



INTRODUCING TABRIZ: GET TO KNOW THE CITY OF FIRSTS

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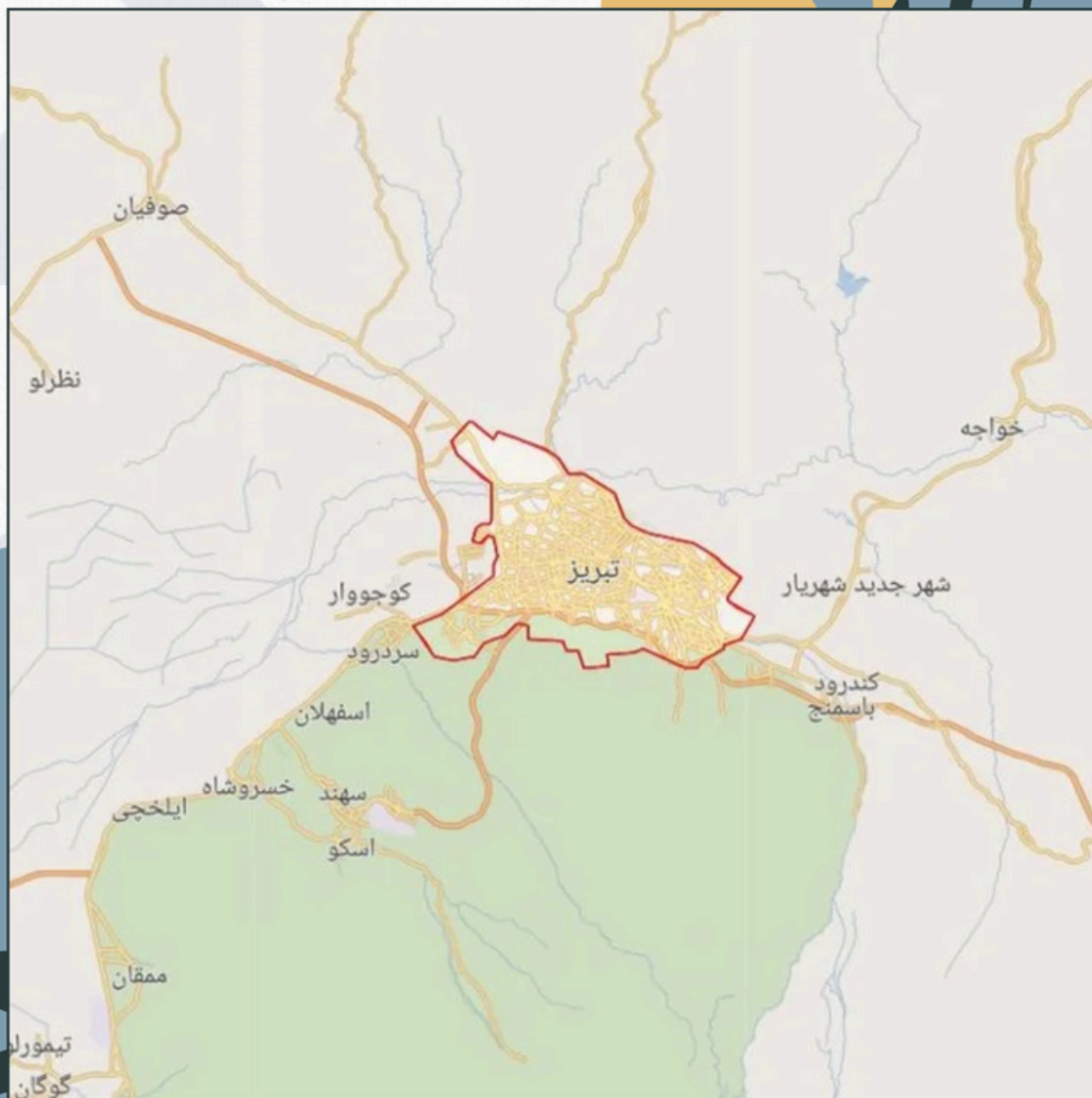


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Hi There!

Tabriz, with its rich history and vibrant culture, is recognized as one of Iran's top tourist destinations. Known as the "City of Firsts," it offers visitors a unique experience through its remarkable historical, cultural, and artistic attractions. Being the first in many achievements is a source of pride for Tabriz, reflected in landmarks such as the first public library, the first school for the deaf, and the first cinema in Iran. To introduce Tabriz, we can highlight both its ancient historical monuments and its long-standing legacy as the former capital of Iran, as well as its cold, mountainous natural landscape.

Map of Tabriz





General Information about the City of Tabriz

Tabriz at a Glance

Geography

Tabriz is located at an elevation of 1,348 meters above sea level, nestled between the Pakeh-Chin and Eynali mountains to the north, and the foothills of Mount Sahand and the Tabriz plain to the south. The Quri Chay and Talkheh Roud (Aji Chay) rivers also pass through and northwest of the city.

Population

Tabriz has a population of approximately 1.85 million people. As the capital of East Azerbaijan Province, it is one of the most populous cities in the region. According to the 2016 census, its population was around 1.55 million, and the slow population growth since then has raised some concerns.

Religion

Most residents of Tabriz are Muslims and followers of Twelver Shia Islam. Religious minorities such as Armenians, Christians, Jews, Zoroastrians, and Assyrians also live in the city. This diversity has enriched Tabriz with unique cultural and social characteristics, fostering peaceful coexistence within the community.



Economy of Tabriz

Tabriz is one of Iran's most developed and economically active cities, known as an industrial, commercial, and tourism hub. The city hosts major heavy industries such as machine manufacturing, tractor production, and Motogen (electric motor manufacturing). It also plays a significant role in the oil and gas sector, including petrochemical industries and refineries. Tabriz is well known for its food industry brands such as Aydin, Anata, and Shirin Asal, which supply products nationwide. The city is also home to important textile and clothing manufacturers like Palaz Mokat and Atlas Pood, as well as notable handicraft industries, including verni weaving, carpet production, and leather goods.





Tabriz, the City of Firsts

Tabriz has earned the title "The City of Firsts" in Iran because it has been a pioneer in many cultural, social, and industrial developments. Some of the most notable "firsts" established in Tabriz include:

- The first lead-type printing house with Persian and Arabic letters, founded in 1828 by Prince Abbas Mirza
- The first state library in Iran (Tarbiyat Library) established in 1921 by Mohammad-Ali Tarbiat
- The first reading room in 1903
- The first tramway / urban train system in Iran in 1901
- The first modern-style café and restaurant, Café Khorshid, opened in 1905 by Agha Beyg Istgahi
- The first modern hotel/guesthouse, Mehman Khaneh Nezafat, opened in 1903 by Mirza Es'haq Khan Mo'azzeddoleh
- The first restaurant in Iran, opened in 1903 at Mehman Khaneh Nezafat
- The first public cinema in Iran, Cinema Soli, founded in 1900 by the Catholic community
- The first modern school, Roshdiah School, founded by Mirza Hassan Roshdiah
- The first kindergarten and school for the deaf, founded by Jabbar Baghtcheban
- The first paper currency in Iran, known as Chaw, issued during the Mongol era
- The first machine-minted coin, produced in 1823 during the viceroyalty of Abbas Mirza
- The first Chamber of Commerce, established in 1906
- The first police department in Iran, founded in 1907 (1325 AH)
- The first municipality in Iran, established in 1908
- The first seismology center in Iran
- The first telephone center, established in 1901
- The first power plant, established in 1902
- The first fire department in Iran, founded in 1842
- The first football museum in Iran, established in 2014



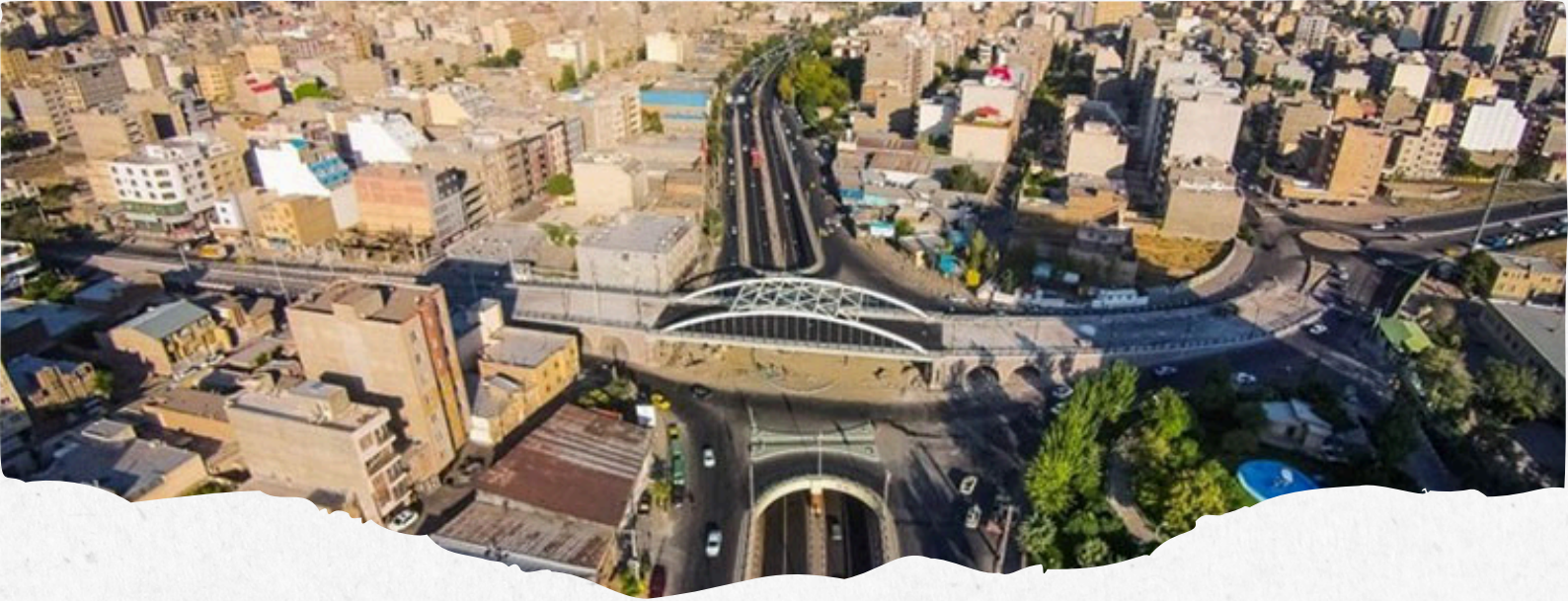
Public Transportation Guide in **Tabriz**

Bus System

The bus network is one of the main public transportation systems in Tabriz, covering the entire city and its suburbs. It includes both regular buses and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT). BRT buses, with higher speed and fewer stops, help reduce travel time on busy routes.

Metro

The Tabriz Metro is an expanding project designed to reduce traffic congestion and air pollution. It consists of several lines, some of which are operational while others are still under construction. The metro offers a fast and efficient travel option for residents.



Taxis

Taxis in Tabriz include route taxis (fixed-route) and roaming taxis. App-based ride services such as Snapp and Tap30 have also become widely popular. Taxis provide a quick and convenient mode of transportation throughout the city.

Cycling

In recent years, the municipality has made significant efforts to promote cycling culture. This includes establishing dedicated bike lanes and offering bike-sharing services, encouraging cycling as a healthy and sustainable transportation option.

Tram System (Planned)

Tabriz has plans to develop a modern tram system as a new mode of public transportation. Once operational, it is expected to provide a fast and efficient option for urban mobility and help reduce traffic congestion.

Intercity Transportation

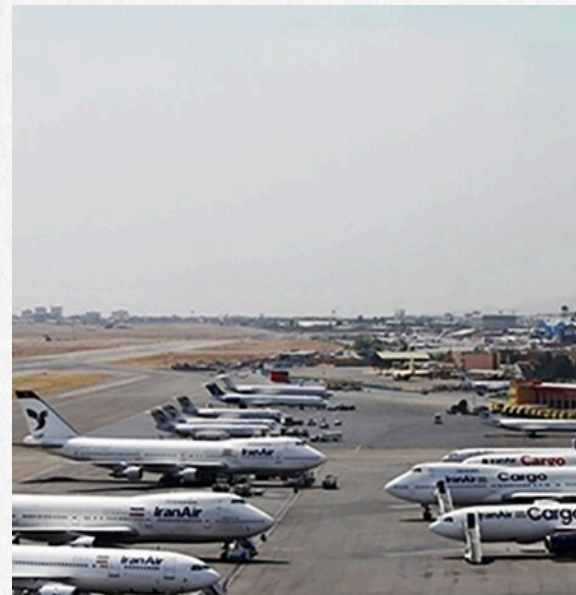
Due to its geographical and economic significance, Tabriz also has active and efficient intercity transportation systems. Facilities such as railway stations and intercity bus terminals play a key role in connecting Tabriz to other regions.

Airports in Tabriz



With its strategic geographical location and economic importance, Tabriz has access to several airports that facilitate air travel to the city and surrounding areas. The most important and largest airport in the region is Tabriz Shahid Madani International Airport, which operates numerous domestic and international flights. Thanks to its strategic position in northwestern Iran, this airport plays a key role in regional air transportation.

In addition to Shahid Madani Airport, there are other airports near Tabriz, such as Sahand Airport in the city of Maragheh, which mainly serves domestic and regional flights.



Shopping Centers in Tabriz



Borj-e Bolour

Crystal Tower is a 25-story commercial complex featuring 130 luxury shops offering clothing, cosmetics, and jewelry. It also includes 112 office units, four conference halls, and a revolving restaurant with an exceptional view, providing a unique blend of business and leisure.



Setareh Baran Mall

Setareh Baran, with 90 commercial units across three floors, is considered a modern and reputable shopping and entertainment center in Tabriz. It includes sections for clothing, baby products, and various services, along with an indoor amusement park, food court, and cinema—making it especially suitable for families, mothers, and children.

Hotels in Tabriz

Tabriz offers a wide range of accommodation options, from 3-star to 5-star hotels, providing high-quality services and comfortable stays for travelers. Visitors can choose from various hotels depending on their needs and preferences.

Pars El-Goli Hotel is a five-star hotel located on the heights of Tabriz, offering a beautiful panoramic view of the city. With facilities such as a glass restaurant with natural light, a library, a café, spacious rooms, a swimming pool, gym, and large green areas, it provides a peaceful and memorable stay. Although slightly distant from the city center, it is close to recreational sites like parks, the zoo, and the cable car.

Shahryar Hotel, located in the upscale El-Goli district, is a luxurious five-star hotel opened in 2007 and fully renovated in 2017. It meets top international standards and offers a wide range of amenities, including an indoor pool, sauna, jacuzzi, massage services, and a kids' playroom. Its excellent location and premium services make it one of the best choices for both leisure and business stays in Tabriz.

Laleh Kandovan Rocky Hotel is one of the most famous hotels in western Iran, known for its unique architecture carved into natural rock formations in the village of Kandovan (Osku). As one of only two "green hotels" in Iran, it attracts many domestic and international tourists. With its natural stone design combined with modern amenities, it offers a truly one-of-a-kind accommodation experience.





Hospitals and Medical Centers of Tabriz

1. Shahid Mahallati Hospital
2. Shahriar Hospital
3. Alinasab Hospital
4. Alghadir Hospital
5. Nikukari Eye Hospital
6. Shams Private Hospital
7. Artesh Hospital
8. Imam Reza Hospital
9. 29 Bahman Hospital
10. Tabriz International Hospital
11. Valiasr Hospital
12. Noor-e Nejat Hospital
13. Abu Taleb Clinic
14. Fajr Hospital





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