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TOP TEN BEERSHEBA FACTS

- Isaac built an altar there and had to dig another well.
- [Jacob](#) had his Stairway to Heaven dream after being there.
- It was in the territory of the [tribes of Simeon and Judah](#).
- The sons of [Samuel](#) were judges in Beersheba.
- King [Saul](#) built a fort there.
- The prophet [Elijah](#) took refuge in Beersheba.
- From "[Dan to Beersheba](#)" described the whole kingdom.
- After [Babylon's](#) conquest it was abandoned.
- Today, as a high tech city, it is one of Israel's largest.
- It is now known as the capital of the Negev.

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The fruit is rich within vitamins A, C, within the vitamin elaborate B, E, P, K, F and also abounds within microelements such as phosphor, potassium, magnesium, calcium, iron and sodium. It is also rich within beta-carotene), but it also consists pectins, sugars, indispensable amino-acids and indispensable fat acids.

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and even leukemia. They are conceived towards anti-inflammatory, antibiotic, astringent and anti-cancer agents. It is also consumed for treating liver diseases.

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