

Iran

7 Nights / 8 Days

Day 1	Tehran	Arrival in Tehran, Transfer to hotel. Afternoon visit the Tajrish Bazaar, the Holy Shrine of Saleh in Tajrish square.
Day 2	Tehran / Shiraz	Transfer to airport to catch the flight to Shiraz City tour of Shiraz.
Day 3	Shiraz / Isfahan	Drive to Isfahan via visiting Persepolis Visit the Necropolis & Naghsh-e-Rostam
Day 4	Isfahan	Full day city tour of Isfahan
Day 5	Isfahan / Kashan	Half day city tour of Isfahan Drive to Kashan city.
Day 6	Kashan / Matin Abad / Tehran	Early morning transfer to Matinabad. Continue to Tehran
Day 7	Tehran	In the morning going to Darband mountain area in north of Tehran: hiking. Afternoon going to traditional tea house. Transfer to international airport for departure flight.

City tour of Shiraz:

Visit Karimkhan citadel, the residential and ruling headquarters of Karim Khan, it is the biggest and most important building of Zand Dynasty, Eram garden(its beauties and aesthetic attractions resembling "heaven), Hafez tomb (Iranian Poet), Shahcheragh is a funerary monument and mosque in Shiraz, Iran, housing the tomb of the brothers Ahmad and Muhammad.

Persepolis:

Persepolis was the ceremonial capital of the Achaemenid Empire (ca. 550–330 BCE). Persepolis is situated 70 km northeast of the modern city of Shiraz in the Fars Province of modern Iran. The earliest remains of Persepolis date from around 515 BCE. UNESCO declared the citadel of Persepolis a World Heritage Site in 197.

Isfahan

Naqsh-e Rostam also referred to as Necropolis is an archaeological site located about 12 km northwest of Persepolis, in Fars province, Iran. Naqsh-e Rostam lies a few hundred meters from Naqsh-e Rajab.

The oldest relief at Naqsh-i Rostam is severely damaged and dates to c. 1000 BC. It depicts a faint image of a man with unusual head-gear and is thought to be Elamite in origin. The

depiction is part of a larger mural, most of which was removed at the command of Bahram II. The man with the unusual cap gives the site its name, Naqsh-e Rostam, "Picture of Rostam", because the relief was locally believed to be a depiction of the mythical hero Rostam.

Full day city tour of Isfahan

Half day city tour of Isfahan visiting Jame mosque is the grand, congregational mosque (Jāme'h) of Isfahān city, Vank Cathedral one of the first churches to be established in the city's Jolfa district by Armenian deportees settled by Shah Abbas I after the Ottoman War of 1603-1605. Drive to Kashan, if time permits visit Fin garden (It contains Kashan's Fin Bath, where Amir Kabir, the Qajarid chancellor, was murdered by an assassin sent by King Nasereddin Shah in 1852) and Brujerdi historical house in Kashan city

Matinabad

Matin Abad is located on the border line of Iran Central Desert and has been geologically and environmentally affected by it.

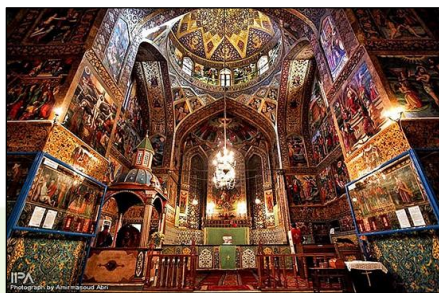
The Central Persian Desert Basins ecoregion covers the vast arid steppe and desert regions of central Iran and a small part of northwest Afghanistan. Dominated by a vast salt desert in the north and smaller areas of very hot sand and gravel desert in the east, the area's vegetation ranges from sagebrush to salt land and psammophytic plants and includes chenopodiaceous communities in Afghanistan. Saline soils harbor an impressive number of specially adapted plant communities with many endemic species. Characteristic fauna includes onager, gazelles, cheetah, leopard, the desert fox, and many species of birds.

Darband

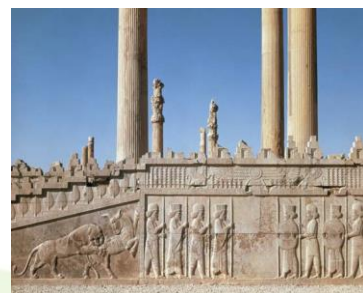
Darband was formerly a village close to Tajrish, Shemiran, and is now a neighbourhood inside Tehran's city limits. It is the beginning of a very popular hiking trail into the Alborz mountain Tochal, which towers over Tehran



Eram Garden



Vank Cathedral



Persepolis