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*The Suleymaniye Mosque is the largest mosque in Istanbul and was built between 1550-1557 AD by Sultan Suleyman I - "Sulyman the Magnificent". Suleyman was the richest and most powerful Sultan of the Ottoman empire.*

*This Sultan is remembered by the Turks as the one who introduced laws and not by his magnificent title.*

*He undertook much construction, rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem (which was part of the Ottoman Empire 1516), and a lot of monuments throughout his empire.*

*Inside the mosque you will be impressed by its size and also simplicity: tiles from Iznik and colored glass-work brings harmony to a place of prayer and silence.*

*Four massive solid columns support the mosque: one from Baalbek, another from Alexandria and two from old Byzantine Palaces.*

*The paintings inside the mosque are dated from the 19th century and were recently renovated.*