



Egypt – Pyramids and Nile Cruise - March 07 –16, 2025

Day 01 ~ Friday ~ (March 07) Departing USA to Egypt

Check in at JFK International Airport to board the flight to Cairo, Egypt.

Day 02 ~ Saturday ~ (March 08) Arrival in Cairo – Cairo City – Giza Pyramids - Memphis - Saqqara

Breakfast, then a guided by your Egyptologist. You will begin exploring one of the oldest civilizations in the world. You begin your tour at the **Great Pyramids of Giza**, then proceed to the Sphinx. You will also visit **Step Pyramid**, and the nearby town of **Memphis and Saqqara**. After visiting the Valley Temple, you will return to your hotel. (D)

Day 03 ~ Sunday ~ (March 09) Egyptian Museum, Islamic, Christian, & Jewish Religious sites

After breakfast you will continue further exploration at the **Egyptian Museum in Cairo** that holds over 120,000 pieces from the Pharaonic era. The marvels include impressive finds from Tutankhamun's tomb. Then drive to Coptic Cairo where you will visit the oldest Christian churches in Egypt. From here, you will proceed to the **Hanging Church, Ben Ezra Synagogue**, and then enjoy the city from the imposing **Citadel of Salah El Din** dating back to the 12th century. Visit the **Alabaster Mosque** then end the day at **Khan El Khalili bazaar**. Have dinner with the group and overnight in Cairo (B/D)

Day 04 ~ Monday ~ (March 10) Embarkation on the Nile Cruise – Luxor Temple

Check out of the hotel and transfer to the airport to board the flight to Luxor. Arrive in Luxor this morning to board your 5-star cruise. You will explore the impressive **Luxor Temple** that was originally joined to the **Karnak Temple** by an avenue of Sphinxes. The Karnak Temple covers a huge area and includes several temples, the largest being the Temple of Amon. Overnight on the Nile Cruise (B/L/D)

Day 05 ~ Tuesday ~ (March 11) West Bank and the Valley of the Kings – Optional Hot Air Balloon Ride

Have breakfast on board the cruise and then depart for the Valley of the Kings. Enter some of the tombs to appreciate these well-preserved archeological sites. You visit the **Temple of Hatshepsut**. Queen Hatshepsut was a powerful female pharaoh from 1479 to 1458 BC. Her temple and story are magnificent. You will end the day's tour at the **Colossi of Memnon** before returning to the cruise. Sailing past the Esna Lock is also an experience that should not be missed. So, stay up after dinner to enjoy the experience with the group. (B/L/D)

Day 06 ~ Wednesday ~ (March 12) Edfu and Kom Ombo

Today you will tour the sanctuaries, courts, and chambers of **Kom Ombo Temple** dedicated to the Crocodile god Sobek and **Edfu Temple** dedicated to Horus, the Falcon god. These temples date back to 237 to 57 B.C. After the excursion, you will return to the cruise to continue sailing to Aswan, home of the Nubians. (B/L/D)

Day 07 ~ Thursday ~ (March 13) Aswan

Today begin day at the Aswan High Dam to learn about its importance to the area. Then tour the city of Aswan, making a stop to see the **Unfinished Obelisk** to learn about how it was built. Take a boat ride to Agilkia Island to explore the well-preserved **Philae Temple** dedicated to the Love Goddess Isis before returning to the cruise. (B/L/D)

Day ~ Friday ~ 08 (March 14) The Nubian Experience / Optional Abu Simbel Tour

Today you will visit the **Nubian Museum** to learn more about the Nubians. You have lunch in the warm atmosphere of a Nubian home enjoying Nubian cuisine which is considered one of the best in Egypt. (B/L/D)

Day 09 ~ Saturday ~ (March 15) Aswan - Return to Cairo / Learn to Cook like the Nubians

Today after a relaxing morning, enjoy a cooking class. After lunch, transfer to the airport to board your flight to Cairo. You will arrive and transfer to your hotel. This evening, we meet for your farewell dinner. Overnight in Cairo (B/L/D)

Day 10 ~ Sunday ~ (March 16) Departing USA to Egypt

Check out, transfer to the airport to board your flight to JFK International after a memorable experience in Egypt.

Meals

Breakfasts & Dinners. Full board on cruise

Category	Price per person in Double Occupancy	Single Room Supplement
4 Star accommodations	\$ 2520 + Air*	\$ 850
5 Star accommodations	\$ 2850 + Air*	\$ 1130

INCLUSIVE SERVICES

- Escorted by English speaking Egyptologist in Egypt
- Domestic flights (CAI / LUX / ASW / CAI)
- 4-night Nile Cruise, 4-star or 5-star
- 1-night in Nubian House in Aswan
- 3-night accommodation in Cairo, 4-star or 5-star you choose. (*The two hotels are close to each other*)
- Transportation in air-conditioned coach; complimentary bottled water for you to enjoy while travelling on the bus.
- Hotel and restaurant tips are included when meals are provided. We also include all taxes and portorage charges at hotels.
- Baggage handling and delivery to your room at hotel and on the cruise
- Complimentary private airport transfers are included for arrival and departure when flights are included with the program.
- Tours and entry fees to sites listed on the itinerary.

EXCLUSIONS

- Visa for Egypt
- Gratuities to the Egyptologist
- **International flights** (JFK / CAI / JFK / estimate: - \$1050)*
- Optional – **Abu Simbel Temple** by road \$165 Per person
- Optional – **Hot Air Balloon** ride over the Valley of the Kings
- Meals not listed as included – 2 lunches in Cairo.
- Beverages and alcoholic drinks

Application & Deposit deadline – July 1, 2024

Request the detailed itinerary and Application form

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