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The United Arab Emirates, known as the UAE, is a young nation that has rapidly transformed into a global powerhouse. Situated in the Arabian Peninsula, this federation of seven emirates has a rich history that dates back centuries.

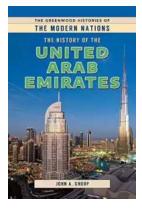
#### The Formation of the United Arab Emirates

The history of the UAE can be traced back to the mid-18th century when the areas now forming the emirates were under tribal rule. These tribes engaged in trade, fishing, and pearl diving, forming a basis for the region's economy.

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However, it was not until the 19th century that the region gained recognition as a unified entity. The British Empire played a significant role in the formation of the modern UAE, as it signed several treaties with individual emirates to ensure maritime security and protect trade routes.

With the discovery of oil in the region in the early 20th century, the UAE experienced a profound transformation. The newfound wealth enabled the emirates to invest in infrastructure, education, healthcare, and industry, leading to rapid economic development.

#### The Union of the Emirates

The story of the modern UAE begins on December 2, 1971, when the emirates of Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm Al Quwain, and Fujairah agreed to form a federation. On February 10, 1972, Ras Al Khaimah also joined the union, leading to the establishment of the United Arab Emirates.

Under the leadership of Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, the first President of the UAE, the nation embarked on a journey of progress and development. The visionary leadership of Sheikh Zayed focused on diversifying the economy and investing oil wealth in areas such as education, healthcare, and infrastructure.

#### The Modern United Arab Emirates

Today, the UAE is a thriving nation known for its incredible architecture, luxurious lifestyle, and rapid economic growth. The federation has become a global hub for business, finance, and tourism, attracting people from all over the world.

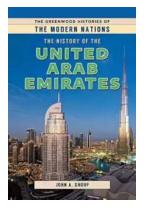
The seven emirates that make up the UAE each have their own unique characteristics and attractions. Abu Dhabi, the capital, is home to the iconic Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque and hosts various cultural events. Dubai, with its towering skyscrapers and man-made islands, is renowned for its modernity and extravagant lifestyle.

Other emirates, such as Sharjah, Ajman, and Ras Al Khaimah, also offer a blend of modernity and tradition, with their historical sites, museums, and stunning natural landscapes. Visitors to the UAE can experience the rich Arabian culture, indulge in traditional food, and explore the vast desert.

The history of the United Arab Emirates is a fascinating journey of transformation from tribal rule to a modern, vibrant nation. The vision and leadership of Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan played a pivotal role in shaping the UAE into what it is today.

As the UAE continues to progress, its influence on the global stage grows. The nation's commitment to innovation, sustainability, and economic diversification ensures a bright future.

So, if you are planning to visit the UAE or simply want to learn more about this remarkable nation, delve into its history and experience the blend of tradition and modernity that makes it truly unique.



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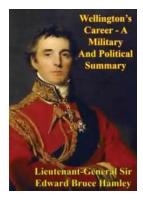


The United Arab Emirates is a relatively young country in the Middle East, made up of seven emirates: Abu Dhabi, Ajman, Dubai, Fujairah, Ras Al Khaimah, Sharjah, and Umm Al Quwain. How did these seven separate emirates come together to form the United Arab Emirates?

This volume explores the long, rich history of these seven emirates, focusing on political history but also highlighting culture, society, economy, and religion. Chronologically arranged chapters examine major eras and turning points in history, such as antiquity, the rise of Islam, British trade, and the discovery of black gold: oil.

Readers will learn how today, most of the UAE's citizens are foreigners from other countries, as well as how much of the country's economy and livelihood depend on oil. An appendix of Notable People in the History of the United Arab Emirates serves to identify key players in the region's history, and an annotated bibliographic essay provides readers with sources for further research. Ideal for

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