

Bitter orange blossoms give unique scent to Shiraz in the spring

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These days the air of Shiraz, the capital city of the southwestern province of Fars, is full of the delightful smell of bitter orange blossoms.

Every person who passes by a garden can breathe the fresh air of spring and be enchanted by the delightful fragrance of bitter orange, known also as sour orange, blossoms.

In addition to visiting the holy shrine of Shahcheragh (PBUH), the brother of Imam Reza (PBUH), the eighth Imam of Shia Muslims, and the tomb of great Persian poets, many tourists visit Shiraz early in the spring to inhale the pleasant smell of bitter orange blossoms, IRNA wrote.

Walking in the beautiful gardens of the city can be a pleasant experience for all travelers, especially nature lovers.

Delgosha Garden

Delgosha Garden, which is located next to the tomb of Sa'di, the great Persian poet of the 13th century, is covered with bitter orange trees, giving the unique scent to the whole city in the spring.

The beautiful trees are planted in rows. Every year at the beginning of spring, the garden is full of the pleasant smell of bitter orange blossoms.

The proximity of Delgosha Garden to the tomb of Sa'di, its multiple streams of running water and numerous bitter orange trees, as well as the ancient tomb draw a large number of the city's residents and travelers, especially during the spring.

A number of people climb the

mountain situated close to the garden early in the mornings, and wash their hands and faces in the fresh water flowing in its streams.

Eram Garden

Eram Garden is another world famous site of Shiraz attracting hundreds of thousands of sightseers throughout the year, especially in the spring.

The scent of various flowers, mixed with the smell of bitter orange blossoms, creates a very pleasant atmosphere in the garden, which dates back to the Qajar Era (1789-1925 CE).

The beauty of Eram Garden reaches its peak in the Iranian month of Ordibehesht (April 21 to May 21).

You can spend time there and enjoy Iranian architecture and the art of gardening. With water streams flowing, surrounded by trees and adorned by flowers, Eram Garden is a true example of a Persian garden, built in a way as to portray paradise on earth.

You can also enjoy walking around its main pool, facing a stunning palace with beautiful tile work.

Other gardens

Afifabad, Narenjestan and Nazar gardens, the monuments of which are used as museums, as well as other gardens and parks of Shiraz are also full of the scent of bitter orange blossoms in the spring.

In addition, bitter orange trees have been planted in a large number of the city's boulevards and avenues, creating a lovely view and pleasant atmosphere in the spring.



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Thousands-year-old Goharriz Qanat of Kerman Province still active and full of water



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These spring days, Goharriz Qanat in the city of Jupar, in the southeastern province of Kerman, with its clear water and unique beauties, is opening its



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arms to tourists.

Qanat is an Iranian invention of collecting underground water and bringing it to the surface. Goharriz Qanat is an ex-

ceptional structure, well-adapted to the dry climate of Kerman Province. Even though thousands of years have passed since its construction, the qanat is still

operating, and the water transferred through the wells is fresh and cool, according to IRNA.

Goharriz Qanat of Kerman Province was

registered on Iran's National Heritage List in 2016. Two other qanats of Kerman Province, called Qassemabad and Akbarabad, located in the city of Bam, have been inscribed on the list as well. To recognize the wonders of this qanat, which is a miracle of nature, enter its underground tunnel to see its flowing clear water, then go towards Jupar and visit the place in which its water is distributed.

You will be astonished to see a large number of trees grown along a beautiful stream in the heart of the desert. Meanwhile, the distance between the mother well and the place where the water comes to the surface is much shorter in this qanat compared to other similar structures built in various parts of Iran. With its amazing features, Goharriz Qanat attracts a large number of visitors to the region every year, especially during spring and Nowruz (Iranian New Year) holidays.

As a cultural tradition, the construction of qanats has led to the formation of human settlements and the creation of unique landscapes during the past three thousand years.

The qanat is an ingenious and sustainable way to easily provide a reliable supply of water to people living in hot or arid regions. However, this ecosystem has many other remarkable uses; for instance, it is used as a cooling system and a sustainable way of maintaining traditional Persian gardens.