

# Wonders of Arabia

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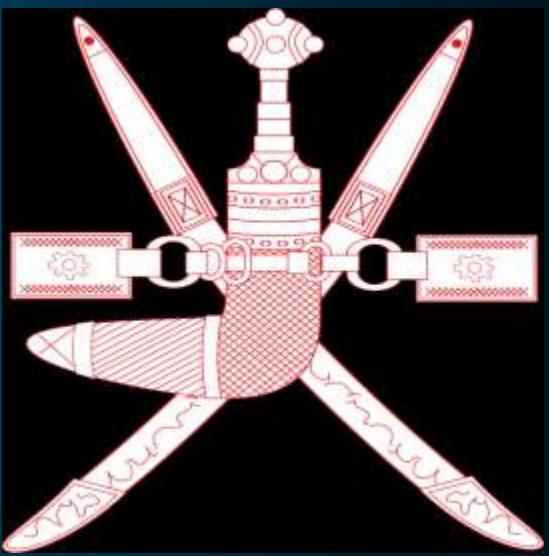
## Introduction

Windstar Cruises  
Ross Arnold, Spring 2015

# Wonders of Arabia - 2015









## Sultantate of Oman

Population: 3.83 million

Land Area: 309,500 sq km

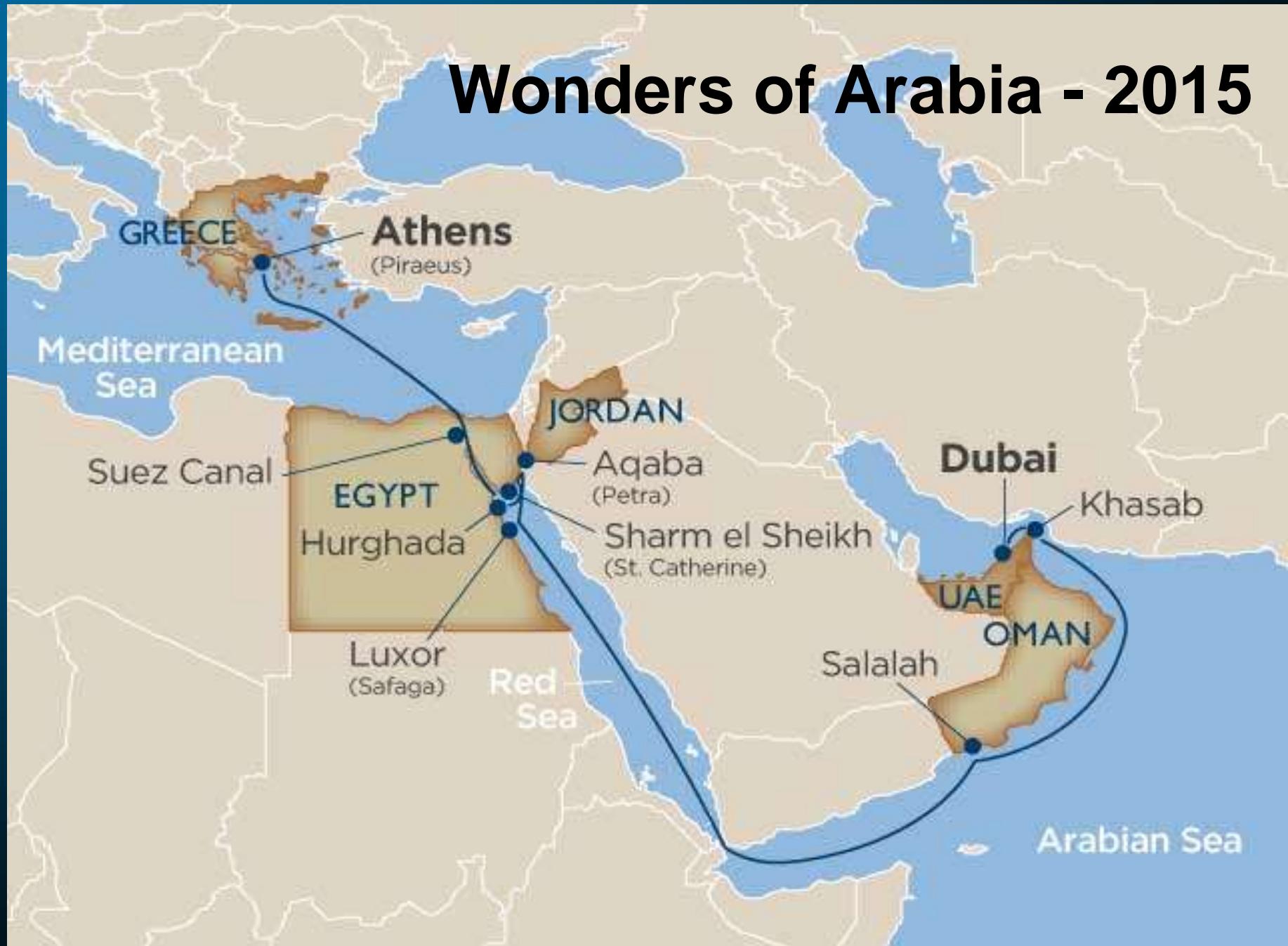
Government: Sultantate

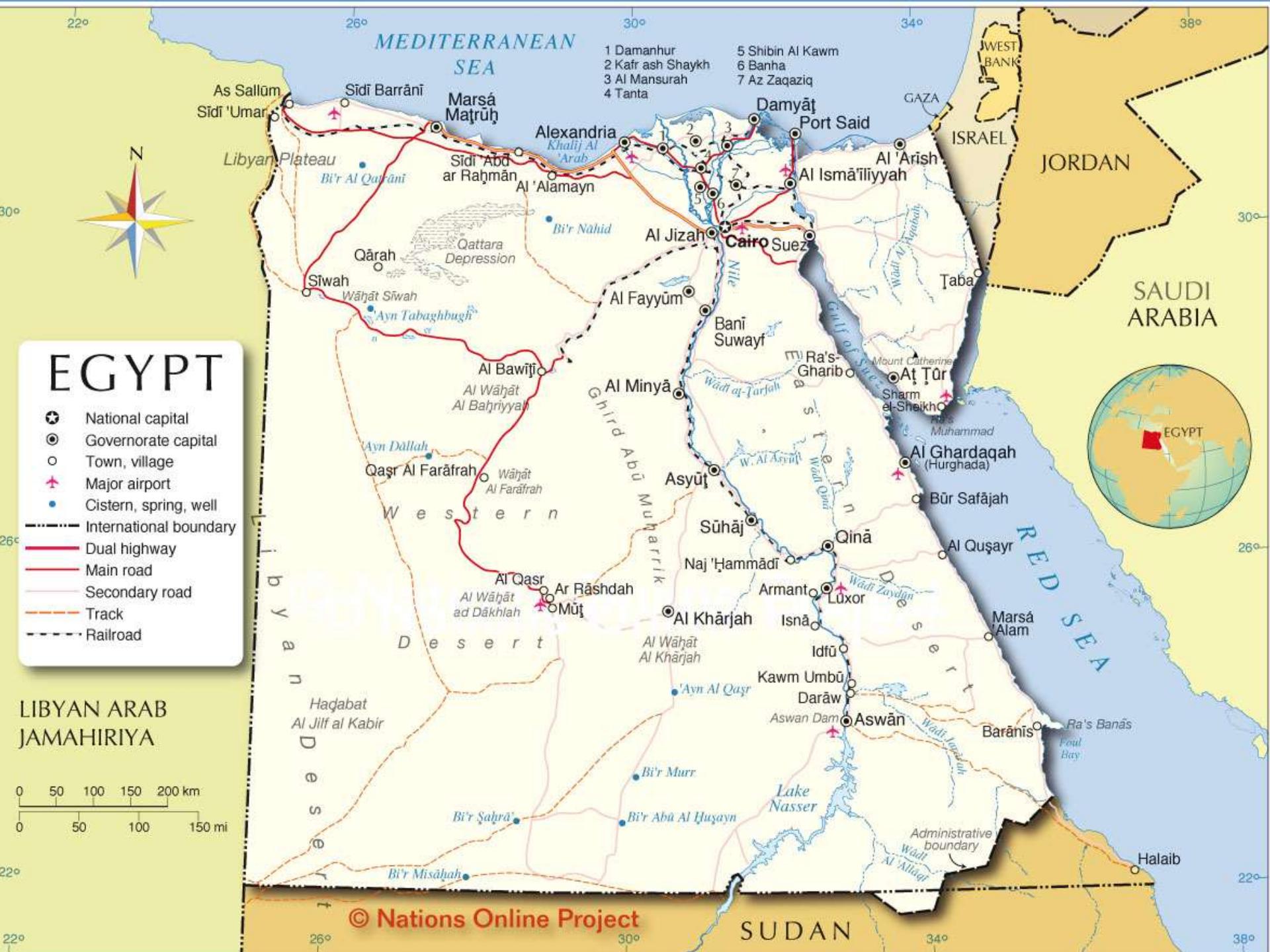
Language: Arabic & Balochi

Money: Omani rials (1 OMR=\$2.60)

GDP: \$163.62 billion (2013)

# Wonders of Arabia - 2015







## Arab Republic of Egypt

Population: 86.9 million

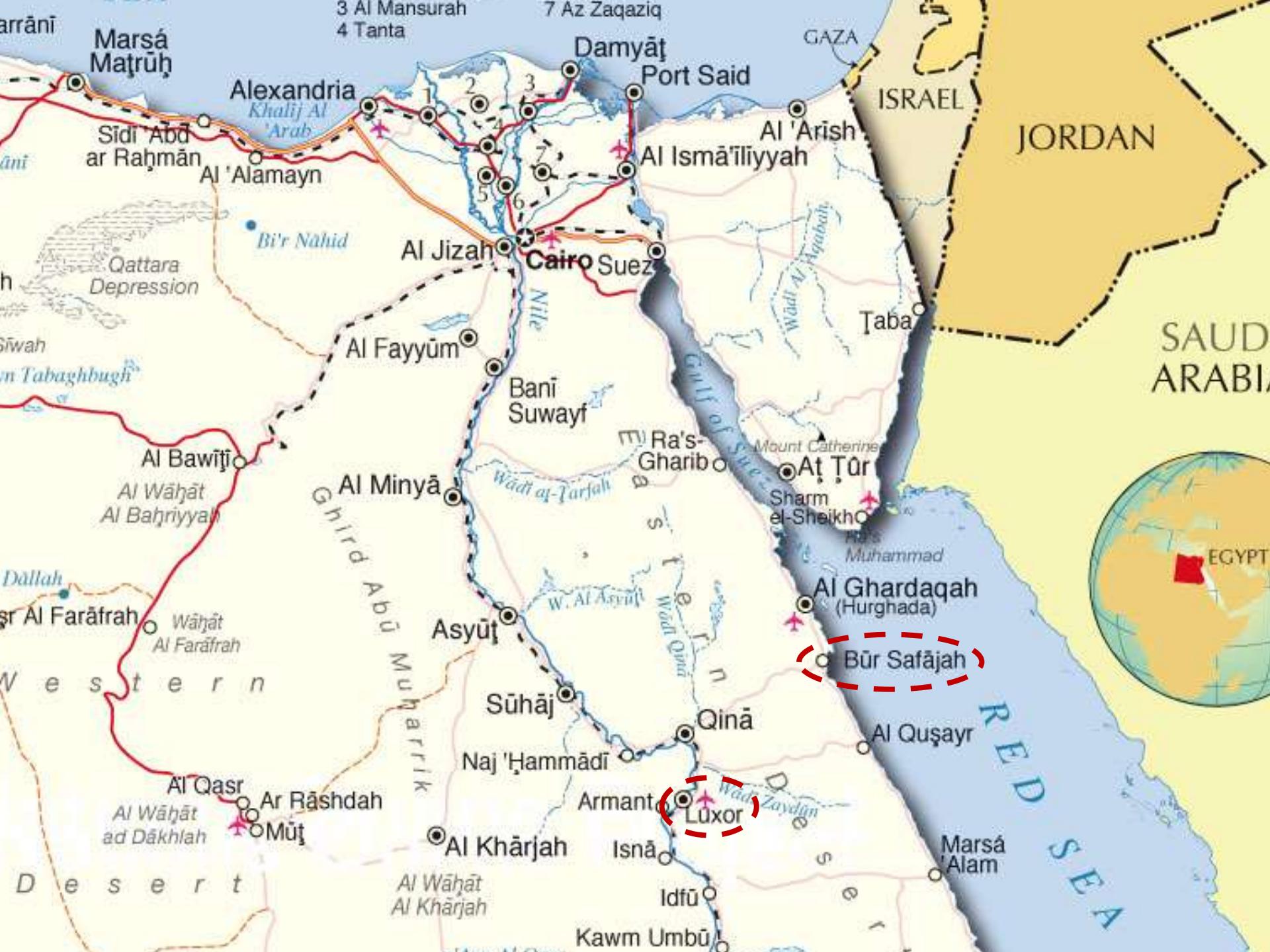
Land Area: 1,001,450 sq km

Government: Semi-presidential republic

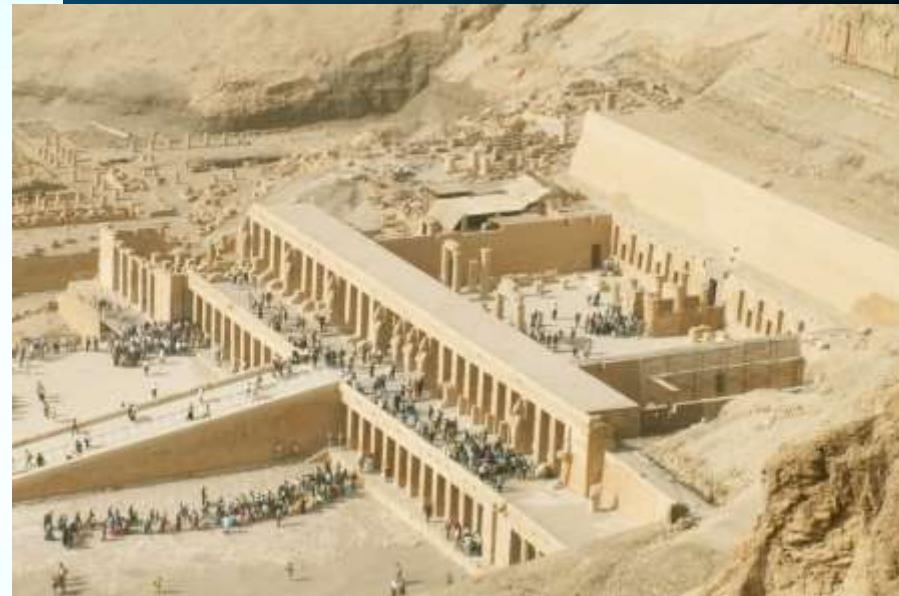
Language: Egyptian Arabic

Money: Egyptian pounds (1 EGP=\$0.16)

GDP: \$551.4 billion (2013)



# Luxor, Egypt





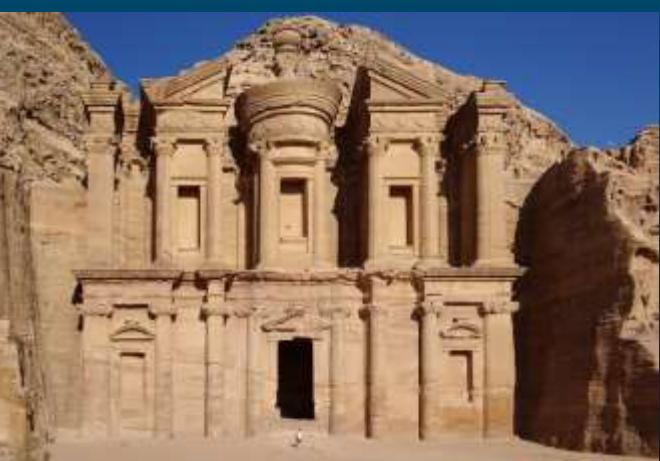
## Saint Catherine's Monastery/Mt. Sinai



## JORDAN

- ★ National capital
- ◎ Major city
- Town, village
- ★ Major airport
- International boundary
- Main road
- Secondary road
- - - Railroad

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## Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Population: 7.9 million

Land Area: 89,342 sq km

Government: Constitutional monarchy

Language: Modern Standard Arabic

Money: Jordanian dinars (1 JOD=\$1.41)

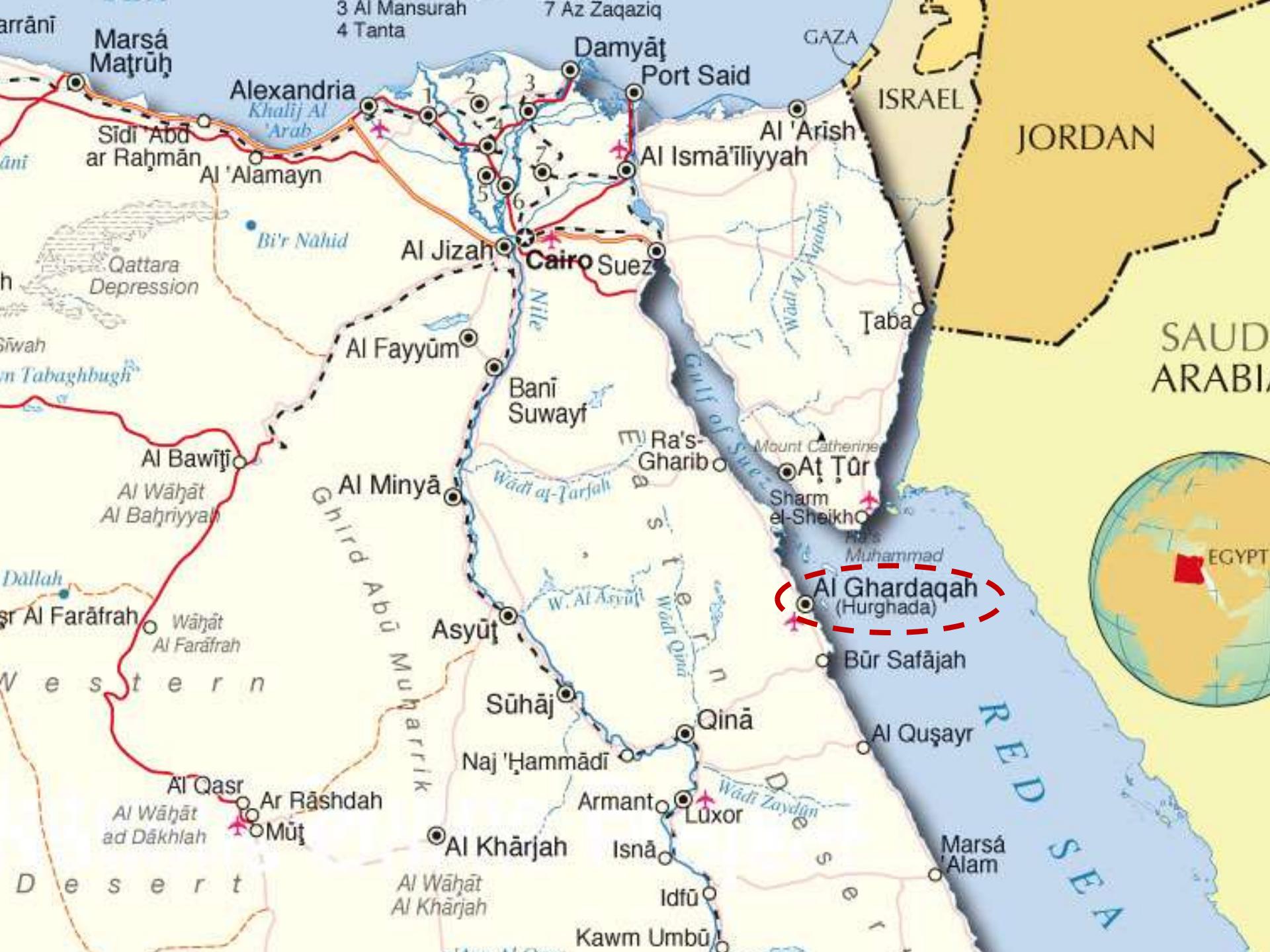
GDP: \$40.02 billion (2013)



# Aqaba, Jordan, & the Rose City of Petra



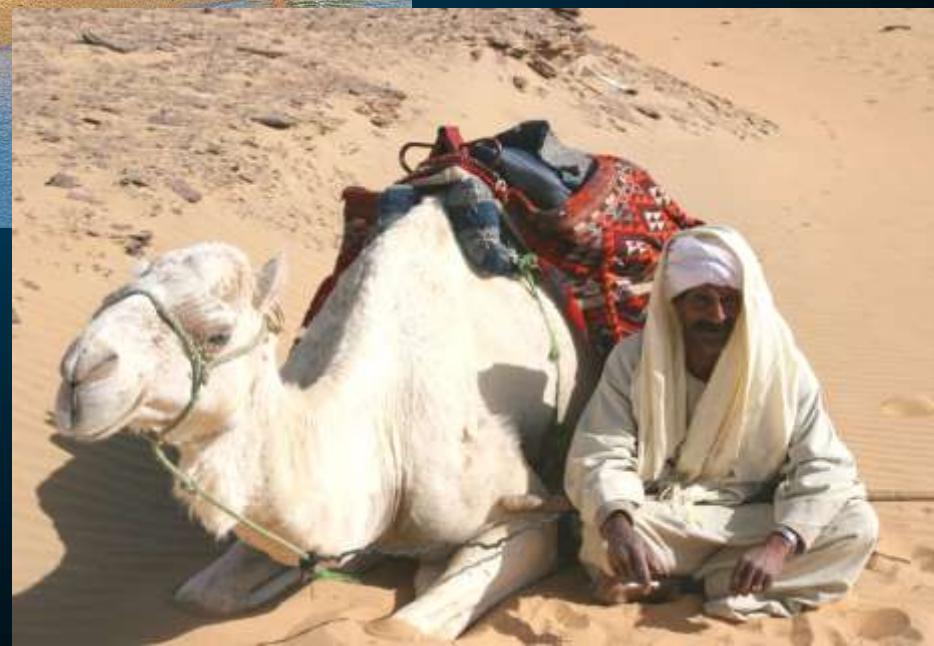


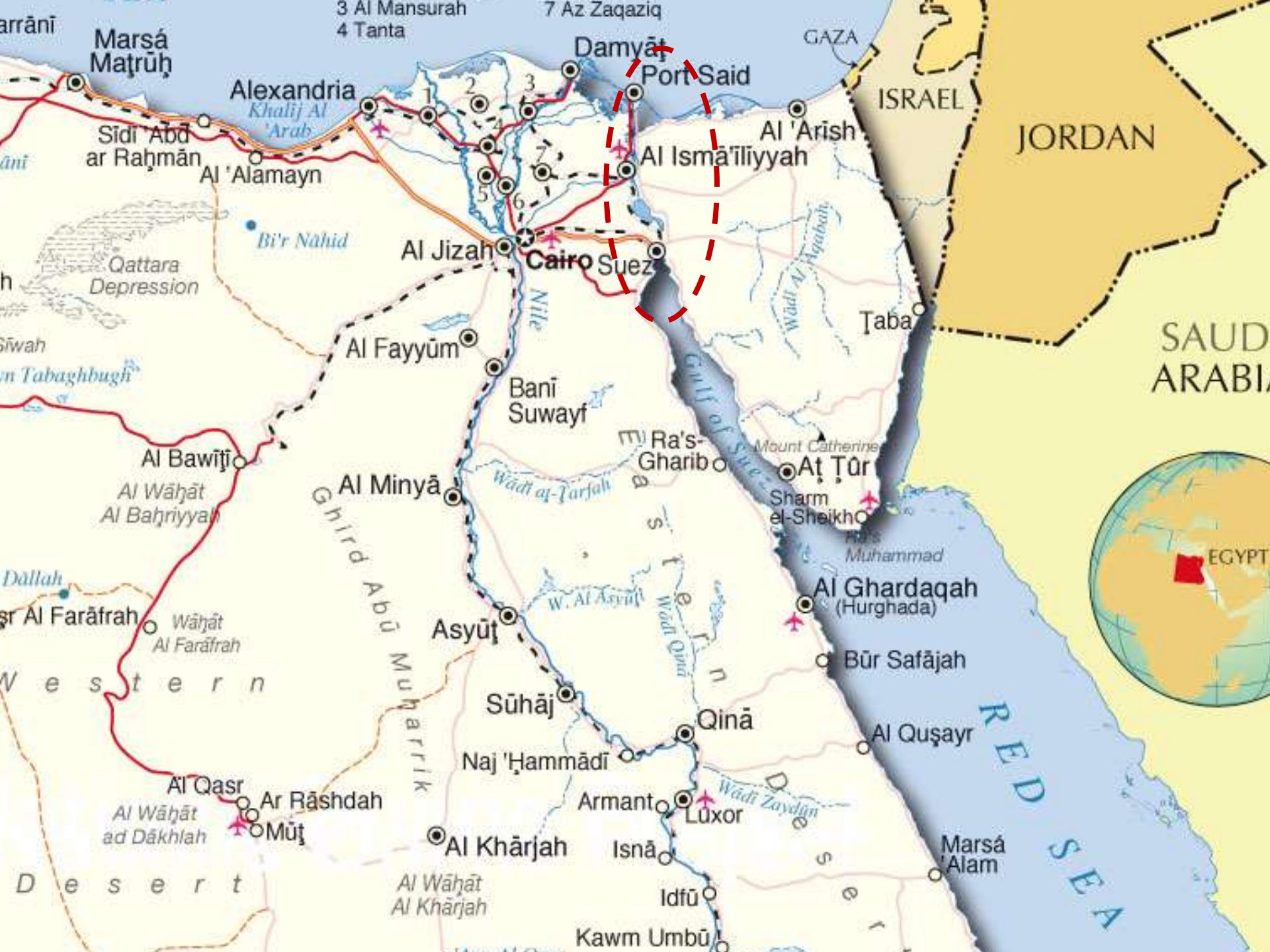




# Hurghada, Egypt

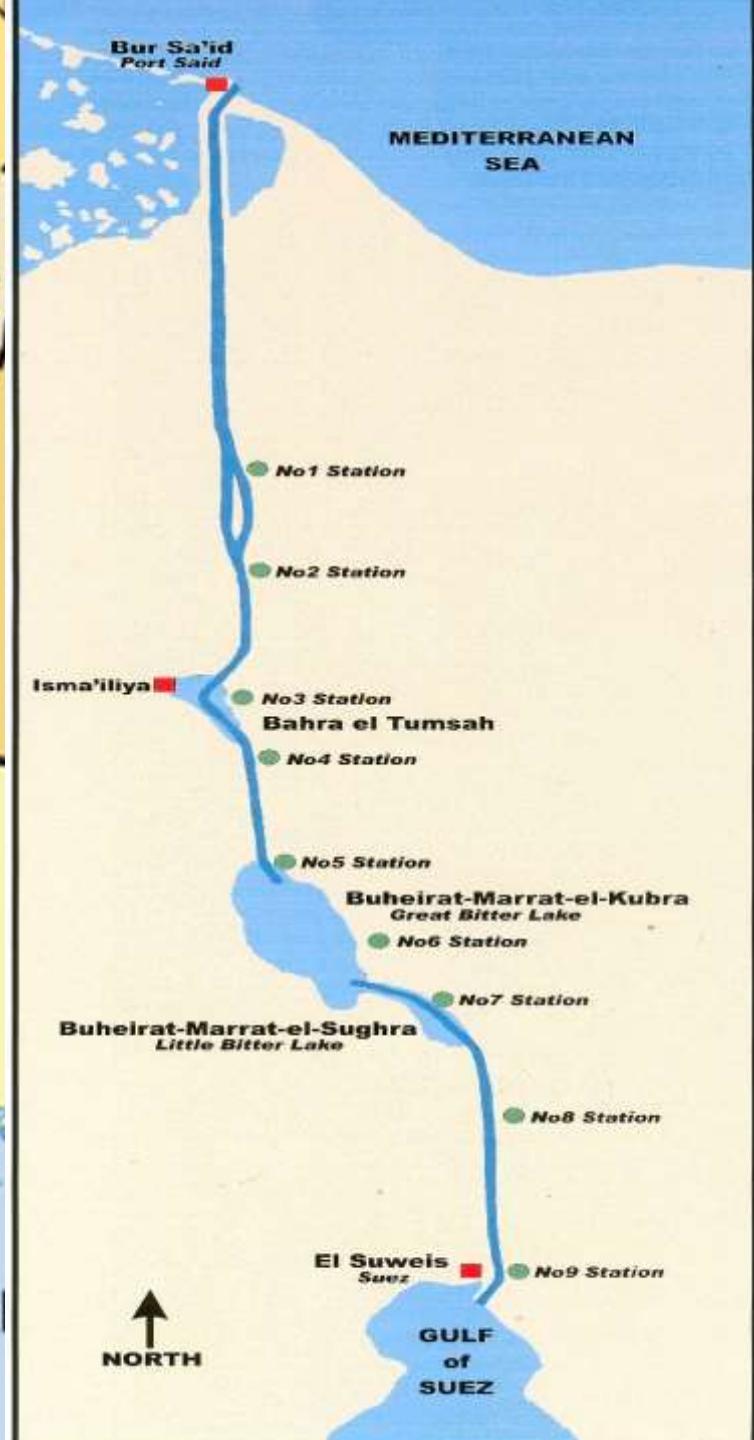
## Beaches, Bedouins and Camels







## Suez Canal Transit







Athens, Greece  
Antiquities galore!

# Athens, Greece

Acropolis, New Acropolis Museum, National Archeological Museum, Byzantine Museum, etc.



# Wonders of Arabia: April Lectures

- **Introduction to the Wonders of Arabia**
- April 26- Birthplace of Empires
- April 26- Faith & Culture in the ANE
- April 27- History and Culture of Oman
- April 27- Unity & Diversity in the Middle East
  - 4/28- Salalah, Oman
- April 29- The Children of Abraham
- April 29- Moses, the Israelites & Crossing the Red Sea
- April 30- Introduction to Islam
- April 30- Alone in the Desert: Christian Monasticism

# Wonders of Arabia: May Lectures

- May 1- Lawrence of Arabia, Bedouins & WW1
- May 2- Mysteries of the Nabateans & Petra
- May 2- The Permanence of Ancient Egypt
- May 3- Pharaohs, Temple & Tombs
  - May 4-5- Safaga & Luxor, Egypt
  - May 6- Sharm el Sheikk & St. Catherine's Monastery
  - May 7- Aqaba, Jordan, & Petra
  - May 8- Hurghada, Egypt
  - May 9- Suez Canal Transit
- May 10- The Crusades
- May 10- History, Culture & Conflict in the Middle East
- May 11- Alexander the Great & Hellenism
- May 11- Greece: Birthplace of Western Civilization

## Basic Arabic Phrases

“May peace be upon you”	‘as-salaamu ‘alaykum
“And upon you peace”	wa ‘alaykum ‘as-salaam
Hello	mar-haban
“Go with peace,” or goodbye	ma’ a as-salaama
Until next time	‘ilaa al-liqaa’
Nice to meet you	forsa saae-eeda
Please	min fadlik
Thank you	shukran
No, Thank you	la shukran
No	la
Yes	naam
How much?	kam?
You're welcome	’ahlan wa sahlan
I'm sorry/Excuse me	’anaa ’aasif
Where is...	‘Ayna...
...the restroom?	...al-Hammaam?
Let's go	Ya-llah



