Timeline of Kurdish History

Twelve thousand years, one line.

ERA I

The first temples & villages

10,400 – 3000 BC

From the stone rings of Göbekli Tepe to the first farming villages and early towns, thousands of years before the first kingdoms.

- **Körtik Tepe** 10400 BC
- **Karahan Tepe** 10000 BC
- **Göbekli Tepe** 9500 BC
- **Çayönü** 8630–6800 BC
- **Ganj Dareh** 8200 BC
- **Jarmo** 7090 BC
- **Tell Brak** 7000 BC
- **Tell Halaf** 6100 BC
- **Hasanlu** 6000 BC
- **Hamoukar** 5000 BC
- **Tell Leilan** 5000 BC
- **Arslantepe** 4000 BC

ERA II

Hurrians & the Zagros peoples

3000 – 1100 BC

The Bronze Age peoples of the Taurus and Zagros mountains, and the kingdoms around them.

- **Hurrians** 3000–1500 BC
- **Elamites** 2700–522 BC
- **Lullubi** 2300–1900 BC
- **Gutians** 2147–2050 BC
- **Hittites** 1650–1193 BC
- **Kassites** 1595–1155 BC
- **Mitanni** 1550–1260 BC

ERA III

Mannaeans & Medes

1100 – 550 BC

Mountain kingdoms between Assyria and Urartu, and the Median empire that brought Assyria down.

- **Mannaeans** 850–616 BC
- **Scythians** 700–500 BC
- **Medes** 678–549 BC

ERA IV

Corduene, Parthians & Sassanids

550 BC – AD 651

The land of the Carduchi, between the great empires of Iran and Rome.

- **Parthians** 247 BC–AD 224
- **Corduene** 189 BC–AD 384
- **Sassanids** AD 224–AD 651

ERA V

Kurdish dynasties

651 – 1260

Kurdish dynasties rule from Ganja to Cairo, until the Mongols arrive.

- **Rawwadids** AD 800–1100
- **Shaddadids** AD 951–1164
- **Hasanwayhids** AD 959–1015
- **Marwanids** AD 990–1096
- **Annazids** AD 990–1117
- **Hazaraspids** 1115–1424
- **Ayyubids** 1171–1260
- **Bahdînan** 1200–1838
- **Zakarids** 1201–1360
- **Nicaeans** 1204–1261
- **Ayyubids of Heskîf** 1232–1524

ERA VI

The emirates

1260 – 1870

Kurdish emirates hold the mountains between the Ottoman and Persian empires.

- **Ardalan** 1300–1868
- **Soran** 1330–1847
- **Bohtan** 1335–1847
- **Hekarî** 1380–1847
- **Baban** 1500–1850
- **Zands** 1751–1794

ERA VII

Modern Kurdistan

1870 – today

Uprisings, treaties, the Kurdish press, and the road to today.

- **Sheikh Ubeydullah's uprising** 1880
- **Treaty of Sèvres** 1920
- **Kingdom of Kurdistan** 1922
- **Treaty of Lausanne** 1923
- **Sheikh Said uprising** 1925
- **Ararat uprising** 1930
- **Dersim** 1937
- **Republic of Kurdistan** 1946
- **Helebce** 1988
- **Uprising & safe haven** 1991
- **First Kurdistan elections** 1992
- **Kurdistan Region recognised** 2005
- **Şingal genocide** 2014
- **Kobanî liberated** 2015

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