Egypt 8-Day Nile River Cruise from Aswan

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8 day

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Spend 8 days relaxing on a leisurely <u>Nile River cruise</u> from Aswan. Accompanied by your private Egyptologist guide, you will explore the wonders of ancient Egypt while sailing on the Nile River. Everything is included in your <u>Nile cruise tour</u>, so all you need do is sit back and enjoy the scenery. Your private <u>Egypt tours</u> include the Valley of the Kings, Karnak and Luxor Temples, Edfu Temple, Kom Ombo, and the beautiful Philae Temple in Aswan.

As <u>Egypt tour packages</u> are private, you can plan your itinerary with your guide during the cruise. This deluxe Nile cruise ship has an onboard restaurant, lounges, reading areas, a night club, swimming pool with Jacuzzi, large shaded sundeck with bar, massage service, boutique, gift shop, and laundry service. Also, you will enjoy evening entertainment that may include Nubian music and Egyptian folkloric dance, a Galabayeh night, and belly dancing.

The cruise ship has private facilities and satellite TV. With all meals, accommodation, and <u>Egypt excursions</u> and sightseeing included, your cruise on the Nile River makes your journey into ancient Egypt as relaxed and enjoyable as possible. With your guide to lead the way at each of the stops, you will gain valuable insights into Egypt's ancient

history and civilization.

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Day 1

Aswan Best Attractions

Good morning! Get ready for an unforgettable day of exploration the most renowned attractions in Aswan. Your private tour guide will be there to accompany you every step of the way. Let's begin our journey with the remarkable Aswan High Dam.

Starting with **Aswan High Dam**, a marvel of engineering constructed during the 1960s and 1970s, stands as a testament to Egypt's aspirations for economic and cultural advancement.

Next, we'll visit the enchanting <u>Unfinished Obelisk</u>, an awe-inspiring relic that reveals a captivating story. Intended to grace the grand entrance of the Karnak temples complex, this colossal project was initiated during the reign of Queen Hatshepsut.

Prepare to be amazed as we unveil the illuminating **Philae Temple**, dedicated to the revered goddess Isis, the epitome of motherhood. This divine stone structure, a true testament to the enduring power of ancient craftsmanship, narrates the captivating "Myth of Osiris."

Following these awe-inspiring explorations, we'll escort you to embark on a luxurious 5-star Nile Cruise. Indulge in a delectable lunch and dinner on board while enjoying the breathtaking views along the iconic Nile River. Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | Meals: Lunch & Dinner.

Day 2

Kom Ombo Temple

After a delightful breakfast on board, prepare to set sail towards the captivating destination of Kom Ombo. As you approach, you will be accompanied by your knowledgeable Egyptologist, traveling comfortably in a modern air-conditioned vehicle, ready to embark on the next leg of your journey.

Our first stop is the highly exotic <u>Kom Ombo Temple</u>, an architectural marvel that dates back to the Ptolemaic dynasty. This magnificent double temple served as the revered worship house for two significant deities (Houris & Sobek).

After immersing ourselves in the wonders of Kom Ombo Temple, we will pause to savor a delectable lunch and dinner on board the cruise, ensuring that your culinary experience is as delightful as your explorations.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner.

Day 3

Day of Relaxation & Leisure

Indulge in a delightful breakfast on board as you embark on a day of relaxation and leisure, surrounded by the majestic landscapes of the Nile. As we sail towards the captivating city of Luxor, you have the freedom to enjoy a day at your own pace, embracing the luxurious amenities and breathtaking views offered on the cruise.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner.

Day 4

Luxor East Bank Attractions

As the morning sun casts its warm glow, relish a delightful breakfast on board, preparing you for an extraordinary day of exploration in Luxor. Your private Egyptologist tour guide eagerly awaits your company as we venture to the captivating ancient Egyptian attractions on Luxor's **East Bank**.

Our first stop is the revered <u>Karnak Temple</u>, a spiritual sanctuary stands as the largest and most ancient religious center on Earth. Prepare to be transported back in time as you immerse yourself in the ancient artistry that lies within.

After this enlightening excursion, we will return to your Nile cruise, where a delicious lunch awaits.

Welcome to **Luxor Temple by Night**, a blessed sanctuary steeped in ancient Egyptian royalty. This sacred site, constructed in 1400 BC, serves as the birthplace of kingship. Prepare to be enchanted as the temple's magnificent structures and sacred ambiance come alive under the night sky.

After this awe-inspiring nocturnal experience, we will return you to your cruise, where a delectable dinner awaits.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner.

Day 5

Luxor West Bank Attractions

Savor a delightful breakfast on the cruise, energizing you for another captivating day as we continue our 7-night Nile cruise itinerary. Today, we set off to explore the revered **West Bank of Luxor**, where ancient wonders await us.

Our first stop is the extraordinary <u>Valley of the Kings</u>, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that offers a mesmerizing glimpse into the beliefs and mindset of one of the greatest ancient civilizations on Earth. This sacred valley is home to 63 magical royal tombs, encompass the final resting places of renowned pharaohs such as Ramses the Great, Hatshepsut, Seti I, Tutankhamen, and many more.

Next, we venture to the mythical and graceful mortuary <u>temple of</u> <u>Queen Hatshepsut</u>, a divine masterpiece of artistic architecture. It immortalizes the successful achievements of Queen Hatshepsut herself and pays homage to the creator sun god Amun, as well as Hathor and Anubis.

Our journey through the West Bank of Luxor continues as we encounter the illuminating **Colossi of Memnon**. These majestic structures, built during the reign of Pharaoh Amenhotep III. Marvel at the colossal stature and artistic details that bring these ancient monuments to life.

As we conclude our exploration of Luxor's West Bank, we return to the comfort of your cruise, where a delectable lunch and dinner await.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner.

Day 6

Visit Edfu Temple & Sail Back To Aswan

As the morning sun bathes the Nile in its gentle glow, delight in a scrumptious breakfast on board the cruise while we sail towards the captivating city of Edfu.

Welcome to Edfu Temple, a majestic and mythical masterpiece that serves as a testament to an honorable battle that determined the destiny of the world. Edfu Temple is believed to have been built on the very ground where the mythological battle between Set and Horus took place.

After this enchanting exploration, we return to the comfort of your cruise, where a delightful lunch and dinner await. we resume our journey, sailing towards the captivating city of Aswan.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner.

Day 7

Head To Abu Simbel Temple

Rise and shine as the morning unfolds, and grab your breakfast boxes in preparation for an extraordinary adventure. Our private airconditioned car awaits to transport you to the southwest of Aswan, where the awe-inspiring temple of **King Ramses II** awaits: Welcome to the majestic <u>Abu Simbel Temple</u>, a testament to grandeur and grace that leaves visitors in awe. Constructed by the great Pharaoh Ramses the Great in 1200 B.C., these temples stand as a magnificent homage to the gods Amun, Ra, and Ptah. They also serve as a testament to Ramses' military might, particularly showcased in the historic Battle of Kadesh. The great temple of King Ramses II acted as a central stage for the renowned sun festival, held on the 22nd of October and February each year, celebrating the power and glory of the pharaoh. The second temple is a dedicated tribute to his beloved wife, Queen Nefertari, embodying beauty and devotion.

As our time at Abu Simbel draws to a close, we will transport you back to your cruise, where a delectable lunch and dinner await. Indulge in a delightful feast as you recount the wonders you have witnessed and prepare to continue your journey along the enchanting Nile.

Overnight: onboard Luxury Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner.

Day 8

Depart

As the sun rises, enjoy a final breakfast on the cruise, savoring the last moments of your unforgettable journey through Upper Egypt. Afterward, it is time to bid farewell to the cruise and embark on the next chapter of your adventure.

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Eight-day Nile River cruise (Nile Premium)

Sightseeing as per itinerary, including entrance fees

English-speaking Egyptologist guide

Meals as per itinerary (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch D = Dinner)

Hotel pick-up and drop-off services on an air-conditioned vehicle

Exclusion

Gratuities/Tipping (Recommended). In Egypt, tipping is not an obligation but a sign of appreciation for good service. That being said, tips are expected from people that serve you—e.g., driver, waiter, train conductor, bellman, cruise ship staff, etc. The average tip is \$10-\$20 US dollars per day—this amount should cover everyone. So we advise you to carry change. If you don't want to deal with the tipping, you can give your guide a total sum in advance of all tipping requirements for your trip that your guide will dispense.

Entry visa to Egypt.

Entrance fees to: the chamber of the Great pyramid.

Camel ride.

Entry fees to the tomb of Tut Ankh Amun.

Any optional tours not mentioned in the itinerary

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1850\$ /Per Person