

GRAND EGYPT TOUR 10 DAYS

Day 1 : Arrival Cairo

- Arriving at Cairo International Airport, Egypt.
- Meet & assist by airport representative or local guide.
- Transfer to hotel for overnight

Day 2 : Cairo - Memphis, Sakkara, Pyramids of Giza

- Breakfast at the hotel restaurant.
- Full day <u>Pyramids and Sphinx</u> <u>Memphis and Sakkara</u>

Cover more than 5,000 years of history in this full day tour, taking in the enigmatic Sphinx, towering Pyramids of Giza, the ancient kingdom of Memphis and the oldest pyramids of Egypt at Sakkara.

<u>Pyramids & Sphinx</u> were reckoned by the Greeks to be one of the Seven Wonders of the World. A single pyramid is built of 2,300,000 blocks, each weighing an average of two and one-half tons. In the face of such immensity, one cannot help but feel the wonder and awe that so many writers & artists have sought To convey over the centuries. The Cheops Pyramid is especially interesting Since its interior burial chambers are open for inspection by the public. Not far from the Pyramids is the Great Sphinx of Giza, which dates from the time of Chephren (2620BC). Hewn from natural yellowish limestone & standing 65 feet high & 187 feet long, this unforgettable statue combines the head of a Pharaoh with a lion's body.

Lunch at restaurant.

<u>Memphis</u> served as the capital of Upper & Lower Egypt some 5,000 years ago during the 1st Dynasty. Menes, the first pharaoh of this dynasty, built a great white-walled palace & the Temple of Path here.

<u>Sakkara</u> one of the most exciting historical & archaeological area in all of Egypt is Sakkara, situated about 12 miles South West of Cairo. The site is dominated by the famous step pyramid of King Zoser. It was the first pyramid to be built in ancient Egypt, preceding those at Giza by many centuries, & is the work of the famous Pharaonic architect, Imhotep.

Dinner in a good local restaurant overlooking the pyramids

Duration: Approx. 08 hours

Departure time: 08.30 A.M.

Overnight at hotel





Day 3 : Cairo - Aswan - Abu Simbel - Aswan

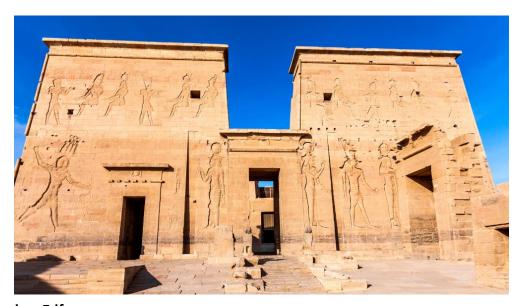
- > Breakfast at the hotel restaurant & check-out.
- Transfer to Cairo international airport for domestic flight to Aswan.
 Fly by Nile Air NP081 CAI-ASW 0735-0900
- Upon arrival to Aswan airport, you will be met and greet by our English-speaking representative who will transfer you to Abu Simbel.
- Departure to visit The Temple of Abu Simbel, The colossal Temple of Abu Simbel built by Ramses II (XIXth. Dynasty) and lately saved from inundation of the Nile waters in among the glories of ancient
 - Egyptian monuments. The temples were built out of a sandstone rock cliff, and representation of the deities to which each was dedicated is carved on its huge façade. Nearby, also saved, lies the small Temple of the King's wife Nefertari, dedicated to the goddess Hathor.
- Lunch at local restaurant.
 After finishing your tour, Back to Aswan.
- Dinner at local restaurant.
- Overnight at hotel





Day 4: Aswan - Kom Ombo

- Breakfast at hotel.
- Transfer you to your fabulous Nile cruise ship. Check in before 12:00 PM. At the beginning you will have your Lunch meal on board. After Lunch, transfer to visit The High Dam, which has been erected by the Egyptian president Gamal Abdel Nasser in 1960 AD to protect Egypt from the Nile flood.
- After that you will enjoy sailing on the Nile by a motor boat to reach Temple of Philae, which was erected during the Graeco-Roman period and was dedicated to goddess Isis. At last you will be escorted to visit The Unfinished Obelisk, which was made out of red granite and was dedicated to god Amun Ra. After finishing your tour, you will return to your ship. At night, free at leisure on your own in Aswan.
- Overnight on board River Nile Cruise [L+D on board]



Day 5 : Kom Ombo - Edfu

- Breakfast on board.
- After that you will join your Egyptologist tour guide to visit one of the most wonderful temples in Egypt, visit Kom Ombo Temple, considered to be highly special and one of a kind as it's a double design temple and divided into two identical sectors dedicated to the worship of two deities in the southern half is the worship house of the crocodile deity Sobek, patron of fertility and accompanied with Hathor and Khonsu, while in the northern part of the temple was consecrated to the falcon deity Horus the Elder (Haroeris) the protector of the Pharaohs and Egypt. It was also built to confirm the Ptolemies sovereignty and supremacy over the entire country.
- ➤ Get back to your ship and enjoy your lunch on the sun deck, watching the unique landscape of the great river Nile.
- Afternoon, enjoy chariot riding to visit Edfu Temple (Temple of Horus), considered the most impressive of all of the Nile-side temples along the journey between Luxor and Aswan. The temple is very

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complete, including a pylon that was built by Cleopatra's father in the first century BC, which leads into a peristyle court and then a hypostyle hall that precedes the sanctuary of Horus, the ultimate and most important part of the temple. All of this replicates the standard layout of a New Kingdom pylon temple, the ruins of which can be seen at many other sights around Luxor and along the Nile Valley. The Temple of Horus at Edfu is by far the most complete example of this architectural style.

- After finishing your tour, you will be transferred back to your ship. Afternoon, you will enjoy relaxing on board your ship. Dinner will be served on board.
- At night Egyptian Folkloric Show party will be operated by staff on board.
- Overnight on board River Nile Cruise [B+L+D on board]



Day 6 : Edfu - Luxor West Bank - Luxor

- Breakfast on board.
- After that you will start your magical tour in Thebes, the sacred land by exploring the west bank of Luxor including Valley of the Kings, which considers as the royal cemetery of the Theban kings and rulers of ancient Egypt, and the place where our Pharaohs were buried. Move on to enjoy and visit Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir El Bahari. This temple is considered as one of the most wonderful examples of the Architecture in ancient Egypt, because it was totally carved inside the mountain. Lastly you will visit Colossi of Memnon, which is belonging to king Amenhotep III. After that you will return to your ship to have lunch.
- Afternoon, free time at leisure. Dinner on the cruise.
- Overnight on board River Nile Cruise [B+L+D on board]





Day 7: Luxor East bank - Cairo

- Breakfast on board.
- Check out after breakfast (at 08:00 AM).
- After that you will enjoy your tour discovering the East Bank of Luxor, including the most wonderful Karnak Temples Complex, which is considered to be the biggest complex construction in the world covering an area of a hundred. Finish your lovely tour in Temple of Luxor, built by one of the kings of the 12th dynasty & completed by the well know king Ramses II. Visit the age-old Temples of Karnak and Luxor Temple on the Nile's East Bank on this 4-hour private tour from Luxor. With your own Egyptologist guide, travel by minivan to Karnak, an awesome collection of temples and halls dating back over 3,000 years. Ogle the giant columns of the Hypostyle Hall, walk the Avenue of the Sphinxes, and see other highlights as you learn their history. Then, head for Luxor Temple to admire its columns, courts and statues; discover how it was embellished by Tutankhamun and Alexander the Great.
- Lunch in a good local restaurant in Luxor.
- After lunch, then direct transfer transfer to the selected hotel in **Luxor**.
- Free time Leisure.
- Dinner at local restaurant.
- Overnight at hotel





Day 8: Luxor - Cairo Sightseeing

- Breakfast at hotel's restaurant & check-out.
- ➤ After breakfast, then direct transfer to Luxor Airport for domestic flight to **Cairo**. Fly by Nile Air *NP072 LXR-CAI 0930-1040*
- Arrival to Cairo airport. Meet, assist & transfer to sightseeing.
- ➤ Enjoy Cairo City Tour; visiting the most interesting Egyptian Museum, which features artefacts from the Pharaonic period. The museum displays a rare collection of 5,000 years of art which is considered the largest most precious collection of Egyptian art in the world. Over 250,000 overwhelming artefacts are presented, including an exhibit dedicated to Tutankhamen collection of treasure, gold and jewellery which was enclosed in his tomb for over 3,500 years before it was discovered in the 1920s when his tomb was excavated.
- Proceed to visit Mohamed Ali Alabaster Mosque inside the Citadel of Salah El Din.
- Lunch at local restaurant.
- No trip to Cairo would be complete without a visit to Khan Al-Khalili. The bazaar is loud, crowded, colorful, and exciting full of all kinds of goods and shiny baubles. You can find the typical tourist trinkets here, if you are not looking to buy, taking a walk through the winding alleys of this labyrinthine district, you are sure to find something that will catch your eye!
- > On the way to the airport, Stop by Citystars Mall, classified as the world-class fashion, retail and dinning destination in the heart of Cairo.
- Dinner in a good local restaurant.
- Overnight at hotel





Day 9 : Cairo - Alexandria - Pompey - Cemetery - Cairo

- Breakfast at the hotel restaurant.
- Enjoy amazing day Trip To Alexandria from Cairo. First, visit Pompey's Pillar. It was constructed in honour of Emperor Diocletian at the end of the 4th century. Originally from the temple of the Serapis, it was once a magnificent structure rivalling the Soma and the Caesarean. Then drive to visit the Catacombs which are the largest Roman Cemetery consisting of three levels cut in the rock. Visit the Montazah palace & garden. Visit Morsi abu al abaas Mosque and Coptic Cathedral.
- Lunch at restaurant
- Proceed to see the Qaitbay Citadel which was built on the site of the ancient pharaohs (lighthouse) of Alexandria then, to Bibliotheca Alexandria. Finally you will be transferred back to your hotel in Cairo.
- En route, stop by dinner in a good local restaurant.

Transfer to Cairo International Airport for departure





Day 10 : Cairo - Bangkok

N.B. Itineraries may be changed without a prior notice due to navigational circumstances, may be in sequences but not in visits.

End of Service

Price upon on your request.

Price Included:

- ➤ Meet & Assist before the immigration
- > 3 Nts in Cairo based on Bed & Breakfast at hotel
- > 1 Nt in Aswan based on Bed & Breakfast at hotel
- > 1 Nt in Luxor based on Bed & Breakfast at hotel
- > 3 Nts at **RIVER NILE CRUISE** (based on Full Board)
- > Sightseeing as mentioned in the Itinerary with Private English Egyptologist guide with Entrance fees
- > Entrance inside the Pyramids tombs, Mummy room
- ➤ Airport transfers & Sightseeing with Private A/C modern Coaches
- Lunch & Dinner as mentioned in the itinerary
- Daily 1 bottle of Mineral water per pax during sightseeing
- Economy class Domestic flight ticket Cairo-Aswan & Luxor-Cairo (Limited seats)

Price Excluded:

- International flight tickets
- > Tourist Visa
- Any optional tours
- > Tipping
- Drinks, extra etc.
- All services or any cost not mentioned above