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**SHIRAZ** THE CRADLE  
OF  
PERSIAN CULTURE AND HISTORY





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# SHIRAZ

the City of  
Gardens and Nightingales



**"The Paradise of Tourists"**, Shiraz, located in Fars Province, Southwest Iran, is the treasury of Persian history and culture; thus, for centuries the city has been synonymous with education, philosophy, art, and poetry. Archaeological excavation on Poostchi Hill has revealed that the history of Shiraz dates back to beyond 4 millennium BC. This garden city has earned its reputation due to not only its diversity of natural resorts, historical sites, and monuments but also its electronics industries and medical advancements. Medical treatment and health care system and facilities indebted to Shiraz University of Medical Sciences (SUMS) are such specialized in Shiraz that have turned the city to a hub of medical tourism in Iran.



# SHIRAZ

## Climate



The climate diversity has made Shiraz a four-season city; although, the dominant climate is considered to be moderate.





## Sights and Landmarks

As one of the historic backbones and fundamental cultural origins of Persia or Iran, Shiraz owns no shortage of historic attractions to visit. To name a few of these cultural and historical heritages, the followings are worth mentioning:







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## PASARGAD

- KARIM KHAN CASTLE
- THE TOMB OF HAFEZ
- THE TOMB OF SAADI
- THE TOMB OF SHEIKH ROOZBEHAN
- DELGOSHA GARDEN
- AFIF ABAD GARDEN
- ERAM BOTANICAL GARDEN
- JANNAT GARDEN
- JAHAN NAMA GARDEN
- ZINATOLMOLK HOUSE
- NARENJESTANE GHAVAM MANSION
- SHAPOURI HOUSE
- BAMU NATIONAL PARK







# SHIRAZ

## Religious Sites



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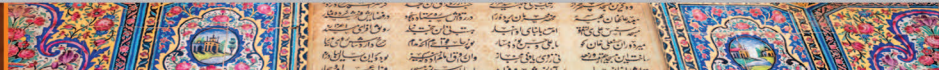
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- THE SHRINE OF AHMAD IBN MUSA
  - THE SHRINE OF ALI IBN HAMZEH
  - THE SHRINE OF  
SEYED ALAEDIN HOSSEIN
  - NASIR-AL-MOLK MOSQUE
  - VAKIL MOSQUE
  - JAME ATIQ MOSQUE



# VAKIL MOSQUE









Shiraz, the **Cultural Capital of Iran**, is considered as the city of poetry and philosophy embracing the grave of two worldwide famous poets, Hafez and Saadi and others as Khajuyeh Kermani, Hamidi Shirazi, Baba Kouhi, Ahli Shirazi, Lotf-Ali Sooratgar, etc. Likewise, Shiraz has introduced the history of the world a great philosopher, Molla Sadra, internationally known for his book of "The Transcendent Theosophy in the Four Journeys of the Intellect."



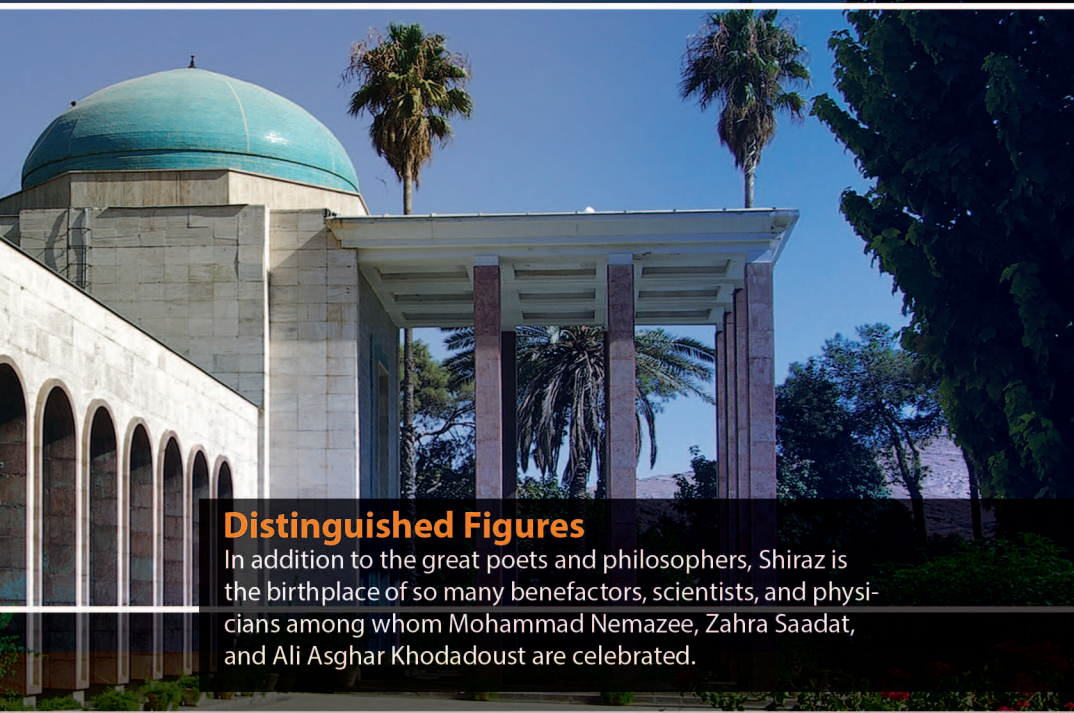
MOLLA SADRA







## THE TOMB OF SAADI



### **Distinguished Figures**

In addition to the great poets and philosophers, Shiraz is the birthplace of so many benefactors, scientists, and physicians among whom Mohammad Nemazee, Zahra Saadat, and Ali Asghar Khodadoust are celebrated.





Mohammad Nemazee was born in 1896 to a distinguished affluent family in Shiraz, Iran. He was a successful merchant and is regarded as a great example of a philanthropist who is reputable for his charitable donations. His charitable establishments include a Charitable Foundation in Washington (1949), Shiraz Water Supply System (1952), Advanced Institute of Nursing (1953) in Shiraz, Nemazee Hospital (1955), Nemazee Orphanage and Nemazee Vocational School in Shiraz as well. He made a considerable contribution to well-being of the citizens of Shiraz by founding two significant infrastructures.





Noticing the low quality of drinking water in Shiraz at the time, he first devoted his money to establishing a water supply network, which met the standards of the day. Later, he spared his money to the foundation of Nemazee Hospital to be a well-equipped teaching hospital in the region. "The main objective of developing Nemazee Healthcare Center, unlike that of ordinary hospitals" as he also believed, "is not to provide a place for patients to rest, rather this foundation is intended to be a center for achieving world's advanced knowledge of medical sciences and training skilled physicians."





Shiraz has a great number of souvenirs. In addition to great and tasty sweets such as Masqati, Sesame Bread, Herbal Distilled Liquids, Floral Waters, Natural Syrups and Komaj Bread, it has precious handicrafts as:





- **KHATAM**
- **PERSIAN CARPET**
- **GABBEH**
- **GELIM**
- **JAJIM**
- **GLASSWORK**
- **PERSIAN ENAMELING AND CERAMICS**
- **SEVEN-COLOR TILE WORKS**
- **MONABAT (A TYPE OF WOODWORK)**
- **MOARAGH (A TYPE OF WOODWORK)**
- **COPPER WORK**
- **PERSIAN PAINTINGS**

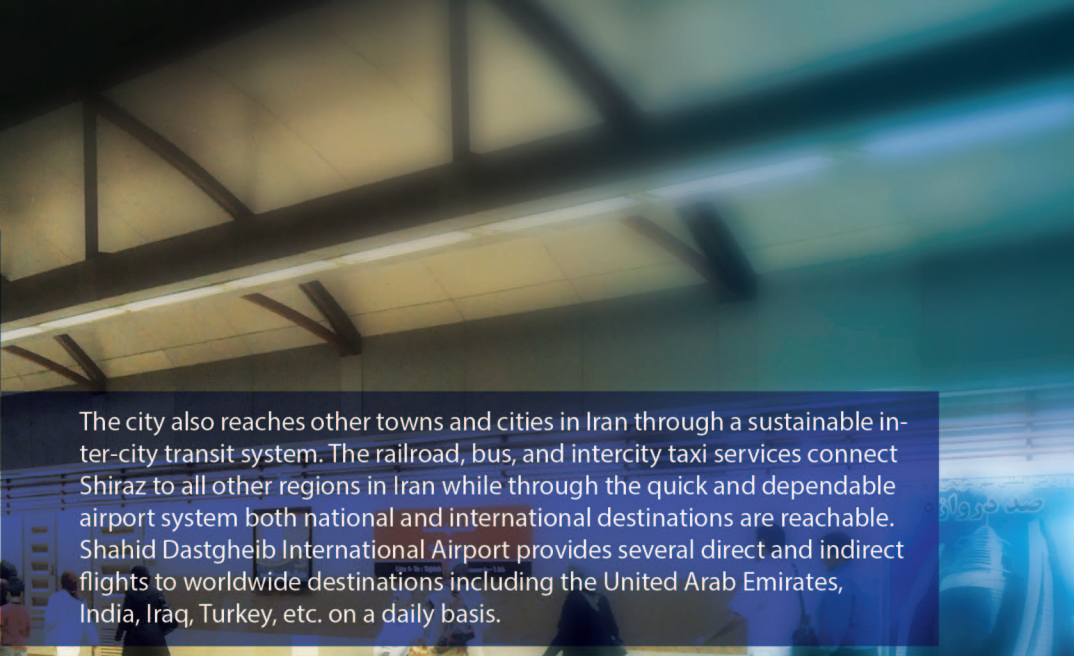






The intra-city public transportation system of Shiraz is a well-developed infrastructure, which includes numerous buses and taxis as well as an efficient subway system covering all 11 boroughs of the city.





The city also reaches other towns and cities in Iran through a sustainable inter-city transit system. The railroad, bus, and intercity taxi services connect Shiraz to all other regions in Iran while through the quick and dependable airport system both national and international destinations are reachable. Shahid Dastgheib International Airport provides several direct and indirect flights to worldwide destinations including the United Arab Emirates, India, Iraq, Turkey, etc. on a daily basis.

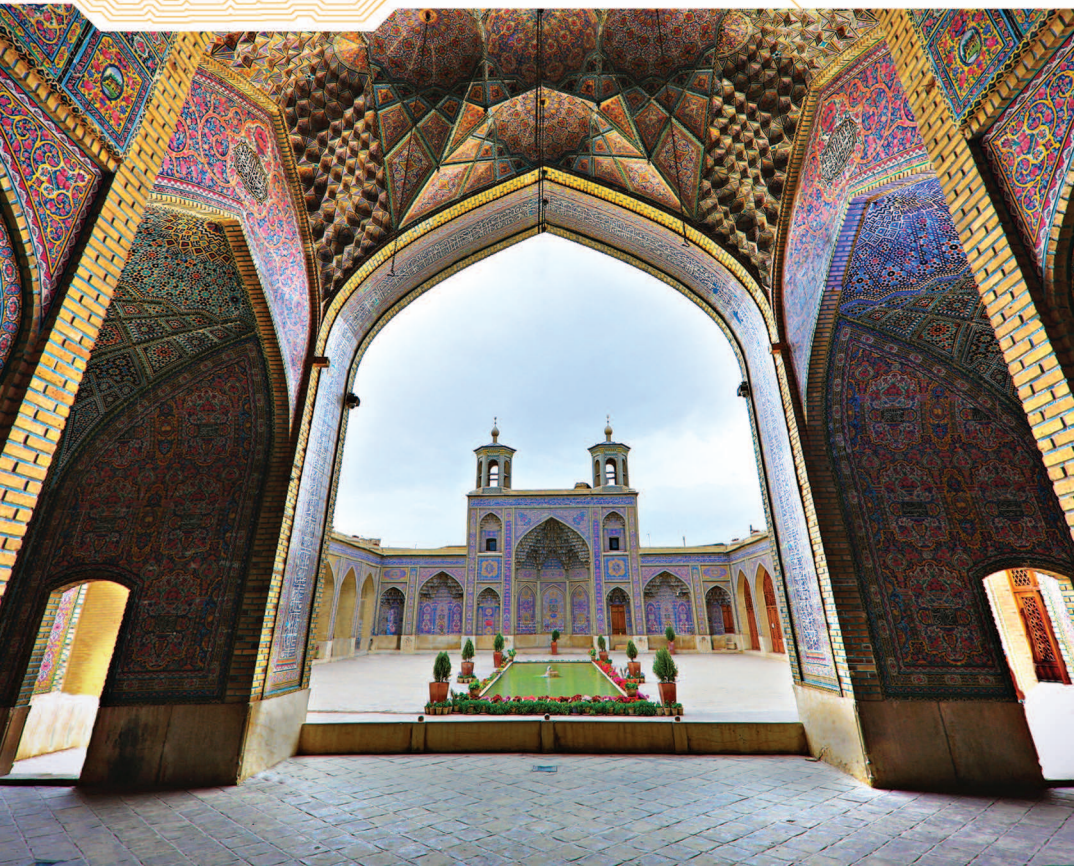




IRAN-FARS



NASIR-AL-MOLK (PINK) MOSQUE





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