

Tajik Names

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It would be quit shocking for our people to name a newly born child, George, Fing Len Su, or Chandra Gupta. Indeed, it should be shocking because these names are all foreign and should never be used by our people. However, the irony is that though we consider such names as foreign and avoid using them, we are overly using Arabic names which are foreign too. The Arab invaders not only brought their religion but also imposed many aspects of their culture on us. These undesirable effects of Arabs will not go away unless we effectively and aggressively discard them and promote our culture instead.

The following is a list of Tajik names. Some are commonly used, some rarely and some are but forgotten. Every single of them has a well defined meaning that is deeply attached to our history, culture and our identity. Let's avoid using Arabic names. Let's capture our own essence. Let's use our own Tajik names. In future, as time permits, this list will be completed with full meaning of the names along with a historical description wherever necessary.

Girls Name	Name	Literal Meaning	Afareen	Praise; also means to create	Afsana
Legend, a fairy tale	Afsar	Crown	Afshan	To Sprinkle	Afsoon Charm, spell,
bewitchment	Anahita	Name of an ancient goddess		Anoosheh	Happy, fortunate Ara
Ornament, decoration	Arezo	Wish	Arghavan	Redish Purple	Armaghan Gift
Asa	Like, similar to	Asal	Honey	Ava or Awa	Voice, call Avizeh A
pendant	Azar	Fire, also name of a month	Azin	Ornamental accessories like jewelry	
Bahar (season)	Banafshah	A flower	Banou	Lady	Behnaz Best coquetry
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Behrukh from Shahnameh	Best face, beautiful	Belour or Belourine	Crystal	Bizhan	Name of a character
Delbar	Charming, Sweetheart	Delkash	Fascinating, attractive	Delruba	Heart
robber/attractor	Dorri	A glittering star	Farahnak	Mother of Fraidun from Shahnameh	
Farahnaz	Splendid coquetry, glorious coquetry, joy		Faranghis	A female character from Shahnameh.	
Farhana		Farkhonda	Happy, joyous	Farrin	Glorified Farrukh
Farzaneh	Wise, smart	Freshta	Angel	Fila	Lover Firoza A kind of precious
stone. Also color of the same stone, blue.		Forogh	Brightness	Forozan	Shining
Forozenda	Shining	Freba	Charming, enticing, deceptive/seductive	Fruzan	Glowing,
shining	Gawhar	Jewel	Geesou	Women's hair, ringlet, tress	Ghoncheh Bud of a
flower	Giti	World	Golbahar	flower of Spring	Gulgun Gulnar
Flower of the pomegranate tree		Gulnaz	Beautiful and delicate like a flower		Gulnessa
Gulpari	Beautiful as pari and delicate as flower		Gulshan	A place or garden full of flowers	
Gurdia	A female character from Shahnameh		Hangahma	Uproar, wonder, marvel	Hasti
Existence	Huma	A mythical high flying bird symbolizing free spirit and freedom.			Jahan Ara
Javaneh	Sprout, young	Katayoun	A female character from Shahnameh		Khandan
Smiling	Khaterah	Memory	Khojasta	Auspicious	Khorsheed Sun
Tulip	Lila	The lilac tree	Lily	A kind of flower	Mahasti Mahdokht
Daughter of the Moon, or as beautiful as Moon			Mahnaz		Mahrukh A face like moon. Beautiful
female character from Shahnameh	Mahsa	Like moon	Mahtab	Moon	Mahwash Moon-like Manizha A
Joyous or carefree		Mehrangiz	Affectionate, to cause affection	Mehrnaz	
Mehrnoosh	Mehry	Affectionate, kind	Mina	Enamel	Minoo Paradise,
heaven	Mitra	Name of an ancient God	Mona	Name of a God	Murwarid Pearl
Muzghan	Eyelashes	Muzhdah	Good news	Nahal	A young plant Najela
Cute	Nargis	A kind of flower	Nasreen	A kind of flower	Nastaran A kind of
flower	Nava	Tune	Naz	Naz gul	Nazaneen Nazhin
flower	Nazhla	Nazy	Cute	Neelab	Blue water Neelufar A kind of
flower	Negar	Sweetheart	Negeen	Precious stone(usually on ring)	Negha Look
Niki	Goodness	Nikoo	Beautiful, good	Nousafarin	Creator of joy
Noushin (ghuchi)	Sweet	Padidah	Phenomenon	Parand	Silk Parastoo A kind of bird
Beautiful, having a beautiful face like Pari (fairy)	Pareeya	Pari	A mythical and beautiful creature, fairy	Parirow	Beautiful, having a face like pari (fairy)
Parisa	Like a fairy	Pariwash	Like a fairy	Parwana	Butterfly Parween Name
of a star	Paymaneh	Measuring cup	Paywand	Connection	Poran dokht A female
character in Shahnemah		Rasa	Expressive stature	Roudabeh	A character from Shahnameh

Rukhshan/Rukhsana	Name of an ancient princess of Bactria, Roxanne	Saaman	A kind of
flower, Jasmin	Saghar Wine cup	Sahar Dawn	Sahba Wine Sapedah
Dawn	Seema Face	Setara Star	Shabnam Dew Shadan
Shahla	Shahnaz	Shahrbano	Lady of the town, beautiful lady who is known by
whole town for beauty	Shahnaz The towns favorite	Shahrazad	Born in city
Shahzadah	Prince or Princess, born of a king	Shameem Breeze	Shararah Sparks or
flames of fire	Sheeftah Fascinated or captivated	Sheela	Sheeva Charming
Shervin	Shirin Sweet	Shirin bano Sweet lady	Shogofa Blossom
Shokouh	Splendor	Sholah Flames	Simin Silvery, of silver Soudabah
female character from Shahnameh	Souzan Burning	Tahminah	A female character from
Shahnameh	Tanaz		
	Taneen		
	Tara Star	Tarana Song	Taranum
	Yagana Unique, single	Yakta Unique, single	Yalda Name of the longest
night of the year	Yasaman Jasmin	Zarrin Golden	Zarrin dokht Golden girl
Zarrina	Golden	Zeba	Zhalah Zheela

Boy's Name	Name	Literal Meaning	Anoushirvan	Name of a king	Arash
Ardavan	A character in Shahnameh	Ardshir	A character in Shahnameh	Armeen	A
character in Shahnameh	Aryan Noble	Arzhang	A character in Shahnameh	Ashkan	
	Atash Fire	Awrang Wisdom	Azad Free	Azada Free	
Azarkhsh	Azerm	Babak	A character in Shahnameh	Bahman	
Bahram	A character in Shahnameh	Bamdad	Early morning	Behnam	Someone with good
and honorable name	Behrang Good color	Behruz	Fortunate, someone who is having good		day or time
Behzad	Of good breed or race	Buzurgmehr	Very kind, also a character in		Shahnameh
Dara	Rich, also a character in Shahnameh	Darab	A character in Shahnameh		
Daryush	Name of a king	Dehqan	Farmer	Esfandiyar	A character in Shahnameh
Faramarz	A character in Shahnameh	Faraz	Of high status, above, on top	Fardad	
Fardin	Farhad	Farhang	Of good breeding	Fariad	Cry, scream,
out spoken.	Fariborz A character from Shahnameh.	Farrukh	Happy, fortunate		
Farrukhzad	Farshad Happy	Farzad	Splendid birth	Farzam	Worthy,
befitting	Farzann Wise	Farzin	Learned	Feda	Sacrifice
Victor, successful	Forood A character from Shahnameh.	Fraidun	A character from		Shahnameh.
Shahnameh.	Fruhar	Giv	A character from Shahnameh.	Goudarz	A character
from Shahnameh.	Gulab	Gushtasb	A character from Shahnameh.	Hamasa	
Achievement, accomplishment, heroic act.	Hoshang	A character from Shahnameh.	Houshmand		
Wise	Housyar Wise	Human	A character from Shahnameh.	Humayon	Royal,
fortunate	Hurmoz A character from Shahnameh.	Iraj	A character from Shahnameh.		
Jahandar	Owner of the world	Jahangeer	Conqueror of the world	Jahanshah	
King/Emperor of the World	Jawid Everlasting	Kaihan/ Kaiyan	World, Universe		
Kaikhosrow	A character from Shahnameh.	Kaiqubad	A character from Shahnameh.	Kambiz	
Fortunate	Kamran Successful, fortunate	Kamshad	Successful	Kamyar	
Successful	Kanishka	Kasra	A character from Shahnameh.	Kavah	A character
from Shahnameh.	Kavoos A character from Shahnameh.	Khashyar	Name of an ancient king		
Khoram	khosrow A character from Shahnameh.	Khuda dad	God given		
Kia	King, protector, defender	Kianoosh	A character from Shahnameh.	Kiumars	A
character from Shahnameh.	Kohyar	Kosha	Diligent, hard working	Koshan	
Kourash	An ancient king	Mahyar	A character from Shahnameh.	Mani	
Manuchehar	A character from Shahnameh.	Mazdak		Mehrab	A character from
Shahnameh.	Mehrak A character from Shahnameh.	Mehran/Mehrang	A character from		Shahnameh.
Shahnameh.	Mehrdad Gift of the sun, a gift given by the sun	Mehrzad	Born of the son		
Morad	Wish, or desire	Namdar	Famous	Namvar	Famous
character from Shahnameh.	Neda	Niyooosha	A listener	Noushzad	
Omaid	Hope	Padshah	King	Paghahan	Pagzman
Paiman	Promise	Parsa	Pure, devout or holy	Parwaaze	A character from
Shahnameh.	Payam Message	Pazhman	Heart broken, sad	Pendar	
Contemplation, thought	Poya Searcher	Qiomars	A character from Shahnameh.		
Qubad	A character from Shahnameh.	Rastin	Truthfulness, sincerity integrity	Rohina	
Roozbeh	Fortunate	Roshan		Royan	Rozi
Rukhshan	Flashing	Rustam	A character from Shahnameh.	Salar	Leader
Sam	A character from Shahnameh.	Saman	Home, welfare	Sasan	Founder of the
Sassanian Dynasty	Sepehr Sky	Shadan		Shahbaz	Royal falcon

Shaheen	Falcon	Shahpur	A character from Shahnameh.	Shahram	The king's obedient
subject	Shahrdad	Gift of the city	Shahrukh	Face of the king	Shahryar
the city	Shahryar	Friend of the king	Shaya	Worthy	Friend of
	Shuhab	Shooting star or meteor	Siamak	Black-haired man	Worthy or deserving
from Shahnameh.	Siawash	A character from Shahnameh.	Sina	.	Siamu
angel, messenger	Sougand	.	Suhrab	A character from Shahnameh.	Soroush
A character from Shahnameh.	Toktam	.	Tooraj	A character from Shahnameh.	An
.	Toramana	.	Varshasb	A character from Shahnameh.	Tahmaseb
Vishtasb	A character from Shahnameh.	Yama	.	Zal	A character from Shahnameh.
Zand	.	Zardusht	Zoroaster	.	.

Old Tajik Names from Avesta

The following list of names is taken from Khordah Avesta and the meaning of the names comes from an English translation of Khorda Avesta. These names are used in Avesta to refer to the Wise Lord, Auramazda

1. A-duî (Without dualism)
2. A-chem (Without cause)
3. A-khuân (Sleepless)
4. A-bîsh (Above suffering)
5. A-tars (Fearless)
6. A-farmôsh (All-remembering)
7. A-zamân (Timeless)
8. A-gûmân (Above doubt)
9. A-farefah (Undeceiver)
10. A-satôh (Unconquerable)
11. Âb-tum (Creator of Water)
12. Abadah (Without beginning)
13. Abarîn-nô-tavân (The Great Rejuvenator)
14. Abarîn-kuhan tavân (Lord of Creation from time unknown)
15. Abarvand (Above all)
16. Abarzâ (All-bestower)
17. Abî-anjâm (Without end)
18. Âdar-nam-gar (Maker of vapor (water) by fire)
19. Âdar-Kîbarît-tum (Maker of fire out of stone)
20. Âdar-bâd-gar (Maker of smoke (gas) by fire)
21. Âdarô (Most Righteous)
22. Âekh-tan (Unique)
23. Afazâ (Helper)
24. Afrâzdum (Most Glorious)
25. Agarâ gar (Creator of four elements of nature)
26. Agarâgar-gar (Creator of constellation of stars)
27. Ahû (Lord of Life)
28. Ahuramazd (Lord of Creation and Wisdom)
29. Âin-âênah (Unchanging)
30. Âmasht (Clever)
31. Amînô-gar (Creator of High spirituality)
32. An-aiyâfah
33. An-aoshak (Immortal)
34. Ân-âinah (Formless)
35. Avakshhiâyâ (Generous)
36. Awakshîdâr (Forgiver)
37. Bâd-gar-jâê (Creator of Wind)
38. Bâd-nam-gar (Maker of water out of vapor)
39. Bâd-gerad-tum (Maker of air and earth)
40. Bâd-âdar-gar (Maker of fire out of gases)
41. Bâd-gêl-gar (Maker of ashes (earth) out of gas)
42. Bê-farêfah (Undeceivable)
43. Bêsh-tarnâ (Compassionate)
44. Bôkhtâr (Redeemer)
45. Bûneshtêh (Root of Creation)
46. Chamag (Great Cause)
47. Chamanâ (Cause of all causes)
48. Dâdâr (Creator of justice)

49. Dâvar (Dispenser of justice)
50. Farmân-kâm (His Will is Law)
51. Farsak (Fulfiller of wishes)
52. Fashûtanâ (Careful Progressor)
53. Fîrôzgar (Victorious)
54. Frâkhtan-têh (Final end)
55. Frashôgar (Frashagar - Resurrector)
56. Gar-â-gar (Creator of men)
57. Gar-ô-gar (Granter of wishes)
58. Gar-gar (Great Artificer)
59. Gar-â-gar-gar (Creator of all Creation)
60. Gêl-nam-gar (Creator of Water out of earth)
61. Gêl-vâd-gar (Creator of Gas out of earth)
62. Gêl-âdar-gar (Creator of Fire out of earth (as in a volcano))
63. Gîrâ (All Controlling)
64. Ham-aiyâfah (All understanding)
65. Ham-chûn (The Same)
66. Hamârâ (Reckoner)
67. Har-nek-farêh (Best Auspicious Khoreh (Aura))
68. Har-hamîd (All-helping)
69. Harvastum (Most Supreme)
70. Harvesp tavân (All-powerful)
71. Harvesp khudâ (Master of All)
72. Harvesp âgâh (All-knowing)
73. Hu-sepâs (Worthy of praise)
74. Iyânah (Protector of Creation)
75. Kâmêrad (Master of His Will)
76. Kêrfêgar (Master of righteousness)
77. Khâwar (All-kindness)
78. Khôremand (Brilliant)
79. Khrôshîdtum (Firm amongst firm)
80. Khudâvand (Master of Creation)
81. Khvâfar (Benevolent Judge)
82. Mînô nahab (Hidden in spirituality)
83. Mînô-stîh-gar (Creator of astral world)
84. Mînôtum (Invisible)
85. Nâshâ (Dispenser of equitable justice)
86. Padmânî (Just)
87. Pajôh-dahad (Creator of good nature)
88. Parjatarah (Best of all)
89. Parvandâ (In tune with all)
90. Parvarâ (Sustainer)
91. Rakhôh (All-energetic)
92. Rayômand (Resplendent)
93. Safnâ (Benefactor)
94. Sanâêâ (Omniscient)
95. Tarônîsh (Destroyer of evil)
96. Tum-afik (Purest of pure)
97. Varûn (Savior)
98. Vâsnâ (Omni-present)
99. Vaspân (Lord of Universe)
100. Vaspâr (All-giver)
101. Yazad (Worshipful or Admirable)