

Sacred places in Asia

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| <p>1 Sanchi, the Great Stupa begun c250BCE by Emperor Ashoka</p> <p>2 Potala and Chorten, Palace of Dalai Lamas & funeral pyre</p> <p>3 Phra Pathom Chedi,</p> | <p>tallest Thai Stupa (380ft) begun c500CE (W of Bangkok)</p> <p>4 Wild Goose Pagoda at an old imperial capital</p> <p>5 Ruvanveliseya Dagoba, pre-760CE temple in the</p> | <p>old Sinhalese capital</p> <p>6 Shwe Dagon Pagoda, gold-covered 326ft focal point of the Burmese capital and center of Burma's religious life</p> <p>7 Borobudur Stupa built c800CE, unique eight-</p> | <p>terraced temple mountain with 72 Buddhas in the circular terraces</p> <p>8 Horyuji Pagoda built 607CE, oldest of the Seven Great Temples of the Southern Capital (Nara)</p> |
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