

Kurdish Names for Girls and Boys

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Names are ordered by the Kurmanji Kurdish Latin alphabet. This collection prioritizes Kurdish-language and Kurdish cultural usage. Some names are shared across Iranian languages or have uncertain etymology. Gender classification follows the editorial preference for this collection and does not imply universal use across all Kurdish communities.

Girls’ names (106)

Name	Meaning / note
Agrîn	Fiery
Ari	Kurdish-used feminine name; etymology and usage vary by region
Arya	Kurdish-used feminine name; shared Iranian root, etymology not exclusively Kurdish
Aryan	Kurdish-used feminine name; shared Iranian heritage, not exclusively Kurdish
Asmîn	Sky
Aştî	Peace
Ava	Water
Avesta	Ancient Iranian sacred-text name (shared heritage)
Avîn	Love
Awaz	Melody
Azadî	Freedom
Bahar	Spring (shared Iranian root)
Berfîn	Snowdrop
Beyan	Morning / dawn (regional usage)
Bêrî	Longing
Bêrîtan	Kurdish literary and historical association
Bêrîvan	Milkmaid
Bihar	Spring
Binefş	Violet
Bînahî	Light
Bîranîn	Memory
Çavreş	Dark-eyed
Çavşîn	Blue-eyed
Çemê	River

Name	Meaning / note
Çimen	Meadow
Çîrok	Story
Derya	Sea (shared regional usage)
Dilan	Hearts / celebration
Dilber	Beloved
Dilêş	Heartache (word-based)
Dilnaz	Tender-hearted
Dilovan	Compassionate
Dîlrûba	Heart-stealing
Dîlşad	Happy heart
Dilxwaz	Heart's desire
Diyarî	Gift
Dîlan	Dance / celebration
Dîlok	Folk song
Estêr	Star
Evîn	Love
Gulan	Roses / May
Gulbahar	Spring rose (compound, shared Iranian roots)
Gulê	Rose
Gulistan	Rose garden (shared Iranian roots)
Gulîn	Rose-like
Gulnar	Pomegranate flower (shared Iranian roots)
Gulşen	Rose garden (shared Iranian roots)
Havîn	Summer
Helîn	Nest
Hevrîn	Cloud-related (regional usage)
Heyv	Moon
Hêvî	Hope
Hîv	Moon
Jiyan	Life
Jîn	Life
Jîna	Life-related

Name	Meaning / note
Kanî	Spring / fountain
Kejal	Dark-eyed / dark-haired (regional usage)
Kejê	Short form of Kejal
Lalîş	Sacred place name in Yazidi tradition
Lorîn	Lullaby
Nergiz	Narcissus
Nûbihar	New spring
Nûdem	New era
Nûjîn	New life
Nûpel	New leaf
Nûroz	New day / Newroz
Nûşîn	Sweet / pleasant (shared Iranian root)
Payîz	Autumn
Perî	Fairy (shared Iranian root)
Peyman	Promise (shared Iranian root)
Peyv	Word
Rengîn	Colorful
Rêwîn	Journey-related (modern usage)
Rêzan	Way-knowing
Rojan	Days
Rojbîn	Seeing the day
Rojda	Dawn
Rojîn	Daylight
Ronahî	Light
Ronak	Brightness
Ronî	Bright
Sarya	Cool / refreshing (regional usage)
Sînem	My heart / chest (regional usage)
Sorgul	Red rose
Sosin	Lily
Stêr	Star
Stêrk	Star

Name	Meaning / note
Şemal	Breeze (regional usage)
Şeng	Cheerful / graceful
Şepal	Wave
Şevîn	Of the night
Şêrîn	Sweet (shared Iranian root)
Şîlan	Wild rose
Tîrêj	Ray of light
Vejîn	Revival
Viyan	Affection
Xezal	Gazelle
Xunav	Dew
Zara	Feminine name used by Kurdish families; origin and meaning vary across languages
Zelal	Clear / pure
Zerya	Sea
Zêrîn	Golden
Zîlan	Regional Kurdish name / place association
Zîn	Literary name in Mem û Zîn
Zozan	Highland pasture

Boys' names (94)

Name	Meaning / note
Agah	Aware
Ager	Fire (variant)
Agir	Fire
Agirî	Mount Ararat
Alan	Tribal / literary name
Amanc	Goal
Amed	Kurdish place name
Aram	Calm
Ararat	Mountain name
Aras	River name
Araz	Place / river name

Name	Meaning / note
Arîn	Fire-related (modern usage; debated)
Armanc	Goal
Aso	Horizon
Avdar	Watery / irrigated
Awat	Hope (Sorani)
Azad	Free (shared Iranian root)
Bahoz	Storm
Bako	Northern wind (regional usage)
Baran	Rain
Bawer	Belief
Bawerî	Faith / confidence
Berhem	Product / achievement
Berxwedan	Resistance
Berz	High
Berzan	Highland-related
Bihar	Spring
Bilind	High / lofty
Birûsk	Lightning
Bîrkar	Thinker (word-based)
Botan	Kurdish region
Cengawer	Warrior
Çalak	Active
Çiya	Mountain
Çiyager	Mountain traveler
Dara	Tree / wealth (shared Iranian root)
Dildar	Beloved
Dilêr	Brave
Dilşad	Happy heart
Dilxwaz	Heart's desire
Diyar	Visible / evident
Dîrok	History (word-based)
Dost	Friend (shared Iranian root)

Name	Meaning / note
Goran	Kurdish cultural and regional name
Hawar	Cry for help
Hawram	Hawraman-related name
Hawre	Friend (Sorani)
Heval	Friend
Hewlêr	Erbil
Hewraman	Kurdish mountainous region
Hêmin	Calm
Hîwa	Hope (Sorani)
Hogir	Attached / fond of
Hozan	Bard
Jîndar	Living
Karwan	Caravan
Karzan	Skilled / knowledgeable
Kawa	Legendary blacksmith
Kendal	Valley / ravine
Kurd	Kurd
Mem	Hero of Mem û Zîn
Mîran (Miran)	Kurdish-used masculine name; associated with mîr (prince / leader), a regional Iranian loanword
Newroz	New day / spring festival
Nûroz	New day
Pêşeng	Pioneer
Pêşewa	Leader
Pîroz	Blessed / auspicious
Rêbaz	Path / method
Rêber	Guide / leader
Rêbîn	Seeing the way
Rêwî	Traveler
Rêzan	Knowing the way
Rojhilat	East
Serdar	Leader (shared Iranian)

Name	Meaning / note
Serhat	Borderlands / frontier
Serkeft	Success
Siyabend	Folklore hero
Sîpan	Mountain name
Soran	Kurdish region / dialect name
Şaho	Mountain name
Şêr	Lion
Şêrko	Lion-like / Kurdish literary name
Şivan	Shepherd
Şiyar	Awake
Şîrko	Variant of Şêrko
Şoreş	Revolution
Welat	Homeland
Xebat	Work / struggle
Xelat	Gift / prize
Zagros	Mountain range
Zana	Wise / knowledgeable
Zanîyar	Knowledgeable
Zerdeşt	Zoroaster (Iranian historical name)
Zîrek	Clever

Further reading

Institut Kurde de Paris — Kurdish names:

https://www.institutkurde.org/en/kurdorama/kurdish_baby_names.php

NAVEND — Kurdische Vornamen:

<https://www.navend.de/publikationen/navend-schriftenreihe/kurdische-vornamen/>