

## Abydos

### **Location: Egypt**

Abydos is an ancient city located in Upper Egypt, about 160 km northwest of Luxor. The city was a major center of religious and political power in ancient Egypt, and was considered one of the most important pilgrimage sites in the country. Abydos was the site of the Temple of Seti I, which was built in the 13th century BCE and dedicated to the god Osiris. The temple was adorned with intricate carvings and paintings that depicted scenes from Egyptian mythology and history. The city was also known for its royal tombs, including the tomb of Djer, the first pharaoh of the First Dynasty, and the tomb of Seti I, which contained some of the most well-preserved paintings and carvings from ancient Egypt. Abydos remained an important religious center throughout the New Kingdom and beyond, and was the site of many festivals and rituals dedicated to Osiris, the god of the afterlife. In the modern era, Abydos has been the site of numerous archaeological expeditions, which have uncovered many important artifacts and structures from ancient Egypt. The city is now a popular destination for tourists and scholars alike, who come to explore the ruins of the ancient temples

and tombs and learn about the rich history and culture of this important civilization.