

# Emir Timur and the Timurid Renaissance

Temur conquered an empire in Central Asia, seeking to restore the glory of the Genghis Khan's Mongol Empire.

He and his dynasty (the Timurids) used wealth generated by conquest and trade to memorialize their own greatness, glorify Islam, and make Samarkand a center of learning and culture.

# Name Conventions

Temur is sometimes transliterated as Timur

His title was *Emir*, which basically means a military commander

But he could not be *Khan*, because he had no blood relation to Genghis Khan

In the European Renaissance, he was known as Tamerlane, from Temur the Lame (he was crippled as young man)



















































































