

# Egyptian Odyssey

Cairo, Luxor, Aswan, Abu Simbel.

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## tour.duration Tour Type Tour Runs

15 Days

Private Tour Every Day

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## tour.overview

Explore the wonders of the ancient Egyptian civilization including the enormous pyramids of Giza plateau, Sakkara, and Memphis.

Stay in the 5-star hotels and sail on a luxurious [Nile Cruise](#) ship, taste delicious local cuisine, and embrace the unique Egyptian culture.

Visit all the major temples and tombs in Luxor and Aswan, and then visit the world heritage temples at Abu Simbel.

Professional Egyptologist guides with vast knowledge of the history.

Explore the most famous and fascinating tombs in Luxor. Namely: Seti I, Ramses VI, and [Tut Ankh Amun](#) in the valley of Kings

Enter the tombs of Nefertari in the valley of queens.

Meet and assist everywhere from start to finish.

## tour.itinerary

### Day 1

**Welcome to Cairo**

Indulge in the abundance of your Cairo getaway as you arrive and make yourself comfortable in your luxury hotel situated on the panoramic Giza plateau. Later in the evening, our knowledgeable local representative will greet you for a detailed briefing on your upcoming [Cairo day tour](#), ensuring that you have an unforgettable experience exploring the treasures of Cairo.

## Day 2

### Giza Pyramids

Experience luxury perfection with a personalized tour of the iconic symbols of Egypt's ancient civilization. As a private tour, you'll have complete control over your time exploring each site.

Explore the Giza plateau and marvel at the Great Pyramids and [Sphinx](#), dating back over 4600 years. Although there are over 100 pyramids in Egypt, the [Giza Pyramids](#) is one of the ancient Seven Wonders of the World. Your highly knowledgeable Egyptologist guide will provide a captivating introduction to the three pyramids - Cheops, Chephren, and Mykerinus.

You'll even have the opportunity to enter one of the pyramids on your own (at additional cost), providing a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

After visiting the pyramids, continue your journey across the plateau and capture stunning photos of the three pyramids rising majestically from the sands, with the magnificent Cairo skyline in the background. A brief drive to the city side of the plateau will bring you to the feet of the Sphinx, an enigmatic symbol of Egypt for thousands of years. The Sphinx, with the head of a king and the body of a lion, is shrouded in mystery, leaving unanswered questions about its construction and

purpose.

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**Overnight:** in Cairo | **Meals:** Breakfast

### Day 3

#### Memphis and Sakkara

Sakkara was the main cemetery of the old kingdom era. It is an amazing archeological site where the famous and multi-titled architect Imhotep built the oldest pyramid in Egypt. The first stone structure is 4800 years and erected in the form of massive solid steps on top of each. (The name [Step Pyramid](#) is quite suitable). You will learn about the complex step pyramid and the development of the royal tomb structure.

Your tour guide will accompany you inside one of the nobles' tombs in [Saqqara](#) (the tomb of Kagmini) and the tomb of Ti to see murals reflecting daily life activities in ancient Egypt. Moreover, you can enter the pyramid of Titi, where you can see the oldest form of the pyramid text on the chamber walls (4340 years old).

**Memphis** is your second destination to visit the open-air museum of the city. In [Memphis](#), you will see the second-largest Sphinx in Egypt, known as the alabaster Sphinx, the lying colossus of Ramses II that is a masterpiece and a strong proof of how Egyptian sculpture reached its peak. You will also see many more monuments dug in this great city. the first capital city of Egypt was Memphis after the unity of the Southern and Northern kingdoms. Enjoy all the beautiful monuments on display in the open museum.

After having lunch, you will head to the airport for your flight to Luxor.

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**Overnight:** in Luxor | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 4

### Karnak Temple

Enjoy visiting the impressive [Karnak Temple](#), the most important place of worship ever built. The ancient name "Ipet-isut" means "the most sacred of places." The temple, or, more correctly, the complex of temples, was built over more than 2,000 years by generation after generation of pharaohs.

Within the complex, you will find the great "Hypostyle Hall," which is an incredible forest of giant pillars. After this, You will have lunch in a local restaurant then in the evening; you will transfer to Luxor temple, which Amenhotep III and Ramses II built for rituals and festivals dedicated to the god Amen.

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**Overnight:** in Luxor | **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 5

### Valley of the Kings

Experience the luxury perfection as you cross the majestic [Nile River](#) to the West Bank, where a brief drive will bring you to the ancient village of Deir el-Medina, once home to the skilled workers who created the grand tombs of the Pharaohs.

Marvel at the magnificently preserved Tomb of Sennedjem, showcasing complex and colorful hieroglyphics that tell the story of his life and journey to the afterlife. From there, your journey continues to the mythical [Valley of the Kings](#), where you can visit as many open tombs as you want, including the great Tombs of Seti I, [Tutankhamun](#)

, and Rameses VI.

You'll move to the great Pharaohs' era as you explore these majestic tombs. After leaving the Valley, relax in the lap of luxury as you return to your hotel.

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**Overnight:** in Luxor | **Meals:** Breakfast

## Day 6

### Luxor Temples

Begin on a luxurious journey today as you cross the majestic Nile River. Next time visit the West Bank of Egypt, where you will explore the grand Ramesseum, **the mortuary temple** of the great Pharaoh Rameses II. Continue your journey to the spectacular Medinet Habu, **the Temple of Rameses III**, which will leave you gripped by its grandeur and intricate carvings.

The next stop is the stunning [Valley of the Queens](#), where you can marvel at the majestic Tomb of Nefertari, featuring some of the most beautifully colored artwork in the area.

Finally, please take a moment to capture the perfect shot of the fantastic [Colossi of Memnon](#), which set statues of the great [Amenhotep III](#) that once beautified the entrance of his temple. Enjoy this unique and luxurious experience and take home memories to adore forever.

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**Overnight:** in Luxor | **Meals:** Breakfast

## Day 7

## Hatshepsut Temple

Embark on a journey through time as you explore the historical [Temple of Queen Hatshepsut](#) on the West Bank. This architectural masterpiece stands as one of Egypt's most unique landmarks.

This temple diverges from the sandstone structures typical of the New Kingdom funerary temples. **Queen Hatshepsut**, the first female ruler in the country's history, defied convention and proved her detractors wrong through her remarkable achievements.

Despite opposition from the royal family, she emerged as one of Egypt's most successful rulers. Her temple is a testament to her power and grandeur. Later, indulge in the ultimate luxury and check in to your deluxe Nile cruise.

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

### Day 8

#### Free Day

A free day to relax or go for more sightseeing in Luxor till the cruise will sail.

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

### Day 9

#### Edfu Temple

In the morning, our cruise ship will take us to Edfu to see its marvelous temple. The [Edfu Temple](#) is the best-preserved ancient temple in Egypt dedicated to the falcon god Horus. It was built in the Ptolemaic

period between 240 and 57 BC. When we return to the ship, we will cruise towards Kom Ombo where we arrive in the late afternoon.

We will visit the Ptolemaic [Kom Ombo Temple](#). It was built during the reign of King Ptolemy V (ca. 205 to 180 BC). The Ptolemies constructed the Temple of Kom Ombo to worship the two gods, Sobek – the crocodile god, and Horus – the falcon god. After visiting the site, we will return to the ship for dinner, and then we will start sailing south towards Aswan.

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

## Day 10

### Elephantine Island

Enjoy a peaceful sail on a felucca while visiting [Elephantine Island](#) and the Botanical Garden. This experience offers a relaxing break from your Nile Cruise and allows you to soak in the beauty of Aswan. After the ride, you can check in to your Aswan hotel and unwind in luxury.

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**Overnight:** in Aswan | **Meals:** Breakfast

## Day 11

### Abu Simbel

As you embark on your trip to the Temples of Ramses II in [Abu Simbel](#), you are about to discover one of the unique archaeological places on the planet. The grandeur and majesty of these twin temples, crafted out of the mountainside by skilled artisans during the 13th century BC, are a testament to the power and vision of Pharaoh

Ramesses II and his [Queen Nefertari](#).

These temples were built to celebrate his apparent success at the Action of Kadesh and to intimidate the Nubian people. Yet, they also bear witness to a time of outstanding artistic and cultural achievement, which still amazes and inspires visitors worldwide.

The Nubian Monuments, of which **Abu Simbel** is a part, constitute a UNESCO World Heritage Site that extends along the Nile from Abu Simbel to Philae, near Aswan. The significance of these monuments lies not only in their creative and cultural value but also in their historical and archaeological importance. They provide a unique insight into the world of the pharaohs and the ancient civilization that flourished along the Nile for thousands of years.

Your visit to Abu Simbel will be a personalized and informative experience guided by a qualified Egyptologist who will share with you the secrets and stories of this magical place. As you explore the four rock-hewn pharaohs, you will be surprised by the concentration to point, the majesty of the statues, and the beauty of the murals that adorn the walls.

The history of the temples' discovery is just as fascinating as the temples. You will learn how, by sheer luck, they struggled in 1813 and the series of events that led to their eventual repair and protection.

While the temples are the main attraction, the stunning natural surroundings of the area will also captivate your senses. From the pristine waters of the Nile to the rugged desert landscape, every inch of Abu Simbel is a visual masterpiece that will leave you breathless.



After this memorable experience, you will return to Aswan, improved with deeper learning of ancient Egyptian history and culture and with memories that will last a lifetime.

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**Overnight:** in Aswan | **Meals:** Breakfast

## Day 12

### Temple of Philae

Early morning in Aswan, you will enjoy a day's sightseeing. Start with the High Dam and the Unfinished Obelisk then on to the beautiful [Temple of Philae](#), which is devoted to the goddesses Isis. Head to Aswan airport to fly back to Cairo.

Embark on an unforgettable journey through time and history with a full day of sightseeing in Aswan. Begin your adventure early in the morning with visits to some of the city's most iconic landmarks. Marvel at the **High Dam**, a marvel of modern engineering that spans the mighty Nile River, and explores the Unfinished Obelisk's mysteries. This ancient monument testifies to the skills of the Pharaonic artisans.

Next, head to the stunning Temple of Philae, a breathtaking shrine dedicated to the goddess Isis. Admire the intricate carvings and hieroglyphics that adorn the walls, and learn about the myths and legends surrounding this enigmatic deity.

As your day of exploration ends, make your way to Aswan Airport for a flight back to Cairo. Reflect on the many wonders you have seen and the rich culture and history of Egypt that you have experienced. From the imposing High Dam to the majestic Temple of Philae, Aswan is a city that captures the imagination and leaves an indelible mark on the

heart.

Head to Aswan airport to fly back to Cairo.

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**Overnight:** in Cairo | **Meals:** Breakfast

## Day 13

### Cairo Tour

Immerse yourself in the captivating history of Egypt with a visit to the iconic [Egyptian Museum](#), home to over 120,000 Egyptian artifacts, including the priceless treasures of [King Tutankhamun](#). Your expert Egyptologist guide will introduce you to the most important pieces before allowing you to explore the Museum at your own pace. The next stop is the Alabaster Mosque at the [Citadel of Salah el-Din](#), Cairo's most significant mosque, which boasts stunning views of the city. Learn about the fundamental beliefs of Islam and the most common prayers as you explore the mosque with your guide.

Discover the rich heritage of Coptic Christians with visits to [the Hanging Church](#), one of the oldest Christian churches in Egypt, and the Monastery and Church of Saint George. Continue to Abu Serga, a 10th-century church believed to be one of the places where the Holy Family rested after running Israel from King Herod. Your tour ends with a visit to the Ben Ezra Synagogue, the oldest synagogue in Egypt, set in a peaceful garden on the site of a 4th-century Christian church. Explore the unique and diverse religious heritage of Cairo with this exceptional tour.

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**Overnight:** in Cairo | **Meals:** Breakfast

## Day 14

## Free Day

Today is free. You can enjoy the comforts of your hotel, or you can go back to any of your favorite places; you can ask your guide about more options and activities.

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**Overnight:** in Cairo | **Meals:** Breakfast

## Day 15

### Bid Farewell

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Cairo International Airport to depart from Egypt, leaving unforgettable experiences and memories created by [Your Egypt Tours](#).

## tour.included

Meet & assist upon arrival and departure.

Internal flights (Cairo-Luxor-Aswan-Abu Simbel -Cairo).

All transfers by a Private air-conditioned vehicle.

Daily bottled water

All Accommodations at a 5-star hotel on a B.B basis. Marriot Mena House- Nile Kempinski in Cairo -Winter palace in Luxor-Cataract hotel Aswan

4 days 3 nights 5\* Deluxe Nile cruise. on full board basis.

Private English Egyptologist guide.

Entry to the Great pyramid chamber, the tomb of King Tut, the tomb of Seti I, the tomb of Ramses VI, and the tomb of Nefertari.

Entrance fees to all the mentioned sites.

All Service charges & taxes.

## **Exclusion**

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Any extras not mentioned in the itinerary.

Entry visa to Egypt.

Tipping

Personal expenses.

1 Person

**8750\$** Per Person

2-4 Persons

**6999\$** Per Person

5-8 Persons

**6300\$** Per Person

9-16 Persons

**5740\$** Per Person

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