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MAJOR TRADE PATTERNS OF THE EASTERN HEMISPHERE FROM 1000 TO 1500 AD

SILK ROAD

Connecting China and the rest of Asia to the Mediterranean Basin

**MARITIME
ROUTES**

Across the Indian Ocean

**TRANS-
SAHARAN**

Trade routes that cross the Sahara Desert

**NORTHERN
EUROPEAN**

Trade routes across Northern Europe to the Black Sea

**WESTERN
EUROPEAN**

Trade routes through seas and rivers throughout Western Europe

**SOUTH
CHINA SEA**

Trade routes throughout the South China Sea and Southeast Asia