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# Best of Egypt

### 11-Day, 10-Night Journey

Cairo, Luxor, Nile Cruise, Aswan

Explore the wonders of ancient Egypt, from the iconic Pyramids and mysterious Sphinx of Giza near bustling Cairo, to the incredible Valley of the Kings and Hatshepsut's Temple near Luxor. A relaxing Nile cruise will then carry you south to Aswan city, completing this unforgettable journey through pharaonic history and stunning landscapes. Experience the country's most iconic landmarks in comfort and style, with expert guides. Whether you're captivated by Egypt's ancient history or the serenity of the Nile, this tour promises to be a journey you will never forget.



Pyramids and Sphinx, Giza



Tomb in Valley of the Kings, Luxor



Cairo Citadel and Mosque



Pyramid complex in Aswan



Light House, Alexandria



Khan el Khalili - famous bazaar in Cairo

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#### Inclusions

- Private Airport Transfers
- Cruise on the Nile (Standard Cabin)
- Hotel Accommodations
- Daily Breakfast & Selected Meals (See tour plan for details)
- ► English-speaking Local Guide
- Entrance Fees to Monuments and Attractions per Itinerary

#### Exclusions

- International and Domestic Airfare
- Travel Insurance
- Medical Expenses
- Visa Fee (if applicable)
- ► Gratuities
- Personal Expenses

### Nearby Airports

Cairo – Cairo International Airport (CAI) Aswan – Aswan International Airport (ASW)

## Itinerary

#### **3 NIGHTS IN CAIRO**

#### DAY 1: ARRIVE CARIO

Arrive at **Cairo Airport** and transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is free. Dinner at the hotel tonight. Your Cairo adventure begins! Immerse yourself in the vibrant energy of Egypt's bustling capital. Cairo offers the perfect introduction to the country's rich ancient history and exciting modern culture.



[Meals: Dinner]

#### DAY 2: PYRAMIDS & SPHINX IN MEMPHIS AND SAKKARA

After breakfast, a day trip to Memphis and Sakkara. Visit the Sphinx at Memphis (the capital of ancient Egypt) and the Pyramid at Saqqara. Followed by a visit to a carpet factory. [Meals: Breakfast]

#### DAY 3: ALEXANDRIA

Today, journey to Alexandria to visit the iconic Bibliotheca Alexandrina. Explore the mysterious Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa, Egypt's largest known Roman funerary complex. See the recently excavated ancient Roman Amphitheatre.

#### **4 NIGHTS ON A NILE CRUISE**

#### DAY 4: CAIRO – LUXOR– NILE CRUISE | KARNAK & LUXOR TEMPLES

Check-out and transfer to Cairo Airport for your flight to Luxor (note: airfare is not included).

Arrive at Luxor Airport. Luxor is often called the world's greatest open-air museum.

Embark on a guided tour of Luxor's East Bank to see the majestic Karnak Temple Complex and Luxor's Temple. Visit a Papyrus Factory that showcases artisans at work.

Embark for your 4-night cruise along the scenic Nile, which continues to play a crucial role in Egyptian economy and biodiversity.

[Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner]

#### DAY 5: NILE CUISUE: VALLEY OF THE KINGS AND HATSHEPSU'T TEMPLE

Today, visit Luxor's West Bank:

Explore the world-famous Valley of the Kings, where pharaohs like Tutankhamun were buried with together with great treasures. Visit the elegant Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, carved into a cliff, and the humble yet fascinating Village of the Workers, revealing insights into ancient middle-class life. Marvel at the Colossi of Memnon.

Sail through the Esna locks to Edfu.

[Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner]

#### DAY 6: NILE CUISUE: KOM OMBO TEMPLE

Visit Kom Ombo Temple, uniquely honoring two gods: Sobek (crocodile) and Horus (falcon). Enjoy serene views as the cruise proceeds towards Aswan.

[Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner]

#### DAY 7: NILE CUISUE: Unfinished Obelisk & High Dam

Visit the Unfinished Obelisk, a gigantic granite structure which was intended to be one of two matching obelisks to flank Queen Hatshepsut's temple. See the modern marvel of the Aswan High Dam. End your day with a traditional felucca ride around Elephantine island on the Nile. [Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner]

#### 1 NIGHT IN ASWAN

#### DAY 8: ASWAN: ABU SIMBEL TEMPLE

Visit the majestic Temple of Abu Simbel which was relocated by UNESCO during the building of the Aswan Dam to preserve its grandeur.

Disembark from the cruise and transfer to the hotel in Aswan.

[Meals: Breakfast]

#### **2 NIGHTS IN CAIRO**

#### DAY 9: ASWAN - CAIRO

Check-out and transfer to Aswan Airport for your flight to Cairo (note: airfare is not included). Arrive at Cairo Airport and transfer to the hotel. [Meals: Breakfast]

#### DAY 10: GRAND EGYPTIAN MUSEUM, CITADEL AND MOHAMED ALI MOSQUE

Full day excursion to explore the Grand Egyptian Museum, the largest archaeological museum in the world, showcasing treasures like the complete collection of King Tutankhamun and many other ancient artifacts. Tour the Citadel and the Mosque of Mohamed Ali. [Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner]

#### DAY 11: DEPART CAIRO - END OF TOUR

After breakfast, check-out and transfer to **Cairo Airport (CAI)** for your flight home. [Meals: Breakfast]

\*Hotel check-out time is generally around 11 am. If your flight departs in the evening or past midnight, we suggest you consider adding a post-tour hotel night during booking, to be comfortable and well rested before your flight home.

\*The duration and start time of excursions are subject to change without prior notice.