

MARITIME SILK ROAD: COASTAL POINTS COMPARISON

Quanzhou	Song-Yuan Dynasty	Silk, Porcelain, Tea	UNESCO world heritage hub; start of the eastern route.
Malacca	15th Century	Spices, Tin, Gold	Choke point controlling trade between India and China.
Calicut	14th-15th Century	Pepper, Cinnamon, Cotton	Major entrepÃ´t for Arab and Chinese merchants.
Hormuz	13th-16th Century	Horses, Pearls, Incense	Link between the Persian Gulf and the Indian Ocean.
Mombasa	12th-15th Century	Ivory, Gold, Iron	Connecting African

Venice

13th-15th
Century

Glassware,
Salt, Spices

resources with
Asian markets.

Final European
terminus for
Eastern luxury
goods.