

EURASIAN SILK ROAD

Major Trading Posts & Commodities

EAST ASIA GATEWAY

Trading Post

Primary Commodities

Chang'an (Xi'an)

Silk, tea, porcelain, paper, rhubarb

Dunhuang

Buddhist manuscripts, jade, agricultural supplies

CENTRAL ASIAN HUBS

Samarkand

Paper, glass, textiles, intricate metalwork

Kashgar

Pack animals, spices, dried fruits, wool

Merv

Cotton, grain, saffron, industrial ceramics

MIDDLE EASTERN & BYZANTINE LINKS

Baghdad

Jewelry, leather goods, citrus, perfumes

Constantinople

Purple dyes, wine, honey, ivory, Mediterranean salt

Antioch

Glassware, timber, silver, linen

HISTORICAL REFERENCE CHART • THE GREAT SILK ROAD • 2ND CENTURY BCE - 18TH CENTURY CE