The Queue: A Long Wait for a Glimpse of Egypt's Past and Future

For nearly a decade, tourists and Egyptians alike have been lining up for hours to visit the Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM). The museum, which is still under construction, is set to be the world's largest archaeological museum. It will house a vast collection of artifacts from ancient Egypt, including the tomb of King Tutankhamun.

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The anticipation for the museum's opening is palpable. In 2019, more than 3 million people visited the site, even though the museum was still closed to the public. The museum is expected to attract even more visitors once it opens, which is scheduled for 2023.

The long wait for the museum's opening has been frustrating for some. But for others, the wait is part of the experience. The queue has become a social event, where people can meet and chat. It has also become a place to reflect on Egypt's past and future.



A long queue of people waiting to enter the Grand Egyptian Museum

The Past

The Grand Egyptian Museum is being built on the site of the ancient city of Giza. Giza was once the capital of the Old Kingdom of Egypt, and it is home to some of the world's most famous pyramids. The museum will showcase the history of ancient Egypt, from the time of the pyramids to the Roman period.

The museum's collection includes over 100,000 artifacts, many of which have never been seen by the public before. These artifacts include statues, jewelry, furniture, and everyday objects. The museum will also have a number of interactive exhibits, which will allow visitors to learn about ancient Egypt in a fun and engaging way.

The Future

The Grand Egyptian Museum is more than just a museum. It is also a symbol of Egypt's future. The museum is part of a larger plan to develop the Giza plateau into a world-class tourist destination. The plan includes the construction of a new international airport, a new city, and a new cultural center.

The Grand Egyptian Museum is expected to play a major role in Egypt's economy. The museum is expected to attract millions of visitors each year, and it is estimated to generate billions of dollars in revenue. The museum will also create thousands of jobs, and it will help to boost the tourism industry in Egypt.

The Grand Egyptian Museum is a long-awaited project that will finally open its doors to the public in 2023. The museum will be a world-class institution that will showcase the history of ancient Egypt and the future of Egypt. The museum is a must-see for anyone who is interested in ancient Egypt or in the culture of Egypt.



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