turkish. Turkish contributed the largest share of the Turkic loans, which penetrated into the English directly. This can be explained by the fact that Turkey had the most intensive and wide connections with England. Nevertheless, there are many Turkic loans in English, which were borrowed by its contacts with other peoples – Azerbaijanis, Tatars, Uzbeks, Kazakhs and Kirghiz.

Most of the Turkic loans in English carry exotic or ethnographical connotations. They do not have equivalents in English, do not have synonymic relations with primordial words, and generally are used to describe the fauna, flora, life customs, political and social life, and an administrative-territorial structure of Turkic regions. But there are many Turkic loans, which are still part of the frequently used vocabulary. Some Turkic loans have acquired new meanings, unrelated to their etymology.

To conclude, the words of the Turkic origin began penetrating English as early as the Middle Ages, the Turkic loanwords found their way into English through other languages, most frequently through French. Since the 16c, beginning from the time of the establishment of the direct contacts between England and Turkey, and Russia, in English appeared new direct borrowings from Turkic languages. German, Polish, Russian, Serbo-Croatian, French, Arabic, Armenian, Afrikaans, Hungarian, Yiddish,
Indian, Spanish, Italian, Latin, Malayan, to a different extent, took part in the process of the transfer of the Turkic words into English. The main language from which the borrowings were made, was Turkish.

Afshar
from Turkic Afshar, "a Turkic tribe living majorly in Kerman province of Iran". A Shiraz rug of coarse weave.[2][3][4]

Aga or Agha
from Turkish ağa, a title of rank, especially in Turkey.[5][6]

Aga Khan
from Turkic agha and khan, the divinely ordained head of the Ismaili branch of Shiism.[7]

Airan
from Turkish aýran[8][9][10]

Akbash
from Turkish akbaş, literally "a whitehead".[11]

Akche
from Turkish akçe, also asper, an Ottoman monetary unit consisted of small silver coins.[12][13]

Akhissar
from Turkish Akhisar, a town in Manisa, Turkey near İzmir. A kind of heavy modern carpet made at Akhisar, Turkey.[14]

Altai
from Altay Mountains, range in Central Asia, which is from Turkic-Mongolian altan, meaning "golden".
1. An Asiatic breed of small shaggy sturdy horses. 2. An animal of the Altai breed.[15][16]

Altılık
from Turkish altılık. A coin, originally of silver and equivalent to 6 piasters, formerly used in Turkey.[17]

Araba
from Russian arba, which is from Turkish araba. A carriage used in Turkey and neighboring countries.[18]

Arnaut
from Turkish armavut, "an Albanian". An inhabitant of Albania and neighboring mountainous regions, especially an Albanian serving in the Turkish army.[19]

Astrakhan
from Astrakhan, Russia, which is from Tatar or Kazakh hadžitarkhan, or As-tarxan (tarkhan of As or Alans) Karakul of Russian origin or a cloth with a pile resembling karakul.[20][21]

Atabeg
from Turkic atabeg, from ata, "a father" + beg "a prince".[22][23]

Atabek
from Turkic, an alternative form of Atabeg.

Ataghan
from Turkish yatağan, an alternative form of Yataghan.[24]

Ataman
from Russian, from South Turkic ataman, "leader of an armed band" : ata, "father" + -man, augmentative suffix.[25]
Aul
from Russian, from Kazan Tatar & Kirghiz. [26]

Bahadur
from Hindi bahādur "brave, brave person", from Persian, probably from Mongolian, cf. Classical Mongolian bayatur, which is from Turkic, perhaps originally a Turkic personal name. [27]

Bairam
from Turkish bayram, literally "a festival" [28][29]

Baklava
from Turkish baklava [30]

Balaclava
from Balaklava, village in the Crimea, which is from Turkish balık lava. A hoodlike knitted cap covering the head, neck, and part of the shoulders and worn especially by soldiers and mountaineers. [31][32]

Balalaika
from Russian balalaika, of Turkic origin. [33][34]

Balkan
from Turkish balkan "a mountain chain", relating to the states of the Balkan Peninsula, or their peoples, languages, or cultures. [35]

Bamia
from Turkish bamya. [36]

Ban
from Romanian, from Serbo-Croatian ban, "lord", which is from Turkic bayan, "very rich person" : bay, "rich" + -an, intensive suff. [37]

Barbotte
from Canadian French barbotte, which is from Turkish barbut. A dice game [38]

Barkhan
from Russian, which is from Kirghiz barkhan. A moving sand dune shaped like a crescent and found in several very dry regions of the world [39]

Bashaw
from Turkish başa, a variant of pasha [40]

Bashi-bazouk
from Turkish başıbozuk [41]

Bashlyk
from Turkish başlık, "a hood", from baş, "a head" [42]

Batman
from Turkish batman. Any of various old Persian or Turkish units of weight [43]

Beetewk
from Russian bityug, bityuk, which is from Turkic bitük, akin to Chagatai bitū, Uzbek bitäü. A Russian breed of heavy draft horses. [44][45]
Beg
from Turkic *beg*, an alternative form of *bey*[^46]

Beglerbeg
from Turkish *beylerbeyi*, a variant of *beylerbey*[^47]

Begum
from Hindi & Urdu *begam*, which is from East Turkic *begüm*[^48]

Behcet
from the name of Turkish scientist Hulusi Behçet, a multisystem, chronic recurrent disease.[^49]

Bektashi
from Turkish *bektaşı*[^50]

Bergamot
from French *bergamote*, from Italian *bergamotta*, ultimately from Turkish *bey armudu*, literally, "the bey's pear"[^51]

Bey
from Turkish *bey*[^52]

Beylerbey
from Turkish *beylerbeyi*[^53]

Beylik
from Turkish *beylik*[^54][^55][^56]

Binbashi
from Turkish *binbaşı*, "chief of a thousand", *bin* "thousand" + *bash* "head". (Mil.) A major in the Turkish army.[^57]

Bogatyr
from Russian *bogatyr* "hero, athlete, warrior", from Old Russian *bogatyri*, of Turkic origin; akin to Turkish *batur* "brave".[^58]

Borunduk
from Russian *burunduk*, which is from Mari *uromdok* or from Turkic *burunduk*. A Siberian ground squirrel.[^59][^60][^61]

Bosa, also Boza
from Turkish *boza*, a fermented drink[^62][^63]

Bosh
from Turkish *boş*, which means "nonsense, empty"[^64] (Bosh on wiktionary)

Bostanjı
from Turkish *bostancı*, literally "a gardener"[^65]

Bouzouki
from modern Greek *mpouzoúki*, which is from Turkish *bozuk* "broken, ruined, depraved" or *büzük* "constricted, puckered".[^66]

Boyar
from Russian *boyarin*, from Old Russian *boljarin*, from Turkic *baylar*, plural of *bay*, "rich"; akin to Turkish *bay*, "rich, gentleman".[^67]

Bridge game
the word came into English from the Russian word, *biritch*, which in turn originates from a Turkic word for "bugler" (in modern Turkish: *borucu, borazancı*) or might have come from a Turkish term *bir, üç*, or "one, three".\[86\]

**Bugger**
from Middle English *bougre*, "heretic", from Old French *boulgre*, from Medieval Latin *Bulgarus*, from Greek *Boulgaros, "Bulgarian"*, probably ultimately from Turkic *bulghar*, "of mixed origin, promiscuous" or "rebels", from *bulgamaq*, "to mix, stir, stir up".\[69][70][71][72\]

**Bulgar**
from *Bolgar, Bolghar*, former kingdom on the Volga river around Kazan (see bugger).
A Russian leather originally from *Bolgar*.\[70][73\]

**Bulgur**
from Turkish *bulgur*, which means "pounded wheat".\[74\]

**Buran**
from Russian *buran*, of Turkic origin, probably from Tatar *buran* \[75][76\]

**Burka**
from Russian, probably from *buryi* "dark brown (of a horse)", probably of Turkic origin; akin to Turkish *bur* "red like a fox"; the Turkic word probably from Persian *bor* "reddish brown"; akin to Sanskrit *babhru* "reddish brown".\[77\]

**Cafeneh**
from Turkish *kahvane, kahvehane* "a coffee shop, café".
from *kahve* "coffee" + *hane* "house".\[78][79\]

**Caïque**
from Turkish *kayık* \[80\]

**Caïquejee**
alteration (influenced by caïque) of earlier caikjee, from Turkish *kayıkçı*, "a boatman".\[81\]

**Calpack**
from Turkish *kalpak* \[82\]

**Caracal**
from Turkish *karakulak*, which means "black ear".\[83\]

**Caraco**
from French, perhaps from Turkish *kerrake* "alpaca coat". A woman's short coat or jacket usually about waist length.\[84\]

**Caracul**
from Uzbek *karakul*, an alteration of *karakul*\[85\]

**Caragana**
from New Latin, of Turkic origin; akin to Kirghiz *karaghan* "Siberian pea tree".\[86\]

**Caramoussal**
from Turkish *karamürsel, karamusal*, perhaps from *kara* "black" + *mürel* "envoy, apostle".\[87\]

**Casaba**
from a town called Kasaba (now Turgutlu) in Turkey \[88\]

**Cassock**
from Middle French *casaque* "long coat", probably ultimately from Turkic *quzzak* "nomad, adventurer" (the source of *Cossack*), an allusion to their typical riding coat. Or perhaps from Arabic *kazagand*, from Persian *kazhagand* "padded coat". \[89\]

**Cathay**
*Cathay* "China", from Medieval Latin *Cataya*, "Kitai", of Turkic origin; akin to Kazan Tatar *Kytai* "China", Old Turkic *Qytan* "Khitan" \[90\] \[91\]

**Cham**
from French, which is from Turkish *khan*, "lord, prince" \[92\]

**Chekmak**
from Turkish, a Turkish fabric of silk and cotton, with gold thread interwoven. \[93\]

**Chiaus**
from Turkish *çavuş*, \[94\]

**Chibouk**
from Turkish *çubuk*. \[95\]

**Chock a block**
from Turkish *çok kalabalık*. \[96\]

**Choga**
from Sindhi, of Altaic origin; akin to Turkish *çuha* "cloth". A long-sleeved long-skirted cloak for men worn mainly in India and Pakistan. \[97\]

**Choose**
perhaps from Turkish *çavuş* "a doorkeeper, messenger" \[98\]

**Corsac**
from Russian *korsak*, from Kirghiz *karsak*, "a small yellowish brown bushy-tailed fox" \[99\]

**Cosaque**
from French, literally, "Cossack", from Russian *Kazak* & Ukrainian *kozak*, which is from Turkic *Kazak*. A cracker. \[100\]

**Cossack**
from Turkic *quzzaq* which means "adventurer, guerilla, nomad" \[101\] (Cossack on wiktionary)

**Desemer**
from German, from Low German, alteration of Middle Low German *bisemer*, *besemer*, of Baltic origin; akin to Lithuanian *bezmnas*, of Slavic origin; akin to Old Russian *bezmenu* "desemer, small weight", Polish *bezman*, *przezmain* "balance without pans", perhaps of Turkic origin; akin to Turkish *batman* "small weight". An ancient balance. \[102\]

**Devshirmeh**
from Turkish *devşirme*, which means "gathering" \[103\] \[104\]

**Dey**
from Turkish *dayı*, literally "a maternal uncle" \[105\]
Dolma
from Turkish dolma, which means "filled" or "stuffed".[106]
Dolman
ultimately from Turkish dolaman, a robe, from dolamak "to wind".[107][108]
Dolmus, also Dolmush
from Turkish dolmuş, a share taxi.[109]
Domra
from Kazakh dombra, a musical instrument.[110][111]
Doner kebab
(Canadian: donair) from Turkish döner kebap.[112][113]
Donme
from Turkish dönme, which literally means "a convert".[114][115]
Donum
from Turkish dönüm, an alternative form of dunam.[116][117]
Doodle
from German dudeln "to play (the bagpipe)", from dudel "a bagpipe", from Czech or Polishudy "a bagpipe", from Turkish düdük "a flute".[118]
Donmeh
from Turkish dönme, which literally means "a convert".[114][115]
Donum
from Turkish dönüm, from dönmek "go round".[119][120]

Elchee or elchi
from Turkish elçi, which means "an ambassador".[121]
Eleme figs
from Turkish eleme "selected, sifted". Smyrna figs of superior quality packed flat.[122]

G

Galiongee
from Turkish kalyonçi, kalyoncu, "a Turkish sailor", from kalyon, Italian galeone + či or cu, the Turkish suffix.[123]
Ganch
modification of Turkish kancalamak "to put on a hook", from Turkish kanca "large hook", modification of Greek gampsos "curved" + Turkish suffix -lamak.[124]
Gilet
from French, from Spanish gileco, jaleco, chaleco, from Arabic jalikah, "a garment worn by slaves in Algeria", from Turkish yelek "waistcoat, vest".[125]
from Turkish *haremlık*, from *harem* (from Arabic *harim* & Arabic *haram*) + the Turkish suffix -*lik* "a place";[126]

**Horde**

from Turkic *ordu* or *orda* ("khan's residence")[127][128] (Horde on wiktionary)

**Hun**

from Medieval Latin *Hunni*, apparently ultimately from Turkic *Hun-yü*, the name of a tribe.[129]

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**Imam bayıldı**

from Turkish *imambayıldı*, "the imam fainted", an eggplant dish prepared with olive oil.[130]

**Imbat**

from Turkish *imbat*, a cooling etesian wind in the Levant (as in Cyprus).[131]

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**Janissary**

from Turkish *yeniçi*, which means "a new soldier" (janissary on wiktionary)

**Jelick**

from Turkish *yelek*, the bodice or vest of a Turkish woman's dress.[132]

**Jetru**

from Turkic, a union of seven Turkic peoples of Central Asia formed at the end of the 17th or beginning of the 18th century under one khan.[133]

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**Kaftan**

from Turkish *kaftan* (also in Persian)[134]

**Kaique**

from Turkish *kayık*, an alternative form of *caïque*.[135]

**Kangal**

from Turkish *kangal* or *sivas kangal köpeği*.[136][137][138]

**Karabagh**

A type of rug, named after the Karabagh region in the Caucasus.[139]

**Karabash**

from Turkish *karabaş*, literally "a blackhead"[140][141]

**Karadagh**

from Azeri *Karadagh*, a mountain range in Azerbaijan province, northwestern Iran. a Persian rug having a bold design and rich coloring.[142]

**Karagane**

from Russian *karagan*, which is from Turkic *karagan*. A species of gray fox found in Russia.[143][144]

**Karakul**

from Uzbek *karakul*, literally a village in Uzbekistan.[145]
Karakurt
from Russian, of Turkic origin, *karakurt*, "a venomous spider".[146]

Kasseri
from New Greek *kaseri*, from Turkish *kaşer, kaşar*.[147]

Kavass
from Turkish *kavas*.[148][149]

Kazak
from Kazak, a town in Azerbaijan, an Oriental rug in bold colors with geometric designs or stylized plant and animal forms.[150]

Kefir
from Russian, probably ultimately from Old Turkic *köpür*, "milk, froth, foam", from *köpürmäk*, "to froth, foam".[151][152]

Kelek
from Turkish *kelek*, a raft or float supported on inflated animal skins.[153]

Kendyr
from Russian *kendyr*, from Turkish *kendir*. A strong bast fiber that resembles Indian hemp and is used in Asia as cordage and as a substitute for cotton and hemp.[154][155]

Ketch
probably from Middle English *cacchen* "to capture", or perhaps from Turkish *kayık* "a boat, skiff".[156][157]

Khagan
from Turkic *kaghan*, an alternative form of *khan*.[158]

Khan
from Turkic *khan*, akin to Turkish *han* (title meaning "ruler")[159]

Khanum
from Turkic *khanum*, akin to Turkish *hanım*, "a female derivation of Khan".[160]

Khatun
from Turkic *khatūn*, perhaps from Old Turkic or from Sogdian *kwat'yn*, "a queen".[161][162]

Kibitka
from Russian, of Turkic origin; akin to Kazan Tatar *kibit* "booth, stall, tent", Uyghur *kābit*.[163]

Kibosh
looks Yiddish, but origin in early 19c. English slang seems to argue against this. One candidate is Irish *caip bháis, caipin bás* "cap of death". Or it may somehow be connected with Turkish *bosh*.[164]

Kielbasa
from Polish *kiełbasa*, from East and West Slavic *külbasa*, from East Turkic *külbassi*, "grilled cutlet", from Turkic *külbasti*: *küл*, "coals, ashes" + *basti*, "pressed (meat)" (from basmaq, to press).[165]

Kilij
from Turkish *kiliç*, a Turkish saber with a crescent-shaped blade.[166]

Kiosk
from Turkish *küşk*, an open summerhouse or pavilion.[167]

Kipchak
from Russian, which is from Chagatai. 1. One of the ancient Turkic peoples of the Golden Horde related to the Uyghurs and Kyrgyz. 2. The Turkic language of the Kipchaks.

Kis Kilim
from Turkish kızkilim, a kind of carpet.

Kizilbash
from Turkish kızılbaş, literally "a red head".

Knish
from Yiddish, from Ukrainian knysh, probably of Turkic origin.

Kok-saghyz
from Russian kok-sagyz, from Turkic kök-sagız, from kök "root" + sagız "rubber, gum".

Komitadji
from Turkish komitacı, a rebel, member of a secret revolutionary society.

Konak
from Turkish konak, a large house in Turkey.

Krym-saghyz
from Russian krym-sagyz, of Turkic origin, from Krym "Crimea", + sagız "rubber, gum".

Kulak
from Russian kulak "a fist", of Turkic origin; akin to Turkish kol "arm".

Kulan
from Kirghiz kulan, "the wild ass of the Kirghiz steppe".

Kumiss
from Turkic kumyz or kumis (kumiss on wiktionary)

Kurbash
from Turkish kırbaç.

Kurgan
from Russian, of Turkic origin; akin to Turkish kurgan "fortress, castle".

Kurus
from Turkish kuruş, a Turkish piaster equal to 1/100 lira.

Lackey
from French laquais, from Spanish lacayo, ultimately from Turkish ulak, which means "runner" or "courier".

Ladik
from Turkish Ladik, a village in Turkey. A rug of fine texture woven in and near Ladik in central Anatolia.

Latten
from Middle English latoun, laton, from Middle French laton, leton, from Old Provençal, from Arabic latun, of Turkic origin; akin to Turkish altın "gold"
Lavash
from Armenian, which is from Turkish lavash.[citations needed]

Lokshen
from Yiddish, plural of loksh "noodle", from Russian dial. loksha, of Turkic origin; akin to Uyghur & Kazan Tatar lakca "noodles", Chuvash läskä.[190]

M

Mammoth
from Russian mamot, mamont, mamant, perhaps from a Yakut word derived from Yakut mamma "earth"; from the belief that the mammoths burrowed in the earth like moles.[191]

Martagon
from Middle English, from Old French, from Old Spanish, from Ottoman Turkish martagan, "a kind of turban".[192]

N

Nagaika
from Russian, of Turkic origin; akin to Kirghiz nogai[193]

O

Oda
from Turkish oda, literally "a room, chamber". A room in a harem.[194]

Odalisque
from French, which is from Turkish odalik, from oda, "a room".[195]

Oghuz or Ghuz
from Turkic oghuz. A descendant of certain early Turkic invaders of Persia.[196]

Osmanli
from Turkish osmanlı, from Osman, founder of the Ottoman Empire + li "of or pertaining to".[197]

Ottoman
from French, adjective & noun, probably from Italian ottomano, from Turkish osmani, from Osman, Othman died 1326, founder of the Ottoman Empire[198]

P

Paklava
modification of Turkish baklava[199]

Parandja
from Uzbek, a heavy black horsehair veil worn by women of Central Asia.[200]

Pasha
from Turkish pasha, earlier basha, from bash "head, chief" which equates to "Sir".[201][202]

Pashalic

Odalisque
with a slave, 1842.
from Turkish paşalıkh, "title or rank of pasha", from paşa: the jurisdiction of a pasha or the territory governed by him [203][204]  
**Pastrami**  
from Yiddish pastrame, from Romanian pastrama, ultimately from Turkish pastırma [205]  
**Petcheneg**  
from Russian pecheneg, which is from Turkic. Member of a Turkic people invading the South Russian, Danubian, and Moldavian steppes during the early Middle Ages. [206][207]  
**Pirogi**  
from Yiddish, from Russian, plural of pirog (pie), perhaps borrowed from Kazan Tatar, (cf. Turk. börek) [208]  
**Pul**  
from Persian pul, which is from Turkish pul. A unit of value of Afghanistan equal to 1/100 Afghani. [209]  

**Q**  
**Qajar or Kajar**  
from Persian Qajar, of Turkish origin. A people of northern Iran holding political supremacy through the dynasty ruling Persia from 1794 to 1925. [210]  
**Quiver**  
from Anglo-French quiveir, from Old French quivre, probably ultimately from the Hunnic language [211], kubur in Old Turkish  

**R**  
**Rumelian**  
from Turkish rumeli, of, relating to, or characteristic of Rumelia [212]  

**S**  
**Sabot**  
from Old French cabot, alteration of savate "old shoe", probably of Turkish or Arabic origin. [213]  
**Saic**  
from French saïque, from Turkish shaika. [214]  
**Saiga**  
from Russian saïgâ(k), from Turkic; cf. Chagatai sayğak [215][216]  
**Saker**  
through Old French from Arabic saqr, probably from Turkic sonqur, which means "a falcon". [217]  
**Samiel**  
from Turkish samyeli, sam, "poisonous" + yel, "wind". [218]  
**Sanjak**  
from Turkish sancak, which means "a banner". [219][220]  
**Sarma**  
Sarma, a kind of dolma, is a classic of Turkish cuisine.
from Turkish sarma, which means "wrapping" [221][222]

**Saxaul**
from Russian saksaul, which is from Kazakh seksevil. A leafless xerophytic shrub or tree of the family Chenopodiaceae of Asia that has green or greenish branches and is used for stabilization of desert soils. [223][224]

**Selamlik**
from Turkish Selamlik. [225]

**Seljuk**
from Turkish Selçuk, "eponymous ancestor of the dynasties". Of or relating to any of several Turkic dynasties that ruled over a great part of western Asia in the 11th, 12th, and 13th centuries. [226]

**Seraskier**
from Turkish serasker, from Persian ser "head, chief" + Arabic asker "an army." [227]

**Sevruga**
through Russian sevryuga ultimately from Tatar söörök. [228]

**Shabrack**
from French schabraque, from German schabracke, from Hungarian csáprág, from Turkish çapra. [229]

**Shagreen**
from Turkish sağır, which means "the back of a horse". [230]

**Shashlik**
from Russian шашлык, which is from Crimean Tatar şişlik, which means "shish kebab". [231]

**Shawarma**
ultimately from Turkish çevirme, which literally means "turning". [232]

**Shish**
from Turkish şiş, which literally means "a skewer". [233][234]

**Shish kebab**
from Turkish şiş kebabı. [235]

**Shor**
from Russian, of Altaic origin; akin to Kalmyk & Mongolian sor "salt", Turkish sure "brackish soil". A salt lake in Turkestan, a salina. [236]

**Som**
from Kirghiz, "crude iron casting, ruble". [237]

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**Taiga**
from Russian taiga, of Turkic origin; akin to Teleut taiga "rocky, mountainous terrain";
Turkish dağ "mountain"; Mongolian origin is also possible. [238][239]

**Taramasalata**
from modern Greek taramas "preserved roe", from Turkish tarama "preparation of soft roe or red caviar" + salata "salad". [240]

**Taranchi**
from Chagatai Taranci, literally "a farmer".\[241\]

Tarantass
from Russian tarantas, which is from Kazan Tatar tarntas.\[242\]

Tarbagan
from Russian, which is from Teleut. A pale or reddish gregarious bobac inhabiting the grassy steppes of Central Asia.\[243\]

Tarbush
from Arabic tarbūsh, from Ottoman Turkish terposh, probably from Persian sarposh "headdress" (equivalent to sar "head" + pūsh"covering"), by association with Turkish ter "sweat". A tasseled cap of cloth or felt, usually red, that is worn by Muslim men either by itself or as the inner part of the turban.\[244\]

Tarkhan
from Old Turkic tarkan, a privileged class.\[245\]

Tarpan
from Russian, which is from Kirghiz or Kazakh tarpan.\[246\][247]

Tartar
from Persian Tatar, of Turkic origin. A ferocious or violent person.\[248\]

Tau-saghyz
from Russian tau-sagyz, from Turkic tau-sagız, from tau "mountain" + sagız "gum, rubber".\[249\]

Tavla
from Turkish tavla, a version of the board game backgammon.\[250\]

Tekke
from Turkish tekke, a dervish monastery.\[251\]

Tenge
from Kazakh tenge "coin, ruble".\[252\]

Tepe
from Turkish tepe, literally "a hill, summit". An artificial mound.\[253\][254][255]

Terek
from Terek, river of southeast Russia, which is from Balkar Terk. A sandpiper of the Old World breeding in the far north of eastern Europe and Asia and migrating to southern Africa and Australia and frequenting rivers.\[256\][257]

Theorbo
from Italian tiorba, which is from Turkish torba "a bag".\[258\][259]

Toman
from Persian تومان, which is from Turkic tūmen, "a unit of ten thousand".\[260\]

Tovarich
from Russian tovarishch, from Old Russian tovarishch, sing. of tovarishchi, "business associates", which is from Old Turkic tavar ishchi, "businessman, merchant" : tavar, "wealth, trade" + ishchi, "one who works" (from ish, "work, business").\[261\]
from Turkish tuğra, an elaborate monogram formed of the Sultan's name and titles.\[262][263]

**Tungus**
from Russian, from East Turkic tunguz, "wild pig, boar", from Old Turkic tonguz.\[264]

**Turk**
from Turkish türk, which has several meanings in English.\[265]

**Turki**
from Persian turki, from Turk, "Turk", from Turkish Türk.\[266]

**Turquoise**
from Middle English Turkeys, from Anglo-French turkeise, from feminine of turkeis Turkish, from Turc Turkish.\[267]

**Tuzla**
from Turkish tuzla, from the name of Lake Tuz in Turkey. A central Anatolian rug.\[268]

**Tzatziki**
from modern Greek tsatsiki, which is from Turkish cacik.\[269]

**U**

**Ugrian**
from Old Russian Ugre, which means "Hungarians", of Turic origin.\[270]

**Uhlan**
from Turkish oğlan "a boy, servant".\[271]

**Urdu**
from Hindustani Urdu "camp", which is from Turkic ordu (source of horde).\[272]

**Urman**
from Russian, which is from Kazan Tatar urman, "a forest", synonymous with taiga\[273]; Turkish word orman.

**Ushak**
from Ushak, Turkish Uşak, manufacturing town of western Turkey. A heavy woolen oriental rug tied in Ghiordes knots and characterized by bright primary colors and an elaborate medallion pattern.\[274]

**V**

**Vampire**
from French vampire or German Vampir, from Hungarian vámpir, from O.C.S. opiri (cf. Serb. vampir, Bulg. văpir, Ukr. uper, Pol. upior), said by Slavic linguist Franc Miklošič to be ultimately from Kazan Tatar ubyr "witch".\[275] Max Vasmer's etymological dictionary, though, considers such etymology doubtful and traces its most likely origin to Old Slavic.\[276]

**W**
Yaourt
from Turkish yoğurt, a fermented drink, or milk beer, made by the Turks.

Yardang
from Turkic yar
dang, ablative of yar "steep bank, precipice".

Yarmulka
of Turkic origin; akin to Turkish yağmurluk which means "rainwear".

Yashmak or yashmac
from Turkish yaş
dmak.

Yataghan
from Turkish yatağan.

Yoghurt
from Turkish yoğurt. (yoghurt on wiktionary)

Yurt
from Turkic yurt, which means "a dwelling place".

Yuruk
from Turkish yürük, "a nomad". 1. One of a nomadic shepherd people of the mountains of southeastern Anatolia. 2. A Turkish rug from the Konya and Karaman regions, southeastern Anatolia.

Z

Zill
from Turkish zil "bell, cymbals", of onomatopoeic origin.

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