

# ***ANCIENT EGYPT TOUR***



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## **Ancient Egypt Tour & Nile Cruise with Flights**

**Duration:** 15 days

**Stay:** 8 nights hotels, 2 nights sleeper trains, 3 nights Nile cruise

**Travel style:** Escorted tour with flights from Australia

**Booking code:** EGYAT15M

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## About the holiday

Explore the incredible treasures of Egypt and the rich history that lies along the banks of the Nile.

Uncover the many wonders, from Cairo and Luxor to Dahab and everything in between. Walk in the footsteps of the Pharaohs at the Pyramids while tracing the path of the infamous Nubians along the Nile. Then jump on board your 5-star Nile Cruise to sail in style. Roam the chaotic Bazaars and savour the unique flavours of all the spectacular Egyptian treats. Discover the eternal treasures by countless civilizations.

## Why you'll love this tour...

- Experience Egypt in comfort and style on this 2-week adventure with 5 & 4-star hotels. Plus, a luxurious 3-night stay onboard a luxurious Nile Cruiser.
- Explore ancient wonders including the Great Pyramids and Sphinx, Karnak Temple Complex, Philae Temple, Valley of the Kings and Luxor Temple with local Egyptologist Guides.
- Get your camera ready for the incredible Citadels, Mosques and Museums of Cairo. Then haggle your way through the world-famous Khan el-Khalili bazaar.
- Swap the history books for swimsuits at the Red Sea paradise of Dahab. Enjoy plenty of free time here to relax, check out the St Catherine Monastery and swim amongst the world-famous coral reefs.
- Witness one of the best sunrises Egypt has to offer as on an early morning hike to Mt Sinai for a spectacular sunrise you'll never forget!
- Feeling adventurous? This tour offers plenty of optional activities for the ultimate adrenaline fix. From hot-air ballooning over Luxor to scuba-diving the Red Sea, quad-biking and camel riding, a traditional Nubian Dinner or snorkelling the colourful Blue Hole in Dahab.

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### Escorted tour includes:

**Flights** - Return economy airfares to Cairo from Australian capital cities

Includes baggage, airline taxes and fees

**Accommodation** - 13 nights as per the itinerary

8 nights in 5 and 4-star hotels

2 nights overnight sleeper trains in private 2 berth

3 nights 5-star Nile Cruiser

**Meals** - 13 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 4 Dinners

**Transportation** - A/C coach or mini-bus and Nile Cruiser

**Train (Sleeper Cabin)** - Overnight train Cairo to Aswan & Luxor to Cairo

**Airport Transfers** - Arrival and Departure transfers on first and last day of the trip

**Tour Guiding** - Services of experienced Egyptologist guides

**Sightseeing** - Giza Pyramids, Sphinx, Sakkara Pyramid, Philae Temple

Unfinished Obelisks of Aswan, Edfu Temple, Komombo Temple, Luxor Temple

Karnak Temple, Hatshepsut Temple & Colossi of Memnon, Egyptian Museum

Citadel of Saladin, Mohammed Ali Mosque, Hanging Church, Bazaar Khan El-

Khalili, Mt Sinai, St. Catherine Monastery

### Package excludes:

Visa fees

Entrance fees to sites & monuments - see itinerary for local payment estimations

Meals not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Optional tours & activities

Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry, WiFi etc.

Gratuities for guides, representatives & drivers

Travel insurance is essential

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

*Subject to confirmation by airlines, hotels, tour company & local operators.*

*Booking conditions & cancellation fees apply.*

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## Itinerary:

### Day 1 : Fly from Australia to Egypt

### Day 2 : Cairo

Welcome to Egypt! At the Cairo terminal keep your eyes peeled for the tour operator sign for your transfer to the hotel. Freshen up and meet in the lobby around 6:00pm for an informal meeting with your guide and other tour members. Afterwards you have free time to start exploring vibrant Cairo or board a cruise for an optional group dinner.

- **Accommodation**  
Sonesta Hotel Tower & Casino - 5 Star
- **Included Activities**  
Welcome Meeting
- **Optional Activities**  
Group Dinner on Cruise - 30 USD

### Day 3 : Cairo City Tour, Overnight Sleeper Train

Set your alarms for 7.30am and fill up on plenty of breakfast before a big day exploring Egypt's iconic Ancient Wonder of the World - the Pyramids and Sphinx! Follow your guide for a tour across the ancient site to learn about the 4,600-year-old wonders. After everyone has had their dose of awe, we'll head out to Sakkara to see the iconic step pyramid built in 2700 B.C. Later in the afternoon, board an overnight sleeper train to Aswan.

- **Accommodation**  
Overnight Sleeper Train
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast, Dinner
- **Included Activities**  
Sightseeing of Giza Pyramids  
Sightseeing of Sphinx  
Sightseeing of Sakkara Pyramid
- **Entrance Fees**  
Giza Pyramids/Sphinx - 360 EGP  
Sakkara Pyramid - 300 EGP

### Day 4 : Nile Cruise

Wake up in Aswan, ready to explore on a city tour with your local guide. Visit the Unfinished Obelisk for a look into the incredible building methods used to create the four-sided, hallmark monuments that are placed at the entrances of Egyptian temples. Take some time to walk along the 42-metre long lying bed of granite and learn about its significance from your guide. Visit the Philae Temple, dedicated to the goddess Isis, divine mother of the pharaohs. The temple is set beautifully on an island in the middle of the Nile. Then all aboard the a 5-star Nile Cruiser, as we

check in to our private cabins and prepare for three nights on the Nile River. Tonight, we'll have the option to join a traditional Nubian dinner in the evening.

- **Accommodation**  
Nile Cruiser - 5 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**  
Aswan City tour  
Sightseeing of Philae Temple  
Sightseeing of Unfinished Obelisks of Aswan
- **Optional Activities**  
Nubian Dinner - 32 USD
- **Entrance Fees**  
Philae Temple - 300 EGP

### **Day 5 : Aswan, Nile Cruise**

Wake up well rested after your first night on board the Nile Cruiser. Watch beautiful scenery pass you by and wave to the locals swimming and fishing on the riverbanks. Today we will visit Kom Ombo Temple, dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek. If you are feeling up to it in the afternoon, join the optional trip to the UNESCO World Heritage Listed Abu Simbel. It is a must-do for all keen historians!

- **Accommodation**  
Nile Cruiser - 5 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
- **Included Activities**  
Sightseeing of Komombo Temple  
Sightseeing of Aswan  
Sightseeing of Kom Ombo  
Cruise On the Nile
- **Optional Activities**  
Abu Simbel - 94 USD
- **Entrance Fees**  
Komombo Temple - 240 EGP

### **Day 6 : Nile cruise**

Take it easy today as we continue our Cruise down the Nile River. Next stop will be Edfu, home to one of the largest and best-preserved temples in Egypt. Dedicated to the falcon god Horus, the temple was built over 180-years from 237 BC to 57 BC. Cruise to Luxor in the afternoon.

- **Accommodation**  
Nile Cruiser - 5 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

- **Included Activities**  
Sightseeing of Edfu Temple  
Cruise On the Nile
- **Entrance Fees**  
Edfu Temple - 450 EGP

### **Day 7 : Luxor**

After a final breakfast onboard our 5-star Nile Cruiser, we'll check out and later check in to our luxurious hotel in Luxor. After dark, we'll visit Luxor Temple to explore the dimly-light temple and learn from your guide of the temple complexes ancient history, dating back to the 14<sup>th</sup> century B.C.

- **Accommodation**  
Steigenberger Nile Palace Hotel - 5 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**  
Sightseeing of Luxor Temple at Night
- **Entrance Fees**  
Luxor Temple - 400 EGP

### **Day 8 : Luxor, Overnight Sleeper Train**

The West bank of the Nile River awaits you! Follow your guide to the Valley of the Kings, also known as the 'City of the Dead', home to fancy royal tombs carved into desert rocks and filled with treasures for the Pharaoh afterlife. Next up, the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut and Colossi of Memnon. Not to forget, a visit to the vast Karnak Temple Complex, one of the most important religious centres of ancient Egypt with its marvellous temples. Your Egyptologist guide will enlighten you with the most intriguing stories and mythologies from the temple complex. Feeling adventurous? Take to the skies on an optional hot air balloon ride over Luxor. In the evening, board an overnight sleeper train to Cairo.

- **Accommodation**  
Overnight Sleeper Train
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast, Dinner
- **Included Activities**  
Sightseeing of Valley Of The Kings  
Sightseeing of Temple of Queen Hatshepsut
- **Optional Activities**  
Hot Air Balloon - 124 USD
- **Entrance Fees**  
Valley Of The Kings - 600 EGP  
Queen Hatshepsut - 360 EGP  
Karnak Temple - 400 EGP

## Day 9 : Cairo City Tour

Wake up well rested as your overnight sleeper train pulls into Cairo!

The journey continues with one of the most important museums dedicated to the ancient world - Egyptian Museum of Cairo. Home to over 120,000 ancient Egyptian relics and antiquities, this place will leave you in awe! Then, roam around Cairo stopping by the Citadel of Saladin and the world-famous Khan el-Khalili bazaar. Make sure to wear your haggling hats and brace for the mayhem!

- **Accommodation**  
Sonesta Hotel Tower & Casino - 5 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**  
Sightseeing of Cairo  
Sightseeing of Egyptian Museum  
Sightseeing of Citadel of Saladin  
Sightseeing of Mohammed Ali Mosque  
Sightseeing of Hanging Church  
Sightseeing of Bazaar Khan El- Khalili
- **Entrance Fees**  
Egyptian Museum - 480 EGP  
Citadel of Saladin - 450 EGP

## Day 10 : Cairo, Nuweiba, Dahab

Following an early breakfast, head out to the Red Sea paradise of Dahab. Pack your swimsuit close and ready for a dip in the sea. You'll get plenty of swimming, snorkelling, diving and sunbathing. The perfect way to relax after a week of cultural discovery.

- **Accommodation**  
Dahab Paradise Hotel - 3 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast

## Day 11 : Dahab

Just lay back and relax by the golden beaches. Soak in the sun and the breeze to recharge. Have long swims, enjoy local tastes and get your dose of the Red Sea. When you're ready for some adventure, hop on camel trekking for a bumpy ride.

- **Accommodation**  
Dahab Paradise Hotel - 3 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast
- **Optional Activities**  
Camel Trekking

## Day 12 : Dahab, Mt. Sinai Trek

Today our Dahab experience starts with an optional snorkelling trip to the famous Blue Hole. Here you can snorkel off the shore, swim along colourful fish and experience the beauty of the coral reefs. Dahab is renowned for being one of the best diving destinations in the region, offering an unforgettable experience to divers of all levels. Depart for St. Catherine in the evening at 22:30 start the ascend to Mt. Sinai, where you'll witness the spectacular sunrise which blankets the surrounding peaks in gold, unveiling one of the best views in Egypt.

- **Accommodation**  
Dahab Paradise Hotel - 3 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**  
Mt Sinai Trek  
Sightseeing of Dahab
- **Optional Activities**  
Mountain Dinner - 24 USD  
Snorkelling at Blue Hole - 34 USD

## Day 13 : St. Catherine, Dahab

Start off the day with a visit to the beautiful St. Catherine Monastery before you drive back to Dahab. Free time to rest up and recharge after the hike. Get to improve your waterskiing or wake boarding skills and ride the waves to cool off.

- **Accommodation**  
Dahab Paradise Hotel - 3 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**  
Sightseeing of St. Catherine Monastery
- **Optional Activities**  
Quad Biking - 29 USD
- **Entrance Fees**  
St. Catherine Monastery - 225 EGP

## Day 14 : Dahab

Another day to relax under the sun and cool in the sea. If you have energy to spare, why not try out some water sports or attractions. Alternatively, you can browse the bazaars and markets to practice your bartering skills and collect the best souvenirs. Cherish your final day by the Red Sea under the Egyptian sun.

- **Accommodation**  
Dahab Paradise Hotel - 3 Star
- **Meals Included**  
Breakfast



- **Optional Activities**  
Snorkelling at Blue Hole - 34 USD  
Scuba Diving - EUR 45

### **Day 15 : Dahab, Sharm El Sheikh, Depart Cairo**

Have your final breakfast and start bidding farewells to your travel mates. The tour ends with a drive to Sharm El-Sheikh Airport and flight to Cairo. In Cairo, connect with your return flights to Australia. Then it's time to treasure the memories and start counting down the days to your next adventure!

#### **Meals Included**

Breakfast

**Please note: The day-by-day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, river water levels, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.**

### **Things to know before you go...**

The currency of Egypt is the Egyptian Pound (EGP). Most major cities and towns in Egypt have ATMs and credit or debits cards are widely accepted in the tourist areas. If you plan to travel off the beaten track, be prepared to have cash for souqs, small meals and entrance fees.

#### *Tipping*

Known as 'Baksheesh', tipping is a natural part of daily life and is considered part of the traditional payment structure for services in Egypt. We recommend budgeting around 5-10 USD a day for tipping with estimation of a 10% tip at restaurant, taxis and the rest. Your Guide, Felucca Sail crew and Driver would also appreciate this kind of gratitude at the end of your tour or their service.

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