# Classic Tour Package of Egypt in 8 Days

#### tour.duration

8 day

## tour.overview

Classic tour of Egypt for those with little vacation time.

Explore the highlights of Cairo, Aswan, and Luxor through a guided tour.

Visit several pyramids located in Giza and Sakkara.

Explore the royal tombs in the Valley of the Kings and the famous temples in Luxor and Aswan.

Experience the Nile River on a relaxing and luxurious Nile Cruise.

# tour.itinerary

Day 1

#### Arrival | Cairo

Our representative will meet and assist you when you arrive at Cairo International Airport. He will help you handle all your procedures through passport control, customs formalities, and in the luggage area. Following this, you will be driven to your 5-star hotel in a private air-

conditioned vehicle for drop-off.

#### **Optional Night Activity:**

**Giza Pyramids Sound and Light Show** 

Overnight: in Cairo

Day 2

#### The Giza Plateau & Memphis

After breakfast at your hotel, journey to the Giza Plateau and explore its many wonders. Your Egyptologist guide will introduce you to the **Pyramids of Giza**, the remaining survivor of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. After being introduced to these legendary structures, you will have free time to partake in several optional activities to enhance your experience.

#### **Optional Activities (Additional Cost):**

Explore the burial chambers of the Giza Pyramids.

Roam the pyramid area on camelback.

After visiting the pyramids, continue across the plateau for a stunning view of this ancient wonder from a distance. Follow up with a visit to the Solar Boat Museum, home to the remarkably well-preserved funerary boat of King Khufu. This 142-foot-long funerary boat is often considered to be one of the most important archeological finds in Egypt since the tomb of Tutankhamun.

Transition to the city side of the plateau before arriving at the legendary <a href="Sphinx">Sphinx</a>. This wondrous monument was carved out of a single rock and has stood for thousands of years. Your Egyptologist guide will introduce you to this enigmatic symbol of Egypt before continuing to Sakkara, home to Egypt's oldest pyramid.

Your final stop is <u>Memphis</u>, the ancient capital of Egypt. Here you will find many artifacts from the many great rulers of Egypt, including the fallen statue of Ramses II. After touring <u>Memphis</u>, you will have the opportunity to visit the Papyrus Institute to learn how this unique style of art is made. You will also be able to purchase genuine items if you wish, making for a great souvenir of your trip to Egypt.

At the conclusion of your tour, you will drive back to your hotel for drop-off.

Overnight: Hotel in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast

Day 3

Cairo to Aswan

After breakfast at your hotel, transfer to Cairo Airport to board your flight to Aswan. Upon arrival in Aswan, you will be met and assisted by our representative, who will take you to your Nile Cruise. Sail along the Nile for the next four days and three nights, exploring the wonders Aswan day tours offer.

As you journey along the Nile, visit the world-famous Aswan High Dam, a modern engineering marvel constructed in the 1960s. This

impressive Dam regulates the flooding of the Nile while providing most of the country with clean and renewable energy.

After crossing the High Dam, proceed to Agilkia Island on a motorboat. Here, you will explore the majestic Philae Temple, dedicated to the goddess Isis.

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

Day 4

**Abu Simbel (Nile Cruise)** 

Optional Day Tour: Abu Simbel

Journey to Abu Simbel by bus early in the morning (4 AM) to visit the impressive Temples of Ramses II. These twin temples were originally carved out of the mountainside during the 13th century BC. Abu Simbel remains one of Egypt's top tourist attractions, featuring a rich history and marvelous design. Your personal Egyptologist guide will introduce you to these fascinating temples dedicated to Ramses II and his wife, Queen Nefertari.

Note: Your personal guide is not permitted to enter the temples with you.

Return to your 5-star deluxe Nile cruise and continue your journey along the Nile to Kom Ombo. This place of worship was dedicated to the crocodile-headed deity, Sobek. After exploring this fascinating temple, enjoy a lunch aboard your cruise as you continue sailing to

Edfu. Upon arrival, you will be introduced to the Edfu's Temple of Horus. Here, you will find many fascinating carvings and statues honoring the falcon-headed god.

After your tour, return to your Nile Cruise to continue sailing to Luxor. Enjoy dinner and a cup of tea on the sun deck while spending the evening in relaxation

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

Day 5

## **Luxor (Colossi of Memnon & Temples of Karnak)**

Enjoy breakfast on board your Nile Cruise before beginning an exciting day tour on the West Bank of the Nile. Visit the Colossi of Memnon, two statues dedicated to the pharaoh Amenhotep III. Continue your journey by visiting the Valley of the Kings, where several magnificent pharaonic tombs were discovered. Here you will have the opportunity to visit the tomb of King Tutankhamun (optional, for an additional cost).

Continue your tour by exploring Hatshepsut Temple, a wondrous temple dedicated to Queen Hatshepsut. Your Egyptologist guide will introduce you to this temple and its fascinating history before returning to your ship for lunch. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon spent at your leisure onboard your Nile Cruise.

#### **Optional Night Activity:**

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

Day 6

Luxor

After breakfast, you will be accompanied by your guide as you visit the **Karnak Temples**, the largest place of worship built in Egypt. This complex of temples was built over 2,000 years ago and demonstrates the additions made by several generations of pharaohs. Within the complex itself, you will find the great "Hypostyle Hall," and its towering giant columns.

Afterwards, you will transfer to Luxor Temple, which was built by <u>Amenhotep III</u>, and Ramses II for rituals and festivals dedicated to the Egyptian god Amun.

After your tour, transfer to Luxor Airport for a flight back to Cairo. Upon arrival, you will be driven to your hotel in Cairo for a relaxing afternoon.

Overnight: Hotel in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 7

Cairo (Egyptian Museum of Antiquities, Coptic Cairo, Citadel of Salah el-Din, and Khan El Khalili)

After breakfast at your hotel, visit the Egyptian Museum in Cairo. Here

you will find thousands of Egyptian artifacts on display including the

priceless treasures of King Tutankhamun. Along with these many

treasures, you will be able to see his six gold-gilded coffins along with

his marvelous mask. Your personal guide will introduce you to the

highlights of the museum before allowing you free time to explore at

your leisure.

After your visit to the Egyptian Museum, journey to the ancient sites of

the Coptic Christians and learn about their rich history and culture.

Begin by visiting Abu Serga, the location where the Holy Family

sought refuge. Following Abu Serga, you will make a brief stop at Ben

Erza, one of the oldest synagogues in Cairo. Tour the Citadel of Salah

el-Din, where the Alabaster Mosque stands.

Your final stop will be the Khan el Khalili Bazaar, where your guide will

introduce you to the lively markets. Here you will have free time to

stroll through the marketplace and browse the wares of local vendors.

You may also choose to visit the famous coffee shop "El Fishawy" to

unwind and savor the atmosphere of the bazaar.

**Optional Night Activity:** 

**Egyptian Cultural Dinner and Show (Nile Cruise)** 

Overnight: Luxury Hotel in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast

Day 8

**Departure** 

After breakfast, transfer to Cairo International Airport for your departure flight home.

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Meet-and-assist services upon arrival and departure.

Transportation on private air-conditioned vehicles.

Accommodation in Cairo at a 5-star hotel, including breakfast.

4 days, 3 nights onboard a 5-star Nile cruise on a full board basis in an upper deck cabin.

All sightseeing tours in Cairo, Luxor, and Aswan including English-speaking Egyptologist guides, all entrance fees, and transfers.

Internal flights (Cairo-Aswan; Luxor-Cairo)

Portage when needed.

All service charges and taxes.

## **Exclusion**

International Airfare

Gratuities/Tipping (Recommended).

Meals except where indicated

Drinks and any personal expenses

Entry visa to Egypt

Camel ride around the pyramids area

Entrance fees: to the burial chambers of the pyramids; the tomb of Kin	ng
Tutankhamen in the Valley of the Kings	

Optional night activities not included as part of the itinerary

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# tour.price

**2080**\$ /Per Person