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This is a photo of the Great Pyramid at Giza taken by Jorge Lascar (Original Photo)

Everyone has believed that The Pyramids of Egypt were built for beauty, or to show power, but the real reason is completely different. The Pyramids of Giza are great, large tombs built for a king. These constructions are the last Wonder left (from the 7 Wonders of the Ancient World), so we all need to stand in awe while we can.

The Pyramids of Giza are one of the most mysterious wonders, and here's why. The tombs located in them were made for King Khufu, who was the second pharaoh of the 4th dynasty (of the Old Kingdom). Giza was a rich, growing land, so before his death, Khufu assigned a project, allowing his tombs to be built there.

The large towers in fact do carry ancient items in them, from Khufu and others, as any other Pharaoh's tomb does. They have survived for thousands of years, so there's no reason why anyone would not enjoy this antique. During the time the pyramids were built, this was a very advanced construction.

The Pyramids were built around 2,550 B.C, and taking an approximately 30 years to be built. This was a very long and hectic building process, with loaded carts filled with heavy bricks. All of that was pulled off though, because this wonder is still standing today. It's a very popular tourist attraction in Giza, Egypt. Though, the building process might not be the real way these mysteries were created.

Although Egyptian laborers sculpting the stones and building the pyramid is so far the most reasonable answer to how this wonder was built, still, others believe that extraterrestrial life was responsible. Many believe that aliens had carried bricks and stones (along with all the other material needed) through their spacecrafts down to earth. Although the reason why is not mentioned through sources, still, they believe that this was how the wonder got built.

Switching back to the original answer, supposedly stone bricks and other supplies were modeled to create a pyramid through ramps and were also carried. The process took about 30 years. Although the alien life theory sounds very mysterious and is astonishing, we all have to agree that hard-working Egyptian laborers is the most logical answer. Yet, there are still many breathtaking facts about this wonder:

- The Great Pyramid is worth \$5 billion U.S dollars
- The Pyramid is about 455 feet tall, and each stone (of the 2.3 million stones) weighs about 2.5 tons
- The inside of the pyramids equals the average temperature of the earth, which is about 68 degrees
- The Great Pyramid is the oldest and largest of all 3 Giza pyramids, and is King Khufu's tomb

This wonder has to be everyone's favorite, especially Giza's government, because in order to be toured, a ticket costs about \$30-40! The pyramids are ancient and fascinating, and are the last standing wonder, along with being the best of the seven.

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