

# Famous monasteries and churches Egypt tour package

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## tour.duration

8 day

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## tour.overview

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Religious [holidays in Egypt](#) include marvelous Coptic architecture.

Visit with Your Egypt Tours the Monastery of St. Simon and St. Menas at Maryut. Visit old Coptic Cairo to see the Hanging Church, where the nave is suspended from the old Babylon fortress; the Church of St. Barbara.

## tour.itinerary

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### Day 1

#### Welcome

Your Egypt Tours representative will meet & greet you at Cairo International Airport, and handle all your procedures through passport control, luggage area & customs formalities. Then a private air-conditioned vehicle will transfer you to your hotel. Tomorrow enjoy your church tours.

### Day 2

#### Coptic Cairo

Proceed to the famous churches in old Coptic Cairo to see the Hanging Church, where the nave is suspended from the old Babylon fortress; the Church of St. Barbara, the 4th century Church of Abu Serga (St. Sergius & Bacchus), as well as the Jewish Synagogue and Coptic Museum. Back to hotel and overnight in Cairo.

### Day 3

#### **Wadi El Natrun**

Enjoy an excursion to the Coptic Monasteries in the desert at Wadi El Natrun. Notable among them is the Paramus Monastery, which was built at the site where Macarius the Great settled in 340 AD and is still inhabited by monks. Back to hotel and overnight in Cairo.

### Day 4

#### **Monastery of St. Antony & St. Paul**

Trip to the Coptic Monastery of St. Antony and the Monastery of St. Paul, which lie at the foot of the Red Sea Mountains in the Eastern Desert. St. Anthony was among the founders of Christian monasticism and St. Paul was one of the first hermits. The monasteries, founded in the 4th and 5th centuries, are both still occupied. Back to hotel and overnight in Cairo.

### Day 5

#### **Monastery of St. Simon**

Visit the Church of the Holy Virgin with its three cupolas on the banks of the Nile at Maadi. Move on to the Monastery of St. Simon (Simeon) the Tanner, dramatically situated in the Mokattam Mountain, on the outskirts of Cairo. St. Simon was a 10th-century saint whose faith is said to have moved this mountain. Back to hotel and overnight in Cairo.

## Day 6

### **Martyr St. Menas**

Trip to the recently built monastery of the celebrated martyr St. Menas at Mary, near Alexandria. Built on the site of the 4th-century shrine, which was the 'Lourdes of the ancient world', the site also comprises various excavated churches. Back to hotel and overnight in Cairo.

## Day 7

### **Coptic Cathedral in Abbassia**

Enjoy an excursion to some of Cairo's Coptic Churches: see the 10th century Church of the Holy Virgin in Haret El Room, and the Coptic Cathedral in the Abbassia area. Back to hotel and overnight in Cairo.

## Day 8

### **Departure**

Breakfast, and transfer to Cairo International Airport for departure.

## **tour.included**

Meet & assist upon arrival and depart

All transfers by a private air-conditioned vehicle

Accommodation in 3\* Hotel for 3 nights basis B.B

All sightseeing mentioned (Private), including Egyptologist guide, entrance fees & transfers

Portage when needed

All taxes & service charge

# Exclusion

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Entry visa to Egypt.

Any optional tours not mentioned in the itinerary.

Meals except where indicated.

Drinks and any personal expenses.



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## tour.price

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**1200\$** /Per Person