

Private 11-Day Holy Family Adventure in Egypt

Cairo / Alexandria / Zeitoun / Mostorad / El Matariya / Ismailia / Sinai.

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11 Days / 10 Nights Out Of the Ordinary Tour Everyday

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Embark on a sacred [Private 11-Day Tour](#) through Egypt's divine wonders with **Your Egypt Tours**. Enjoy premium services, including a private A/C vehicle, comfortable stays, and an expert Egyptologist guide, everything you'd expect from Egypt's top travel agency.

Highlights:

Explore Cairo's **Giza Pyramids** and iconic Coptic sites like the **Hanging Church**, **St. Virgin Mary Church**, and **St. Menas Church**.

Visit holy destinations such as **El Matariya**, **Zeitoun**, and the ancient monasteries of **Wadi El Natroun**.

Discover **Alexandria's spiritual heritage** and the heavenly **St. Catherine Monastery**.

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Day 1

Arrival in Cairo – Welcome & Dinner Cruise

Welcome to Egypt!

Upon arrival at **Cairo International Airport**, a **Your Egypt Tours** representative will greet you, assist with customs, and escort you to your private **A/C vehicle**. Transfer to your **5-star hotel** to relax.

Evening:

Enjoy a **magical Nile dinner cruise**, featuring delicious Egyptian cuisine, live entertainment (including whirling dervishes), and stunning views.

Meals: Dinner

Overnight: Cairo hotel

Day 2

Pyramids & Museums – A Journey Through Ancient Wonders

Morning:

Explore the legendary **Giza Pyramids Complex**, home to the last surviving **Seven Wonders of the Ancient World**.

Stand before the **Great Pyramid of Khufu**, an engineering marvel built with 2.3 million limestone blocks.

Discover the enigmatic **Great Sphinx**, a symbol of royal power and guardian of the plateau.

Visit the **Valley Temple**, used for mummification and sacred rituals.

Afternoon:

Lunch at a high-quality local restaurant.

Tour the **Grand Egyptian Museum** (VIP access available), showcasing treasures like the **Ramses II Statue**, **Senusert statues**, and the **Grand Atrium**.

Step into history at the **Egyptian Museum**, housing millennia-old artifacts.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo hotel

Day 3

Sacred Sites of Coptic Cairo

Morning:

Visit **St. Virgin Mary Church** in Maadi, where the Holy Family began their journey to Upper Egypt. Admire its beautiful architecture and spiritual significance.

Afternoon:

Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant.

Explore **The Hanging Church**, suspended above the Roman Fortress of Babylon, dating back to the 9th century.

Discover **St. Sergius & Bacchus Church**, built over the cave where the Holy Family sheltered for three weeks.

Conclude at the ancient **St. Menas Church**, home to relics of the beloved Egyptian saint before their transfer to Alexandria.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo hotel

Day 4

Wadi El Natroun & Alexandria - Monastic Legacy & Coastal Wonders

Morning: Spiritual Journey to Wadi El Natroun

Explore the sacred valley, birthplace of Christian monasticism, where early believers sought refuge from Roman persecution.

Visit surviving monasteries:

Al Baramus Monastery (oldest in the valley)

St. Bishoy Monastery (final resting place of the revered saint)

Syrian Monastery (renowned for its ancient frescoes and architecture)

Afternoon: Alexandria Arrival

Enjoy lunch en route to the Mediterranean coast.

Check in to your **5-star hotel** in Alexandria.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Alexandria

Day 5

Alexandria - Echoes of History & Faith

Morning: Ancient Wonders

Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa: Explore this 2nd-century necropolis, blending Egyptian, Greek, and Roman artistry across three subterranean levels.

Qaitbay Citadel is a 15th-century Mamluk fortress built on the ruins of the legendary Lighthouse of Alexandria, guarding the Mediterranean coast.

Midday: Spiritual Legacy

St. Catherine's Church A 19th-century Roman Catholic gem, standing where Crusader monks once worshipped, adorned with

medieval-inspired chapels.

Afternoon: Cultural Treasures

Lunch at a seaside restaurant.

Alexandria Library Photo stop at this modern reincarnation of antiquity's greatest archive, now a beacon of knowledge.

Evening: Return to Cairo.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo

Day 6

Holy Family Pilgrimage - El Matariya & Zeitoun

Morning: Sacred Sites

Virgin Mary's Tree: Visit the ancient sycamore where the Holy Family rested. Tradition says Jesus created a healing spring here, and the miraculous balsam plant still grows nearby.

Zeitoun Church Marvel at this Italian-designed sanctuary, adorned with carvings of Mary and Jesus, marking another stop on the Holy Family's journey.

Afternoon:

Lunch at a local restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo

Day 7

Holy Family Trail - Miracles & Footprints

Morning: Sacred Journey

Virgin Mary Church (Mostorod) Visit the revered site where Mary bathed the infant Jesus, radiating spiritual significance.

Meniet Samnoud Explore this blessed town where locals welcomed the Holy Family, now home to **St. Abanoub Church**, built over ancient ruins.

Afternoon:

Lunch at a local restaurant.

Sakha Witness the miraculous **footprint of Jesus**, preserved on stone, marking his passage through this humble village.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Cairo

Day 8

Sacred Springs & Ancient Wonders

Morning: Holy Family Sites

Tel Basta Visit this revered village where Jesus miraculously created a spring during the Holy Family's journey through Egypt.

Tanis: Explore the legendary city featured in *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, home to 26th-dynasty temples and tombs steeped in history.

Afternoon:

Scenic drive to Ismailia for lunch by the Suez Canal.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Ismailia

Day 9

Journey to Sinai – Path of Prophets

Morning: Sacred Landscapes

Depart Ismailia for **Sinai**, traversing biblical routes.

Pass **Moses' Springs (Oyoun Mousa)**, where the prophet struck water from stone.

Stop at **Pharaoh's Hot Springs**, renowned for their therapeutic waters since antiquity.

Afternoon: Desert Mystique

Lunch en route.

Explore **Wadi Firan**, the "Pearl of Sinai," with its lush palm groves and ancient **Nuns' Monastery**.

Evening:

Arrive in **St. Catherine** for overnight rest before tomorrow's spiritual ascent.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: St. Catherine

Day 10

Sacred Ascent – Mount Sinai & St. Catherine's Monastery

Pre-Dawn (2:00 AM):

Begin your spiritual climb up **Mount Sinai** with a Bedouin guide, following the path where Moses received the Ten Commandments.

Witness sunrise from the summit (optional), a moment of profound tranquility.

Morning:

Descend to **St. Catherine's Monastery**, a 6th-century UNESCO site built atop Empress Helena's 4th-century chapel. Explore its

ancient icons, manuscripts, and the legendary **Burning Bush**.

Return to your hotel for breakfast and check-out.

Afternoon:

Transfer to Cairo (approx. 6-hour drive).

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Cairo

Day 11

Farewell, Egypt

Breakfast at your hotel.

Private transfer to **Cairo International Airport** for your departure, carrying memories of miracles and ancient wonders.

Meals: Breakfast

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Airport & Travel Services

Meet & assist with personal airport welcome at Cairo International Airport

Accommodation

7 nights – Cairo, at a 5* hotel (B&B)

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

1 night – Ismailia, at a 5* hotel (B&B)

1 night – St. Catherine, at a 5* hotel (B&B)

Domestic Flights

Not applicable (all ground transport included)

Transportation

Comfortable transfers in modern A/C vehicles throughout

Guided Tours

Private Egyptologist, fluent and licensed, for all tours

Sightseeing & Activities

All entrance fees for sites listed in the itinerary

Meals as specified in the itinerary

Taxes & Fees

All service charges and taxes included

No hidden costs

Exclusion

- ? **International Airfare**
 - ? **Entry Visa to Egypt**
 - ? **Tipping (Gratuities)**
 - ? **Personal Expenses**
 - ? **Any Optional Tours**
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