

# CERTIFICATE

## The biggest square handknotted Nain carpet in the world

**origin:** Iran

**provenience:** Nain

**size:** ca. 20 x 20 m = 400 sqm

**quality:**

- persian knot with about 490.000 knots per sqm
- material of warp and woof is cotton
- pile material is fine pure wool with natural silk
- Anilin colours, therefore carpet is very durable
- This Nain which you can see on the picture is the biggest square handknotted Nain carpet worldwide and was made for the world - biggest oriental carpet fair in Teheran.

- To weave this carpet a unique steel construction, in the gigantic size of 24 x 24 meters had to be built.

Following materials were used to finish the whole carpet:

- 2.250 kg fine wool
- 300 kg natural silk
- 280 kg cotton yarn (warp)
- 1.000 kg cotton yarn (woof)

In two-shift-work 25 weavers worked on this carpet about 8 hours per day and finished the biggest square handknotted Nain carpet of the world within 6 years.

After knotting the carpet, it has been washed and stretched like every oriental carpet but because of its gigantic size it could be realized only with a considerable expenditure.

The carpet was washed and finished in four quarter-parts, one after the other and for that reason it is very difficult to get a perfect colour continuity.

For the filigree motifs it was used an exceptional lot of natural silk, which because of the nobly material, nearly plastically arise from the beige fond of velvet virgin.

Also pay attention to the wonderful and artful made central medaillon and the big correspondant corners. In design and colour combination, the weavers have faithfully used the classical tradition of the provenience Nain.

This carpet belongs to one of the best carpets in relation to material, technology and composition which were knotted in Iran since the last decades.

### Historical background information:

The small town Nain with about 15000 inhabitants lies 1500 m over the sea level and with the narrow streets and the bazar it seems as a wonderful picture. Nain lies about 50km far from the west edge of the desert Dascht-e Kawir at a street junction from Ghoum to Yazd and from Isfahan to Anarak.

In the near there is a famous copper mine but you also can find gold, nickel, zinc and cobalt.

The inhabitants knows about their very good reputation as a "carpettown". With regard to the future and sense of responsibility the excellent knotting tradition of finest and nobly carpets will be respected. This shown Nain carpet is one example for this development.