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TURKEY WINS AGAIN AT GOURMAND AWARDS

On May 20, 2006 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Turkey wins its third **Best in the World Gourmand Award**.

The first award went in 2003 to **Engin Akin** for Best Book on **Mediterranean Cuisine, Two Countries at the same Table**, written with **Mirsini Lambraki** and published by Isbanc. The second awards in 2004 was for **Best Cookbook on Local Cuisine**, written by the experienced talented author **Sahrap Soysal**, and published by Dogan Kitap.

This year the award is again in the same category, local cuisine, for a very different book and author. The winner is **Buyukada Yemekleri, Dedemin Sofrasi**, by **Selin Kutucular**, and photography by **Caroline Erel**. It is published by Selin Kutucular, combining Sofrasi's grandfather's table tastes from the Mediterranean to the recipes of Anatolia. It is a very personal and touching book. Winners in this category usually have great heart.

Past winners include:

1998	US – Teresa Barrenechea (Harvard Common Press)
1999	US – Sam Choy (Hyperion)
2000	Great Britain – Heather Hay Ffrench (Quiller Press)
2001	Australia – Maggie Beer (Viking)
2002	Germany – Rikissel, U.Triep (Bouvier)
2003	Austria – L.Hechenblaikner, K.Longriva, C.Wagner (C.Branstatter)
2004	Turkey – Sahrap Soysal (Dogan Kitap)

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