# Alexandria Day Trip from Cairo

#### tour.duration

10 hrs

### tour.overview

A 10 hour guided day trip from Cairo to Alexandria.

Tour the Greco-Roman city, which has an atmosphere and architecture of a Mediterranean city.

Visit the Catacombs, the modern library, the fort of Qaitbay.

Hotel pickup and drop off.

Have a wonderful view of the Mediterranean Sea.

# tour.itinerary

Day 1

#### **Itinerary**

Take a fascinating tour to Alexandria from Cairo in the company of 
Your Egypt Tours' Egyptologist guide. Alexandria, the second-largest 
city in Egypt, has an atmosphere that is more Mediterranean than 
Middle Eastern and is famous for its Roman remains. With your 
Egyptologist guide leading the way, you'll enjoy personalized attention 
on your tour of Alexandria.

During the tour, you can determine the amount of time you'd like to spend at each site. Alexandria was founded by Alexander the Great in 332 B.C. and was the capital of Graeco-Roman Egypt. Your first stop in this historic city is the catacombs of Kom ash-Shuqqafa, a Roman burial site whose family tomb reveals the merging of Egyptian and Roman art and architecture. Descend below ground to visit the tomb and Caracalla Hall.

Above ground, continue to Pompey's Pillar, an 82-feet (25-meter) granite column built to honor Emperor Diocletian, who freed the besieged city and brought food to its starving people. Continuing the Roman theme, the next site your guide will show you is the fort of Qaitbay, built in 1477 to protect the eastern side of the city. the fort was built in the same location as the great lighthouse of Alexandria. After lunch (additional cost), you will visit the famous Alexandria Library. In contrast to the ancient architecture found throughout Egypt, the Norwegian-designed building is a striking piece of modern design. A copy of every book published in the world is kept in the library, making it one of the great literary sites in the world. The library also houses several exhibitions relating to the history of Egypt and a display of rare antique books (additional cost).

Note: The library of Alexandria is closed on Fridays and Saturdays

### tour.included

Private qualified Egyptologist guide.

Entrance fees in all sites.

Bottled water.

Hotel pickup and drop off.

Transport by air- conditioned Vehicle.

## **Exclusion**

Gratuities (recommended).

Food and drinks, unless specified.

### tour.price

**198**\$ /Per Person

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