

Pyramids and Nile Cruise Christmas Trip by Train

Price Starting From : \$1200

9 Days

Egypt

Cairo, Luxor and Aswan

Enjoy an exhilarating 9-day journey through the wonders of Egypt this Christmas, where you'll discover the captivating blend of ancient history and modern charm. Starting in the vibrant capital of Cairo, you'll have the opportunity to explore the renowned Sakkara archaeological site, marvel at the iconic Pyramids of Giza and the enigmatic Sphinx, delve into the treasures of the Egyptian Museum, and immerse yourself in the timeless allure of Coptic Cairo.

After your enchanting exploration of the city, prepare to set sail on a Nile cruise adventure, where you'll witness the serene beauty of the river and uncover the remarkable historical sites of Aswan and Luxor. From the grand temples to the captivating tombs, each destination will offer a glimpse into the captivating legacy of this ancient civilization.

Celebrate the Christmas season in one of the world's most fascinating countries, where the rich cultural tapestry and the warmth of the Egyptian people will create an unforgettable experience. Indulge in the opportunity to explore the magnificent sites, savor the local delicacies, and forge lasting memories in this enchanting land.

Don't miss out on this remarkable chance to embark on an Egypt Christmas tour that will leave you with a newfound appreciation for the country's remarkable history, breathtaking landscapes, and warm hospitality. Book your journey today and let the enchantment of Egypt create a truly unforgettable holiday season.

[Overview](#)

Inclusion

- Personalized airport meet-and-greet service by Cairo Top Tours representatives.
- Accommodation at the Cairo Pyramids Hotel for 3 nights with breakfast included.
- 4 nights on a luxurious 5-star Nile River Cruise, including all meals.
- 2 nights in a sleeper train from Cairo to Luxor and Aswan to Cairo.
- Private, air-conditioned vehicle for all transfers and tours.
- Private tours in Cairo and throughout the Christmas season.
- Complimentary bottled water and soft drinks with all travel packages.
- Entrance tickets to all attractions included in the itinerary.
- Stops for snacks upon request.
- Lunches with Egyptian cuisine at top-quality restaurants during the tours.
- English-speaking Egyptologist guide for all sightseeing.
- Meals at hotels and on the Nile River Cruise as specified in the itinerary.

- Shopping tours in Cairo are available upon request.
- All taxes and service charges are included.

Exclusion

- International flight tickets.
- 20\$ entry visa for Egypt, available upon arrival at Cairo airport.
- Optional day excursions in Cairo, Luxor, or Aswan.
- Gratuities are not covered in any tour packages.
- Beverages with meals are extra.
- The tour cost is valid only during the peak Christmas and New Year period.

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival to Cairo

Upon your arrival in Egypt, a representative from Cairo Top Tours will greet you at Cairo International Airport, holding a signboard to ensure a seamless welcome.

You'll be transferred to your hotel in a private, air-conditioned vehicle, where the Cairo Top Tours guide will assist with check-in and review your Egypt Christmas and New Year Tours itinerary, confirming the pick-up times for each activity. As a warm welcome, you'll be served a refreshing drink at the hotel.

Take some time to rest and recharge, preparing for the start of your incredible Christmas tours in Egypt.

Overnight stay in Cairo.

Day 2: Pyramids & Cairo Tour\ Train Trip

After having a hearty breakfast in the main restaurant of your Cairo hotel, fueling up for your exciting Egypt luxury tours.

Accompanied by your expert Egyptologist guide, you'll venture to the captivating Giza Plateau, marvelling at the iconic Pyramids of Cheops, Chephren, and Mycerinus - ancient wonders that have captivated the world for millennia. Prepare to be awestruck as you stand before the enigmatic Sphinx, with its intriguing fusion of human and feline features.

Enjoy a delightful lunch at a local restaurant, before continuing your cultural exploration at the renowned Egyptian Museum in Tahrir Square. Immerse yourself in the museum's world-class collection of Egyptian artefacts, including the incredible treasures of Pharaoh Tutankhamun.

Delve deeper into Cairo's rich history and heritage, visiting the Roman fortress of Babylon and the Hanging Church, as well as the Church of St. Sergius and the Ben Ezra Synagogue in Coptic Cairo. Soak up the vibrant atmosphere of the famous Khan El Khalili market, where you can indulge in some shopping and enjoy a refreshing tea at a local café.

As the day draws to a close, board the train for a remarkable journey to Luxor, where you'll settle into your comfortable overnight compartment, savouring the delectable dinner and breakfast onboard.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3 : Luxor- Luxor East Bank Trips

As you awake on the train, you'll be treated to a delightful breakfast served directly to your compartment.

Upon arrival in Luxor, a Cairo Top Tours representative will greet you and assist with boarding your 5-star MS Royal Lily Nile Cruise. After a leisurely lunch aboard the boat, you'll embark on your Luxor day tours, starting with the East Bank.

First, prepare to be awed by the colossal Karnak Temple, a staggering feat of ancient engineering and the largest man-made religious complex in the world. Continue your exploration at the majestic Temple of Luxor, marvelling at its impressive architecture and rich history.

As the day draws to a close, settle in on the deck of your Nile cruise and bask in the breathtaking sunset over the river. This tranquil moment will be the perfect prelude to your evening onboard, complete with a delectable dinner and entertaining shows to help you unwind and fully immerse yourself in the magic of the Nile.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4: Sightseeing Trip to the West Bank of Luxor and sailing to Edfu

Start your day with a delectable breakfast buffet before setting out with your knowledgeable guide to explore the West Bank of Luxor. Your first stop will be the majestic Colossi of Memnon, two enormous statues of Amenophis III that have stood as sentinels over the Nile for centuries.

Prepare to be awestruck as you venture into the Valley of the Kings, the legendary final resting place of more than 60 pharaohs from the New Kingdom, including the illustrious Tutankhamun and Ramses II. Marvel at the exquisitely decorated rock-cut tombs, which were once filled with a wealth of gold and treasures to accompany the pharaohs on their eternal journey.

Next, you'll visit the impressive Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, known as El Deir El Bahari, a stunning architectural achievement crafted by her renowned architect. This temple stands as a testament to the remarkable reign of Egypt's first female ruler.

After your West Bank explorations, you'll return to your Nile cruise, where a delightful lunch awaits you as the boat sets sail towards Edfu. As you glide along the Nile, take the opportunity to relax and enjoy the breathtaking landscapes during traditional tea time.

In the evening, indulge in a sumptuous onboard dinner, followed by a captivating musical and dance performance to entertain you and make your night truly memorable.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day5 : Edfu & Kom Ombo Temples

After having a delightful breakfast you will set off to explore the ancient sites of Aswan. You'll be transported by the charming method of horse-drawn carriages to the well-preserved Ptolemaic Temple of Edfu, dedicated to the falcon god Horus. Your knowledgeable guide will bring the temple's rich history to life as you wander through its impressive architecture.

Afterwards, your carriage will return you to your Nile cruise, and you'll continue sailing towards Kom Ombo. Upon arrival, you'll disembark and visit the captivating Temple of Kom Ombo, dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek and the falcon god Haroeris. Your guide will accompany you, sharing insights into the temple's fascinating dual dedication and the ancient beliefs it represents.

With your Kom Ombo exploration complete, you'll return to your MS Royal Lily Nile Cruise to enjoy a delightful lunch on board as you continue your journey towards Aswan.

In the evening, indulge in a sumptuous dinner on board your Nile cruise, followed by a restful night's sleep as you approach your next destination.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 6: Aswan Sightseeing

Start your day with a delightful breakfast while taking in the charming, scenic views of the Nile river. Afterwards, embark on your Aswan excursions, beginning with a visit to the renowned High Dam, a groundbreaking development project that stands as a testament to Egypt's engineering prowess.

Next, you'll be enchanted by the beautiful Philae Temple, dedicated to the goddess Isis. This architectural gem, dating back to the reign of Ptolemy II Philadelphus in 280 BC, is situated on an island, which you'll reach by an engaging boat ride.

Your tour continues to the granite quarries of Aswan, where you'll be awestruck by the sight of the largest known unfinished obelisk. This incredible structure, believed to have been commissioned by Queen Hatshepsut, offers a fascinating glimpse into the engineering feats of ancient Egypt.

After your enlightening explorations, you'll return to your Nile River Cruise, where a delectable dinner awaits you. As you savor your meal, you'll reflect on the day's adventures and the magical moments you've experienced aboard your Nile cruise.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 7: Transfer back to Cairo by Train

Start your day with a delectable breakfast before disembarking from the MS Royal Lily Nile Cruise. You'll have a wonderful day of free time to explore the enchanting city of Aswan at your leisure.

Alternatively, you may wish to book one of our optional tours to enhance your Aswan experience. One such offering is the Optional Tour to Abu Simbel, where you'll have the chance to marvel at the Great Temple of Abu Simbel, dedicated to the revered Pharaoh Ramses II, as well as the smaller temple of Nefertari. These impressive structures, carved directly into the mountainside, are a testament to the architectural prowess of ancient Egypt.

Another enticing option is the Tour to the Nubian Village, where you can immerse yourself in the vibrant culture and traditions of this ancient community. Or, you may prefer the serene Felucca Ride in Aswan, gliding along the Nile on a traditional Egyptian sailboat.

As the day draws to a close, your Cairo Top Tours guide will escort you to the Aswan railway station, where you'll board the Sleeper Train back to Cairo. A light dinner will be served onboard, allowing you to enjoy a comfortable overnight journey.

Included Meals: Breakfast and Dinner.

Day 8: Back to Cairo Trip

As you embark on your journey back to Cairo, you'll be served a light breakfast aboard the train. Upon arriving at the Giza railway station, a Cairo Top Tours guide will be there to meet you and escort you to your hotel, where you'll be able to check in as early as possible.

With the logistics taken care of, you'll have the opportunity to spend the rest of the day exploring one of our best optional Cairo excursions. This gives you the flexibility to tailor your experience and make the most of your time in the bustling capital city.

Included Meals: Breakfast

Day 9: The Final Departure

On your final day, you'll be served an early breakfast at your Cairo hotel, typically around 8 am. This will give you the energy and nourishment you need to start the day.

If you wish, you can choose to partake in one of our optional Cairo day tours, allowing you to further explore the city and its rich history and culture. Alternatively, you may prefer to simply relax and unwind before your departure.

When it's time to head home, you'll be transported to the Cairo International Airport, ensuring a smooth and stress-free journey for your final departure.

Included Meals: Breakfast