# Private 12-Day Cairo, Alexandria, Sharm El Sheikh & Royal Palaces

## tour.duration Tour Type

**Tour Runs** 

12 Days / 11 Nights Historical & Recreational Tour Everyday

## tour.overview

Embark on a 12-day journey through Egypt's greatest treasures—ancient wonders, coastal beauty, and royal splendor. This expertly crafted itinerary blends history, culture, and relaxation across iconic cities and hidden gems.

Begin in Cairo, where the Pyramids of Giza, the Sphinx, the bustling Khan El Khalili Bazaar, and the National Museum's treasures await. Step inside Egypt's most opulent royal palaces, once home to kings and now monuments of grandeur.

Next, discover **Alexandria**, a Mediterranean jewel where Greco-Roman history meets Egyptian charm. Explore the **Qaitbay Citadel**, the enigmatic **Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa**, and the city's scenic coastline.

Then, unwind in **Sharm El Sheikh**, the Red Sea's paradise. Dive into vibrant coral reefs, relax on pristine beaches, and visit the sacred **St. Catherine's Monastery** in the Sinai mountains.

## tour.itinerary

Day 1

Welcome to Egypt – Sound & Light Show at the Pyramids

Upon arrival, our representative will greet you at the airport, assist with formalities, and transfer you to your **Cairo** hotel.

**Evening Experience:** 

As night falls, witness the mesmerizing **Sound & Light Show** at the **Giza Plateau**. The **Pyramids** and **Sphinx** illuminate under the stars as ancient Egypt's stories come alive.

Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before returning to your hotel.

Meals: Dinner

Overnight: Cairo

Day 2

Giza Pyramids, Saqqara & Memphis – A Journey Through Time

After breakfast, explore Egypt's ancient wonders with your Egyptologist guide.

**Giza Pyramids Complex:** 

- **Great Pyramid of Khufu** The last surviving Wonder of the Ancient World.
- **Great Sphinx** The legendary guardian of the plateau.
- Valley Temple A well-preserved mortuary temple of King Khafre.

#### **Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM):**

Discover thousands of artifacts, including:

- Ramses II's colossal statue
- The Hanging Obelisk
- Ptolemaic-era royal statues

(VIP access available upon request.)

**Lunch:** Savor a meal with views of the **Nile** or **Pyramids**.

## Saqqara Step Pyramid:

The world's first stone pyramid, built for **King Djoser** by **Imhotep**.

#### Memphis:

Explore Egypt's first capital, home to the **Alabaster Sphinx** and a **giant statue of Ramses II**.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo

Day 3

Cairo's Treasures & Flight to Sharm El Sheikh

#### Morning:

**Egyptian Museum:** Explore 120,000 artifacts.

National Museum of Egyptian Civilization (NMEC): Discover Egypt's history and the fascinating Royal Mummies Hall.

**Lunch:** Enjoy authentic Egyptian cuisine.

Afternoon - Old Cairo Tour:

**Hanging Church:** A stunning 4th-century Coptic church.

**Amr Ibn Al-As Mosque:** Egypt's first mosque, built in 641 AD.

Ben Ezra Synagogue: A historic 9th-century Jewish landmark.

Al Muizz Street & Khan El Khalili: Wander through medieval Islamic architecture and shop at Cairo's legendary 14th-century bazaar.

**Evening:** Fly to ? **Sharm El Sheikh** for a seaside retreat.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Sharm El Sheikh

Day 4

**Red Sea Snorkeling Adventure** 

Dive into the **Red Sea's** crystal-clear waters with a guided snorkeling trip. Discover vibrant coral reefs and exotic marine life before returning to relax at your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Sharm El Sheikh

Day 5

Sinai Desert Safari Adventure

Swap sea for sand on an exhilarating **Sinai Desert safari**. Explore golden dunes and rugged mountains with breathtaking views of **Mount** 

**Sinai**—perfect for unforgettable photos.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Sharm El Sheikh

## Day 6

## Leisure Day in Sharm El Sheikh

Enjoy a free day to unwind your way:

- Relax on pristine beaches
- Indulge in a spa treatment
- Explore local markets
- Optional diving or snorkeling

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Sharm El Sheikh

## Day 7

#### Mount Sinai Sunrise & St. Catherine Monastery

**Pre-dawn:** Hike **Mount Sinai** to witness a magical sunrise—a spiritual experience centuries in the making.

Morning: Visit St. Catherine Monastery, home to:

- The legendary Burning Bush site
- 6th-century architecture
- Ancient manuscripts & icons
- The world's oldest operating library

Afternoon: Return to Sharm for relaxation.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Sharm El Sheikh

## **Return to Cairo & Islamic Heritage Tour**

**Morning:** 

Fly from Sharm El Sheikh to ? Cairo

Visit the **Salah El-Din Citadel**, a 12th-century fortress with panoramic city views

**Historic Mosques:** 

**Mohamed Ali Mosque (Alabaster Mosque):** Ottoman-era masterpiece

**Sultan Hassan Mosque-Madrassa:** 14th-century architectural wonder

**Al-Rifa'i Mosque:** Royal resting place blending Mamluk & Ottoman styles

Lunch: Enjoy local cuisine

Evening: Return to hotel for overnight stay

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo

Day 9

Alexandria - Where History Meets the Mediterranean

## **Morning:**

Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa: Explore this 2nd-century wonder blending Egyptian, Greek & Roman artistry

**Pompey's Pillar:** Marvel at the 26m Roman column standing since 298 AD

Lunch: Savor fresh seafood with Mediterranean views

#### Afternoon:

**Qaitbay Citadel:** 15th-century fortress built with stones from the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria

**Bibliotheca Alexandrina:** Modern reincarnation of history's greatest library, housing museums & planetarium

**Evening:** Check in to your Alexandria hotel

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch
Overnight: Alexandria

**Day 10** 

Alexandria's Spiritual & Royal Legacy

**Morning Highlights:** 

**Morsi Abu Abbas Mosque:** Stunning 14th-century Islamic architecture honoring Andalusian scholar Al-Mursi

**St. Mark's Cathedral:** Historic seat of the Coptic Pope, dating to 42 AD

## Midday:

Savor coastal flavors during lunch

#### **Afternoon Discoveries:**

**Montazah Gardens:** Stroll through royal 19th-century gardens with palace views

**Alexander the Great Statue:** Pay homage to the city's legendary founder

Evening: Return to Cairo

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo

**Day 11** 

Cairo's Royal Palaces Tour

Morning:

Manial Palace: Explore Prince Mohammed Ali's 19th-century

riverside residence, showcasing Islamic-European fusion and

royal artifacts

Lunch: Enjoy local cuisine

Afternoon:

**Abdeen Palace:** Discover Egypt's former royal residence with its

exquisite museums of arms, silver, and diplomatic gifts

Baron Empain Palace: Marvel at this Hindu-inspired architectural

gem built by a Belgian industrialist

Evening: Return to hotel

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo

**Day 12** 

**Departure** 

Savor a final Egyptian breakfast before private transfer to Cairo

**International Airport**.

Meal: Breakfast

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## Airport & Travel Services

Meet & assist at all destinations

#### Accommodation

5 nights - Cairo, at a 5? hotel (B&B)

1 night – Alexandria, at a 5? hotel (B&B)

5 nights – Sharm El Sheikh, at a 5? resort (All-Inclusive)

## **Domestic Flights**

Cairo ? Sharm El Sheikh

## Transportation

Private A/C transfers

Modern vehicles for all travel

## **Guided Tours**

Egyptologist guide for all tours

Sightseeing & Activities

All entrance fees to listed attractions	
Meals as per itinerary	

Taxes & Fees

All service charges & taxes

# **Exclusion**

- ? International airfare
- ? Egypt entry visa
- ? Personal expenses
- ? tipping

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**2688**\$ /Per Person

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