

When one, two or three just isn't enough...

With a total of four satellite antennas, four receivers and four TV screens Hakan Kasli from Turkey can truly boast perfect technical equipment. He lives in Antalya, one of the big tourist resorts on Turkey's southern coast.

Hakan goes back to when it all began: "It was in 1997 when I bought my first satellite receiver." The starting point of his DX journey was a Pace MSS200 analog receiver, and "as antenna I used a locally made 120 cm dish with a Sharp single LNB," Hakan continues. It was not too difficult to align this antenna, because "just a year before, in 1996, I had finished my BA degree in physics," explains Hakan, who had attended Middle East Technical University.

Hakan has been a loyal reader of TELE-satellite for ten years now and along his journey he kept expanding his antenna farm so that today he is able to receive all satellites at the same time without having to move a single antenna. "My favourite position is ASTRA at 19.2° East," Hakan reveals, "because it's the satellite with the widest range of entertainment programs." Hakan's plans for the future include an in-depth look at satellite software and the various broadcasting systems for satellites.



■ Hakan frequently relies on an ABCOM set-top box for satellite reception, while his collection of receivers also features the Topfield TF5200. "Currently I'm looking at adding the Topfield TF7700HDPVR as well," Hakan tells with anticipation about his receiver plans.

■ Hakan Kasli on the roof of his 4-antenna home in Antalya, southern Turkey.

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■ Hakan's dishes: The 120 cm antenna in the background is aligned towards ASTRA 19.2° East, the 80 cm dish on the left takes care of HOTBIRD at 13.0° East, the 120 cm antenna on the right looks at TURKSAT at 42.0° East and the 90 cm antenna in front receives signals from NILESAT at 7.0° West.

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