Petra to the Pyramids & a Nile Yacht Cruise

Amman, Wadi Rum, Petra, Cairo, Luxor, Aswan.

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13 Days

Private Tour Every Day

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Float down the Nile aboard 'Dahabiya' discover an Egyptian pyramid from the inside out and explore ancient Petra, the fabled "Rose-Red City" with iconic rock-carved architecture, Check out our amazing Egypt tours and book your tour with us. Enjoy our Egypt luxury tours and book now.

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Day 1

Arrival | Amman, Jordan

Arrive in Amman, where you are met by a YET representative and privately transferred to your hotel.

Day 2

Aqaba | "The City of Mosaics"

Proceed to Mount Nebo, where Moses is said to have seen the Promised Land he would never enter. Just beyond Madaba, the "City of Mosaics" reveals the oldest preserved mosaic map of the Holy Land. Composed of two million pieces of colored stone, it informed scholars about Jerusalem's layout after its destruction and rebuilding in AD 70. Continue to Aqaba and check in to your hotel.

Overnight: Luxury Hotel in Aqaba | Meals: Breakfast

Day 3

Wadi Rum | The Valley of the Moon

After a morning at leisure in Aqaba, travel to Wadi Rum, the "Valley of the Moon" that is included in our <u>luxury tours in Egypt</u> which you explore by 4x4, traversing rose-tinted vistas and visiting a place where Lawrence of Arabia once lived. Tonight, dine beneath twinkling desert skies before returning to your hotel.

Overnight: Luxury Hotel in Petra | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 4

Petra | The "Red-Rose" City

Explore the once-thriving capital of Petra, a stunning city carved from the mountains around it. Pass through the Siq, the main entrance to the ancient city, to view the majestic Treasury, the Temple of the Winged Lions, and the Palace Tomb. Eat lunch within the city of Petra before driving to your hotel.

Overnight: Luxury Hotel in Petra | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 5

The Dead Sea | Design Your Day

This morning, enjoy one of these Design Your Day options.

Explore Third-Century Jerash, the "Pompeii of the Middle East," with its well-preserved Roman ruins.

Tour Amman, visiting its historic downtown, the Citadel, a small Byzantine basilica, and the Great Temple of Amman.

Visit Bethany Beyond the Jordan, on the eastern bank of the Jordan River, known as the baptism site of Jesus.

Later, enjoy time at leisure, free to take an afternoon dip in the restorative waters of the Dead Sea.

Overnight: Luxury Hotel in Amman | Meals: Morning

Day 6

Cairo, Egypt | Land of the Pharaohs

Transfer to the airport and fly to Cairo, Egypt's bustling capital city. This afternoon, visit the **Egyptian Museum** of Antiquities (or the Grand Egyptian Museum, upon its opening), home to the largest collection of ancient Egyptian artifacts, including treasures from Tutankhamun and items dating to 4000 BC. Your visit will also include the famed Mummy Room, featuring the remains of ancient Egypt and pharaohs and nobility, such as Ramses II, one of Egypt's most powerful pharaohs.

Overnight: Cairo Luxury Hotel | Meals: Breakfast

Day 7

Aswan | In The Footsteps Of Nobles & Monks

Transfer to the airport, fly to Aswan, and arrive at your historic luxury hotel. Dating back to 1899, the property was built by Thomas Cook to house European travelers, among them Sir Winston Churchill; Margaret Thatcher; and Agatha Christie, whose novel Death on the Nile was set at this Victorian palace. Then visit the Tombs of the Nobles by camel. The tombs mark the final resting places of powerful governors and priests who controlled commerce between Aswan and Nubia. Proceed to Saint Simeon's Monastery, one of Egypt's best-preserved original Christian strongholds. This evening, sit down to dinner at the famed 1902 French restaurant.

Overnight: Luxury Hotel in Aswan | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 8

Dahabiya | **Storied Structures**

Fly to <u>Abu Simbel</u>, where you will visit the twin temples of Ramses II and Queen Nefertari. In Aswan, board your luxurious Dahabiya for the next three nights. After lunch on board, join your Egyptologist to explore a granite quarry that supplied the ancient Egyptians. Take in an enormous monolith known as <u>Unfinished Obelisk</u>, a fine example of ancient Egyptian stone masonry. Return to Dahabiya for afternoon tea. Later this evening, enjoy cocktails and dinner aboard.

Overnight: onboard Nile Cruise | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Dahabiya | Storied Structures

This morning, journey via motor launch to the island of Agilika. Here, visit Philae, a painstakingly transplanted and reconstructed temple originally dedicated to the Egyptian goddess Isis. Return to your **Egypt Nile Cruise** for a Chefs Table culinary experience exploring local ingredients. Disembark in Kom Ombo to visit a Greco-Roman temple dedicated to Haroeris (the sun god) and Sobek (the crocodile god). Enjoy afternoon tea aboard as you sail for Edfu. Later, visit the beautifully preserved Temple of Horus (the falcon god).

Overnight: onboard Nile Cruise | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 10

Dahabiya | Storied Structures

Enjoy breakfast onboard your Luxury Nile Cruise while sailing towards Luxor. Make passage through the Esna Lock while observing this fascinating feat of engineering. After having lunch and docking at Esna, continue via bus to the famous Karnak Temple and explore its rich history. Explore the Avenue of the Sphinx and pass the many intricately crafted statues that lead to the temple's entrance.

Proceed to the Temple of Luxor and observe the larger-than-life statues of Ramses II that dominate this historic site. Marvel at the detail of the intricately crafted columns decorated with well-preserved hieroglyphics, providing insight into the New Kingdom and Theban Triad worship.

Return to your luxury Nile Cruise to enjoy dinner and spend the evening in relaxation.

Overnight: onboard Nile Cruise | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 11

Luxor | Cruising the Nile

Disembark in Luxor. Discover the <u>Valley of the Kings</u>, the legendary burial ground of the pharaohs, including the entrance into the tomb of "the boy king," Tutankhamun. Discover the terraced funerary temple of Queen Hatshepsut. Time permitting, visit the Valley of the Queens (Biban el-Harim). Return to the airport and fly to Cairo.

Overnight: Luxury Hotel in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast

Day 12

Cairo | Giza Plateau on Camel Back

This morning, join your Egyptologist and discover the pyramids built for Cheops, Chephren, and Mycerinus on the Giza Plateau. Continue to the Solar Boat Museum, which houses the funerary boat of King Cheops. Then, riding camelback, take in the panorama of the Giza Plateau, where the soaring pyramids rise from the sands. Also, see the fabled **Great Sphinx**, a monumental limestone statue. Next, visit the ancient capital of **Memphis**, the city of Menes, as well as the necropolis of Sakkara, the site of the storied **Step Pyramid** of King Djoser and the oldest-known Egyptian pyramid. Tonight, toast to your travels with fellow guests at a special farewell dinner hosted by YET.

Overnight: Luxury Hotel in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 13

Departure

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to embark on your return flight home.

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English-Speaking Resident Egyptologist guides

Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations

Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers

Breakfast in Bed on Select Days

Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners

Traveller's Valet® Laundry Service

Internet Access

Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities

24/7 On-Call Support

Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

Exclusion

International flights

Tipping Kitty

Visa costs (available on arrival for most nationalities for 25 \$.

Meals not indicated in the itinerary

Drinks, snacks and other personal expenses

Hotel gala dinners (if charged by the hotels on 24 & 31	Dec)
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9930\$ /Per Person