

EGYPT AND THE NILE TOUR

Pyramids and the Nile Cruise Optional Excursion to Petra, Jordan

FROM Cad \$ 3997 pp

Cairo - Alexandria - Cairo - Aswan - Luxor - Cairo - Sharm el Sheikh - Cairo

Ensnare the senses and enchant the mind, as you witness the majesty of Egypt. Once called the gift of the Nile.

Ancient Egypt's marvels continuously instill awe, even in its ruins, visiting historical and modern architectural wonders as you travel.

Exotic Egypt is an ultimate adventure that awaits you.

Highlights

Visit to legendary Pyramids and Sphinx Day trip to Alexandria with lunch 3 Nights Nile Cruise full board from Aswan to Luxor 4 Nights Stay at an All Inclusive Resort in Sharm el Sheikh Visits to Egyptian Museum and High Dam Optional Excursion to Petra, Jordan

Sat - Arrive Cairo - Meet and Assist Transfer to Hotel

am - Visit Pyramids and Sphinx, Memphis and Sakara

After check-in, you will be met by an Egyptologist at your Hotel for a guided tour of the Great Pyramids of Giza, one of the 7 Wonders of the Ancient World. Thereafter to two of the most important archeological sites of Egypt, Memphis, and Sakara.

pm - At leisure

Evening -Dinner and Show on the Maxim Cruise - Overnight Cairo

Sun - Full-Day Sightseeing Tour of Cairo with dinner at Hotel

am - Egyptian Museum of ancient antiquities

The Egyptian Museum is the oldest archaeological museum in the Middle East and houses the largest collection of Pharaonic antiquities in the world. The museum displays an extensive collection spanning from the Predynastic Period to the Greco-Roman Era.

pm - Visits to Al Azhar Mosque Al Husseini Mosque, Coptic Cathedral .Citadel Fatimid Cairo Al - Moez St

Evening Option - Sound and Light Show

Overnight - Cairo

Mon - Full Day Excursion to Alexandria with lunch

<u>Alexandria</u> is a port <u>city</u> located on the <u>Mediterranean</u> Sea in northern <u>Egypt</u> founded in 331 BCE by <u>Alexander the Great</u>. It was the site of the Pharos (lighthouse), one of <u>the seven wonders</u> of the ancient world, and the legendary Library of Alexandria and was once the most vital cultural center of the ancient world, rivalling even <u>Athens</u>, <u>Greece</u>.

Visit the Catacomb , Pompey's Pillar , the Roman amphitheater, Qaitbay fortress

Overnight - Cairo

Tues - Visit to Al Azhar Park and Khalili Bazaar with lunch

am - Al Azhar Park is a paradise within Medieval Cairo, Egypt. The park was created by the Historic Cities Support Programme of the Aga Khan Trust for Culture, an entity of the Aga Khan Development Network.

pm - Shopping time at Khalili Bazaar

Evening - Fly to Aswan for Overnight

Wed - Optional trip to the Agakhan Mausoleum by Fellucia

The Late Agakhan was buried here in this magnificent Mausoleum, modeled on the Fatimid Tombs

After completion of visit to the Agakhan Mausoleum, you will be taken to the port to check in the Cruise after 12:00 pm and have lunch on board. Thereafter you will visit the High Dam, the Unfinished Obelisk and the Temple of Philae. Have dinner and stay overnight on board. (L+D)

Embark on a Luxurious Ms Esplanade , 3-night Cruise from Aswan to Luxor

Highlights of Cruise

The High Dam – Temple of Philae – The Unfinished Obelisk –Temple of Kom Ombo – Temple of Horus in Edfu – Valley of the Kings – Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir El Bahari – Colossi of Memnon – The Karnak Temples Complex – Temple of Luxor.

Thur - Aswan - Kom Ombo - Edfu - On Board Cruise

Option - Abu Simbel Temples

The site of Abu Simbel is one of the most recognizable ancient sites in Egypt. For 3,000 years, it sat on the west bank of the Nile River, between the first and second cataracts of the Nile. However, in a remarkable feat of engineering, the temple complex was dismantled and rebuilt on a higher hill to make way for the Aswan High Dam in the 1960s. Built in 1244 B.C., Abu Simbel contains two temples, carved into a mountainside. The larger of the two temples contains four colossal statues of a seated pharaoh Ramesses II (1303-1213 B.C.) at its entrance, each about 69 feet (21 meters) tall.

Sail to Kom Ombo to visit Kom Ombo Temple, then sail to Edfu to visit Edfu Temple (Temple of Horus). Watch the Egyptian Folkloric Show in the evening. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served on board. The cruise ship will dock in Edfu tonight. (B+L+D)

Fri - Edfu - Luxor - On Board Cruise

Have breakfast during sailing to Luxor, then visit the West Bank: Valley of the Kings & Queens, Hatshepsut (EI-Deir EI-Bahari), Colossi of Memnon upon arrival. Return to the ship for lunch. The afternoon is free time. Enjoy dinner on board and tonight stay in Luxor. (B+L+D)

Sat - Apr - Luxor - Disembarkation

Check out after having breakfast at 8:00 am on board.

Later go to visit Luxor East Bank: Karnak Temple & Luxor Temple.

De board Cruise - Complete sightseeing of monuments

Check in to Hotel for overnight in Luxor

- Evening , enjoy Dinner and Horse Carriage ride

Sun - Morning - Fly Luxor to Sharm el sheikh for 4 nights

Stay @ All Inclusive Resort

Evening Tour of the City including visit to Soho Square

Overnight - Sharm el sheikh

Mon, At leisure - Optional St Catherine Monastery (Moses Mountain)

and Dahab City with lunch and shopping time

Overnight - Sharm el sheikh

Tue, - am - Optional - 1001 Night Arabian Show and Dinner

Overnight - Sharm el sheikh

Wed, - Optional - Petra, Jordan (Full Day Excursion by bus and ferry)

The ancient city of Petra in Jordan became one of the 7 New Wonders of the World when it was chosen in 2007 by a vote of 100 million people. The city's carved rose-red sandstone rock facades, tombs, and temples became known around the world with its appearance in Indiana Jones and The Last Crusade in 1989

Overnight - Sharm - el Sheikh

Thur - Day at leisure - Check out at normal hotel hours Drive to airport to board Evening Flight

Depart Sharm el sheikh for home city

Hotels Envisaged or Similar

Cairo - The Marriot Nile and Omar Khayyam Casino Aswan - Hotel Pyramisa Isis Island Nile Cruise - Ms Esplanade (Full Board) Luxor - Sonesta St George Sharm el sheikh - Cleopatra Luxury Resort All Inclusive

Inclusions

Welcome and Assistance at Airports Well appointed Hotels and Transfers Transportation in an Air-Conditioned Deluxe Vehicle Services of Professional English Speaking Guide Entrance fees as specified in the Itinerary All breakfasts and Lunch or Dinner Daily

Exclusions

International Flights Mandatory Insurance Tips to Tour Guides and Drivers Visas to Egypt Optional Tours within Cities Drinks with Meals Items of Personal nature