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EGYPT

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Explore the ancient treasures of Egypt, cruise along the everlasting River Nile, and marvel over the City of Gold!

9 DAY TOUR • JUNE 3, 2026

Discover the awe-inspiring Grand Egyptian Museum, home to the full treasures of Tutankhamun and over 50,000 relics of ancient Egypt.

"The world has been waiting ... everyone's excited." - Washington Post.

Price per person on double occupancy:

\$3499 + \$120 Taxes & Fees

Total Price: **\$3619**

Single Person Supplement:

\$1199



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TOUR SUMMARY:

Embark on an enchanting journey through Egypt's ancient treasures and modern marvels. Begin in Cairo, where the Great Pyramids of Giza and the mysterious Sphinx stand as eternal symbols of human ingenuity. Experience the awe-inspiring Grand Egyptian Museum, Egypt's newest cultural landmark showcasing over 100,000 artifacts, including the dazzling treasures of Tutankhamun. Fly to Luxor and set sail on a four-night Nile cruise, uncovering the majestic Temples of Luxor and Karnak, the twin sanctuary of Kom Ombo, and the beautifully preserved Temple of Edfu. In Aswan, marvel at the graceful Philae Temple, dedicated to the Goddess Isis. Return to Cairo for a visit to the Citadel, historic mosques, and the bustling Khan El Khalili Bazaar before bidding farewell to this mesmerizing land of timeless wonder.

TOUR LODGING INFO:

7 Nights accommodation on double occupancy basis
+ 1 Night onboard the flight

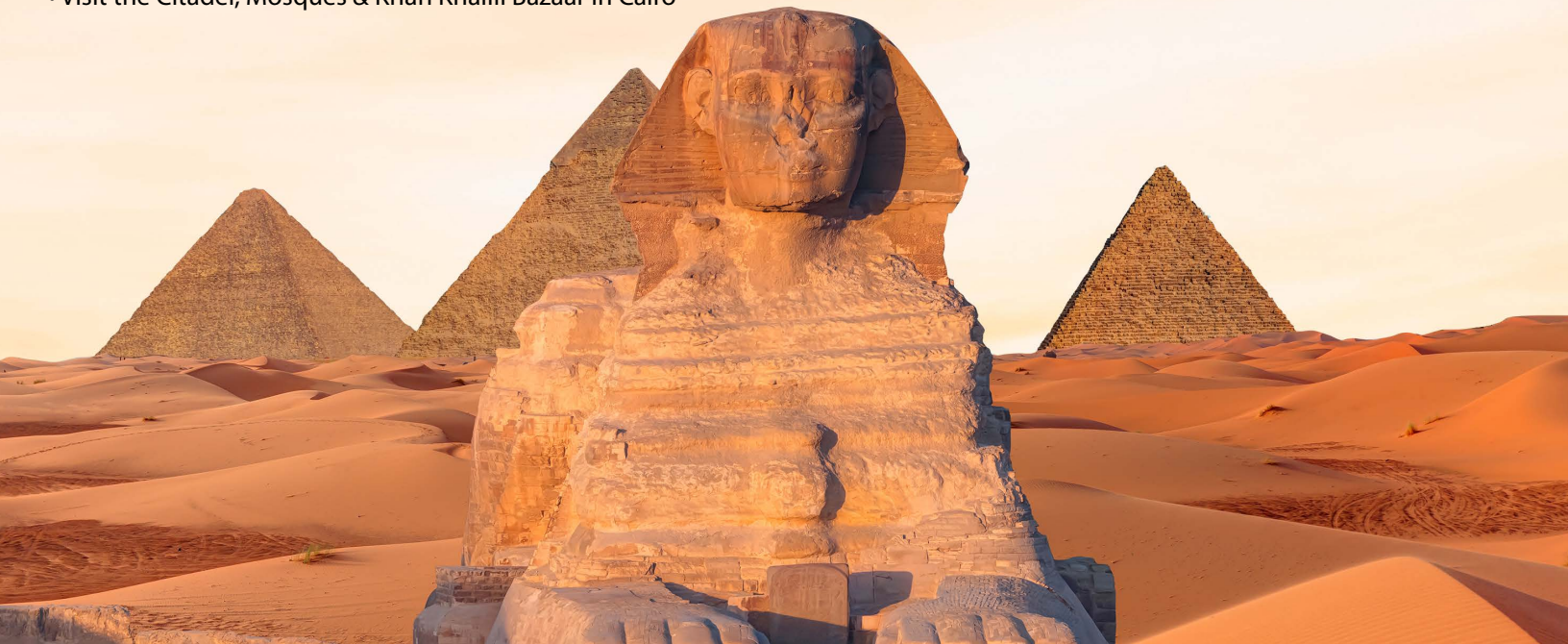
CITIES	NIGHTS	DELUXE HOTELS
Cairo	2 Nights	Hilton Cairo Nile Maadi
Luxor -Aswan Cruise	4 Nights	M/S Kahila Nile Cruise
Cairo	1 Night	Hilton Cairo Heliopolis
Hotels may be replaced with similar standard hotels for operational reasons		

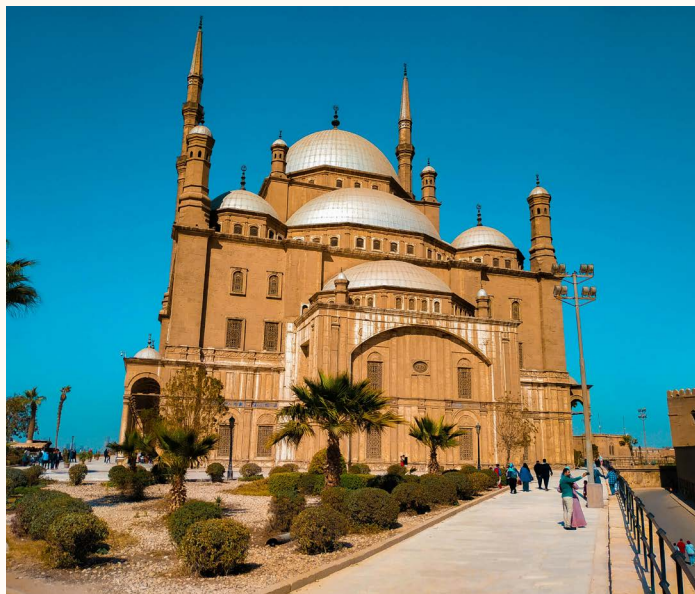
TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Stand in awe before the Great Pyramids and the Sphinx, magnificent symbols of a civilization that still captivates the world
- Experience the tremendous Grand Egyptian Museum, Egypt's newest cultural landmark
- Sail on a picturesque cruise along Earth's longest river, the Nile, immersing in its beauty
- Uncover historic Luxor temples, including the planet's biggest and most ancient temple complex
- Delve into the iconic Valley of the Kings, housing King Tutankhamun's tomb near Luxor
- Revel in the splendor of Egypt's superbly conserved Temple of Edfu, the country's second largest
- Witness the magnificence of the High Dam and soak in the captivating Nile scenery in Aswan
- Visit the Citadel, Mosques & Khan Khalili Bazaar in Cairo

TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- International round-trip airfare from San Francisco
- Domestic flights:
 - o Cairo – Luxor
 - o Aswan - Cairo
- 3 Nights' accommodation on a double occupancy basis at listed Deluxe hotels or similar
- 4 Nights' accommodation on a double occupancy basis at the listed cruise ship or similar
- Daily breakfast at the hotel
- Full board meal plan onboard cruise
- Meet and greet at Cairo International Airports
- Arrival and departure airport transfers
- Transportation in a private AC vehicle
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- Entrance fees as per the itinerary
- Guided visit of the Grand Pyramids of Giza & Sphinx
- Guided tour of the brand new & incredible Grand Egyptian Museum
- Tours from the cruise ship as per below details:
 - o The Karnak Temple and Luxor Temples
 - o The Valley of the Kings & Hatshepsut Temple
 - o The Edfu Temple & Kom Ombo temple
 - o Aswan's High Dam
- Service of English-speaking local guide
- All air taxes, fuel surcharges & local applicable taxes





TOUR ITINERARY:

DAY 1, WED: SAN FRANCISCO - CAIRO

Please arrive in time at San Francisco International Airport to check in and board your international flight to Cairo. Enjoy in-flight meals and services.

DAY 2, THU: CAIRO ARRIVAL

Welcome to Cairo! Cairo, named Al-Qahirah in Arabic, is not only one of Africa's largest cities (population of 17 million) but the political and cultural center of the Arab World. Cairo's old quarters retain their ancient charm with many streets still known by descriptions given to them by medieval chroniclers. Modern Cairo's architecture is distinguished by Ottoman and later European influences, especially in commercial architecture, particularly as the city's population boomed during the 19th century. Upon arrival at Cairo International Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel for check-in.

Overnight in Cairo

DAY 3, FRI: CAIRO (B/-/-)

Today you will visit the Pyramids & Sphinx — reckoned by the Greeks as one of the Seven Wonders of the World. A single pyramid is built from 2,300,000 blocks, each weighing an average of two and one-half tons. In the face of such immensity, one cannot help but feel the wonder and awe that so many writers and artists have sought to convey over the centuries. The Cheops Pyramid is particularly interesting since its interior burial chambers are open for inspection by the public. Not far from the Pyramids stands the Great Sphinx of Giza, dating from the time of Chephren (2620 BC). Hewn from a natural yellowish limestone and standing 65 feet high & 187 feet long, this unforgettable statue combines the head of a Pharaoh with a lion's body.

Visit the Incredible Grand Egyptian Museum

Depending on Pyramids tour timing, you will visit the brand new Grand Egyptian Museum before or after lunch. It features artifacts from the Pharaonic and Graeco-Roman periods, including the celebrated mummies of ancient Egypt's kings. It also includes the magnificent Tutankhamun Hall, showcasing all 5,398 artifacts belonging to the young pharaoh: from his legendary golden mask to his gilded coffins and countless treasures. Located beside the iconic Giza Pyramids and spanning over 500,000 square meters, the GEM will stand as the world's largest archaeological museum dedicated to a single civilization. Overnight in Cairo

DAY 4, SAT: CAIRO - LUXOR (BY FLIGHT) (B/L/D)

This morning, we will be transferred back to Cairo International Airport for a flight to Luxor. Upon arrival in Luxor, we will be escorted to the cruise ship for embarkation. This will be our home for the next four nights. Lunch on board and in the afternoon, we will visit Luxor and Karnak Temples. Luxor Temple was the center of the most important festival, the festival of Opet. Built largely by Amenhotep III and Ramses II, the temple served as a setting for the rituals of the festival, which was held to reconcile the human aspect of the ruler with his divine office. The procession of images of the current royal family began at Karnak and ended at the Luxor temple. Karnak Temple was erected in 1928 BC as a small shrine dedicated to Amun, the god of Thebes. The Temple of Karnak comprises three main temples, smaller enclosed temples, and several outer temples - all constructed over 1300 years. The three main temples of Mut, Monthu, and Amun are enclosed in enormous brick walls, with the temple of Amun at the center. Karnak is now the largest and oldest temple compound on earth.

Dinner and overnight onboard cruise

DAY 5, SUN: LUXOR - EDFU (B/L/D)

After breakfast, cross the newly constructed Luxor Bridge to visit the Valley of the Kings, which is home to many pharaonic tombs of the New Kingdom, including those of King Tutankhamun and Ramses the Great. You will visit 3 Royal tombs based on the availability of the day. Each king's formal name and title are inscribed in his tomb, which is also adorned with his images and statues. Most of the tombs were cut into limestone following a similar pattern: three corridors, an antechamber, and a sunken sarcophagus chamber. Explore several amazing Royal Tombs. Then visit the Valley of the Queens which includes between 75 and 80 tombs. These tombs belong to the Queens of the 18th, 19th, and 20th Dynasties. Among these is the famous tomb of Nefertiti, one of the five wives of Ramses II. Afterward tour the Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut, the only woman Pharaoh to rule ancient Egypt. The mortuary temple of Queen Hatshepsut of the 18th dynasty was built just north of the Middle Kingdom temple of Mentuhotep Nebhepetre, amid the bay of cliffs known as Deir El-Bahri. In ancient times the temple was called Djoser-djeseru, meaning the sacred of sacred. The female pharaoh chose to build her temple in a valley sacred to the Theban Goddess of the west, on a direct axis with Karnak Temple of Amun on the East Bank. After lunch on board, you sail to Edfu via Esna. Ancient Nubia was known to the pharaohs as the "Land of Gold," and its wealth and lands were eventually incorporated into Egypt around 1500 BC. In the afternoon, join your shipmates for afternoon tea. Dinner and overnight on-board cruise

Optional: Hot Air Ballooning Over the Valley at Sunrise - \$195 per person – Min 2 persons required.

Experience the magic of Luxor from the skies with an early morning hot air balloon ride over the West Bank. As the sun rises over the Nile Valley, drift peacefully above ancient temples, tombs, and villages, with breathtaking panoramic views of landmarks like the Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut's Temple, and the Colossi of Memnon. This unforgettable journey offers a unique perspective on the timeless beauty and grandeur of ancient Thebes. A serene and awe-inspiring adventure you won't want to miss.

Available: Every Day

Departure Time: Approx. TBA



DAY 6, MON: EDFU - KOM OMBO - ASWAN (B/L/D)

Enjoy breakfast on board before visiting the Temple of Edfu. This temple is not only the best-preserved ancient temple in Egypt but also the second largest after Karnak. It was believed that the temple was built on the site of the great battle between Horus and Seth. Hence, the current temple was but the last in a long series of temples built on this location. We will then sail to Kom Ombo and enjoy lunch and afternoon tea onboard the ship. This afternoon, you will disembark and enjoy a short walk to the Temples of Kom Ombo. This complex consists of two temples: The Temple of Sobek and the Temple of Haroeris. In ancient times, sacred crocodiles basked in the sun on the riverbank nearby. The Temple has scant remains, due first to the changing Nile, then the Copts who once used it as a church, and finally by builders who used the stones for new buildings. As we sail toward Ancient Nubia, you may participate in an Egyptian Galabeya Party.

Overnight on-board cruise

DAY 7, TUE: ASWAN (B/L/D)

After breakfast, you will visit the Aswan High Dam (completed in 1971); the Old Dam (completed in 1902). You will also visit the Philae Temple, dedicated to the goddess Isis, a structure rescued from the rising waters of Lake Nasser at the time of the High Dam's construction. The High Dam, just north of the border between Egypt and Sudan lies the Aswan High Dam, a huge rockfill dam that captures the world's longest river, the Nile, in the world's largest artificial reservoir, Lake Nasser. The dam, known as "Sadd El-Aali" in Arabic, was completed in 1970 after 10 years of work. Later, you may take a short trip on a motorboat to discover the Philae Temple. The Boat ride will bring the visitor to a magnificent vista of the island, before landing at what would have been the ancient quay on the south side. The temple was dedicated to the goddess Isis and has many legends connected to it. The most well-known legend tells the story of how Isis found the heart of Osiris here after his murder by his brother Seth. Dinner and overnight onboard cruise

Optional: Sound and Light Show at Philae Temple - \$95 per person - Min 2 persons required.

Bask in the splendor of the ancient historical sights of Luxor from the air. See this spectacular landscape from a unique perspective that only hot air ballooning can provide. Glide majestically over the temples and burial grounds of the Pharaohs and allow history to come to life before your eyes.

DAY 8, WED: ASWAN - CAIRO (BY FLIGHT) (B/-/-)

Disembark the cruise after breakfast before being transferred to Aswan Airport for our flight back to Cairo. You will be received and transferred to the hotel. The normal check-in time is 3 PM. Depending upon your arrival time before or after check-in & lunch (on your own) you will proceed on the following last tour of your itinerary.

Overnight in Cairo

Half Day Citadel, Mosques & Khan Khalili Bazaar

Per your arrival time back in Cairo you can take this tour before or after checking in the hotel. The Citadel, situated on a highly visible spur of the Mokattam Hills of Old Cairo, was the nerve center of Egypt for nearly 700 years. Construction of the grand structure began in 1176 and was completed by Muhammad Ali Pasha, ruler of Egypt in the late 19th century. Mamluk sultans and Turkish governors resided in the Citadel; one of the world's most fascinating monuments of medieval warfare. Facing the Citadel is the Mosque of Sultan Hassan, built between 1356 and 1363 and perhaps the most majestic monument of Arab architecture in Egypt. The Mosque of Al-Rifai was constructed in two phases over the period between 1869 and 1912 when it was finally completed. The tour also includes a visit to Khan El Khalili, known as the Turkish bazaar during the Ottoman period. It was built in 1382 by Emir Djaharks ElKhalili, in the heart of what was then Fatimid City. Until this day, the bazaar remains a center of trade and communion in the city and offers a wide array of antiques, handcrafts of gold, silver, and copper, as well as old coffee shops and local restaurants which attract Egyptians and tourists alike.

DAY 9, THU: CAIRO-SAN FRANCISCO (B/-/-)

Today you will be transferred back to Cairo International Airport for your flight back home

DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Items of personal nature, tips, and gratuities
- Travel insurance
- Baggage fees may apply and vary by carrier
- Optional Tours
- Visa application & fees
- Drinks with the meals
- Any other items not under inclusion

