

# Private 12-Day Magical Journey Through Egypt's Ancient Wonders

Cairo / Luxor / Aswan / Fayoum / Sohag / El Minya / Assuit.

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12 Days / 11 Nights	Out Of the Ordinary Tour	Everyday
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## tour.overview

Embark on a [magical 12-day journey](#) through Egypt's golden treasures with **Your Egypt Tours**. Enjoy top-tier service, including a **private A/C vehicle**, a **luxurious Nile cruise**, **5-star accommodations**, and an **expert Egyptologist guide**.

## Highlights:

**Cairo:** Marvel at the **Great Pyramids of Giza** and the **Grand Egyptian Museum**.

**El Minya:** Explore **Tuna El Gabal** and **Tel El Amarna**.

**Nile Valley:** Discover **Karnak Temple**, **Valley of the Kings**, **Hatshepsut Temple**, **Philae Temple**, **Abu Simbel**, **Abydos**, **Dendera**, and **Edfu**.

# tour.itinerary

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## Day 1

### Arrival in Cairo – Welcome to Egypt!

**Airport Welcome:** Upon landing at **Cairo International Airport**, our representative will assist you through arrival procedures.

**Transfer:** Enjoy a comfortable ride to your **5-star hotel** in a private **A/C vehicle**.

**Dinner Cruise:** Experience a magical **Nile dinner cruise** with live entertainment, including **belly dancing** and the mesmerizing **Tanoura show**.

**Overnight:** Return to your hotel for a restful stay.

**Meals:** Dinner

**Accommodation:** 5-star Cairo hotel

## Day 2

### Pyramids & Egypt's Legendary Treasures

#### Morning:

**Breakfast** at your hotel.

**Private guided tour** to Egypt's most iconic sites in a luxury air-conditioned vehicle.

## **Giza Pyramids Complex**

**The Great Pyramid of Khufu**, the last ancient wonder, stands **138.5m tall**.

**Great Sphinx:** The mythical guardian with Pharaoh Khafre's face.

**Valley Temple** is a remarkably preserved mortuary site for mummification rituals.

**Lunch:** Gourmet meal at a top local restaurant.

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

**Hanging Obelisk & Colossal Ramses II Statue**

**King Tutankhamun's golden treasures**

**Royal Regalia & Grand Staircase**

**Thousands of artifacts** spanning millennia

**Evening:** Return to your hotel to unwind.

**Overnight:** Cairo

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

## **Day 3**

**Fayoum & El Minya – Desert Oases**

## **Morning:**

**Scenic 60km drive to Fayoum**, Egypt's tranquil oasis.

## **Lake Qaroun**

**Egypt's first natural lake** spans **53,000 acres** of timeless beauty.

## **Wadi Rayan National Park**

**Fayoum Waterfalls:** A rare desert cascade.

**Gabal El Modawara** Striking rocky formations.

**Wales Cemetery:** A mysterious historical site.

**Lunch:** Authentic Egyptian cuisine at a local restaurant.

## **Afternoon:**

**Drive to El Minya**, a city steeped in ancient heritage.

**Check in** at a luxurious **5-star hotel**.

**Overnight:** El Minya

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Day 4**

## **El Minya – Lost Capitals & Forgotten Tombs**

### **Morning:**

**Breakfast** at your hotel, then depart for **El Minya's hidden archaeological treasures**.

### **Tuna El Gabal**

**Ancient necropolis** from the New Kingdom & Roman era.

Explore:

**Tomb of Pet-Osiris**

**Ibis Catacombs** (sacred bird mummies)

**Isadora Tomb** (2nd-century AD tragic love story)

### **El Ashmunein (Khmunw)**

**City of Thoth**, god of wisdom.

See **colossal baboon statues** & Old Kingdom ruins.

### **Beni Hassan**

**Middle Kingdom elite tombs** (2055–1795 BC).

**Lunch:** Authentic Egyptian feast at a local restaurant.

**Afternoon:**

Return to your **5-star hotel** for relaxation.

**Overnight:** El Minya

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 5

### **Sacred Sands – Akhenaten's Lost Capital & Hidden Christian Treasures**

**Morning:**

**Breakfast** at your hotel before departing with your private Egyptologist.

**Tel Al Amarna**

Walk through the **abandoned capital of Pharaoh Akhenaten** (14th century BC).

Discover:

**Royal tombs** with unique sun-relief carvings

**Temple ruins** dedicated to the sun god Aten

**Palace remains** of Queen Nefertiti

**Lunch:** Authentic Egyptian meal at a riverside restaurant.

### **Al Muharraq Monastery (Assuit)**

**Holiest Coptic Christian site** in Egypt.

### **Meir Village Tombs**

**Old & Middle Kingdom burial site** (6th-12th Dynasties).

Marvel at **exceptionally preserved tomb paintings** of nomarchs (regional governors).

### **Evening:**

Transfer to **sacred Abydos**, Egypt's most important Osiris worship site.

Check into your hotel.

**Overnight:** Abydos

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

## **Day 6**

### **Abydos Temple & Dendera Temple Complex**

#### **Morning:**

**Breakfast** at your hotel before departing with your private guide.

#### **Abydos Temple**

**Egypt's holiest pilgrimage site** (1290-1279 BC), built by **Seti I**, completed by **Ramses II**.

Must-see:

**The Abydos King List** (cartouches of 76 pharaohs)

**Osireion**: A mysterious underground structure

**Seven Sanctuaries** dedicated to different gods

**Lunch**: Traditional Egyptian feast at a local restaurant.

### **Dendera Temple Complex**

**Ptolemaic-Roman masterpiece** (2250-343 BC), Dedicated to **Hathor**, goddess of joy and love.

Highlights:

**The Dendera Zodiac** (ancient celestial map)

**Hathor-headed columns** with intact paint

**Secret crypts** with esoteric symbolism

**Evening**:

**Scenic drive to Luxor** along the Nile.

Check into your **5-star luxury hotel**.

**Overnight:** Luxor

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 7

### **Nile Cruise Begins – Luxor's Temple Treasures**

**Morning:**

**Breakfast** at your hotel before starting your **Nile cruise adventure**.

#### **Karnak Temple Complex**

**Largest religious site ever built** (1971 BC - 30 BC).

Walk the **Avenue of Sphinxes** like ancient priests.

Marvel at:

**Hypostyle Hall** (134 towering columns)

**Obelisk of Hatshepsut** (97 ft tall)

**Sacred Lake** where priests purified themselves

## **Midday:**

**Board your 5-star deluxe Nile cruise ship.**

Enjoy **gourmet lunch** with panoramic Nile views.

## **Luxor Temple by Night**

**1400 BC coronation site** of pharaohs.

See:

**Ramses II colossal statues**

**Alexander the Great's chapel**

**Roman-era frescoes**

**Magical illumination** brings hieroglyphs to life.

## **Evening:**

**Relax onboard** with sunset Nile views.

Optional: **Deck cocktail under the stars.**

**Overnight:** Docked in Luxor

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Day 8**

## Secrets of the West Bank

### Morning:

**Breakfast** onboard before meeting your private Egyptologist.

**Cross the Nile** to Luxor's mystical West Bank.

### Valley of the Kings

**Ancient Egypt's royal necropolis** (1539-1075 BC).

Explore 3 **carefully selected tombs**, including:

**KV9 (Ramses V/VI)** – Vibrant astronomical ceiling

**KV17 (Seti I)** – Longest tomb in the valley

**KV62 (Tutankhamun)** – *Additional ticket required*

### Temple of Hatshepsut

**The queen who ruled as king** (1508-1458 BC).

See:

**Birth colonnade** with divine conception story

**Punt Reliefs** documenting trade expeditions

## Sanctuary of Amun with original colors

### Colossi of Memnon

**18m tall guardians** of Amenhotep III's lost temple.

Hear the legend of the “**singing statues**” (Roman-era phenomenon).

### Afternoon:

Return to ship for **lunch while sailing to Edfu**.

### Evening:

**Gourmet dinner** onboard.

Optional: **Galabeya party** with traditional music.

**Overnight:** Sailing to Edfu

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 9

### Falcon Warriors & Crocodile Kings

### Morning:

**Breakfast** onboard as the ship docks in Edfu.

**Horse-drawn carriage ride** through the town to the temple.

### **Edfu Temple (237-57 BC)**

**Best-preserved Ptolemaic temple** in Egypt.

Dedicated to **Horus the Avenger**.

Must-see features:

**The Nilometer** – Ancient flood gauge

**Horus statue** with double crown

**Sanctuary's granite shrine** (where the god's statue resided)

**Dramatic reliefs** of Horus defeating Seth

### **Midday:**

Return to ship for **lunch while sailing to Kom Ombo**.

### **Kom Ombo Temple (180-47 BC)**

**Only dual temple** in Egypt (split down the middle).

Twin sanctuaries for:

**Sobek** (crocodile god of fertility)

**Haroeris** (falcon-headed sky healer)

Discover:

**Ancient surgical tools** carved on walls

**Crocodile mummy museum**

**Nilometer** with precise markings

**Evening:**

**Sunset sailing** toward Aswan.

**Dinner** with Nubian-inspired dishes.

**Overnight:** Docked in Aswan

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 10

**Abu Simbel – Ramses' Eternal Legacy**

**Morning:**

Early departure with breakfast boxes

Private A/C drive to **Abu Simbel Temples**

**visit:**

**Great Temple of Ramses II:** Commemorates his victory at Kadesh (1247 BC) and features the first documented peace treaty

**Temple of Nefertari:** Dedicated to Ramses' beloved queen

Marvel at the temples' relocation miracle preserving these UNESCO treasures

**Afternoon:**

Return to your **Nile cruise**

Enjoy lunch & dinner onboard

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Overnight:** Onboard

**Day 11**

**Aswan – Where Ancient & Modern Egypt Meet**

**Morning Check-out**

**Breakfast** onboard before exploration begins.

**Aswan High Dam**

**Modern wonder** (1960-1971) creating Lake Nasser.

## **Unfinished Obelisk**

Reveals ancient **dolerite pounder** carving techniques.

## **Philae Temple (380-362 BC)**

**Island sanctuary** dedicated to goddess Isis.

### **Afternoon:**

**Gourmet lunch** at Aswan's finest restaurant.

**Flight to ? Cairo** (included).

**Check-in** at 5-star Cairo hotel.

**Overnight:** Cairo

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

## **Day 12**

### **Departure – Take Egypt in Your Heart**

**Breakfast** at hotel.

**Private transfer** to Cairo International Airport.

**Assistance** with check-in and departure.

**Meals:** Breakfast

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### Airport & Travel Services

Meet & assist at Cairo Airport

All transfers via private A/C vehicles

### Accommodation

3 nights – Cairo, at a 5\* hotel (B&B)

2 nights – El Minya, at a private hotel (B&B)

1 night – Abydos, at a private hotel (B&B)

1 night – Luxor, at a private hotel (B&B)

4 nights – Nile Cruise, onboard a private deluxe cruise (B&B)

### Domestic Travel

Domestic flight: Aswan ? Cairo

### Guided Tours

Licensed Egyptologist guide throughout tours

## Sightseeing & Activities

All entrance fees to sites in itinerary

## Dining

Meals as specified (see daily itinerary)

## Taxes & Fees

All taxes & service charges

## **Exclusion**

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- ? International flights
- ? Egypt entry visa
- ? Tipping
- ? Personal expenses
- ? Optional activities

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**3336\$** /Per Person