

MASHTUL

A town located in the Egyptian [Delta](#) approximately 14 miles (22 km) southeast of [Banha](#) in the province of Sharqiyyah. It was known in the sixth century as Mashtul al-Tawahin (mills) because of its many [mills](#) and because of the active trade in flour and grains that it carried on with the Hijaz (Saudi Arabia).

During the [Ottoman](#) period in the eighteenth century, Mashtul held a weekly market and accordingly became known as Mashtul al-Suq (Mashtul the market). The town continues to be known by this name.

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