Wonders of Ancient Egypt Winter 2024 - 2025

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12 day

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Experience the sensational wonders of ancient Egypt this winter with Your Egypt Tours.

Discover the famous monuments of Cairo including the Great Pyramids of Giza.

Experience the wonders of Luxor and Aswan as you sail along the Nile in a luxurious Nile cruise.

Explore Egypt's most remarkable temples on a guided tour.

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Day 1

Arrival - Cairo

Arrive at Cairo International Airport and meet with our representative who will assist you with custom formalities and luggage. Transfer to your hotel in Cairo and soak up the atmosphere of this historic city.

Day 2

Cairo - Pyramids Excursion

Enjoy breakfast in your hotel and prepare to journey to the ancient city of Memphis. Explore the fascinating monuments of the capital of ancient Egypt such as the Colossus of Ramses II and the Alabaster Sphinx. Your personal Egyptologist guide will accompany you throughout your journey and provide you with their fascinating history. After exploring Memphis, travel to Saqqara and visit the Step Pyramid, one of the oldest pyramids built in Egypt.

Return to Cairo and continue exploring the pyramids of Egypt with a guided tour of the Giza Plateau. Join your personal Egyptologist as you visit the Great Pyramids of Giza and Sphinx. Marvel at the grand scale of the pyramids and stand before the Sphinx, truly an unforgettable experience. You will have free time to participate in optional activities of interest (at an additional cost).

Optional Activities:

Ride on camelback

Explore the pyramid's chambers

Your Egypt Tours encourages you to join us on an unforgettable night at the Pyramids of Giza and experience a magical Sound and Light Show to cap off your exciting journey (optional night activity). Return to your hotel in Cairo for a relaxing overnight stay.

Overnight: Hotel in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast

Day 3

Cairo - Nile Cruise to Luxor

After breakfast, fly to Luxor and join Your Egypt Tours on a guided tour of the striking Temple of Luxor. Walk along the Avenue of Sphinxes, which has hundreds of carefully crafted statues standing along its path. Your personal Egyptologist will provide a fascinating introduction to the temple and its monuments.

Afterwards, make your way to <u>Karnak Temple</u>, one of the most fascinating archeological sites in Luxor. This vast complex of temples was expanded over several generations of pharaohs and is one of the largest in the world. Explore this historic site and learn why it was known as "the most sacred of places."

At the end of your guided tour, board your cruise ship and embark on a journey along the Nile for the next seven nights.

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

Day 4

Nile Cruise: Luxor - Dendera – Edfu

Enjoy breakfast aboard your Nile Cruise and explore the <u>Dendera</u> <u>Temple</u>. Marvel at the beautiful paintings that decorate the temple's walls. Your guide will help you decipher the meaning of these marvelous temple decorations.

Return to your Nile Cruise after your tour and continue sailing along the Nile. Along the way, you will pass through the Esna Lock as you make your way to Edfu.

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

Day 5

Nile Cruise: Edfu - Aswan

Enjoy breakfast onboard your Nile Cruise as you arrive at Edfu. Your personal tour guide will accompany you to the <u>Temple of Edfu</u>, dedicated to Horus. This remarkable temple is one of the most well-preserved temples in Egypt. Observe the detailed inscriptions that decorate the temple's walls, your private guide will help you decipher their meaning.

At the end of your tour, return to your cruise and continue sailing towards Aswan.

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

Day 6

Nile Cruise: Aswan

After breakfast, explore the quarries of Aswan and discover the **Unfinished Obelisk**. Stand on top of this ancient monument, which would have been the tallest of its kind in Egypt.

Along the way, you will visit the impressive High Dam of Aswan, a modern feat of engineering that protected the region from flooding. Later, you will travel by motorboat and experience the natural beauty of the Nile as you reach the Island of Philae. Upon arrival, you will explore the Temple of Isis in the company of your Egyptologist guide and uncover its rich history.

At the end of your tour, return to your Nile Cruise and spend the evening in relaxation as you continue sailing along the Nile.

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

Day 7

Nile Cruise: Aswan

Enjoy breakfast on your Nile Cruise and experience the beauty of Aswan with Your Egypt Tours. Sail in a traditional felucca and arrive at Kitchener's Island, home to the beautiful Botanical Gardens. Witness unforgettable sights and then return to your cruise ship for a relaxing evening onboard.

Day 8

Nile Cruise: Aswan – Kom-Ombo – Edfu

After breakfast on your cruise, join Your Egypt Tours on an exciting tour of <u>Abu Simbel</u> (optional). Explore the wondrous twin temples built at Egypt's southern gateway to Africa. Marvel at the massive statues of Ramses II as they sit proudly at the main temple's entrance. Your personal Egyptologist guide will introduce you to the temple's highlights before allowing you to explore at your own leisure.

Disembark from your Nile Cruise and visit the fascinating <u>Temple of</u> <u>Kom-Ombo</u>. Explore this fascinating temple that is dedicated to two different Egyptian gods! Discover the fascinating history of this unusual temple and learn more about the ancient Egyptian pantheon. Return to your cruise ship at the end of your tour and continue your sightseeing adventure along the Nile.

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

Day 9

Nile Cruise: Edfu – Luxor

Relax onboard your cruise as you continue sailing along the Nile. Experience the natural beauty of Egypt as you see unique scenery that are perfect for taking unforgettable photos. Enjoy the comforts of the onboard facilities and prepare for tomorrow's adventure with Your Egypt Tours.

Day 10

Luxor - Valley of the Kings

Enjoy breakfast onboard your cruise and embark on a journey to discover the wonders of Luxor's West Bank. Stand before the <u>Colossi</u> <u>of Memnon</u>, two massive statues which stood guard at Amenhotep III funerary temple. Continue your adventure in the company of your Egyptologist guide and explore the striking Temple of Queen Hatshepsut. This funerary temple is unique in design and is surrounded by sandstone cliffs, creating a natural amphitheater.

Discover the former resting place of Egypt's pharaohs as you explore the <u>Valley of the Kings</u>. This royal burial site once held the remains of Ramses II, Tutankhamun and many other kings of Egypt's New Kingdom. You will have the opportunity to explore these beautifully decorated tombs, at an additional cost.

At the end of your tour, head to Luxor Airport to catch your flight back to Cairo. Check into your hotel and enjoy a relaxing overnight stay in Egypt's vibrant capital. Your Egypt Tours encourages you to experience the nightlife of Cairo with our exciting night activities.

Optional Night Activities:

Overnight: Hotel in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast & Lunch

Day 11

Old Cairo Sightseeing

After breakfast, meet with your private tour guide and enjoy a day of sightseeing across Cairo. Visit the Alabaster Mosque found at the historic Citadel of Cairo, one of the Seven Wonders of the Medieval World. Along the way you will visit the Mosque of Sultan Hassan, one of Egypt's finest mosques. Last but not least, visit the Fortress of Babylon and witness the beautiful Hanging Church of St. Mary.

Afterward, visit the incredible <u>Egyptian Museum</u> and explore its extensive collection of Egyptian artifacts. Your personal guide will introduce you to the highlights of the museum before allowing you to explore at your own leisure. You will find countless fascinating artifacts that date across Egypt's history, including the priceless collection of Tutankhamun.

At the end of your tour, return to your hotel in Cairo for your final overnight stay.

Overnight: Hotel in Cairo | Meals: Breakfast

Day 12

Departure - Cairo

Transfer to Cairo International Airport for your return flight home. Airport transfers are available if needed (conditions apply).

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Transportation on private air-conditioned vehicles.

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

8 days, 7 nights on board a 5-star Nile cruise, on full board basis.

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

Internal flights (Cairo-Luxor; Luxor-Cairo).

when needed.

All service charge and taxes.

Exclusion

International Airfare. Gratuities/Tipping (Recommended).

Entry fees to the chambers of the pyramids.

Entry fees to the tomb of Tut Ankh Amun in Luxo

Camel ride

Drinks and any personal expenses. Entry visa to Egypt. Optional tours not included as part of the itinerary. 4600\$ Per Person

2-4 Persons

3750\$ Per Person

5-8 Persons

3500\$ Per Person

9-16 Persons

3200\$ Per Person

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