

Pompey's Pillar (c.298-302 CE)

A carte-de-viste historical photograph of Pompey's Pillar, a red Aswan granite Roman triumphal column in Alexandria Egypt. It was erected between c.298-302 CE by the Alexandrian officials in honor of Emperor Diocletian. Later European travelers mistakenly believed the column commemorated Pompey the Great, who was assassinated in Egypt, thereby giving the column its present name.