

WHOLE WIDE WORLD TAJ MAHAL



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CHAPTER 1

THE QUEEN'S TOMB

Mumtaz Mahal was queen of the Mughal **Empire**. It was in India. She died in 1631. Her husband was **Emperor** Shah Jahan. He wanted to **honor** her.



Mumtaz
Mahal



Shah
Jahan

The Taj Mahal was built for the queen's **tomb**. The name means “Crown of Palaces.” It is in Agra, India, next to the Yamuna River. It took around 20 years to build and **decorate**. More than 20,000 workers helped.



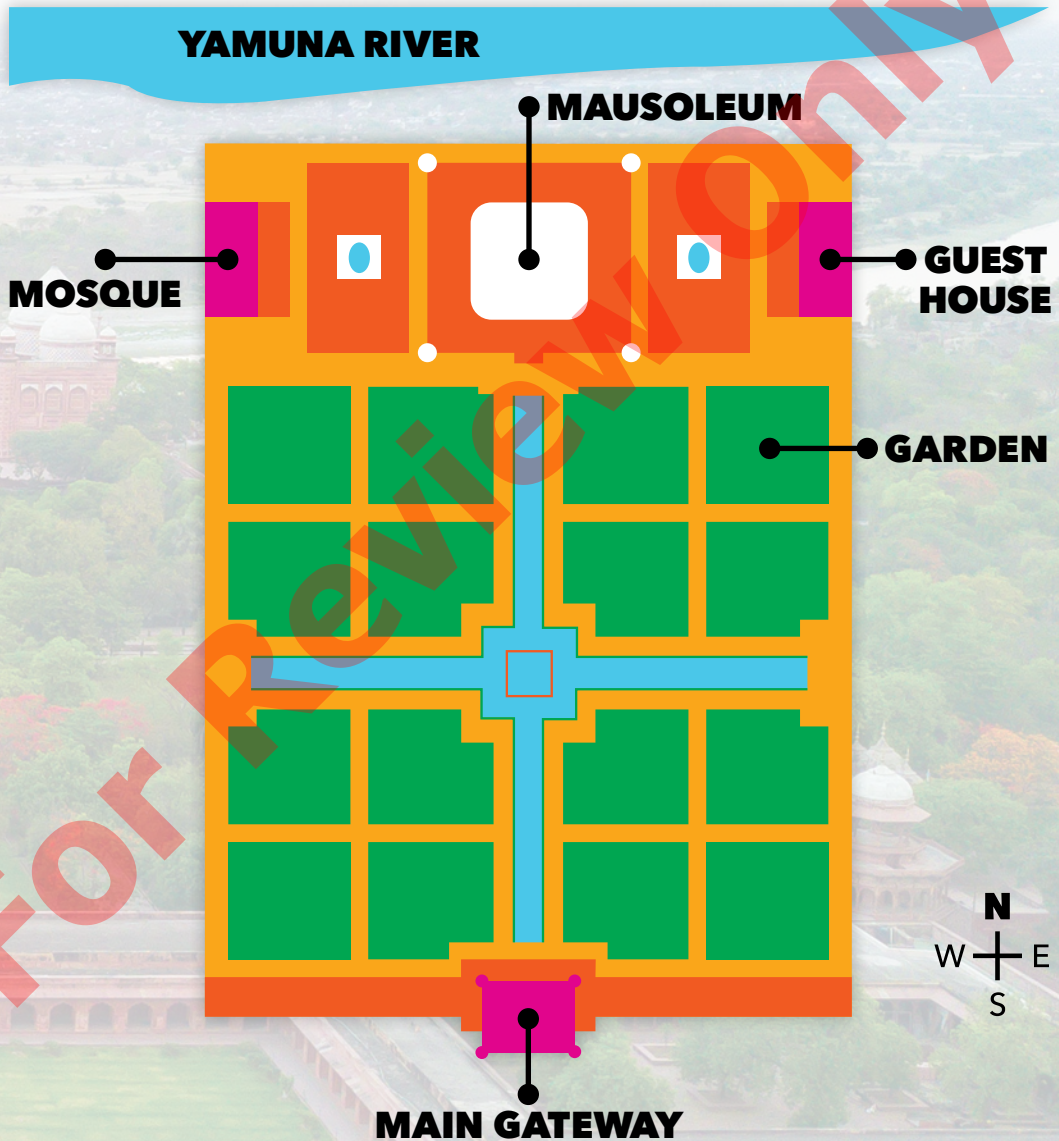
**Yamuna
River**

Four main buildings and a garden make up the **complex**. Near the river is the **mausoleum**. This was built to hold the tomb.

mausoleum

TAKE A LOOK!

Take a look at a map of the complex. Notice the balanced design.



CHAPTER 2

A BEAUTIFUL PALACE

The main gateway stands at one end. It is made of red sandstone. The central arch is two stories high.



A long pool of water
reflects the mausoleum.
Trees line walking paths.

