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**Naqsh-e Jahan (Imam Square)**

Visitors can learn about the history of the Markar complex, the Museum of Zoroastrians History and Culture. The Museum of Zoroastrians History and Culture is situated in a basement suite. Initially, the visitors can learn about the history of the Markar complex along with the biography of its founder, Pashootan Ji. The dormitory for the students of the Markar boarding school is almost luxurious compared even with the Spanish transport system.

**Tabatabayis House**

Juan Carlos Milena: Kashan is an Iranian city that can be found between Isfahan and Tehran. The top tourist spot happens to be a restored merchant houses where you can see how it was, its architecture, windows, ventilation systems, bathrooms, etc.. The truth is that it is worth to come for a day to walk between the houses, most of them cost to enter, but it is very economical. Sometimes you can even be alone, enjoying the silence, and going up to the roof to see the rooftops of the city, an impressive sight. It seems that this city could be the starting point of the Magi. It is a city that has been very rich and prosperous, and in its day, and it was a playground for the Safavid kings according to history. You can get there by bus, very comfortable, economical and almost luxurious compared even with the Spanish transport system offered.

**Sheikh Lotfollah Mosque**

Dav: In place of the Imam, my eyes were trying to capture every detail of the dome of the mosque Sheikh Lotfollah. In the end I decided to just lose myself ... Inside, I was hypnotized by the curves and turquoise floral arabesques. Here, everything is in harmony and geometry. The kind of place where you could stay for hours.

**Iman Khomeini’s Mausoleum**

Juan Carlos Milena: One of the first places I visited on my trip to Iran was the Mausoleum of Imam Khomeini, as you may know was the founder of the Islamic Republic. It is situated on the outskirts of Tehran, but it is very easy to get there by metro (yes, yes, it works very well, and it is very safe). Lots of people usually gather there both during the day and also at night, whole families go there together to have something to eat. You can enter easily (it is enough for women to cover there hair with a scarf), and inside, although it is not particularly architecturally stunning, you can relax watching people praying, talking or just resting. It is the good thing about some mosques, that they are spaces for personal reflection, not only for ceremonies, allowing you to enjoy the place at your leisure. There are drinks and food stalls outside. I found a giant inflatable Mirinda bottle in a gift shop. Hahaha, it was a good story to tell.

**Bam**

Alicia Ortego: In the desert of Dasht-e Lut, Iran, stood the ancient city of Bam, when it was around 2000 years old, a great earthquake took it, barely a year after we visited it. I wanted to travel around this area, and I apologize for the photos as they are scanned from negatives and a little spoiled ... Through here passed the caravan routes of the East, a branch of the Silk Road, and it was a city made of mud and clay ... Constantly rebuilt by the inhabitants of Bam, we are very friendly people we inhabit the oasis surrounding the ruins. Strolling through the empt, crumbling, hot and dusty streets you are transported to a world of trade, men ve came after spending many hardships across Asia, or perhaps coming from the Mediterranean, or basin of the Tigris and Euphrates. Here they found shelter, shade under the palm trees, and the country’s earliest dates according to its inhabitants ... A tribute to a fantastic city which was finally reclaimed by mother nature. It was a true privilege to have lived in this city for 10 months. Girls ask you for your name and they change it to Leila. Sometimes you can even be alone, enjoying the silence, and going up to the roof to see the rooftops of the city, an impressive sight. It seems that this city could be the starting point of the Magi. It is a city that has been very rich and prosperous, and in its day, and it was a playground for the Safavid kings according to history. You can get there by bus, very comfortable, economical and almost luxurious compared even with the Spanish transport system.

**Khaju Bridge**

Jungnak: Rarely can a bridge be synonymous with good life. This bridge was constructed in approximately 1650 and has two levels (one serving as a lock and the other to cross the road). In the center, there is a house that was transformed into a tea room. It was a fantastic experience to see the sunrise during the summer. The Iranians came here to sleep and enjoy the coolness of the stone, while others drank tea watching the sunrise. From above, you can also see families that settled on their mats, and women gossiping.
What to see in Iran

Cities

9 Qom

Maria Medina: Iran is a country full of much nuance. Whoever can go to an Islamic country Iran is the place to be in contact with spirituality at all times as most places are for spiritual pursuits. One such place is the mountain of the green prophet, situated at one of the highest points in the city, people come from all over just to pray in a mosque which only allows about 4 people, who aren’t very tall, to enter. It is charged with an celestial energy that could not be compared with anything else, and it offers a breathtaking view of the desert. Iran is the country that the USA wants to destroy for being the closest to paradise.

10 Tehran

Juan Carlos Milena: Tehran is the great chaos. A huge city with unbearable traffic most of the day and night that although reduced, is still quite an experience due to the driving style of the Iranians. In this city there are some corners we recommend such as bazaars and mosques, but if you go to the Khomeini Mosque, it is a bit on the edge. However, you can take the subway (yes, yes, you can go by subway!). It’s a very economical way to travel. In another corner I will explain a little more about this mosque.

Villages

11 Nomads of Shiraz

Nima Fallahi: One of the two most important and biggest tribes of Iran Nomad is Qashqaie. This tribe, which lives in Fars province, dwells in the mountainous areas of the Fars in the summer. Experiencing nomadic life first hand and visiting these honest, sincere, and good-nature people in their homes made of black wool, makes an everlasting impression on you. In this tour you will have the possibility of visiting the sights and villages on your way.

12 Alimastan Jungle

Safe & Sound Travel Agency: This jungle is an extreme choice for a promising relaxing experience. Have an end of the week holiday in one of the most ancient jungles of Iran while breathing through pure oxygen. 1. A fantastic view of the most the Damavand Mountain 2. The jungles of the foot of Zereshk Kouh Mountain 3. Along the side of the most spectacular Alimastan Village 4. Setting down on one of the highest points of the village (2100 mitres)

13 Tang chogan

Nima Fallahi: The plain ,whose name’s meaning is POLO, is the place where this game was first played by Sassanian kings. This beautiful plain which is at the vicinity of Bishapur , the first Sassanian city ,has some traces in the entrance from Bishapur side ....the plain is filled with citron gardens and Shapur river crosses along the plain.

14 Mount Damavand

Almarí Coetzee: Mount Damavand’s top is reached by very few! The deceptively-small 5610 meter high giant is indescribably beautiful. Take pictures from every angle, venture up and down the mountain, while meeting the most generous and hospitable Iranian locals. Mount Damavand is not only a “must see”, but a “you definitely have to experience” place. Whatever you do, do NOT forget your camera!

15 Isfahan Music Museum

Mehrdad Jelhooni: Isfahan Music Museum is the first private and official music museum in Iran which was opened to public in December 2015. This museum has been launched by two music masters to demonstrate Iranian musical instruments which has been collected from different parts of Iran. A collection of old and interesting 300 traditional musical instruments has been gathered in this museum.
**Silk Road Hotel**

Juan Carlos Milena: The trip to Iran was the one I had most objections about, but day by day I fell in love with this country. It is very easy to do on your own, the locals are extremely friendly, and although we are all concerned about the political situation, it is like in the U.S., you always know where you shouldn’t go. Well, the Silk Road Hotel was one of the best experiences I had. The food is fabulous, the rooms are very clean, and above all, there is a very good atmosphere making you enjoy every moment. The managers can organise local excursions if you want, in small groups so that taxis can be shared. From here, I recommend going to the desert and also spending a night in a caravanserai.

Sandra González Casas: Iran does not have much in the way of budget accommodation. The hotels that are cheap are cheap and that’s it, there’s nothing special about them. But

**Caravasar Zein-o-din hotel**

Juan Carlos Milena: When backpacking, you don’t normally stay in this time of place. However, don’t rule it out because there are few places in Iran where you can stay in a caravan and have it be worth it. It is 50 km from Yazd, and you can get here by taxi / car. Is very close to the road, so you do not need a 4x4. Actually no rooms because it preserves the structure of the original building, where through two symmetrical wings spread different rooms that are closed by curtains. It is very safe, so do not worry. The best thing to do here is to go up to the terrace at night where you will greatly enjoy the night sky. The food is pretty good, and the yard is a luxury. Organize parties "native" with music and dancing, but of course, I had plenty a bit because it’s a bit touristy. You can take a walk around, but watch out for snakes ;-) It runs a family that has been in Spain and often receive many tourists here. Watch stocks, not present in the...