



Guide to the Egypt postcards collection, 1880s-1930s

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Summary

Collection Title:

Egypt postcards collection, 1880s-1930s

Abstract:

This collection contains 163 assorted postcards with photographs and mechanically printed images of Egypt, dating from the 1880s through the 1930s.

Extent:

0.25 Linear Feet

Language:

Materials in English, French, German, and Arabic.

Collection ID:

RL.11935

Permalink:

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Background

Scope and Content

This collection contains 163 assorted postcards with photographs and mechanically printed images of Egypt, dating from the 1880s through the 1930s. There are both black-and-white and color printed postcards. The postcards include landscapes and scenes of Egyptian life during British colonial occupation, with images featuring temples, tombs, pyramids, mosques, harbors, monuments, street stalls, bazaars, markets, hotels, cafes, boats, camels, and carts. There are a range of portraits of anonymous individuals, including vendors, shopkeepers, dancers, nomadic travelers, and musicians. Sites represented in the collection include: Cairo, Giza, Alexandria, Suez, Port-Said, Luxor (Thebes), Aswan, the Sahara desert, and the Nile River. Some of the

postcards have been used, and include correspondence, postage, or postmarks. Most are blank.

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Publication Statement

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Processing Information

Postcards arrived with an item-level title inventory spreadsheet, with titles supplied by the vendor. They have been sleeved and foldered in the order they are listed on that inventory. The inventory is included in this finding aid, with folder numbers for the specific titles.

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Accessions described in this collection guide: 2021-0057

Access Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

Use Restrictions

The copyright interests in this collection have not been transferred to Duke University. For more information, consult the Rubenstein Library's Citations, Permissions, and Copyright guide.

Acquisition Information

The Egypt Postcards Collection were received by the David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library as a purchase from Librakons (Istanbul) in 2021.

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Related Materials

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Additional postcards of Egypt are present in the Postcard Collection.

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- Cairo (Egypt) -- Pictorial works
- Egypt -- Antiquities -- Pictorial works
- Karnak (Egypt) -- Pictorial works
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