

Popular Beaches of Iran

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The coastline of the Persian Gulf in the south is rocky and mountainous in some areas and sandy and swampy in others; it is not as even as the northern shores of the country.

Kish Island Beaches

The coral coasts of Kish Island, a pearl across the turquoise waters of the Persian Gulf, have a special glow under the sunlight. The seawater near the coasts is so clear, that one can see the depths of the sea and all its aquatic life that are unique in their kind.

These beaches are safe and there are no dangerous creatures in the region; thus those interested in fishing and swimming can go for their favorite sports. Tourists can benefit from Kish sandy beaches, coral reefs vivid with colorful fish and sea and sun all year round.

Facilities such as a recreational jetty, glass-bottomed boats, motorboats, and scuba diving equipment are available on the beaches.

The Caspian Coast

Caspian Sea, the largest landlocked lake in the world, is located in northern Iran. The Iranian Caspian coast including the three littoral provinces of Gilan, Golestan and Mazandaran, with its thick forests and large-scale rice paddies presents a striking contrast to the dry inner plateau of Iran.

A four-hour drive from Tehran, the Caspian is Iran's Riviera, with a narrow plain of paddyfields and orchards separating the sea from forested mountains where bears and leopards roam around ruined Mongol castles.

There are several roads connecting Tehran to the three provinces, all through breathtakingly beautiful scenery, across the mountains or alongside rivers. One of the roads from Tehran to Chalous on the Caspian coast, winding north across the rugged Alborz mountains, passes the popular ski resort at Dizin.

With their tropical climate in summer and mild winters, beautiful sandy beaches, scenic beauty and proximity to the capital the three provinces are very popular among Iranians as a holiday and weekend resort and attract the hordes.

Numerous holiday and residential complexes, private villas, leisure facilities and holiday homes dot the landscape.

Chabahar Seaport

Chabahar is a seaport on the Oman Sea in southeastern Iran, where is the coastal area of the Oman Sea. Due to the prominent position it enjoys regarding access to the free waters, in addition to other aspects such

as trade, commerce and navigation this part of Iran holds specific location. The winter months can be best for water sports and recreation.

On the coast of the sea, particularly in the southern region of Chabahar is a rocky coastal area with a beautiful landscape, specially during sunset. Parts of the shores of the Oman Sea is greatly valued for its recreational areas and those concerning the safe swimming zones, canoeing, water skiing and other such sports.

The Oman Sea contains various minerals and a variety of water species, in particular algae and plankton. These have a positive affect on the human body.

Caves and hills in a depth of 15 meters would bewilder any viewer. The sea in this part is intact and the aquatics are not afraid of divers. Chabahar coasts provide the best choice for water adventures such as windsurfing, diving and underwater excursions.

Bandar Abbas Seaport and capital of Hormozagan Province

It is located on the south of Iran at an elevation of 15 meters above sea level and overlooks the strategic Strait of Hormoz. Bandar Abbas is the largest and the most equipped port, which occupies a strategic position of the greatest importance. In summer it gets sizzling hot and very humid here, but it's pleasant enough to visit in winter.

The wide beaches are covered with silky sand, cleansed by fairly ample tides. The gentle slope provides a safe playground for children. The newly constructed hotels offer gardens, swimming pools and playing fields

Bushehr

The coast of this province is of two types,i.e., sandy and rocky. The latter in itself is a wonderful sight worth seeing. Being of limestone and due to the active water erosion, leaving beautiful and natural impressions behind. The sandy shores, however, provide recreational areas for water sports. Bushehr being close to the cities of Abadan, Bandar-e-Abbas, Shiraz in Iran; including other countries of Persian Gulf such as Kuwait and Bahrain, attracts many tourists and visitors during the winter season.

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