# Pharaohs and Pyramids Egypt Tour package

Cairo, Luxor & Aswan Nile Cruise.

#### tour.duration Tour Type Tour Runs

13 days

Private Tour Every Day

#### tour.overview

Enjoy the best <u>Egypt excursions</u>. Tombs looming from a sandy expanse, monumental statues carved from desert rock and sites that open for you alone - experience these fascinating wonders and more during a comprehensive, escorted connoisseur's journey. Take a seven-night cruise aboard YET's lauded <u>Nile cruise</u> visiting off-the-beaten- path Abydos and Denderah, and experience a rare exploration of Nefertari's final resting place. Check out our amazing <u>Egypt tours</u> and Book now the best <u>Egypt tour packages</u>.

### tour.itinerary

Day 1

Arrival | Cairo, Egypt

Fly to Cairo, the heart of contemporary Egyptian culture and the gateway to ancient wonders. On arrival, transfer to your luxurious hotel.

Overnight: Luxury Hotel in Cairo

Day 2

#### **Giza Pyramids and Sphinx**

Travel to the Giza Plateau, the site of the Giza Pyramids of Mycerinus, Chefren, and the Great Pyramid of Cheops, the only survivor of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. The Great Sphinx, measuring 190 feet long and 65 feet high, still stands as centurion over these magnificent royal tombs. This monumental landmark is carved from a single rock shaped like a lion with a pharaoh's head.

Overnight: in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast.

Day 3

#### Cairo (Egyptian Museum - Memphis - Sakkara)

Rise and shine! After a delicious breakfast at your luxurious hotel, walk among ancient treasures with your local expert on a private tour of the <a href="Egyptian Museum">Egyptian Museum</a> of Antiquities before it opens to the public. Admire the world's most incredible collection of ancient Egyptian artifacts, including the golden treasures of <a href="Tutankhamun">Tutankhamun's tomb</a>. Continue to the ancient capital of Memphis and the world-famous <a href="Step">Step</a> <a href="Pyramid of Zoser">Pyramid of Zoser</a>, the oldest known Egyptian pyramid.

Overnight: in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast.

Day 4

Luxor West Bank (Valley of the Kings, Valley of the Queens and Temple of Hatshepsut)

Today after breakfast, our team will transfer you to the airport to Head to Luxor and board your Nile Cruise for the next eight days. Visit the West Bank of the Nile (Valley of the Kings and the Valley of the Queens), where magnificent tombs were carved into the desert rocks and filled with treasures for the afterlife by generations of pharaohs. Continue to the Temple of Hatshepsut, Ancient Egypt's first female pharaoh. This afternoon, embark on a tour of the Luxor Museum, where you will see a priceless collection of artifacts. One of the main attractions in this Museum is a hall displaying 26 well-preserved statues discovered in a cache under the open-air court of the Luxor Temple.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | Meals: Full-Board Basis

Day 5

#### **Luxor East Bank (Luxor Temple and Temple of Karnak)**

In Luxor, view the graceful Temple Luxor, dedicated to the god Amon and built by <u>Amenhotep III</u>, Tutankhamun, Horemhab, and **Temple of Karnak**, built by generations of pharaohs over thousand years. Among this site's stunning highlights is the Great Hypostyle Hall, a forest of stone columns covering over 50,000 square feet.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | Meals: Full-Board Basis

Day 6

#### **Edfu Temple and Temple of Horus**

Sail to Edfu, and visit the beautifully preserved <u>Temple of Horus</u> in Edfu, one of the best examples of Ptolemaic temple buildings in Egypt.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | Meals: Full-Board Basis

#### Day 7

#### **Abu Simbel and Sail Felucca**

Today you will have the opportunity to visit one of Egypt's must-see landmarks, the temples of Abu Simbel (Ramses II and his wife), Nefertari. The complex was moved to a higher elevation when floodwaters from Lake Nasser and the Aswan High Dam project threatened the temples' preservation. Board your Nile cruise and sail around the Aswan islands in a felucca (a traditional sailboat) if conditions permit.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | Meals: Full-Board Basis

#### Day 8

#### Aswan (High Dam - Unfinished Obelisk - Temple of Philae)

Visit the Aswan High Dam, a contemporary counterpart to Egypt's monumental constructions of the past. Then, proceed to the granite quarries, which supplied the ancient Egyptians with most of the hard stone used in pyramids and temples, and see the famed <a href="Unfinished">Unfinished</a> <a href="Unfinished">Obelisk</a>. Enjoy a short motorboat ride to the romantic, majestic <a href="Temple of Philae">Temple of Philae</a> on the island of Agilika. The pharaohs as the "Land of Gold," and its wealth, knew ancient Nubia. Lands were eventually incorporated into Egypt around 1500 BC. Visit the Nubian Museum and immerse yourself in the culture of their villages. Examine fascinating artifacts that reflect the progression of the Nubian culture and civilization. Later, journey to the Aswan Spice Market to sharpen your bargaining skills or take in the colorful scene.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | Meals: Full-Board Basis

#### **Temple of Kom Ombo**

Sail for Kom Ombo Temple to visit the site of the lovely Greco-Roman temple dedicated to Haroeris (the sun god) and Sobek (the crocodile god). The temple, built in the third century BC, stands at a bend in the Nile where, in ancient times, sacred crocodiles basked in the sun on the riverbank.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | Meals: Full-Board Basis

**Day 10** 

#### **Dendera Temple and Abydos**

Begin the day with a visit to the beautiful Ptolemaic Dendera Temple of the goddess Hathor at Denderah. Well-preserved, this temple complex has a massive stone roof, dark chambers, underground passages, and towering columns inscribed with hieroglyphics. Within the walls of this ancient complex, view the Zodiac, considered the basis on which later astronomy systems were founded. Explore traces of the Pharaonic temple built underneath the existing temple, the best-preserved Roman mammisi or "Birth House," the Sacred Bark Shrine, the unique relief depicting Cleopatra VII with her son Caesarian and much more. Visit Abydos, the center of a holy city dedicated to Osiris, Lord of the Netherworld. The construction of its uniquely designed temple was started by Seti I and finished by his son, Ramses II. It contains seven sanctuaries dedicated to seven various deities. The temple is most notable for its ancient chronological list of the kings of Egypt from the first dynasty until Sati I.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | Meals: Full-Board Basis

#### **Day 11**

#### **Coptic and Old Cairo**

Return to the Egyptian capital for a tour of Coptic and Old Cairo.

Explore the remains of the fortress of Babylon, first built by the

Persians around the sixth century BC; the Church of St. Sergius,
where the holy family is reported to have stayed; and the <a href="Hanging Church">Hanging Church</a>, which was the seat of the Coptic Orthodox Patriarchate for
centuries. Finish your sightseeing at Egypt's oldest synagogue, Ben

Ezra. Inside this temple, the Cairo Geniza documents were found, a
treasure hailed as an unparalleled source of information about the life
of the Jews in Egypt's past.

Overnight: in Cairo Luxury Hotel | Meals: Breakfast

**Day 12** 

#### **Islamic Cairo**

After a morning at leisure, visit the Mosque and Madrasa of Sultan Hassan. Later, a walking tour of **Islamic Cairo** takes you from one of the remaining gates of the city to **Khan el-Khalili Bazaar**, where life has hardly changed for centuries. After your sightseeing, return to your hotel. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a special farewell dinner. This event provides a perfect opportunity to toast your journey and share experiences.

Overnight: in Cairo Luxury Hotel | Meals: Breakfast

**Day 13** 

#### **Bid Farewell**

Board your international departure flight for your journey back home.

### tour.included

Meet & assist upon arrival and departure.

Internal flights (Cairo-Luxor-Cairo).

All transfers by a Private air-conditioned vehicle.

All Accommodations at 5 star hotel on B.B basis.

8 days 7 nights 5\* Deluxe Nile cruise.

Private English Egyptologist guide.

Entrance fees to all the mentioned sites.

All Service charges & taxes.

### **Exclusion**

Gratuities (recommended).

Any extras not mentioned in the itinerary.

Entry visa to Egypt.

Entrance fees to: the chamber of the Great pyramid.

Camel ride.

Entry fees to the tomb of Tut Ankh Amun.

Personal expenses.

Optional tours.

## tour.price

**4500**\$ /Per Person