

## Egypt Itinerary 12 Days

Type	Run	Duration	Pick up
Private	Every Day	10 Days-9 nights	05:00

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Inclusions:	Exclusions:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 nights in Cairo based on Bed and Breakfast</li> <li>• 3-night Nile cruise based on full board</li> <li>• 2-night camping in the white desert based on full board</li> <li>• Entrance fees for All mentioned sites Except optional Tickets</li> <li>• Flight Tickets- Cairo-Aswan-Luxor-Cairo</li> <li>• Private tour guide</li> <li>• Lunch during the trips</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tipping</li> <li>• Any extra</li> <li>• Meals which are not mentioned</li> </ul>

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## Days Table

### First Day :Day 1- Arrival to Cairo

Marsa Alam tours representative will meet & assist you at Cairo International Airport, Transfer to hotel by private air-conditioned vehicle, Overnight in the Hotel



### Second Day :Day 2-The Pyramids of Giza and Cairo Museum

You will be picked up from your hotel in Cairo by our tour guide, to enjoy a great excursion to The Pyramids of Giza ( Cheops, Chephren, and Mykerinus. Then proceed to visit the Great Sphinx, which dates back to the time of and visit the Valley Temple

Then visit the Egyptian Museum:

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It exhibits a rare collection of over 250,000 genuine artifacts that date as far back as 5000 years, including an exclusive exhibit dedicated to Tutankhamen - A collection of treasures, gold, and jewelry that were buried in his tomb for over 3,500 years before they were discovered in 1920 when his tomb was excavated.

Free time to discover Cairo by night



### Third Day :Day 3- Aswan sightseeings

Pick up from your hotel in Cairo to fly to Aswan- followed by transfer from Aswan airport to the Nile cruise for Embarkation& Lunch on board the Nile Cruise, proceed to visit Aswan, including the Temple of Philae, and tour by Felucca around Elephantine, the High Dam, the Unfinished Obelisk

Phiala temple:

Built to honor the goddess Isis, this was the last temple built in the classical Egyptian style. Construction began around 690 BC, and it

was one of the last outposts where the goddess was worshipped.

#### The High Dam:

Aswan High Dam is a rock-fill dam located at the northern border between Egypt and Sudan. The dam is fed by the River Nile and the reservoir forms Lake Nasser. Construction for the project began in 1960 and was completed in 1968. It was officially inaugurated in 1971.

#### The Unfinished Obelisk:

Aswan was the source of ancient Egypt's finest granite, used to make statues and embellish temples, pyramids, and obelisks. The large unfinished obelisk in the Northern Quarries has provided valuable insight into how these monuments were created, although the full construction process is still not entirely clear. Three sides of the shaft, nearly 42m long, were completed except for the inscriptions. At 1168 tonnes, the completed obelisk would have been the single heaviest piece of stone the Egyptians ever fashioned.

12:00 lunch on board the Cruise

Enjoy the sailing trip with Felucca Around Elephantine island

Optional Trip to visit the Nubian Village

See a Nubian Village, The Nubian Village is colorful, fun, friendly

Dinner & overnight onboard the Cruise

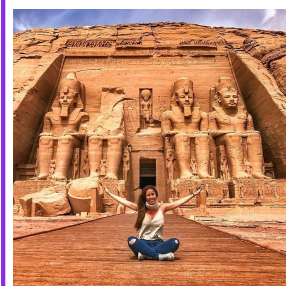


### 4Th Day :Day 4- Trip to Abu simble and Visit the Nubian

Early Visit Abu Simbel from Aswan by Private Car

Abu Simbel temples:

The two temples of Ramses the second and the Queen Nefertari were carved out of the Mountain on the west bank of the Nile between 1274 and 1244 B.c, The Great Temple was dedicated to Ramses the second, Ra-Harakhty, Amun Ra, and Ptah, with 4 Colossal statues, The second temple was dedicated to The Queen Nefertari and Goddess Hathor, the two temples were dismantled stone by stone and rebuilt on higher ground, The preservation of the two temples of Abu Simbel must Rank as the greatest Achievement of the Unesco



Back to Aswan by the afternoon, Lunch will be served in Aswan

13:00 sail to Kom Ombo

Visit The temple of Kom Ombo

The temple and the associated settlement site are located 40 K.m north of Aswan, the temple was dedicated to the deities Sobek and Horus and date mainly to the Ptolemaic and Roman periods (332 B.b -395 A.c)

Sail to Edfu-Overnight in Edfu

Dinner &overnight onboard the Cruise

### 5th Day :Day 5- Edfu and Luxor temple

Breakfast on the board on the Nile cruise, Breakfast on the Nile Cruise, Visit the Edfu

Edfu temple :

Upper Egyptian site dominated by a large well -Preserved temple, dedicated to the hawk-God Horus, The Construction of the Ptolemaic temple of Horus, which was founded on the site of a much earlier temple, dated to the period between the reigns of Ptolemy the Third(246 B.c), The descriptions on the walls include the Myth of contending of Horus and Seth(Probably performed annually as a religious Drama.

Sail to Luxor through Esna lock

Visit Luxor temple.

Luxor Temple:

Largely built by the New Kingdom Pharaoh Amenhotep the Third and Completed by King Tutankhamon and the Great King Ramses the second, The First pylon was raised by Ramses the second and Decorated with His Military Battle of Kadesh

Dinner &overnight onboard the Cruise



### 6th Day :Day 6-Luxor -The valley of Kings-Karnak temple

Breakfast on the board on the Nile cruise, Breakfast on the Nile Cruise, Visit the west bank of Luxor and Karnak

The Valley of the Kings:

Once called the great Place of the Truth, this valley Called now the valley of the Kings, It is a Majestic domain of the Pharaohs

who once lay in great stone Sarcophagi, awaiting immortality, The isolated valley behind Deir el Bahri is dominated by the Pyramid-Shaped Mountain Peak

The colossi of Memnon:

Massive pair statues Know as the Colossi of Memnon, Rising about 18 M from the plain, They are the remains of what once the largest complex on the west bank, Built by Amenhotep the Third

The Queen Hatshepsut temple :

Rising out of the desert Plain, in a series of terraces, The temple of Hatshepsut Mergs with sheer limestone Cliffs of the eastern face of the Theban Mountain as if Nature herself had built this Extraordinary monument.

Overnight o board the Cruise in Luxor

Karnak temple :

Karnak is more than A temple, is a spectacular Complex of Sanctuaries, Kiosks, Pylons, and Obelisks, All dedicated to the Theban gods and to the Greater Glory of Egypt's Pharaohs, Karnak was the Most Important place for the worship of the Theban Triad(Amun, Mut, and Khonso)

Fly to Cairo from Luxor- Then transfer to your hotel in Cairo- Overnight in Cairo



### **7th Day :Day 7-Cairo to the white desert**

At 06:00 am Pick up time from your hotel in Giza or in Cairo, drive to Bahariya Oasis, which is located about 350 km east of Cairo This journey takes about 4 hours, arrive at 10:00 there will be stops during the trip for WC and Coffee

At 10:00 you will take your 4x4 Jeep and drive to the black desert

12:00 The Lunch will be served here in El Haize oasis

13:00 Then drive to the valley of Agabat

15:00 Arrive at the Valley of Agabat is deep within the white desert You have to be there to feel the out-worldly beauty of the place. Millions of years ago, the place used to be under the sea. Over the years, unique rock formations of limestone, and chalk



(and maybe sand) developed.

16: 30 explore the white desert National Park, the most well-known desert destination in Egypt.

17:30 Make tents and Enjoy the sunset

18:30 As the sky turns pink and then the deepest fiery orange, the rock-shapes fade, and silence is all around. Sitting around a small fire and enjoying the simplest meal of chicken, rice, and vegetables, you will feel like nothing has ever tasted so good. Bedouin staff will arrange dinner and desert camping.

### **8th Day :Day 8- White desert- Bahariya-Cairo**

At 06:00 am Enjoy sunrise

At 07:00 Am you'll enjoy breakfast in the desert, before driving to Bahariya Oasis

At 09:00 On the way back, you will visit Crystal Mountain, Crystal Mountain, locally known as Gebel al-Izzaz. It's more of a crystal hill, seen on the right, which is often called the Jewel of the desert is formed by the quartzite crystals and looks amazing in the sun's rays. A few decades ago, that natural feature has been found by accident.

11:00 Drive to Bahariya Oasis, Soak in the heat at Bir Sigam, a hot spring that can help to relax. Located at 7 km east of Bahariya on the Cairo road, the spring is the best hot spring in temperature,

12:00 Then drive back to Cairo. Arrival at Cairo at 16:30



### **9th Day :Day 9-Wadi el Hitan Trip from Cairo**

Pick up from your hotel in Cairo and transferred by air-conditioned Car to El Fayoum Oasis in the Western Desert

Pick up from Cairo airport transferred by air-conditioned Car to Tunis village in El Fayoum Oasis in the Western Desert

Driving distance: 126 km.

Duration: 1 hour 52 mins.



Start your adventure by Toyota land cruiser 4x4 to Wadi Al Hitan

From: Tunis village in Fayoum, Egypt.  
To: Wadi Al-Hitan (Whale Valley), Egypt.  
Driving distance: 69.2 km.  
Duration: 1 hour 37 mins

Wadi Al Hitan ' is a Protected area and a Natural Heritage Site added in 2005 by UNESCO as a world heritage site, WADI EL-HITAN is also known for scientists in the Zeuglodon Valley, have been discovered in 1936, it is located 35 KM west of the Wadi El-Ryan, right deep into the desert western desert, is It is an area of fossils; considered as an open museum, dates back to 45 million years and contains petrified primitive whales skeletons, shark teeth, shells and roots of Mangroves preserved in soft rocks. Everywhere you go here you find petrified sea shell and corals, Visit the Fossil & Climate Change Museum

The museum hosts a variety of whale fossils, and skeletons that are displayed outdoors, as for the museum it has a variety of fossils, skeletons, fossilized mangroves, and ancient seashells exhibited indoors in glass boxes, Enjoy your lunch

Drive to The Magic lake and Gebel Al-Mudawara

The Magic lake:

One of the most beautiful lakes in Egypt, overlooking sand dunes, is the Magic lake. Around the lake gives you the chance to witness one of the most eye-catching sunsets you will ever see.

The Magic Lake is a beautiful lake located in Wadi El Rayan in Fayoum. It was named the Magic lake as it changes its colors several times a day depending on the time of year and the amount of sunlight it receives.

It is an amazingly beautiful place surrounded by desert. People spend their time hiking & sand-boarding beside Magic Lake or even swimming in the lake itself.

Seven Kilometres south of the waterfall, Along the left eastern side of the road, Is a picturesque Area known as Al Mudawara, The Lookout, There are three Mountain along the lakeshore, it is a favorite Picnic Area

Wadi El Rayan

Wadi El Rayan is a depression 42 Meters below sea level and covers 673 K.m. In 1966 this depression became a water reservoir when it was connected with Qarun Lake by underground Pipe

Tea time by sunset Then drive back to Cairo-Overnight in Cairo

### **10th Day :Day 10-Alexandria tour from Cairo**

Start your private tour to Alexandria from Cairo, starting at 7:00 am with a Pickup from your hotel by our Egyptologist, and transfer by Private A/C Vehicle to Alexandria, The distance is 220 k/m Northwest of Cairo. Arrive at Alexandria around 10 am Start your day Tour in Alexandria by Visiting The Roman Catacombs of Kom el Shoqafa

The Catacombs Kom el Shoqafa :

Archaeologists believe that the Catacomb of Kom el Shoqafa was started in the 2nd century A.D. and was used to intern the dead for the next 200 years. This was a period in the history of the city of Alexandria when there was a great mixture of different cultures. Of course, there was the ancient history of the great Egyptian kingdoms which went back thousands of years

Pompey Pillar:

Has nothing to do with Pompey. The story behind the name refers to the possible burial ground of the Roman general when he fled to Egypt and was assassinated after losing a major battle in Greece against Caesar. The red granite column was probably built to honor Emperor Diocletian. Today it stands 25 meters high and is the tallest ancient monument in Alexandria

The Citadel of Sultan Qaitbay:

The Citadel was built in the 15th Century by the Mamlouk Sultan Qaitbay, To Guard the City against the threat of Crusaders, This wonderful Islamic Monument was built by the use of the ruins of



the old Lighthouse that was constructed by Ptolemy 11 in 3rd Century B.c. The Lighthouse was damaged during an Earthquake that Occurred in Egypt in 1303 A.c during the reign of the Mamlouk King Qaitbay

Lunch in Alexandria in Egyptian Restaurant

The new Library of Alexandria :

The Library of Alexandria was reborn in October 2002 to reclaim the mantle of its ancient namesake. It is not just an extraordinarily beautiful building; it is also a vast complex where the arts, history, philosophy, and science come together. Moreover, the myriad activities it offers have made it a place for open discussion, dialogue, and understanding.

Al Montazh Palace :

The Montaza Palace gardens are located at the eastern edge of Alexandria on the north coast of Egypt. The complex, which is around 360 acres in size, is a beautiful property that overlooks Al Montaza Gulf. The complex also contains five beaches for swimming: Aida, Cleopatra, Vanessa, Semiramis, and the private beach of Helnan Palestine Hotel. There are all sorts of fun to be had in Montaza.

Then drive to Cairo airport for international departure

### 11th Day :Day 11- Old Cairo

Pick Up time from your hotel in Giza at 08:00 am with your Egyptologist tour guide, Enjoy a fantastic orientation tour of Cairo on an 8-hour excursion that takes in the major monuments of Old Cairo and the maze of streets and stalls of the historic Khan El Khalili Bazaar. Following a hotel pick-up from Cairo or Giza, you will drive up to the Saladin Citadel, constructed by Salah al-Din on the Moqattam Hills in 1183 AD as a defense against Crusader armies. Known for its fresh air and sweeping views of Cairo, it is now a preserved historic site of mosques and museums, including the Mosque of Muhammad Ali Pasha

Designed by the Turkish architect Yousif Boushnaq, who came to Cairo especially from Istanbul to build the great building, the mosque's alabaster structure stands in beautiful contrast to the sandstone city.



Lunch will be served in a Local restaurant in Old Cairo

Then, visit Old Cairo to see major attractions such as the Hanging Church, the Ben Ezra Synagogue, the Church of St. Barbara, and the Church of Abu Serga, one of the oldest Coptic churches in Cairo

Continue to the Khan el-Khalili Bazaar, one of the oldest bazaars in the Middle East. Discover a maze of alleys that have been at the center of Cairo's trading activities since the 14th century. After an amazing trip,

### **12th Day :Day 12-International departure**

The tour ends after breakfast at our hotel in Cairo, with transfers included to take you to the airport for your flight home. If you wish to extend your stay in Cairo, please contact us.



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