

5 Days Orbital Royal Esadora Nile Cruise

Price Starting From: \$730

5 Days-4 Nights Luxor, Aswan Egypt

As you step on board the Orbital Royal Esadora, you'll be greeted by a warm and hospitable crew with the Best Nile cruise from South Africa, ready to cater to your every need. The ship itself is a masterpiece of elegance, boasting exquisite architecture and lavish interiors that exude sophistication and opulence. Adorned with ornate carvings and intricate details, every corner of the vessel reflects the grandeur of the ancient pharaohs. The cabins are thoughtfully designed to provide ultimate relaxation and indulgence. Each room offers panoramic views of the Nile, allowing you to witness the ever-changing landscape from the comfort of your private oasis. Sink into plush, king-sized beds, the Egypt tour packages from South Africa are surrounded by rich fabrics and modern amenities that ensure a comfortable stay. As the Orbital Royal Esadora glides along the tranquil waters of the Nile, you'll have the opportunity from Egypt tour packages to explore some of Egypt's most iconic landmarks. Expert Egyptologists will guide you through immersive excursions to iconic ancient sites, including the Great Pyramids of Giza, the mesmerizing temples of Luxor, the stunning Valley of the Kings, and the captivating Philae Temple in Aswan. Unravel the mysteries of the past as you stroll among the remnants of a civilization that shaped human history.

Overview

Inclusion

- Meet and greet services by our representatives upon arrival in Luxor and departure in Aswan.
- The assistance of our customer care during your tour.
- Transportation in private nonsmoking air-conditioned vehicles during your tours in Egypt.
- Accommodation from Luxor to Aswan for 5 days onboard the 5-star MS Esadora Nile Cruise.
- All Egypt Nile Cruise Tours mentioned in the itinerary are privately guided tours.
- Admission fees and tickets to the various sites in Luxor and Aswan during <u>Egypt Tours</u> Packages.
- A private professional Egyptologist guide will accompany you during all the tours.
- Stops for snacks upon request.
- A soft drink in a local Cafe during **Egypt Day Tours**. (if we have time)
- all service charges and taxes.
- Shopping tours during the <u>Aswan Sightseeing Tours</u> and <u>Excursions in Luxor</u>. (upon request)

Exclusion

- Any optional Egypt Day Tours or activities.
- Tipping is not included in the prices of your Egypt Nile River Cruises.
- Beverage during meals.

<u>Itinerary</u>

Day 1: Karnak and Luxor Temples - Embarkation

You will be picked up at <u>Luxor airport</u> or train station or hotel by our Cairo Top Tours representative to start your Egypt Nile cruise tours onboard the Royal Esadora. Transfer to visit the temple of Luxor which was built during the New Kingdom. It was connected to the <u>temple of Karnak</u> by an avenue flanked by sphinxes. It was built mainly by two pharaohs, <u>Amenhotep III</u> (who built the inner area) and <u>Ramses II</u>, who finished the temple. Ramses II was the one who built the outer part of the temple, but Amenhotep III was responsible for the inner part of the temple.

Afterward, you will visit the <u>temple of Karnak</u>. Ancient Egypt, especially during the <u>New Kingdom</u>, was the most influential religious center. The main temple was dedicated to the worship of the <u>god Amun</u>, but as in other Egyptian temples, other deities were also venerated. Transfer to the cruise ship in a private air-conditioned tourist car, accompanied by our representative. Boarding. Lunch on board. Dinner and overnight on board.

Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Day 2: Valley of the Kings - Deir El Bahari - Colossi of Memnon

After breakfast on board your Nile River cruise, visit the <u>Valley of the Kings</u> which was the place, during the New Kingdom, in which the pharaohs were buried in hypogea. It is here that the kings of the 18th, 19th, and 20th dynasties were buried, as well as some queens, princes, nobles, and even animals.

Transfer to visit the <u>Temple of Hatshepsut</u>, the unique temple of <u>Queen Hatshepsut</u> (18th Dynasty), the most monumental temple built in the valley and the only one of its kind in Egypt.

Excursion to visit the <u>Colossi of Memnon</u> which are two gigantic stone statues representing the pharaoh Amenhotep III located on the west bank of the Nile, near <u>Medinet Habu</u> and south of the great Theban necropolis. Lunch on board. Sail to Edfu. Dinner and overnight on board.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner.

Day 3: Edfu and Kom Ombo Temples

Breakfast on board. Transfer by horse-drawn carriage to visit the <u>temple of Horus</u>, dedicated to Horus, is the best-preserved temple in Egypt and was called Mesen, "the place of the harpoon", "the house of Raa". Sail to Kom Ombo. Lunch on board.

Cruise to visit the temple of Sobek, an unusual building, completely symmetrical, with two entrances, two hypostyle halls, and two sanctuaries. Indeed, it is dedicated to two gods: the left side to the falcon god Haroeris (Horus the old or the great) and the right side to Sobek, the local crocodileheaded deity. Sail to Aswan. Dinner and overnight on board.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner.

Day 4: Aswan High Dam - Unfinished Obelisk - Temple of Philae - Falucca Ride

Breakfast on board. Transfer to visit the <u>Aswan High Dam</u>, built-in 1960 to protect Egypt from the annual flooding of the Nile.

Visit the <u>Unfinished Obelisk</u>, famous for its red granite. The most famous of these obelisks is due to Queen Hatshepsut, one of <u>the Egyptian kings and rulers</u> in the 18th Dynasty, wife of King Thutmose II, and the first woman in Egypt's history to rule the country. Others believe that this obelisk is due to <u>Queen Nefertiti</u>, wife of <u>King Akhnaton</u>.

Excursion to visit the <u>temple of Philae</u>, dedicated to the <u>goddess Isis</u> and located on the island of Philae, eleven kilometers from Aswan. Lunch on board.

Tour by felucca on the Nile from <u>Elephantine Island</u> to Aswan. Dinner and overnight on board.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner.

Day 5: Disembarkation - Optional Abu Simbel Temples Tour

Breakfast on board. Departure from the cruise. Optional tour to visit the magnificent two <u>Temples of Abu Simbel</u>. Transfer by private air-conditioned tourist car to (the airport or train station or hotel) in Aswan.

End of our services.

Meals: Breakfast