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## **Abstract**

This paper aims to shed more light on the current heritage situation at Petra and to identify the dangers that are facing its heritage and their causes. The paper discusses several factors that threaten the city's monuments which are increasing rapidly. These may be divided into two categories: natural (climatic, erosion, salt crystallization) in addition to various human factors that include vandalism, archaeological sites looting by those who are searching for treasures, the unorganized tourism in addition to the wrong restoration projects. The paper ends with conclusions and recommendations.

