

Glossary

Entasis

A slight convex curve in the shaft of a column, introduced to correct the visual illusion of concavity produced by a straight shaft.

Pilasters

A rectangular column projecting from a wall.

Column

An upright pillar, typically cylindrical, supporting an arch, entablature, or other structure or standing alone as a monument.

Entablature

The upper part of a classical building supported by columns or a colonnade, comprising the architrave, frieze, and cornice.

Pediment

The triangular upper part of the front of a classical building, typically surmounting a portico.