


Dear Arthur,

I am a very good and patient internet browser. I research map sites, libraries, articles with great patience.

I have not seen any information in the books and maps published to date that there was a port at the entrance of the Ezine River.

It is true that İlisi had an ancient road and two ports. I have sent documents on this subject. I can send many documents.

 In the email you sent, 1,,2,3 and 4 are correct. I have made an explanation below for 5.

After 1800, some researchers who took into account the name "Ezine" and the distances given by Lucius Flavius Arrianus and Marcian of Heraclea showed the entrance of the Ezine River as the port. However, they could not find a settlement here.

While the port remained in Ezine, they looked for a city that would suit the port between Abana and Hacıveli, within 5 km. They did not look at whether these places were suitable for settlement conditions in the ancient period and their distance from the port.

There were those who wanted to introduce the neighborhoods they lived in as Aeginetes, even though they had no documents. (İskender Şengör)

In the 1750s, Abana was located high above the sea, on the mountainside.

Later, Aşağı Abana was established on the sediments carried by the Ezine Stream. The place on the mountainside remained Yukarı Abana.

The Ezine River does not have the same name from its source to where it flows into the sea. When it approaches the sea 2-3 km, it is called the Abana River from the borders of the Abana District. The reason is that it got its name from the Ezine village located around Bozkurt. You will find pictures of this below.

The rocks located far from the coast in front of the village of İlişi, including the Small Port, are natural rocks. They may have shortened, receded, or shrunk over time. I have no information on that. If you ask my opinion. Why did travelers passing by open water in ancient times, except Stephanus of Byzantium, pass by İlişi Village without seeing it? They showed the rocks 5-10 km away

Could it be that they did not see the houses built far from the sea and the ships due to the rocks in front of the harbor because they were afraid of pirate raids, as in other places?

5- I gave wrong or incomplete information about the small harbor before. I apologize.

The ferries would anchor offshore. They would not dock on the shore.

There would be wooden boats 8-10 meters long on the beaches of every village. They would carry passengers between the ferry and the beach. They would enter the small harbor and drop off passengers. They are in my memories.

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The area I drew with a black pen is the area that was flooded during the flood disaster we experienced in 2021. I guess the ancient harbor area may have covered this area. I cannot imagine what the rocks in the open would have looked like a thousand or two thousand years ago.



NOTES

French astronomer Pierre-Joseph de Beauchamp stayed in the village of Ilisi for 3 days in 1797.

Fourcade, the French consul of Sinop, and Jaubert came to Inebolu by road in 1806 and passed through Ilisi.

Abana Deresi

ABANA. Aşağıdaki örneklerde karşınıza çıkan bu ad, Luwi dilinde ve ardılı dillerde "Su" anlamına gelen Aba sözcüğü ile, o dillerin "-sal, -yurdu" anlamlarındaki wana/ana takısından türetilmiştir; Su'sal (Ülke), Su Ülkesi demektir. Bkz. Aba, wana.

1. **Abana (Çayı).** Aşağıda No.2'deki kentçikte Karadeniz'e dökülen çay.
2. **Abana.** Kastamonu iline bağlı ilçe merkezi kentçik, **Abana Çayı** ağzında kurulmuştur, tarihçesi ilkeçağa uzanır (Umar, Paphlagonia, s. 18-19).
3. **Abana (Çayı).** Şam yakınındaki Barada Irmağı'nın, Tevrat'ta (II.Krallar, V 12) geçen tarihsel adı.
4. **Abana.** Sivas ili Suşehri ilçesi Akıncılar bucağına bağlı Göllüce Köyünün eski adı. Yeni adı dehi pül. Adana'da...

Abana Stream



Signboard on the bridge introducing the Abana River. Ezine takes the name Abana 2-3 km from the coast.

Dear Arthur,

I was born in the village of İlişi. I lived in Istanbul. Now, I live in Abana 8 months of the year. Abana is a very beautiful, touristic coastal town. From Amasra to Sinop, the coast and beaches are a narrow corridor squeezed between the forest and the sea. To get here, you have to cross mountains and pine forests at an altitude of 1400 meters, 50 km away.

I am sending you a photo I took a while ago.

It is raining and there are people on the beach.

Notice that the concrete protecting the harbor has been destroyed by the waves.

Abana is beautiful. I love these shores.



ILISHI STREAM



