

# Itinerary & Optionals

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## DAY 1 ARRIVE CAIRO

Embark on an expedition to the land of the Pharaohs. On arrival at Cairo Airport, transfer to your hotel and relax after your journey.

**MEAL(S)** **HOTEL**  
Hilton Heliopolis

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## DAY 2 CAIRO – LUXOR – NILE CRUISE (4 NIGHTS)

Fly to Luxor this morning and connect with the remnants of ancient Thebes during a visit to the Temple of Amun and imposing Avenue of the Sphinx. Board your cruise ship in time for lunch, then visit the Luxor Museum and see an astounding collection of archaeological treasures, including items from Tutankhamun's tomb.

**MEAL(S)**  
Breakfast  
Lunch **HOTEL**  
Dinner Nile Cruise MS Miriam, MS Giselle or La Boheme or similar

### OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

#### Sound And Light Show At Karnak Temple

Listen to voices of ancient kings, queens and gods as they share stories about the places you'll see in the Temple during a walking tour, followed by a show around the Divine Lake. This show is operated in Karnak Temple in Luxor during the evening, lasting for just under an hour.

Adult Price: **USD42.0\***

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## DAY 3 NILE CRUISE: LUXOR – EDFU

Visit the final resting place of Egypt's Pharaohs, immersing yourself in the ancient history of Egypt's Valley of the Kings. Visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, the Colossi of Memnon and Luxor Temple. Later, sail to Edfu.

**MEAL(S)**  
Breakfast  
Lunch  
Dinner

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## DAY 4 NILE CRUISE: EDFU – KOM-OMBO

Sail upstream to Kom-Om, where life remains much as it was a thousand years ago. Tour the Temple of Kom-Ombo. Donning our galabeas, we enjoy a traditional Egyptian dinner on board this evening.

**MEAL(S)**  
Breakfast  
Lunch  
Dinner

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## DAY 5 NILE CRUISE: KOM-OMBO – ASWAN

This morning continue the Temple of Kom-Ombo before continuing to Aswan, where we'll set sail on a traditional felucca across the mighty Nile to see the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener's Island. On arrival, explore the Aswan Dam built to curb the periodic flooding of the Nile. Our next stop is the Temple of Isis, followed by a visit to the Unfinished Obelisk, lying semi-carved from the solid bedrock. As the dipping sun sets the sky on fire, admire the silhouette of feluccas plying the river's waters.

**MEAL(S)**

Breakfast  
Lunch  
Dinner

## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Traditional Nubian Village Visit

We'll take a motorboat along the Nile, passing by rocky formations and islands which are nature reserves. Arriving at a riverside Nubian Village, you'll see the traditional way of life and visit one of the typical houses.

Adult Price: **USD27.0\***

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### Philae Temple Sound And Light Performance

Join us for a short boat ride to Philae Island, located between the old and new Aswan Dams, where you'll have a short tour. We'll then seat you in a Roman style theatre for a retelling of the perennial Nile flood, and of the goddesses Isis and Hathor, to whose worship the temple was originally dedicated. Approx 50 mins.

Adult Price: **USD38.0\***

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## DAY 6 DISEMBARK – CAIRO (3 NIGHTS)

Enjoy a day at leisure or perhaps join an Optional Experience to the Sun Temple of Abu Simbel before flying back to Cairo this afternoon.

**MEAL(S)**    **HOTEL**  
Breakfast    Ramses Hilton

## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Abu Simbel Adventure

This four-hour excursion includes a flight to Abu Simbel, site of the Temple of Ramses II with his four great statues. You'll also see statues of Queen Nefertari on the facade of the Temple of Hathor. 75 minutes will be spent at Abu Simbel - the remainder will be travel time. This price is subject to Airline fluctuations, hence the recent increase.

Adult Price: **USD341.0\***

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## DAY 7 CAIRO SIGHTSEEING

Embark on a sightseeing tour through the cacophony of Cairo's busy streets. Visit the Hanging Church of St. Mary and the Sultan Hassan Mosque in Old Cairo and see the ancient Citadel, the Alabaster Mosque and Tutankhamen's priceless treasures at the Egyptian Museum.

**MEAL(S)**  
Breakfast

## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Dinner, Belly Dancing And Nile Cruise

Join us for a two hour cruise along the Nile river on a luxurious ship. You'll be treated to dinner onboard and be entertained with a belly dancing show. During Ramadan there will be no alcohol or belly dancers.

Adult Price: **USD73.0\***

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## DAY 8 CAIRO – PYRAMID EXCURSION

The Great Pyramids of Giza beckon today and we have an opportunity to embark on a soul-stirring encounter with its treasures - the Colossus of Ramses II, the Step Pyramid of Sakkara and the enigmatic Great Sphinx. Enjoy some free time this evening or consider joining a Nile dinner cruise.

**MEAL(S)**  
Breakfast

**OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES**

**Sound And Light Amongst The Pyramids**

Take an unforgettable trip to the marvellous site of the Pyramids and Sphinx, illuminated against the night sky, where you'll hear the story of the ancient days of the Pharaohs accompanied by a haunting musical score.

Adult Price: **USD42.0\***

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**DAY 9 DEPART CAIRO**

Our epic journey at its end, we say farewell to newfound friends and transfer to the airport.

**MEAL(S)**  
Breakfast

**OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES**

**Full Day Alexandria (Designed For Those Visitors With Extra Pre Or Post Trip Nights In Cairo)**

Join us for a visit to Egypt's second city, Alexandria. You'll see its nineteenth-century architecture and stop at the National Museum, the catacombs of Kom es-Shoqafa and Pompey's Pillar. You'll also enjoy great views from Fort Qaitbey, and stop at the Roman Theatre with its marble seating before returning to Cairo. This Optional experience is priced at \$115 per person when there are two or more participants. If there is only one participant the cost is \$230 per person.

Adult Price: **USD115.0\***

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