

THE SECRET GENOCIDE

The Truth Behind the Ethnic Cleansing of Armenians in Turkey during World War I

The History

Death, ignorance destruction, **terror**, geoncide, cold-blooded murder. The Armenian Massacre was an incomprehensible tragedy that has stayed successfully hidden from public knowledge by the denial of the Turkish government. This is widely viewed as the first modern genocide.

On April 24th, 1915, Ottoman leaders arrested and **killed as many as 300 Armenian leaders**. Following these murders, they pulled remaining Armenian men, women, and children out of their homes and forced them to walk across the desert. The victims, deprived of water, food, and shelter, were murdered, raped, abused, and tortured by authorities. Some were loaded onto barges and brutally **sunk into the Black Sea**. The Ottoman Turks killed an estimated **1.5 million** Armenians. These horrors were completed systematically, **proving the young Turk government** committed this act of inhumanity.



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The Results



Consequently, the Armenian population lowered significantly and culture, religious buildings, and homes were destroyed. It has been said that there would **not have been the World War II Holocaust** of the Jewish without the Armenian Genocide because the Turkish authorities successfully got away with it without punishment. Today, the Turkish government **denies any affiliation** with the genocide and refuses to compensate or apologize for this merciless act. Not only did it shape World War II but has had long-lasting affects on today's politics. Due to the fact that Turkey has not acknowledged the massacre, Turkey and Armenia **do not have diplomatic relations** still today. The Armenian massacre destroyed lives, culture, and has **left a stain on Armenian history** that will not fade until this horrible tragedy is awknowledged by Turkey.

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