

Egypt 8-Day Nile River Cruise from Luxor Tour

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Looking for best [Egypt tours](#)? Nile cruise tour from Luxor 8 days. Spend 8 days relaxing on a leisurely [Nile River cruise from Luxor](#). 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 Nile cruise, so all you need to do is sit back and enjoy the scenery. Your private tours include the Valley of the Kings, Karnak and Luxor Temples, Edfu Temple, Kom Ombo, and the beautiful Philae Temple in Aswan. As the tours are private [Egypt tour package](#), you can plan your itinerary with your guide during the cruise. This deluxe Nile cruise ship has an onboard restaurant, lounges, reading areas, a nightclub, swimming pool with Jacuzzi, large shaded sundeck with bar, massage service, boutique, gift shop, and laundry service. Evening entertainment 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 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

Luxor East Bank Attractions

At the start of your 7-night Nile cruise from Luxor, meet your local tour guide in the morning to embark on a journey to explore the historical attractions of the East Bank of Luxor:

Witness the magnificence of the [Karnak temple](#) complex, an exquisite piece of ancient architecture and art, Dedicated to the Theban triad of Amun, Mut, and Khonsu. After the tour, check into your 5-star Nile cruise to enjoy lunch and unwind.

As night falls, witness the awe-inspiring beauty of the Southern Sanctuary Luxor Temple - known as the creator of kings - built in 1400 BC by Amenhotep III and Rameses II.

After exploring the temple, return to the cruise for a delicious dinner and spend the night comfortably.

Overnight: on board the Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Lunch and Dinner.

Day 2

Esna and Edfu

Free day on board the Nile Cruise

Early morning sail to Esna and Edfu

Overnight: on board the Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 3

Aswan Edfu Temple

Start your morning with a delectable breakfast, followed by a horse carriage ride with your personal Egyptologist to explore the magnificent [Edfu Temple](#). This mythical temple, located on the west bank of the Nile in Upper Egypt, was built between 237 BC and 57 BC and preserved the divine story of the battle between Horus and his villainous uncle Set.

After exploring the temple, return to your cruise for lunch and dinner. Spend the night onboard the cruise in Aswan, with a late-night arrival.

Overnight: on board the Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 4

Kom Ombo & Philae Temple

Indulge in a delicious breakfast, and then continue your 7-night Nile cruise from Luxor to Aswan to explore the following highlights with your private Egyptologist:

The Aswan **High Dam** is a wonder of modern engineering, built in the 1960s and '70s to bring prosperity and progress to Egypt, showcasing the country's capabilities in the industrial age.

The [Unfinished Obelisk](#) is a remarkable testament to the ancient Egyptian mastery of architecture and craftsmanship. This unfinished obelisk was initially destined for the grand entrance of the Karnak Temples complex. Unfortunately, it was damaged during construction and left unfinished.

Explore the enchanting [Philae Temple](#), dedicated to the goddess Isis and home to the timeless "Myth of Osiris," a golden tale that continues to captivate visitors to this day. Originally constructed in 380-362 BC by King Ptolemy II, the temple was later relocated to Agilkia Island as part of the UNESCO Nubia Campaign project in the 1970s, necessitated by the construction of the Aswan High Dam.

After the tour, return to your cruise to enjoy lunch and dinner onboard.

Optional night activity:

[Sound and Light Show at Philae Temple](#) (for an additional cost of \$40.00 US Dollars per person)

Overnight: on board the Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 5

Abu Simbel

Start your day with breakfast; you will join your private Egyptologist guide for an early morning visit to the magnificent [Abu Simbel](#) temple optional private tour (for an additional cost of \$110.00 US Dollars per person).

These grand temples were built by Ramses the Great (1279-1213 BCE) to honor Amun, Ra, and Ptah to showcase his power in battle in the Kadesh. The temple of King Ramses II is particularly striking and hosts the great **sun festival** on the 22nd of October and February of each year, while the second temple is dedicated to his beloved wife, Queen Nefertari.

Afterward, you will return to your cruise for a tasty lunch and dinner onboard.

Overnight: on board the Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 6

Visit Kom Ombo Temple & overnight in Luxor

Set sail in the morning towards [Kom Ombo](#), enjoying a delicious breakfast onboard the cruise.

Upon arrival, join your tour guide to explore the magnificent double temples of the hill of gold - the Kom Ombo Temple - built between 205 and 180 BC during the reign of King Ptolemy V in the Ptolemaic dynasty. The temple served as the worship house of Haroeris, "Horus, the Elder," to the north, and Sobek, the crocodile god of the Nile, to the south.

After your visit, continue sailing to Luxor, where you will arrive late at night. Enjoy your lunch and dinner onboard the cruise.

Overnight: on board the Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 7

Hot Air Balloon & Luxor West Bank Best Attractions

Embark on a tour of Luxor West Bank with your knowledgeable tour guide and begin by exploring the known [Valley of the Kings](#) - a stunning treasure of ancient Egypt nestled in an underground hill. This magical underground labyrinth is home to 63 royal tombs from the 18th to the 20th dynasty of the new kingdom, including the tombs of great pharaohs like Ramses the Great, Hatshepsut, Seti I, Tutankhamun, and more.

Next, visit the charming mortuary [temple of Queen Hatshepsut](#), an architectural masterpiece that earned its place as the holy of the holies. Built in 1479 BC during the New Kingdom, this temple boasts three massive levels showcasing absolute perfection, immortalizing Hatshepsut's successful achievements and honoring the creator sun god Amun.

Finally, explore the enduring **Colossi of Memnon**. These stunning quartzite sandstone constructions have been renovated countless times throughout history and feature decorations on their sides showcasing the pharaoh's family, achievements, and the Nile god Hapi.

Optional Activities:

Optional [Hot Air Ballooning](#) over the West Bank (for an additional cost of \$99.00 US Dollars per person)

Optional [Sound and Light Show at Karnak](#) (for an additional cost of \$40.00 US Dollars per person)

Overnight: on board the Nile Cruise | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 8

Bid farewell

Check-out after breakfast

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Eight-day Nile River cruise (5-star deluxe Nile cruise **Nile Premium**)

Sightseeing as per itinerary, including entrance fees

English-speaking Egyptologist guide

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

Airport or 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

Any optional tours not mentioned in the itinerary

1 Person

3750\$ Per Person

2-4 Persons

2650\$ Per Person

5-8 Persons

1999\$ Per Person

9-16 Persons

1850\$ Per Person

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