

## Tribal Area and Special Villages, Chahar Mahal Va Bakhtiyari

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The Dorak Shahpouri village which stands at the plains of Zagros Mountains and opposite the Karoon River has the most spectacular scenery. In other villages situated at the banks of rivers and springs, the combination of water, garden, mountain, farms and native architecture, has given a special vision of social life.

Tribal areas being situated and settled in the heart of plains at the skirt of mountains and rocks has created wonderful views of tribal lifestyle, their habits and colorful apparel of both men and women which demonstrate their special ceremonies, must be added to rituals, tribal tracks, pulleys installed on two sides of river which helps to cross over and other interesting factors, intermingle with life and surroundings here.

The territory of Chahar Mahal Va Bakhtiyari, from long has been known to be the summer residing quarters (Yeqlaq) for Bakhtiyari tribes. The Bakhtiyari community has been divided into two groups. One being the Haft Lang and the other called the Chahar Lang. It is interesting to note that each one of these groups or clans have their own territories. The Haft Lang Clan is composed of four clans named as Durki, Dinarani, Babadi and Behdarvand. This summer residing quarter also encompasses the tribes of other regions such as Bazoft, Doab, Birgan, Tang Gazi, Shoor Ab in Farsan township, Choqakhor, Poshtkooch, Mian Kooch and Dinaran in Brujen township and small portion of Bon village in Shahr-e-Kord township.

The winter residing quarters or (Qeshlaq) is in the vicinity of Eazeh, Masjed Soleiman, Shooshtar, Ramhormoz and Ahvaz townships. The tribes decamp to the summer residing quarters at the end of March and return to their winter residing quarters at late September. The tracks from which Bakhtiyari tribes pass by cross the altitudes of the Zagros Mountains and well saturated rivers which are impervious and extremely difficult to penetrate. These tribal tracks include:

**Dezpart Tribal Track :** This track joins the tribal spots of Brujen and Farsan townships in Chahar Mahal Va Bakhtiyari province, to townships of Eazeh, Ramhormoz, a part of Masjed Soleiman and Ahvaz country side in Khuzestan province. This track is 200 km from Choqakhor to Eazeh. The main villages in the same track can be named as follows: Choqakhor, Galoogerd, Naqan Dehnoo, Dopelan, Sar Khoon and Shalil in Chahar Mahal Va Bakhtiyari province; and Chat, Dehdez, Shahr-e-Eazeh in Khuzestan province.

**Tang Falleh Tribal Track :** This track joins the summer and winter residing quarters of Dinarani tribes and country side villages of Eazeh, Soosan and Morqa in Khuzestan province to Dinaran and Doab Samsami in Chahar Mahal Va Bakhtiyari province. There is no possibility for migration of tribes by vehicles.

**Kooh Sefid Tribal Track :** This track is the passage route for tribes of Andika Valali villages in Khuzestan province to summer residing quarters of Farsan and Brujen townships in Chahar Mahal Va Bakhtiyari province. Kooh Sefid is one of the most famous altitudes of the Zagros Mountains and is considered to be the most impervious and difficult penetrating rocky tracks. There is no possibility for migration of tribes by vehicles in this track.

**Hezar Chameh Tribal Track :** This is the most difficult crossing tribal tracks of the region. Altitudes of Hezar Chameh is also considered to be the most impervious part of this track. Some tribes residing at Andika Lali and country side villages Shooshtar use this track to reach the summer residing quarters of the Chahar Mahal Va Bakhtiyari province.

**Taraz Tribal Track:** this is one of the main tracks for Bakhtiyari tribes. Famous Menar Gorge exists in this track. It connects the tribal regions of Andika, Lali, Masjed Soleiman in Khuzestan

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