

The Coffin Of Ramses The Great Will Be Unveiled In Sydney For A Blockbuster Exhibition

The sarcophagus of one of ancient Egypt's most powerful Pharaohs, Ramses II, is on its way to Australia thanks to a rare loan to Sydney.

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[Ramses & the Gold of the Pharaohs exhibition](#) is days away from opening and if you weren't already excited for it, this might pique your interest. The **Australian Museum** has managed to score a **royal coffin** all the way from Egypt and it could be one of the most monumental ones to ever be discovered. The ornate **sarcophagus of Ramses II** is coming to Australia for the **Sydney exclusive exhibition** courtesy of a direct loan from Egypt's Supreme Council of Antiquities. The royal coffin has rarely ever left Egypt and Sydney will be the **only city in the world** aside from Paris to showcase it at the blockbuster exhibition.

Ramses & the Gold of the Pharaohs Exhibition, Sydney



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The epic exhibition is set to open in Sydney this **November** and features over **180 Egyptian treasures** including sarcophagi, animal mummies, royal masks and many more artefacts, some of which will be travelling outside of Egypt for the very first time. Making the stacked list even more grandiose is the coffin of Ramses II, one of the most powerful Pharaohs to have ever ruled Egypt.

"The beautiful sarcophagus of Ramses II will be the star attraction in the Ramses & the Gold of the Pharaohs exhibition and is a wonderful opportunity for Australian audiences to see this rare, fragile artefact in real life," Australian Museum Director and CEO, Kim McKay AO, said of the striking coffin.

"Egyptians worshipped their Pharaohs, and their devotion to Ramses II can be seen through the craftsmanship of the coffin."

The exhibition is an extensive look into the life of **King Ramses II** or Ramses the Great and chronicles his influential reign where he built more monuments than any other Egyptian king. The travelling exhibition is coming to Sydney after a successful run in Houston, San Francisco and Paris making it the fourth city out of 10 to be able to experience the extraordinary showcase.

Catch it at the Australian Museum in Sydney from **November 18 to May 19, 2024**. Tickets are on sale now. Get more information about the exhibition and book your tickets at the [official Australian Museum website](#).

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