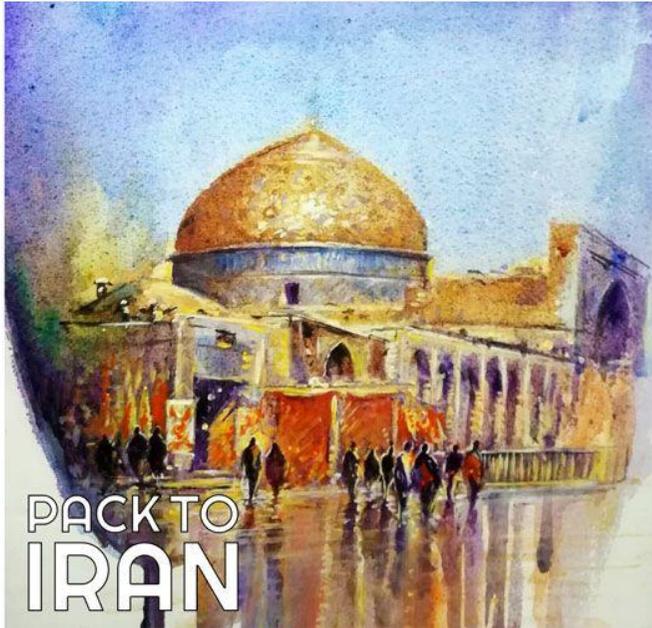


## Iran Painting Tour



Available from: January 1, 2021 To December 31, 2021

Tour Destinations: Tehran to Kashan

Duration: 14Days

Tour styles: Style

- painting
- Nature
- Artistic
- Cultural
- Historical

Code: PIGP

Tour route:

- Tehran
- Shiraz
- Yazd
- Isfahan
- Maranjab Desert
- Kashan

Tailor made

## Tour highlights

Travel through the art history of Iran from ancient times until modern era at museums of Tehran including Iran National Museum, Islamic Art Museum, and Contemporary Art Museum of Iran

Learn different techniques of Iranian painting like the Gol o Morgh technique in Shiraz and Miniature painting in Isfahan, Enjoy painting the earthen alleys of Yazd historical city, the scenic landscapes of Maranjab Desert, and the glorious ruins of Persepolis,

## What you need to know about this tour

- Iranian art or Persian art including its philosophy, history and the remained masterpieces is one of the richest in world's art history and the masterpieces in different media like painting, architecture, calligraphy and etc. are among the fantastic samples that cause Iran to attract more and more visitors and travelers as an amazing travel destination. Iranian painting includes diverse techniques invented in different cities during historical eras as main art movements, each opening a new window to the Persian art and aesthetic world. Iran Painting Tour is one of our unique Iran tours which is designed especially for painters and art lovers. On this tour, you'll meet successful Iranian painters of different techniques in top cities of Iran, explore the best samples of Iranian architecture, paintings and handicrafts, and spend some hours on painting and sketching the beauties and charm of Iran.

## What is Included

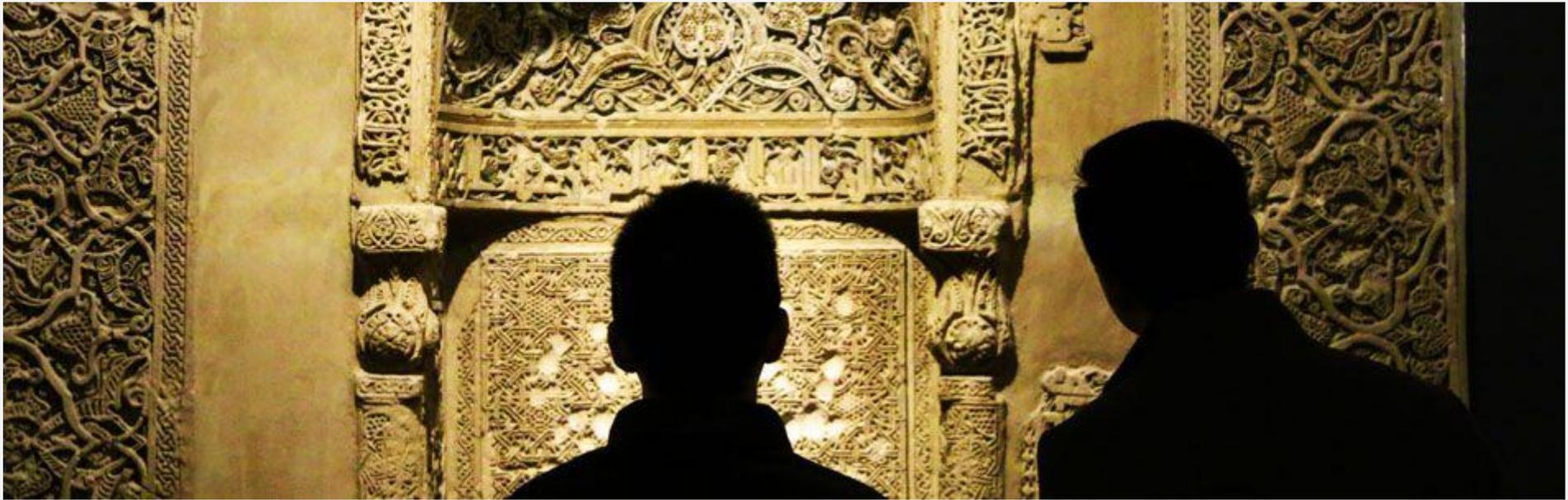
- 13 nights accommodation at hotel
- Private vehicle
- Professional English speaking guide
- Arrival and departure airport transfers
- Visa service

## Tour accommodations:

Nights stay in Hotel in Tehran, Nights stay in Hotel in Shiraz, Nights stay in Hotel in Yazd, Nights stay in Hotel in Isfahan, Night stay in Ecolodge, Night stay in Hotel in Kashan

## Tour Meals:

13 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner



Salaam! Welcome to Iran, the land of ancient history, culture, and art. Iran painting tour will start from Tehran, the modern capital of Iran, which is known as the modern art hub where the best art faculties, art galleries and museums are located. You are going to be transferred from IKA Airport to your hotel and after taking a short rest and meeting your guide, you'll visit the Iran National Museum to learn about Iran's ancient art and the Islamic Art Museum to get acquainted with Iranian fine art during the Islamic period. This evening will be spent visiting one of the best art galleries of Tehran considering the available exhibitions to enjoy a painting, sculpture, or photography exhibition.

#### Included Excursions

- Iran National Museum
- Islamic Art Museum

Accommodation: Hotel in Tehran



In the morning see some modern art pieces from the Iranian and international artists at Tehran's Contemporary Art Museum and , and then visit the [Carpet Museum](#), home to hundreds of nomadic and city carpets of Iran. Then visit the Iranian Artists Forum and meet an Iranian artist (painter, sculpture, photographer, etc.) to get acquainted with Iranian modern art, their activities and challenges, and Tehran city atmosphere as the most important hub of artists in Iran. Spend this afternoon at Iranian Artists Forum, which is a complex including several art galleries, theatre halls, cafes, and a lovely garden. Visit some painting exhibitions, and meet young painters and artists and have a chat with them.

#### Included Excursions

- Contemporary Art Museum
- Iran Carpet Museum
- Iranian Artists Forum

Accommodation: Hotel in Tehran

Tour Meals: Breakfast



This morning you'll visit the royal Golestan Palace complex of Tehran including Qajarid palaces and garden which is a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the highlights of Iran. Then sit at the lush and charming courtyard of the complex and paint the exterior of the palace. After having lunch at one of the best restaurants of the city, head to Tehran's rail station and catch an overnight train to Shiraz.

you can stay at the courtyard for a couple of hours to paint the palace's exterior. After having lunch transfer to Tehran train station to take an overnight train to Shiraz.

#### Included Excursions

- Golestan Palace

Accommodation: Hotel in Tehran

Tour Meals: Breakfast



Arrive Shiraz in the morning and after having a breakfast at the hotel and refreshing, visit the Naranjestan Garden, which was the residential mansion of the Ghavam family who lived there during Qajar Dynasty. Then walk along the historical Vakil Bazaar, where locals are busy with trading colorful textiles, carpets, aromatic herbs, etc. Then visit the [Karimkhan Citadel](#) and learn about its history and checkout the tile-works of the Pars Museum which characterize Shiraz art style. After taking a rest and having some traditional ice-cream and herbal beverage, we will head to a workshop to learn about the history the meaning and the techniques of “Gol o Morgh” painting (literally meaning rose and nightingale), which was flourished in Shiraz during the Zand Dynasty. Spend a relaxing afternoon in Shiraz by practicing some Gol o Morgh painting and enjoying Iranian music.

#### Included Excursions

- Naranjestan Garden
- Vakil Bazaar
- Karimkhan Citadel
- Gol o Morgh painting Workshop

Accommodation: Hotel in Shiraz



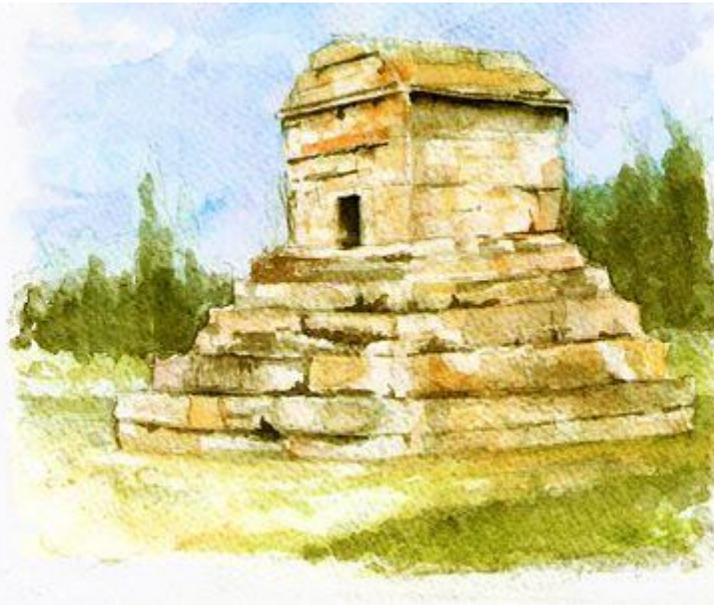
Rise early in the morning and visit the magnificent Nasir al Molk Mosque, known as the pink mosque. Then drive for 60 kilometers to visit Persepolis (UNESCO World Heritage) the most important historical site of Iran, the showpiece of Achaemenid architecture dating back to 518 B.C and be amazed by its palaces, bass reliefs and epigraphies. Stay in the area for a while and enjoy sketching this architectural masterpiece. After visiting Naqsh-e Rostam (Necropolis) drive back to Shiraz and enjoy a free evening in the city.

#### Included Excursions

- Nasir Al Molk Mosque
- Persepolis
- Necropolis

Accommodation: Hotel in Shiraz

Tour Meals: Breakfast



This morning you'll move to Yazd (460 km). On the way stop to visit the ancient city of Pasargadae and the Tomb of Cyrus the Great (UNESCO World Heritage). Also visit the 4000-year-old cypress tree and the historical icehouse in Abarkooh Town. After checking in at your hotel, enjoy having a supper at a café in the Historic City of Yazd.

#### Included Excursions

- Pasargadae
- Abarkooh Cypress Tree and Icehouse

Accommodation: Hotel in Yazd

Tour Meals: Breakfast



Start Yazd city tour by visiting the Zoroastrian heritages of the city including the [Towers of Silence](#) and the Fire Temple which is home to a holy Zoroastrian fire burning since 470 AD. Then visit the Yazd Jame Mosque and then get acquainted with Zoorkhaneh tradition which is traditional Iranian gym, where the men practice symbolic and heroic exercises. This ancient tradition is inscribed as a UNESCO World Heritage. Enjoy a free afternoon in Yazd.

#### Included Excursions

- Zoroastrian Towers of Silence
- Zoroastrian Fire Temple
- Zoorkhaneh

Accommodation: Hotel in Yazd

Tour Meals: Breakfast



This morning you'll visit the lush Dowlat Abad Garden which is one of the nine Persian Gardens inscribed as a UNESCO World Heritage and is known for its 33-meter-high wind tower and its eye-catching pavilion. Then you'll walk through the Yazd old city district and learn about this city's fascinating architecture. This afternoon you'll meet a local painter at his workshop then you will have free time for painting Yazd old city landscapes, from a roof top.

#### Included Excursions

- Dowlat Abad Garden
- Yazd old city walking tour
- Painting workshop

Accommodation: Hotel in Yazd

Tour Meals: Breakfast



Say goodbye to the beautiful city of Yazd and move toward Isfahan. On the way visit the historical city of Naein and its Jame Mosque, known as one of the oldest Iranian mosques. Arriving Isfahan and checking in to your hotel, you'll walk by the Zayandeh River passing along the glorious city of Isfahan and visit the historical bridges (Si-o Se Pol and Khaju Bridge) built over it during the Safavid Era. You can sit on the benches by the river for an hour and enjoy sketching the bridges at night.

#### Included Excursions

- Nain Jame Mosque
- Si- o Se Pol and Khaju Bridge

Accommodation: Hotel in Isfahan

Tour Meals: Breakfast

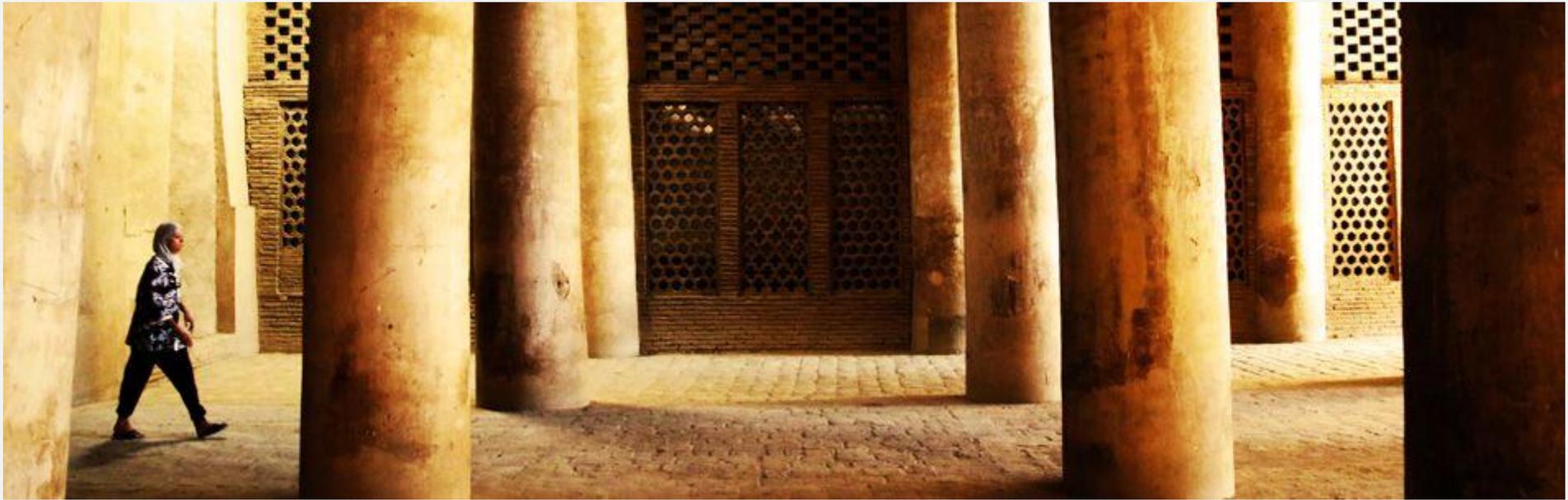


Today, enjoy Isfahan city tour and admire the fantastic heritages of the Safavid Dynasty, constructed during the 16th and 17th centuries, when Shah Abbas ruled Iran and Isfahan was one of the most impressive cities in the whole world. Isfahan is the city where different types of Persian art bloomed. First, explore the royal Ali Qapu Palace and get inspired by its wall paintings. Continue your Safavid trip and visit the two mosques around this square, Sheikh Lotfollah and Imam Mosques, and learn about Islamic architecture during the Safavid time. After visiting the fascinating wall paintings inside Chehel Sotun Palace (UNESCO World Heritage), join a [Persian miniature painting](#) class to learn about this Iranian painting style.

#### Included Excursions

- Ali Qapu Palace
- Sheikh Lotfollah and Imam Mosque
- Chehel Sotun Palace
- Miniature workshop

Accommodation: Hotel in Isfahan



In the morning visit the Jameh Mosque of Isfahan (Masjed-e Jame of Isfahan). This graceful UNESCO world heritage site displays the evolution of architecture over 12 centuries and the first example of a four-ivan layout in Iranian mosques. Then travel to New Julfa, the Armenian quarter of Isfahan and visit the Vank Church. Then get acquainted with Iranian music and instruments in the Isfahan Music Museum and enjoy a live performance.

#### Included Excursions

- Jame Mosque of Isfahan
- New Julfa
- Vank Church
- Isfahan Music Museum

Accommodation: Hotel in Isfahan

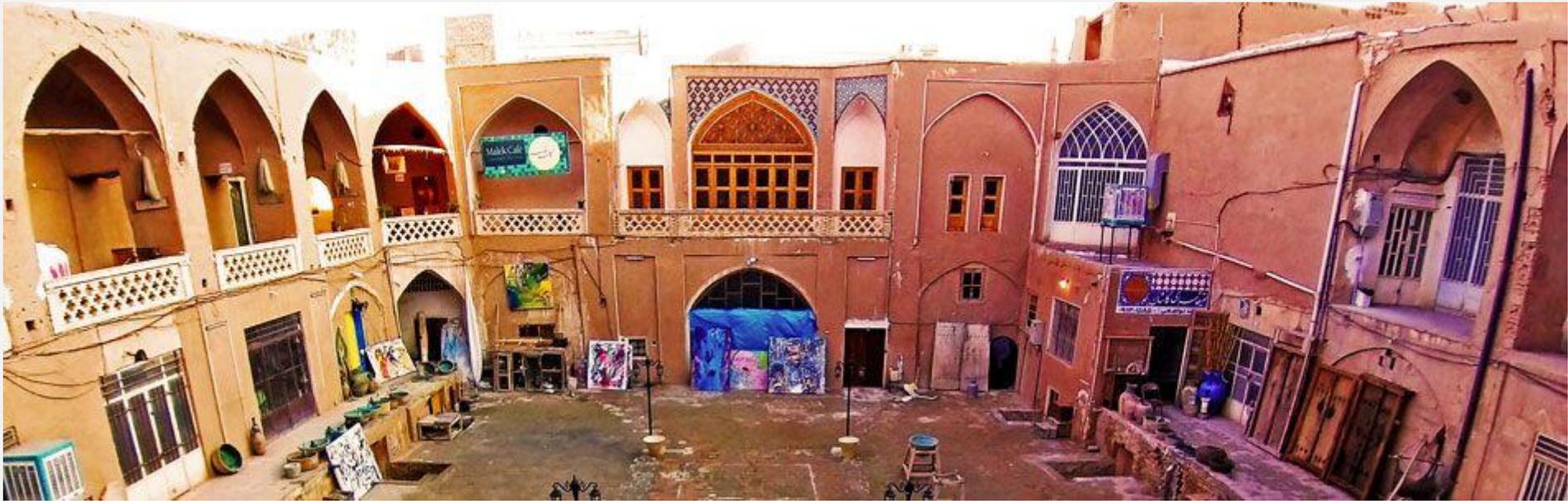
Tour Meals: Breakfast



Move to Maranjab Desert early in the morning. This desert is covered with sand dunes and salt-friendly plants. After visiting the Safavid caravanserai in the desert you will be free to find a good spot and paint the desert landscapes the whole day and during the wonderful sunset. Tonight's accommodation will be at an ecolodge ran by a local family where you can enjoy a million-star sky.

Accommodation: Ecolodge

Tour Meals: Breakfast Dinner



After having a breakfast, you'll move to Kashan, the last city you'll visit in Iran on this trip. First you'll see the Fin Garden, another Persian Garden inscribed as a UNESCO World Heritage and then two historical Persian houses, including Tabatabai and Boroujerdi houses, which show the beauties of Iranian architecture. Then walk in the Kashan Bazaar and get amazed at its architecture and oriental atmosphere. Maybe you can do some sketching in Aminoddole Caravanserai, which is the amazing part of Kashan Bazaar.

#### Included Excursions

- Fin Garden
- Tabatabai House
- Borujerdi House
- Kashan Bazaar

Accommodation: Hotel in Kashan

Tour Meals: Breakfast



Visit a carpet weaving workshop and get acquainted with Iranian carpet motifs, their background and carpet designing. Then you'll be transferred to IKA Airport to get your flight back home.

Tour Meals: Breakfast