

## A Thrilling Horseback Ride through Stunning Landscapes, Combined with Cultural Exploration 🚶🏻‍♀️

Friendly Iran - 12-day Iran Tour

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## Detailed

### Day 1: Arrival in Tehran

Today, travelers arrive in Tehran and will have some time to relax and get familiar with the city. If time allows, we'll visit Azadi Tower to admire this beautiful Tehran landmark in the evening, with its lovely lighting and peaceful atmosphere.

### Day 2: Exploring Tehran's History and Culture

On the second day, we begin by visiting Golestan Palace, a stunning palace showcasing Iran's art and history. Next, we head to the Grand Bazaar of Tehran, where you can enjoy the lively, colorful atmosphere and experience local culture and lifestyle. In the afternoon, we visit the National Museum of Iran, home to priceless ancient artifacts that offer a deep insight into Iran's rich history.

### Day 3: Journey to Semnan

Early in the morning, we depart Tehran for Semnan. In Semnan, we'll visit the beautiful and ancient Jame Mosque, followed by a trip to the local market, full of regional goods and handicrafts. We'll also stop by the Arg Gate, a historical symbol of the city.

### Day 4: Damghan, City of History and Culture

Today, we travel to Damghan. We will visit the historical Masjed Tarikhaneh, one of the oldest mosques in Iran, known for its unique architecture. Afterwards, we head to the Toghrol Tower, a historical site with fascinating beauty. In the afternoon, we relax at Cheshmeh Ali, a tranquil spot perfect for unwinding and enjoying nature.

### Day 5: Arrival in Shahrud and Bastam

In the morning, we head to Shahrud. We will visit the Turan National Park, a pristine area home to rare species like the Persian leopard (this visit depends on the park's conditions and schedule). In the afternoon, we explore the Bayazid Bastami Complex, including the shrine and Sufi monastery, offering a mystical and unique experience.

### Day 6: Adventure Day in the Cloud Forest

Start horseback riding from the village of Abr toward the Cloud Forest. Ride over the Cloud Forest and learn about the region's historical and geographical significance. Pass through beautiful landscapes and enjoy views of the Maran Castle, the summer capital of the Parthians. Camping for lunch in the Cloud Forest, above the clouds. Off-roading in the Cloud Forest area. Rest break and snacks along the way. Continue horseback riding back toward the village of Abr. Return to the accommodation for dinner.

### Day 7: Journey to the Turkmen Sahara

Early in the morning, we depart Shahrud for Turkmen Sahara, arriving in the city of Gonbad Kavus. Here, we will visit Gonbad Kavus Tower, the tallest brick tower in the world and a UNESCO World Heritage site. The grandeur and unique architecture of this structure are truly impressive.

### Day 8 & 9: Turkmen Sahara the combination of Culture & Adventure

These two days are spent visiting the Gulf of Gorgan and the beautiful wetlands of Turkmen Sahara. These areas, with their unique ecosystems and beautiful birds, offer excellent opportunities for photography and a pristine natural experience.

Also, we head to Aq Qala, a city that beautifully reflects Turkmen culture. You can visit the local market to shop for Turkmen handicrafts and souvenirs. There will also be a chance to see Turkmen horses and, if there are any races, enjoy this exciting event.

Horseback riding on purebred Turkmen horses through the plains and forests of Golestan's highlands, with two nights of camping in nature. Visit the tomb of the Lady of the Horse, Mrs. Louise Firouz. Overnight in the eco-lodge.

### Day 10: Exploring Gorgan

Today, we start the return journey, making our way to Gorgan. We'll stroll through the historical district and visit old houses. Next, we'll explore the traditional Nahalbandan Market, where you can purchase local handicrafts and products. In the afternoon, we visit the village of Ziyarat, a charming, cool mountain area near Gorgan.

### Day 11: Gorgan- Tehran

On the way back to Tehran, we will stop in Sari and visit Churat Lake. This serene lake, nestled among lush forests, provides a peaceful and beautiful environment perfect for relaxing, photography, and walking. Overnight in Tehran.

## Day 12: Depart

After breakfast, we transfer to the Tehran international Airport, marking the end of our trip. Throughout this journey, you will experience a variety of natural, historical, cultural, and local life highlights that will create unforgettable memories.