



The Great Ziggurat of Ur

Description

The Ziggurat of Ur is one of the most studied and well-preserved buildings of the ancient world. Located in present-day Dhi Qar Province, Iraq, the construction of the Ziggurat began during the reign of King Ur-Nammu and was completed during the reign of King Shulgi in the 21st century BC. The building was made as a temple to worship the god of Moon and Planets Nanna/Sin, and was originally part of a temple complex serving as an administrative place for the city of Ur. The Ziggurat was built out of baked and adobe bricks and was approximately 30 meters high while covering a total area of 2,880 m². Partially destroyed in the 6th century, the temple was restored by King Nabonidus during the Neo-Babylonian period.

Metadata

- City: Ur
- Country: Iraq
- GPS Coordinates: 30.9628° N, 46.1032° E
- Cadastral Number: IQ.L.LW.U.1
- Land Surface in Square Meters: 2880
- Landmarks: Lost Worlds