## 7-day tour to Cairo, Alexandria, Luxor and Aswan

**Price Starting From: \$1200** 

7 Days Cairo, Luxor, Aswan and Alexandria Egypt

Experience the wonders of history in a span of one week with our <u>Egypt Tour Packages</u>, which cover the highlights of the cities of Cairo, Alexandria, Luxor, and Aswan, among other places, while tracing Egypt's history. Enjoy guided tours to ancient sites including the Philae Temple in Aswan, the historic Karnak Temple in Luxor, and the Qaitbay Citadel on a sightseeing tour of Alexandria. In the <u>Egypt Tours</u> we organize, there are all-inclusive excursions to cultural places, and temples, and <u>Egypt Day Tours</u>, which make it easier to enjoy the antiquities of this country.

# Overview Inclusion

- Transportation from the airport and within the country.
- Hotel bookings in Cairo, Luxor, and Aswan.
- Professional Egyptologist tour leaders.
- Cost of Admission for all available sites.
- Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

#### **Exclusion**

- Flights across borders.
- Entry visa to Egypt.
- Meal and other consumables.
- Gratitude bonuses to guides and drivers.
- Excursions and activities of your choice.

#### **Itinerary**

# Day 1: Arrival in Cairo & Visiting Saqqara and Dahshur Pyramids

After clearing customs at <u>Cairo International Airport</u>, a manager of Cairo Top Tours will meet you and help you with the procedures for taking your tickets and luggage. Then, you will start your first Cairo one-day tour, which begins at the <u>Pyramids</u> and Sphinx of Giza.

In your interior, all the fascinating aspects of the combination of construction pyramids and of various Egyptian kings—Cheops, Chephren, and Mycerinus—will be thoroughly explained by your guide.

Later, you will be driven to Saggara to see the mythical Step Pyramid of Djoser, built by Imhotep.

This revolutionary pyramid signified the end of the evolution of pyramid building in that it was no longer built simply as a tomb; it also served the purpose of aiding the spirit in the afterworld.

Your tour will then proceed to the <u>Dahshur Pyramids</u>, where after a delicious meal, you will see the well-cased <u>Bent Pyramid</u> and the Red Pyramid of King Snefru, father of Cheops, who built one of the most famous pyramids in Egypt. Replete with some of you will find royal tombs with just awe-inspiring pyramids from this period.

Lastly, you will visit Memphis, which is the oldest city of the ancient Egyptian civilization on that day.

This city was established by King Menes around 3100 B.C. after the conquest of Upper and Lower Egypt and served as a political, social, and religious center for several centuries. You will see the colossal statue of Ramses II and the beautiful Alabaster Sphinx.

After the tour, you will be escorted to your hotel for check-in and overnight rest.

Meals included: lunch Overnight: Cairo

#### Day 2: Alexandria Day Tour

Following breakfast at the hotel, your guide and personal driver will embark on a Corsair trip to Alexandria, which is the historic city founded by Alexander the Great in 332 B.C. This city served as the capital of Egypt for almost a millennium and, at the moment, is ranked as the second most important city in the country after Cairo.

On getting to Alexandria, your tour starts with the <u>Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa</u>, an underground cemetery, which began as a private tomb for the wealthy elite and was opened for the burial of others later. You will also go to see <u>Pompey's Pillar</u>, Egypt's tallest free-standing column which was erected in honor of the Roman emperor Diocletian to thank him for his support of the city of Alexandria.

Next, you will view the Mediterranean Sea, then visit the <u>Citadel of Qaitbay</u>, a historical landmark built in 1477 A.D at the entry of the Bay where the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria also called the Pharos was located.

After satisfying your taste buds with great seafood in a five-star restaurant, you will visit the Modern Bibliotheca of Alexandria, a library structure with a reading space, a conference hall, and a planetarium. Along the route, you will also get to view the squares and the markets of Alexandria as well as attractions such as the "unknown soldiers" and statues of modern-day politicians.

After the tour, you'll be driven back to Cairo with a stop for coffee or tea.

Meals included: Breakfast and lunch

Overnight: Cairo

### Day 3: A Tour of Cairo

Breakfast will be served at your hotel in Cairo, and after that, an expert Egyptologist will take you to the Egyptian Museum, where you will see ancient Egyptian artifacts, including King Tutankhamun's golden coffin and the golden headpiece among a collection of the world's most thorough Egyptian antiquities.

After this experience, the journey proceeds southwards towards the Islamic areas of Cairo, starting from the <u>Citadel of Salah Al-Din</u> and the most famous mosque called Mohamed Ali Alabaster, a bastion that was built to secure Egypt in the 12th century. Later, you will appreciate the culinary experience during a hot meal.

Kids will enjoy the visit to <u>Coptic Cairo</u> and its highlights, which include the well-preserved remains of the Roman Fortress of Babylon, the <u>Hanging Church</u>, and the Church of St. Sergius, which is rooted in history because it offered shelter to the Holy Family during their visit to Egypt. The last stop in this sightseeing tour is the <u>Ben Ezra Synagogue</u>, which used to be a church until its purchase by an investor.

In Islamic Cairo, you will walk along El Moez Ledin Ellah Street and explore; visit the Al Azhar Mosque and the famous Khan El Khalili market, where you can enjoy a sip at El Fishawy, the oldest café here.

After the tour, you will transfer back to your hotel for an overnight stay in Cairo.

Meals included: breakfast and lunch

Overnight: Cairo

#### Day 4: Cairo to Luxor

Savor a delightful breakfast at your hotel, and as per standard procedure, vacate the hotel. After this step, you will get a pre-arranged transfer to the local airport in Cairo for your scheduled flight to Luxor. On reaching your destination, we will either transfer you immediately to the Luxor hotel or commence the tour of the West Bank of Luxor, depending on the time.

The excursion begins with a visit to the <u>Valley of the Kings</u>, where you shall enter into three of the tombs of some Kings. Later on, explore the remarkable Temple of <u>Deir El Bahari</u> built for Queen Hatshepsut and gaze at the <u>Colossi of Memnon</u>, which are the only remains of King Amenophis III's temple.

Luncheon at a local eatery will be followed by your West Bank excursion commencing at the Karnak Temple.

Stroll along the avenue of the Sphinxes and explore some of the architectural marvels, such as the Unfinished the Hall of 134 columns known as the Hypostyle Hall, the Queen Hatshepsut's Obelisk, and the sacred water body. In the end, move ahead to the <a href="Luxor Temple">Luxor Temple</a>, known for its dramatic intricacies of sculpting in the buildings of ancient Egypt.

They may also wish to watch an optional sound and light show at Karnak Temple before returning to the hotel for supper and the night in Luxor.

Meals included: breakfast and lunch

Overnight: Luxor

## Day 5: Luxor to Aswan

In the early morning, subsequently at about 7:00 AM, after having dealt with all check-out matters of your hotel in Luxor, the party shall depose to Aswan, where a scenic drive a distance of about 3 hours shall be undertaken. On reaching the destination, the tour will kick off from Aswan with a drive to the <u>Aswan High Dam</u>, which is one of the best modern engineering works that contributed significantly to the development of the economy of Egypt during the reign of President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

Then proceed for a short boat ride to <u>Philae Temple</u>, a historic temple complex that was built in worship of thousands of years ago the goddess Isis. The Philae Temple complex contains structures that date back to the Pharaonic, the Ptolemaic, and Roman periods to that of Christian architectural monuments. Examples of these are the Temple of Isis, the Temple of Horus, and the Kiosk of Trajan.

Aswan day tours shall come to an end with a visit to a local restaurant for some lunch.

After which you will be taken to your hotel in Aswan, where you will check into the hotel.

Meals included: breakfast and lunch

Overnight: Aswan

### Day 6:Travel to Cairo from Abu Simbel

Following your breakfast, your personal Egyptologist will come to your hotel and take you on a trip that you will. This journey will take you to <u>Abu Simbel Temples</u> which are among the most visited and photographed sites in the entire country of Egypt. These temples carved, in rocks were made by Pharaoh Ramses II to immortalize himself and his favorite wife Queen Nefertari. At the facade of the temple, there are two giant statues of Ramses II, which are breathtaking engineering feats.

Exploring the temples will take a break and retrace your steps back to Aswan around 1;00 PM. After that, you are going to be taken to Aswan Airport to take your flight to Cairo.

When you land in cairo, a rep from Cairo Top Tours will be there to pick you up and assist you with your hotel's check-in and overnight stay.

Meals included: Breakfast and lunch.

Overnight: Cairo

#### Day 7: Last Day

Following a luxurious final breakfast at the hotel, you may feel free to participate in one last Egypt day tour in Cairo which provides an amazing opportunity to further appreciate the history and culture of Cairo before leaving.

At the appointed time, a qualified representative from Cairo Top Tours will arrive to help with your belongings and assist you in getting to the International Airport to catch your flight, signaling the end of your remarkable tour in Egypt.

Meals included: Breakfast