



BĀRMĀN

BĀRMĀN, the son of Vīsa, one of the Turanian heroes mentioned in the *Šāh-nāma* as a member of the army that Afrāsīāb led into Iran during the reign of Nowḍar. In hand to hand combat, Bārmān killed the aged Qobād, the son of Kāva. Some time later Bārmān himself died at the hands of Qāran, Qobād's brother. During the reigns of Kay Kāvūs and Kay Ḳosrow, another Turanian hero appeared with this name, evidently the son of Vīsa and brother of Pīrān, though he is not explicitly identified in the *Šāh-nāma* episode. This Bārmān was put, together with Hūmān, at the head of an army of 12,000 men which Sohrāb led into Iran. They were instructed by Afrāsīāb to prevent Sohrāb from recognizing his own father Rostam. Later, in the reign of Kay Ḳosrow, Bārmān faced the Iranian hero Rohhām, the son of Gōdarz, in the episode of the twelve challenges (*davāzdah rok*) and was killed by him.

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