

## Si-o-se-pol Bridge

### *The Allahverdi Khan Bridge*

There are 11 bridges over the Zayanderud. The largest one is the Allahverdi Bridge, also known as Si-o-se-pol. Allahverdi Khan was the name of the man who supervised the process of constructing the bridge.

Si-o-se-pol was built between 1599 and 1602, during the reign of Shah Abbas. It is located right in the center of Isfahan.

Its length is 297 meters and its width is 13.75 meters. In Farsi, "si-o'se" means 33, which is the number of arches of the first level of the bridge. The second level has pedestrian path where people can walk.

What's interesting about this bridge is that it only took 3 years to complete this structure.

Si-o-se-pol was built to connect the norther section of the city to the southern section. It was also used as a dam.

The picture of the bridge reflections in the river at night attracts lots of tourists to Iran.

