

Afghanistan



Afghanistan is a country in the Middle East that borders China, Iran, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. Its capital is Kabul and it has a population of 36,643,815. Its climate is arid to semiarid, and it has cold winters and hot summers.

Languages

Afghanistan's national official languages are Pashto and Afghan Persia or Dari. Other languages spoken include Uzbek, Turkmen, Blochi, Pashayi, Nuristani and Pamiri. These languages are also official languages in the regions where they are spoken,

Nationality

Afghan

Currency

Afghan Afghani



Ethnic Groups

The major ethnic groups that make up Afghanistan's population are the Pashtuns, Tajiks, Uzbeks and Turkmens. The Pashtuns are the largest ethnic group and they live in the southern and eastern parts of the country. The Tajiks are the second largest ethnic group and they make up the bulk of the country's elite. Uzbeks and Turkmens make up about 12% of the population and occupy the northern regions of the country.

Afghanistan's national symbol is a lion.



Major Sites

- Buddha of Bamyan
- Band-e-Amir National Park
- Minaret of Jam
- Bagh Babur
- Naw Shakh
- Kandahar
- Mazar-e Sharif
- Darul Aman Palace

Independence Day

August 19, 1919

Afghanistan's national colors are red, black and green.

