

PHARAOHS & BEACHES

Days : 10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS

DAYT 1: ARRIVAL DAY CAIRO

Welcome to Egypt!

Welcome to the history and mystery of this Ancient Land – The Land of the Pharaohs.

Our representative will be meet you upon arrival in Cairo International Airport.

He will assist you with arrival procedures including the purchase of your entrance visa* After collecting your luggage, you will be transferred to your first hotel, just near the Pyramids.

Once the hotel check-in is complete your tour manager will update you with plans for the next few days.

Depending on your arrival time you can choose to relax and enjoy the hotel facilities or book in for the Sound and Light show at the Pyramids this evening. (Show is optional and at your own cost) *Entrance visa is currently USD25, please ensure you have the cash with you to give to the representative on arrival.

Overnight at your Cairo hotel.

No meals

DAY2: PYRAMIDS SPHINIX MUSEUM

Today you get to experience what millions only dream of: standing in awe of the Pyramids of Giza, including the largest one of all the so-called Great Pyramid said to be the tomb of the Pharaoh Khufu dating back over 5000 years.

After exploring the pyramids you will have the option to enter the Kings Chamber of the Great pyramid and also take a camel ride deep into the desert for some amazing photo opportunities of a total of 9 pyramids

in one shot.

Big ticks off the bucket list today!! We are not finished on the Giza Plateau just yet; we will visit the Guardian Angel of the area, the monolithic Sphinx.

The Sphinx is a mythical creature with the body of a lion and head of a human, carved from limestone it proudly sits facing the horizon and greets the sunrise as it has done daily for centuries. The day still has more treasures in store with a visit to the Egyptian Museum, home to thousands upon thousands of artefacts covering all the eras of Egyptian history, including the most famous piece of all, the Golden Mask of the young King Tutankhamun. The museum is overflowing with priceless treasures and our guide will explain the masterpieces then allow you plenty of free time to explore at your leisure. Free photography inside the museum is now permitted with a mobile phone with the exception of the King Tut exhibit.

Overnight in Cairo hotel.

(Breakfast)

DAY3: ASWAN AND PHILAE TEMPLE

After breakfast, our representative will transfer you to the airport for your flight to Aswan.

Upon arrival, we will visit the Aswan High Dam and Lake Nasser We will then board a motor boat for our visit to Philae Temple located on the small island on the Nile River called Agilkia.

Philae was one of the Temples saved by UNESCO during the construction of the High Dam in the 1960's

(Breakfast)

DAY 4: OPTIONAL ABU SIMBLE-EMBARK NILE CRUISE

(Included Trip to the Massive Temple Rock Abu Simbel –Nile Cruise) An early start today as we drive 3 ½ hours south to the magnificent Temples of Abu Simbel We consider these to be the best of the best of all the Temples we visit and a must see for everyone who comes to Egypt. These temples were cut deep into the rock and dedicated to the Pharaoh Ramses II and his beloved wife Nefertari In the 1960's these temples were moved with the help of UNSECO to their current location to save them from the rising waters of the river Nile, this was a monumental feat of engineering in itself and once you have visited this site you will see why. We will then return to Aswan, to embark your 5 star cruise ship. The rest of the day is yours.

As an option, you might want to enjoy the spectacular Sound and Light Show at the Philae temple or visit the Aswan markets to test your bargaining skills for some souvenirs or purchase your outfit for the Galabeya party tomorrow night. Overnight on board.

(All meals included)

DAY5: Nile CRUISE/KOMOMBO TEMPLE

Today we will begin cruising the Nile, firstly to the Temple of KomOmbo – the only dual temple in Egypt and dedicated to two gods, Haroeris, the sun god & Sobek the crocodile god.

This temple is just a short stroll from your boat and has a fascinating history including the hieroglyphic carvings showing medical instruments we still use in our present days. We return to our cruise boat and enjoy lunch on-board.

This afternoon we sail towards the Temple of Edfu. Dinner on board. Cruise party tonight!!!

Overnight on board.

(All meals included)

DAY 6: VALLEY OF THE KINGS/HATSHEPSUT

After an early breakfast, you will visit the West Bank of Luxor. The Valley of the Kings or the Kings Valley is famous as the resting place of the most well-known Pharaoh of them all, King Tutankhamun along with many others. Today you will get to climb deep inside these highly decorated tombs that were cut deep in the mountain many thousands of years ago.

Our guide will choose the most beautiful and colourful tombs that are open on the day.

Later you will visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, the most famous female Pharaoh to rule Egypt.

Before returning to the cruise boat you will visit the Colossi of Memnon.

Lunch will be served on-board and the afternoon is yours, free to relax take a swim or wander the local area.

Relax and take in some more of the city of Luxor or as an option, we can arrange a hot-air balloon ride for you if you wish.

The evening is free. Dinner will be on board.

Overnight on board cruise ship.

(All meals included)

DAY 7: LUXOR TO RED SEA

(Luxor - East Bank - Travel to Hurghada - Red Sea)

After breakfast on-board you will disembark the cruise boat before visiting Egypt's largest temple complex, Karnak Temples. Wander the columns of the much photographed hypostyle hall and explore the numerous projects of the Pharaohs including the numerous chapels, sanctuaries and temples. Gaze upon the well-preserved obelisk of the famed Queen Hatshepsut before visiting the Sacred Lake and the largest carved scarab found in all of Egypt.

Later today we visit the Luxor Temple.

Constructed over hundreds of years by Amenhotep III, Ramses II, Tutankhamun, and other pharaohs, Luxor Temple was the largest and most significant religious centre in ancient Egypt.

After exploring Ancient Egypt we will transfer to the Red Sea and one of the most famous dive spots in the world, Hurghada. Upon arrival we will check-in to our hotel and the afternoon is free to explore. Please discuss any optional activities with our representative.

Overnight at your Hurghada hotel. (Breakfast and Dinner)

DAY 8: HURGHADA RED SEA

(Hurghada - Red Sea – Bedouin Dinner optional) Free Day.

Optional activities include: diving, snorkeling, glass-bottomed boat out to see the stunning coral reefs?

This afternoon, we will pick you up to take you out to enjoy a Bedouin dinner. (optional extra)

This includes a 4WD Safari ride to the Bedouin camp, then a camel ride to watch the sunset and enjoy a BBQ dinner Bedouin style.

Overnight in Hurghada hotel.

(Breakfast and Lunch)

DAY 9: HURGHADA TO CAIRO

After breakfast you will be transferred to the airport for your flight back to Cairo.

You will be transferred to your hotel or to any optional tours you have chosen.

OPTIONAL: Cairo City Tour which includes Coptic and Islamic Cairo or the Khan el Khalili Bazaar Other day tours are available, please discuss with your representative.

Overnight at Cairo hotel.

(Breakfast)

DAY 10: DEPARTURE DAY CAIRO

After breakfast or depending on your flight times, our representative will transfer you back to Cairo International Airport for your onward journey or return flight home.

We trust we have exceeded your expectations on this journey through Egypt and we hope you will share your experience with your friends and family and encourage them to visit Egypt very soon.

Breakfast Included

