

# Pasargadae



# Persepolis



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One of the most famous  
historical sites of Iran is  
definitely **Persepolis**.

Persepolis was  
constructed by  
the Persian king  
of kings **Darius I**  
Achaemenid.





It was a center for a  
lot of **celebrations** and  
**festivals**.



**There are seven palaces in  
Persepolis and more than 3000  
reliefs, including the relief of  
Farvahar, soldiers and lions.**

Pasargadae was  
the capital of  
ancient Persia.  
It was founded  
by **Cyrus the  
Great.**



They are both listed in **UNESCO** World Heritage Sites.

They are two of the **oldest structures** on the planet. They date back to **2,500 years ago.**


**Persepolis is a Greek name. It means “the city of the Persians.”**

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**There were 72 pillars in Apadana palace  
but sadly these days only 14 of them  
are left.**



**Darius I built the greatest  
palace at Persepolis on the  
western side of platform.  
This palace was called the  
Apadana.**



# Cyrus the Great




**He was one the greatest Iranian emperors. His empire included the modern Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Armenia, Kuwait, Syria, Turkey, Georgia, Azerbaijan, and parts of Egypt.**

**Pasargadae's most  
magnificent  
building is the  
tomb of Cyrus the  
Great.**





Sadly, **Cyrus Cylinder** was taken away and is now kept at the **British museum**.



***After a battle between  
Darius III and Alexander of  
Macedon, the army of  
Alexander took the  
Persepolis and set it on fire***

**Sadly, the fire burnt  
and damaged a lot  
of the valuable  
parts of the palaces.**

