

WHV – Persian Garden and Qanats

The Persian Garden and The Persian Qanat, Islamic Republic of Iran

Cultural properties inscribed on the World
Heritage List since 2011 and 2016 respectively

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Throughout the arid regions of Iran, many agricultural and permanent settlements are still supported by the ancient Qanat system of tapping alluvial aquifers at the heads of valleys and conducting the water along underground tunnels by gravity. The Qanat of Hassan Abad-e Moshir feeds the Pahlavanpour garden, also inscribed as part of The Persian Garden property. These gardens exemplify the diversity of designs that evolved and adapted to different climate conditions while retaining principles that have their roots in the sixth century BC.

Project objectives:

Implemented for the second time after a successful experience in 2017, the project intervenes at the crossroad of two inscribed properties and aims to raise awareness about the vulnerable condition of the Qanat and promote its value and importance. With the objective of strengthening the social engagement dimension of the project, this year the activities will involve in particular local farmers, women and children.

Project activities:

The volunteers will raise awareness about the vulnerable condition of the Qanat, stimulating local youth to take responsibility in the future preservation of the site. They will help cleaning the path of the canal and defining its buffer zone, and will conduct creative educational activities with the local children and community.

Partners:

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