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Cyprus and the Crusades



During the _____, Cyprus played a pivotal role as a strategic base. The island's location made it a crucial _____ for Christian crusaders on their way to the Holy Land. In 1191, the English king Richard the _____ captured Cyprus during the Third Crusade. This event marked the beginning of a significant _____ presence on the island. Cyprus became a place where supplies could be _____ and sick or injured crusaders could recover. The island's _____ were bustling with ships carrying knights and pilgrims. Local monasteries offered shelter and care to those in need. The _____ of Cyprus, with its castles and fortifications, still bears the marks of these medieval times. The _____, a French dynasty, later took control of Cyprus, further enhancing its role in the Crusader _____. This era left a lasting legacy on the island, influencing its architecture, culture, and _____. Cyprus's strategic importance was recognized by all, making it a key player in the _____ geopolitical chessboard.

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