

Culture of Pakistan

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Characteristics Of **Pakistani Culture**

Culture is the combination of tradition and customs collective and individual behaviour during peace and war. It is the collective way of life in a society.

Historical Background Of Pakistani Culture

Although Pakistani culture in its present shape prominently Islamic but it has been influenced by various cultures of the Sub-Continent to a great extent. That is why it is different then the other culture of Islamic countries.

Religious Uniformity

Pakistan is an ideological Islamic state. Its very existence is due to Islam. So Pakistani culture is primarily based on the Islamic way of life.



Salient Features of the Pakistani Culture

the social life in Pakistan is very easy to understand. Social customs and traditions are very simple and reflect Islamic touch. People are very conscious about their social tradition and feel pride in following and observing them.

(1): Made Of Dress:-

Dress is an important part of culture. Dress in a completely as nudity is prohibited in Islam. People therefore wear simple and grateful dress.



(2): Diet Or Nutrition:-

Our eating halite, food and social etiquettes are strictly in conformity with Islamic teachings. Muslims eat “Halal” food



(3): Games and Sports:-

Many games are played in Pakistan which reflects cultural identity. Wrestling, Hockey, Cricket, Basket ball, Kabaddi and Squash are some of the games played all over the country. Different shows are arranged in rural areas like puppet show, loktamasha, Monkey play show etc.

(4): Literature:-

our classical literature reflects more or less common background. Shah Abdul Latif Bhittai from Sindh, Rehman Baba from NWFP, Bhulley Shah from Punjab and Gul Khan Naseer from Baluchistan have much in common. They all gave message of love through their poetry and prose.

(5):Language:-

Language is one of the basic factor in culture. The regional languages of Pakistan Sindhi, Punjabi, Baluchi, Pushto, Saraiki, Brahvi, Gojri and Hindku are the product of the same cultural background which brought Urdu into existence and later Urdu was adopted as a national language and chief vehicle of cultural and National Society.

(6): Arts, Crafts And Music:-

Muslim period was the great era of painting and history writing. The art of Music has been served a lot by the Muslim. The art of music has been served by the Muslim. Nawab Wajid Ali Shah was not only a great admirer of music but himself was a great musician. Similarly, Mian Tansen, a court singer of Akbar who has become a legend. The art of music set the deep impression on the culture of Pakistan. Emperor Babar was very fond of painting. The great painters of Pakistan Gulji and Sadiqain do not require any introduction.

(7): Calligraphy:-

Love and devotion for calligraphy is the reflection of love and faith of the Muslims. Quran writing good and stylish has been popular amongst the Muslim for all the times. Mehmood Ghaznavi and Aurangzeb, Alamgir were the Master of Calligraphy.

(8): Architecture:-

Many buildings, majestic forts and great mosques are testimony of Muslim's achievement in the field of Architecture. The contribution of Moguls to the field of Art and Architecture will ever remain a brilliant legacy of the Islamic culture. Taj Mahal, an amazing building is recognized as one of the seven wonders of the world.

(9): Festivals And Fairs:-

The customs of the Muslims of Pakistan are the same every where. Eid-Fitar, Eidul Azha, Eid Milad-un-Nabi and Urs at the shrines of the Saints are held every year.

(10): Social Customs:-

From birth to death, social cultures, customs and ceremonies are performed by the individuals. Marriages in Pakistan are generally arranged by the parents. To attend the funeral and condolence is also the important part of Pakistani culture which has the Islamic spirit.

(11): Mixed Culture:-

The Muslim society of Pakistan took great influence from Hindu and British culture after long and intimate association. This influence is prominent from the language, literature, art, painting, music, dress and diet, etc. of Pakistan.

In short, only customs leers the Islamic stamps which points towards the great value of justice, brotherhood, equality and service to man the authority westernization and modernization is not necessary. We should adopt our seven culture.