

# ANCIENT SILK ROAD CONNECTIVITY

Economic and Cultural Exchange Matrix (c. 100 BCE - 1450 CE)

## East Asia (China)

- Exports: Silk, Tea, Porcelain
- Exports: Gunpowder, Paper
- Imports: Horses, Glassware

## Central Asia

- Exports: Horses, Jade
- Exports: Woolen Rugs
- Hub: Samarkand, Kashgar

## South Asia (India)

- Exports: Cotton, Spices
- Exports: Precious Stones
- Impact: Spread of Buddhism

## Middle East

- Exports: Incense, Dates
- Exports: Saffron, Silver
- Hub: Baghdad, Damascus

## Mediterranean

- Exports: Olive Oil, Wine
- Exports: Glassware, Gold
- Hub: Rome, Constantinople

## Key Technologies

- The Astrolabe
- The Camel Saddle
- The Maritime Compass

*[Visual Schematic: Intercontinental Route Linkages - Land and Sea]*

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