# Timeless Egypt: Cairo, Luxor & the Nile Cruise

## Itinerary: 09 Days/ 08 Nights

| Program in Brief | |
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| **Day 01** | Arrival to Cairo - A Warm Welcome to Cairo |
| **Day 02** | Cairo's Highlights |
| **Day 03** | Cairo - Fly to Luxor |
| **Day 04** | Luxor West Bank |
| **Day 05** | Sail through the Nile to Edfu & Kom Ombo |
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| **Day 08** | Grand Egyptian Museum, Saladin Citadel, Alabaster Mosque, Khan El Khalili Bazzars |
| **Day 09** | Cairo – Airport for Departure |

## Itinerary day by day

### Day 01: Arrival to Cairo - A Warm Welcome

After a smooth flight, our representative will receive you with a warm welcome to Cairo, and assist you with a hassle-free arrival. Then you will be transferred to the hotel. Check-in, overnight in Cairo.

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| **Accommodation** | Cairo Hotel | Meal Plan: Dinner & Overnight |

### Day 02: Cairo's Highlights

After a delicious breakfast at the hotel, you will be on the move in a modern, private, AC van to The Giza Plateau. A private Egyptologist will take you on a tour to visit the Great Pyramid Area where you will learn about the historic and architectural significance of the oldest of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Afterwards, it's time for a delicious Egyptian meal made with love and oriental flavors then you will visit the Valley Temple, and Great Sphinx, where you can pose to take unrivaled photos. Then, you will head to Sakkara Complex, home to the oldest complete stone building complex known in history, the Pyramid of Djoser, built during the Third Dynasty. After a mesmerizing walk through history. Overnight in Cairo.

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| **Accommodation** | Cairo Hotel | Meal Plan: Lunch & Overnight |

## DAY 3: Cairo - Fly to Luxor

It is time to say goodbye to Cairo. You will take your private A/C van to the airport for your domestic flight to Luxor. After a smooth arrival, you will be on an original cultural tour to visit the East bank of Luxor, which is the central part of Luxor Township, centered on the twin foci of the Temple of Luxor and the Karnak Temples. You will be on the move with your Egyptologist to a tour through ancient history, starting with Karnak Temples, the second most visited site in Egypt and is believed to be the largest worship religious site in the world. Moving on to Luxor Temple, which was once connected to Karnak Temples through Luxor dromos, an avenue of human headed sphinxes. The temple was dedicated to the Theban triad Amun, Mut and Khonsu. You will then be on the move to Embark on your cruise. Lunch on board then quite relaxing and cosy time, prepare for a nice dinner on board.

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| **Accommodation** | Overnight on board | Meal Plan: Lunch, Dinner & Overnight |

## Day 04: Luxor West Bank

Enjoy a lovely breakfast in the morning before you will be on the move to Luxor's West Bank. You will visit Valley of the Kings where you will explore royal tombs. Afterwards, you will visit Queen Hatshepsut Temple located beneath the cliffs at Deir el-Bahari, and at the Eastern side facing the Theban Mountain. Your next stop will be the great two statues Colossi of Memnon. Back to your cruise, Lunch & Dinner on board while sailing to Edfu.

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| **Accommodation** | Overnight on board | Meal Plan: Lunch, Dinner & Overnight |

## Day 05: Sail through the Nile to Edfu & Kom Ombo

Enjoy a lovely breakfast in the morning, arrival Edfu, where you will visit Horus temple. Then you will sail to Kom Ombo, where you will visit the double sanctuary temple of Kom Ombo, which is picturesquely situated on the riverbank. Your Egyptologist will share with you the story behind that temple being dedicated to two Gods: the crocodile representing God Sobek as well as the Falcon representing God Haroeris.

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| **Accommodation** | Overnight on board | Meal Plan: Lunch, Dinner & Overnight |

## Day 06: Aswan

After Breakfast, Early Morning Optional to visit Abusimbel temple, you will be on the move to explore Isis Temple (Philae Temple) at Agilka Island, via a motor boat. The temple was rescued from destruction in a joint operation by the UNESCO and Egyptian Government. There you will get to learn more details about the Temple's rescue operation and the ancient history narrated on its walls of the ancient goddess "Isis;" the Goddess of magic, death and motherhood.
After your visit, back to the cruise & overnight

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| **Accommodation** | Overnight on board | Meal Plan: Lunch, Dinner & Overnight |

## Day 07: Flight to Cairo

Breakfast on board, Disembarkation, transfer by Private A/C van to Aswan airport for your domestic flight back to Cairo arrival, transfer to your hotel, check in & over night

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| **Accommodation** | Cairo Hotel | Meal Plan: Overnight |

## Day 08: Grand Egyptian Museum, Saladin Citadel, Alabaster Mosque, Khan El Khalili Bazzars

Breakfast at the hotel, start your day tour to visit the Grand Egyptian Museum, which is the first museum to display the breathtaking full tomb collection of King Tutankhamun, which includes about 5000 items. Lunch at outdoor restaurant, Continue our tour to visit the Citadel of Saladin; was built at 12th century and Alabaster Mosque which built in 1848 AD imitating the Blue Mosque of Istanbul then visit Khan-el-Khalili old Bazaar, a lively market where you can haggle for souvenirs or traditional local crafts, back to the hotel & overnight.

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| **Accommodation** | Cairo Hotel | Meal Plan: Lunch, Overnight |

## Day 09: Cairo – Airport for Departure

After a nice breakfast at the hotel, your private A/C van will transfer you to the airport for your final departure. See you soon!

# End of Program

# Services

### Price Included:

- Accommodation:
  - 3 nights in Cairo (arrival, mid-tour, and final night)
  - 4 nights on a Nile Cruise (Luxor to Aswan)
  - 1 night back in Cairo after Aswan visit
- Meals:
  - Daily breakfast throughout the trip
  - 6 Lunches (some on board the cruise, some at local restaurants)
  - 4 Dinners on board the Nile cruise
- Transportation:
  - All airport transfers in private A/C van
  - Domestic flights: Cairo ✈ Luxor & Aswan ✈ Cairo

- All ground transfers in private modern A/C van
- Nile Cruise transportation from Luxor to Aswan
- Boat ride to Philae Temple
- Sightseeing:
- Giza Pyramids, Sphinx, Valley Temple & Sakkara
- Karnak & Luxor Temples (East Bank)
- Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut Temple, Colossi of Memnon (West Bank)
- Edfu Temple & Kom Ombo Temple
- Philae Temple (Aswan)
- Grand Egyptian Museum (Cairo)
- Saladin Citadel & Alabaster Mosque
- Khan El Khalili Bazaar
- Entrance Fees to all mentioned sites
- Professional Egyptologist Guide throughout
- Assistance at all airports upon arrival and departure

**Price excluded:**

- Flight to and from Italy
- Gratuities to the local guides and driver