

8 Days Around Cairo & Nile Cruise

3 nights Cairo & 4 nights Nile cruise

Embarking on an 8-day adventure around Cairo and the Nile is an experience that will leave you in awe of Egypt's rich history and cultural heritage. Starting in the bustling capital city of Cairo, you will explore the Great Pyramids of Giza, the Sphinx and the Egyptian Museum.

As you cruise along the Nile you will visit Luxor's Karnak and Hatshepsut Temples and the Valley of the Kings, Edfu's Temple of Horus and the Philae Temple in Aswan.

Cities: Cairo, Luxor, Edfu, Kom-Ombo and Aswan

Pick-up: upon arrival at Cairo airport

Highlights

- Great Pyramids of Giza
- Egyptian Museum
- Khan El-Khalili
- Karnak & Luxor Temples
- Valley of the Kings
- Hatshepsut Temple
- Colossi of Memnon
- Edfu Temple
- Kom-Ombo Temple
- Philae Temple
- The High Dam

Day by day

Day 1: Arrive at Cairo airport and transfer to your hotel

Our representative will be waiting for you upon arrival at Cairo Airport. Afterwards, you will be transferred to your chosen hotel to relax the rest of the day. And before our representative says “goodbye” will give you a quick brief about your journey’s itinerary and approving the pickup times.

Overnight: Cairo

Day 2: Half day classical tour around Cairo

A delicious breakfast will be served at your hotel, and then you will be picked up by your personal guide and taken to the Giza Plateau. You will marvel at the Great Pyramids of Giza, one of the Seven Wonders of the World. You can walk or take a camel ride to the iconic Sphinx and Valley Temple.

After your visit to the pyramids, you will have lunch at an authentic Egyptian restaurant. Then, you will head to the Egyptian Museum, in the heart of historic Downtown Cairo. The museum houses a vast collection of ancient Egyptian artifacts, including the treasures of Tutankhamun.

After visiting the museum, you will be driven through Old Cairo to arrive at the historic Islamic Cairo area. You will explore the vibrant, meandering alleys of Khan El Khalili, Cairo’s oldest bazaar. Here, you can shop for souvenirs, spices, and other goods.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo

Day 3: Fly to Luxor, check-in board the cruise and visit the Eastern Bank

In the morning, after breakfast at your hotel in Cairo, make arrangements for a smooth transfer to the airport for your flight to Luxor. Once you arrive in Luxor, proceed directly to the port and board your luxurious Nile cruise. As you settle in, you’ll be treated to a delicious lunch, prepared by the talented on-board chefs.

After lunch, embark on an exciting excursion to Karnak Temple and Luxor Temple, both located on the East Bank of the Nile. Karnak Temple is an awe-inspiring complex of ancient Egyptian temples, chapels, and other structures. Marvel at the elaborate architecture and beautifully preserved hieroglyphics as you explore the grounds.

Luxor Temple, another remarkable archaeological site, is dedicated to the ancient Egyptian gods Amun, Mut, and Khonsu. Admire the grand avenue of sphinx statues and the intricately carved reliefs that tell fascinating stories from Egyptian mythology.

After a captivating afternoon of exploration, return to your Nile cruise for a delightful dinner on board.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Nile cruise

Day 4: Visit the Western Bank and start sailing from Luxor

Breakfast will be served on board, and then it’s time to visit the West Bank of Luxor which is home to some of the most impressive ancient Egyptian monuments, including the Valley of the Kings, the Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut and Colossi of Memnon.

The Valley of the Kings is the burial ground for most of the pharaohs of the New Kingdom (1550-1070 BC). The tombs are carved into the cliffs of the Theban Necropolis, and many of them are decorated with elaborate paintings and hieroglyphs.

The Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut is one of the most impressive temples in Egypt. It was built by Hatshepsut, the female pharaoh of the New Kingdom, and it is dedicated to the gods Amun-Ra and Hathor.

After your tour around the west bank you will be returned on board to start the sailing from Luxor Edfu.

Lunch and dinner will be served on board while you enjoy the sailing.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Overnight: Nile cruise

Day 5: Visit Edfu and Kom Ombo temples and sail to Aswan

After breakfast on board, visit Edfu Temple with your Egyptologist guide. Return to the cruise and continue sailing to Kom Ombo, with lunch served on board. Visit Kom Ombo Temple, then return to the cruise for dinner as your journey continues towards Aswan.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Overnight: Nile cruise

Day 6: Half day tour around Aswan's sightseeing

Breakfast on board, and then you will be picked up from the Nile cruise to visit the most amazing highlights of Aswan. The High Dam which is the largest dam in Africa and the sixth-largest in the world. The dam was built between 1960 and 1970 and was designed to control flooding, generate hydroelectric power, and provide irrigation water for agriculture.

And then the Egyptologist guide will take you to Philae temple which is decorated with reliefs depicting scenes from the lives of Isis and Osiris, as well as scenes from Egyptian mythology. The temple also houses a number of obelisks, statues, and other artifacts.

Back on board to enjoy your lunch and dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Overnight: Nile cruise

Day 7: Leisure time and fly back to Cairo

Start your morning with a delicious breakfast on board your Nile cruise. Enjoy the calm waters of the Nile as you savor your last meal on the cruise.

After breakfast, disembark your cruise and transfer to Aswan Airport for your flight back to Cairo. Upon arrival, be met by your tour manager and transferred to your hotel for your last night in Egypt.

Spend your evening relaxing at the hotel or exploring the city at your own pace.

This is a relaxing day to reflect on your amazing journey through Egypt. You will have the opportunity to savor your last memories of the Nile River and the ancient temples before you depart.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Cairo

Day 8: Free time in Cairo before departure pick-up

After breakfast, you will have some free time to explore Cairo at your own pace. You can visit the Khan al-Khalili bazaar, shop for souvenirs, or simply wander the streets and take in the sights and sounds of the city. As your flight nears, you will be transferred to Cairo International Airport for your final departure back to your homeland.

Meals: Breakfast

Inclusions

- Pick-up services
- Accommodation as mentioned in the itinerary
- All transfers by private vehicle
- Sightseeing entrance fees
- Private Egyptologist guide in your chosen language
- All domestic flights
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary
- Bottled water during each transfer
- All taxes / VAT

Not included

- Entrance visa
- Any activities not mentioned in the itinerary
- Tipping

Please note

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