



Let's talk about love:

In Farsi, like in many other languages, "to love" can be expressed in different manners, depending on how intense the love (or how dramatic the speaker) is. However, "to love" normally translates to "doost daashtan" which is also synonym to "to like."

The verb is a combination of "doost" ["friend"] and "daashtan" ["to have"]. As you see, we convey love in a very *friendly* manner, because we include the idea of friendship in the verb "to love": "to have friend."

So, if I want to say "I love you," I will say something like "I have [a] friend [in] you." Let's see how that works:

I love **you**.

Doost-**et** daaram.

دوستت دارم.

I love **her**.

Doost-**esh** daaram.

دوستش دارم.

Do you love **me**?

Doost-**am** daari?

دوستم داری؟

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I don't love **them**.

Doost-**eshoon** na-daar-am.

دوستشون ندارم.

He loves us.

Doost-**emoon** daar-e.

دوستمون داره.

Since this is a compound verb, the conjugation is easy: we conjugate this verb the same way we conjugate the verb "to have":

I love ---> I have friend

Doost daar-am

دوست دارم

You love (infml.) ---> You have friend

Doost daar-i

دوست داری

He/she/it loves ---> He/she/it has friend

Doost daar-e

دوست داره

We love ---> We have friend

Doost daar-im

دوست داریم

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You love (fml./pl.) ---> You have friend

Doost daar-in

دوست دارین

They love ---> They have friend

Doost daar-an

دوست دارن

Obviously, for the past tense, you need to remember how to conjugate "to have" in the past tense (eg. I had: daasht-am), and then you will just need to include the noun ("doost"):

I loved: doost daasht-am

دوست داشتم

You loved (infml.): doost daasht-i

دوست داشتی

He/she loved: doost daasht

دوست داشت

We loved: doost daasht-im

دوست داشتیم

You loved (fml./pl.): doost daasht-in

دوست داشتین

They loved: doost daasht-an

دوست داشتن

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ke doost daar-in [that you love]!



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