USER GUIDE

# Koja Barim

A free, offline travel guide to Iran: safety first, then the trip

Koja Barim shows Iran's 31 provinces and 189 places with the best season to visit. Pick a destination and dates and you get the trip plan, packing checklist, safety notes, local food and the festivals of those days on one page. Most of it works offline, and the app has no ads or trackers.

**189 places, 31 provinces**
with the best season

**Whole trip on one page**
packing, safety, weather, food

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## Questions this guide answers

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2. Where is good to travel right now?
3. How do I build my trip plan?
4. What safety tips should I know before I go?
5. What should I take with me?
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> The app's screens are in Persian. Button names are shown in Persian as they appear in the app, with the English meaning in brackets.

**Before you start:** You need an Android phone running Android 8.0 or later. Install the app before you travel. Places, safety, packing, sunrise and sunset, the compass and the torch work offline; only live weather, the small map and precise car routes need the internet.

## 1 Install and first question

### How do I install and start Koja Barim?

1. Download the APK from the Koja Barim page at solocodelab.com/en/free/kojabarim/ (about 1.3 MB).
2. Android asks once for permission to install from outside a store; allow it. The app is signed with a release key, but Android or Play Protect may still show a warning.
3. The app asks once «بیشتر چطور سفر می‌کنید؟» (How do you usually travel?): family with children, with friends, or alone as a backpacker. Your answer tailors the tips and checklist.

At the bottom there are three main tabs: «کاوش» (Explore), «سفر من» (My trip) and «ابزار» (Tools).

## 2 Explore and “Where to go now?”

### Where is good to travel right now?

- **«الان کجا بریم؟» (Where to go now?) card:** the provinces in their best season this month, plus the next festival.
- **Search:** type a province, city, attraction or dish in the search box.
- **Provinces, food, and festivals and traditions:** browse the lists.
- **Province page:** best time to visit, live weather, a trip-plan button and place categories. From any place you can show it on a map or send it to your family.




The home screen with the where-to-go-now card




A province page with best season and live weather

## 3 Build a trip

### How do I build my trip plan?

1. In «کاوش» (Explore) tap «سفرت را بساز» (Build your trip), or «سفر جدید» (New trip) in «سفر من» (My trip).
2. Pick the destination and the start and end dates, and say whether a child is coming with you.
3. The trip page is ready: how well the season fits, safety notes for that destination, the packing checklist, the route there, weather and sun times with the golden hour for photos, suggested sights, dishes to try and the festivals during your trip.




The “My trip” page for Gilan

**Tip:** The trip page also has shortcuts to expense splitting, the journal and emergency numbers. It counts down the days to your trip, and «ویرایش» (Edit) changes the plan.

## 4 Safety first

### What safety tips should I know before I go?

In «کاوش» (Explore) tap «اول ایمنی، بعد سفر» (Safety first, then the trip). Tips are grouped into before you leave, on the road, sea and beach, mountains and nature, desert, tents, villas and stays, and children and family. Use the “family” or “first-time backpacker” filter to see only the tips that apply to you.

- **Emergency numbers:** ambulance 115, police 110, Red Crescent rescue 112 and fire service 125. Tapping a number opens the phone’s dialler.

**Important:** Never use a heater, brazier or stove inside a tent or a closed car; carbon monoxide has no smell and can kill.

## 5 Packing list

**What should I take with me?**

- Under «ابزار» → «کوله‌پشتی» (Tools → Packing) or from the trip page, a 1 to 10 day checklist is built from the season, destination type, camping and travelling with children.
- Tick each item as you pack it; ticks are saved on the phone and the trip page shows how many are ready.

## 6 Travel tools

**What tools do I have on the road?**

- **Expense split:** add your companions and use «ثبت خرج» (Add expense) to record what it was for, the amount, who paid and who shares it. The app works out who owes whom and how much, and «ارسال خلاصه به گروه» (Send summary to group) shares it.
- **Voice journal:** record memories with the phone's own noise reduction; it needs microphone permission and files stay on the phone.
- **Routing:** enter the start and destination; car routes are precise online and estimated offline. Train, bus and flight times are approximate.
- **Fuel cost:** enter the distance, the car's consumption, the price per litre and the number of passengers to see the cost and each person's share.
- **Sunrise and sunset:** for 25 coastal towns and your own location, calculated on the phone without internet.

- **Compass, torch and SOS:** at night or in fog, turn on the SOS signal so you can be seen.
- **Food and festivals:** each province's dishes and treats, and a calendar of festivals and UNESCO heritage.




The travel tools




Sunrise and sunset in coastal towns

## 7 Troubleshooting

### What if something goes wrong?

| Problem | What to do |
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| **Sun times for my location don't appear** | Turn on GPS or location and allow the location permission. Without it only the coastal towns are shown. |

| Problem | What to do |
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| **Sunrise and sunset times look shifted** | Check your phone's clock and time zone; the calculation uses them. |
| **Live weather or the map doesn't load** | These two need the internet. The rest of the app works offline. |
| **Routing says the place wasn't found** | Type the name of a provincial capital or one of the app's attractions. |
| **The journal won't record** | Give the app microphone permission. |
| **A place's information is wrong** | On that place's page tap «اطلاعات اشتباه است؟ گزارش دهید» (Wrong information? Report it), or write to us from «ابزار» → «درباره و پیشنهاد» (Tools → About and suggestions). |

## 8 Your data and data accuracy

**Where is my data kept, and how accurate is the information?**

- Your location is used only on the phone to calculate sunrise and sunset and is never sent anywhere. Journal recordings stay in the app's private storage unless you send them yourself.
- Live weather and routing use secure connections (HTTPS) only and store no personal data. Sources: OpenStreetMap, OSRM and Open-Meteo.
- Descriptions of places, food and safety notes were gathered with AI help and checked against sources, but have not yet been reviewed by a tourism expert. Check visiting hours and camping permits with official bodies.
- Koja Barim stays free, and its code is open under the MIT licence.

Full privacy policy: **solocodelab.com/en/privacy/kojabarim/**

## Support

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| Website | **solocodelab.com/en/** |
| Koja Barim page | **solocodelab.com/en/free/kojabarim/** |
| Contact support | **solocodelab.com/en/contact/** |
| Source code (GitHub) | **github.com/samanghahreman/kojabarim** |

In the app, «ابزار» → «درباره و پیشنهاد» (Tools → About and suggestions) takes you to the website. Send a missing attraction, information that needs fixing or a new place idea from the contact page.

Scan this code with your phone camera to open the Koja Barim page and support.

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