



INSIDE PERSIA TOUR

2 – 16 April 2017

(15 days, 14 nights FULL BOARD)

Breathtaking legacies of great Empires

Vibrant Zoroastrian, Jewish, Christian, Muslim heritage

Internationally desired textiles, extraordinary modern art

Inspirational landscapes, dazzlingly beautiful food

The Islamic Republic of Iran is a catchall of India, Central Asia, Europe and Arabia, delivered in an incomparable Persian style.

Our springtime April tour explores the history, the 'now', and the future projections of the bustling capital Tehran, 'half the world' Isfahan, desert paradise Yazd, poetic Shiraz, and the abundance of treats along the roads between them.

From decayed ceremonial palaces to dazzling pavilions to enrapturing mosques to entrancing cathedrals, synagogues, fire temples, and tombs.

From mud-brick towns to labyrinthine bazaars, heritage gardens, nomadic tents, funky cafes, and internationally acclaimed built environments.

From carpets, jewels, and copper to precious spices and a dizzying array of luxurious dishes and delicacies which you will taste from every region.

Iranians young and old – poets, rabbis, merchants, weavers, nomads, mullahs, artists, students, grandmas, and everyone in between - will embrace, engage, delight, sometimes challenge, and often inspire.

- ❖ April's mean temperature is 25°
- ❖ Average fitness essential for occasionally uneven terrain and some stairs
- ❖ Women must cover arms and legs and wear a headscarf¹

¹ Images of past tours to Iran <https://www.facebook.com/AlmanarConsultancy>

Tour Fee

Twin Share **A\$5220 pp**

Single Supplement **extra A\$700 pp**

EARLY BIRD OFFER \$4820 Twin Share for registrations before 15 February

Tour Fee Inclusions:

- 4 & 5 ★ accommodation
- Daily breakfast, lunch, and dinner (Full Board)
- All airport transfers
- Touring & entrance fees
- Refreshments en route (mineral water, tea, coffee, biscuits)
- **Visa pre-approval** from Iran Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Pre-departure advice (wardrobe, medication, currency etc.)
- Full accompaniment by Dr Fiona Hill & highly experienced English-speaking guide who's a leading Iranian foodie.

Non-Inclusions:

- International airfare
- Travel insurance
- Cost of Visa from Iranian Embassy or upon arrival in Tehran Airport²
- Private excursions during free time
- Personal snacks or beverages
- Gratuities and tipping our driver and guide at end of tour (Fiona Hill will advise on this amount)

Terms & Conditions

Registering to join this tour means you agree to:

- Pay Tour Fee deposit
- Pay Tour Fee TAX Invoice in full by due date
- Obtain health and travel insurance
- Meet cost of all personal expenses
- Be fully responsible for own luggage, health, and special needs
- Accept the cancellation policy as outlined below.

Travel Insurance is a **pre-condition** for joining this tour.

² We provide comprehensive guidance and all reasonable assistance with your visa application.

Cancellation & Refund Policy

A. Cancellation by Almanar Consultancy

Should Almanar Consultancy be forced to cancel the tour -

- I. Prior to 2 April 2017 due to Force Majeure – 100% refund less any unrecoverable costs already outlaid.
- II. During Tour due to Force Majeure - NIL refund.³

B. Cancellation by you

Should you cancel your participation for any reason whatsoever, we will provide:

- I. More than 40 days prior to departure – 100% refund less any unrecoverable costs (i.e. hotel booking costs)
- II. Less than 40 days – 70% refund less any unrecoverable costs
- III. During Tour - NIL refund.

Registration

Acceptance of Terms & Conditions and Cancellation Policy **assumed** when you REGISTER with fiona@almanarconsultancy.com:

1. Your contact details (email and street address)
2. Your room preference (Twin Share or Single)
3. **Scanned copies of the ID pages of your PASSPORT** (for pre-approval of your visa from Iran Ministry of Foreign Affairs)⁴
4. Evidence of **Deposit of A\$300** (refundable **only** upon full fee payment)

Key Actions:

1. Complete Registration process (as per above) to secure your place and receive instructions regarding visa and flights.
2. Pay Tour Fee as per Almanar Consultancy Tax Invoice by 10 February 2017 to receive pre-departure advice and final itinerary.

³ Your Travel Insurance ought cover you against such events.

⁴ British and Canadian citizens will be provided with visa instructions peculiar to their special case. An Iranian visa in the passport of a citizen or visitor to America will **prompt a question** at Customs (there are thousands of American tourists in Iran). Evidence in your passport of a visit to Israel will preclude you from receiving a visa to visit Iran.

REGISTRATION FORM

Cultural Tour: INSIDE PERSIA – Boutique Tour of Iran

Duration: 14 Days FULL BOARD

Dates: 2 – 16 April 2017

Tour Fee: A\$5220 Twin Share + A\$700 Single

EARLY BIRD: A\$4820 Twin Share + A\$700 Single

Deposit: \$300

Deposit Date:

First Name

Last Name

Passport Number*

Father's Name (for visa pre-approval)

Mobile

Email Address

Twin Share

Single

* Please provide copy of Passport with your Registration to expedite Visa Pre-Approval

DEPOSIT PAYMENT DETAILS - DIRECT BANK TRANSFER

National Australia Bank

BSB 083-735

Account No. 86-737-8882

Account Name: Almanar Consultancy (Dr Fiona Hill)