

Lebanon is a small country in the Middle East. The Mediterranean Sea lines its western coast. Syria borders it to the north and east and Israel is to the south.

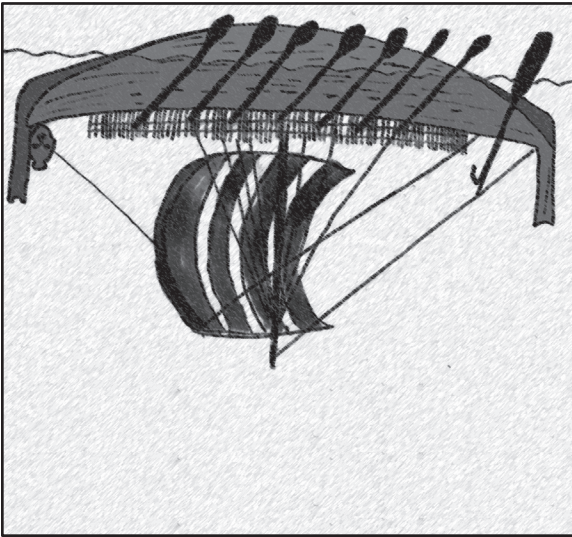


Lebanon's Cedar Trees



Lebanon is famous for its cedar trees. Lebanon cedars are the country's national symbol. There is even a cedar tree on Lebanon's flag.

Lebanon cedar wood is very hard and fragrant. This means that the wood is strong and good for building. It also has a nice scent. Lebanon cedars have been famous since ancient times. Throughout history, kings and emperors used cedar wood to build temples, palaces, and ships. Egyptians used sap from these cedars to make mummies.



Lebanon cedars are evergreens. They have leaves all year round, like pine trees. Lebanon cedars can grow very tall. They can grow to be 130 feet tall. They also live a very long time. Lebanon cedars can live to be 1,000 years old.