

# Magnificent trip in Egypt and Turkey

**Price Starting From: \$0** 

12 Days - 11 Nights
Cairo, Aswan, Luxor, Istanbul, Cappadocia
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Everyday

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We are delighted to offer you a 12-day tour of the Celebrated Egypt and Turkey, a unique <u>Turkey Travel Packages</u> that takes you through timeless blends of history, culture, and nature is outstanding! Set out for Cairo, vibrant capital of Egypt that is full of historical glory of old Egyptian civilization.

Cairo Discover the astounding Pyramids of Giza, Sphinx, and the Egyptian Museum, where over 120,000 artefacts from the greatest civilizations of the era can be seen ranging from those of the ancient era including those of King Tutankhamun. Explore the unique history and culture of Istanbul by going to Hagia Sophia Museum, the Blue Mosque, Topkapi Palace, Hippodrome, and Grand Bazaar. Discover the Göreme Open-Air Museum located in Cappadocia, an underground city in Kaymakli, going to the valleys with stone pillars.

#### **Overview**

#### Inclusion

- This price includes domestic flight tickets
- The schedule indicates all hotels.
- All transfers are listed on the program.
- All trips include transportation, lunch, and admission fees.
- All excursions are led by professional tour guides certified by the Ministry of Tourism.
- There are vegetarian options for all scheduled meals.
- All domestic taxes apply.

#### **Exclusion**

- Beverages accompany meals.
- Guidelines for Hot Air Balloon Tour Guides, Drivers, and Lodging Staff.
- Personal Items and Medical Care.

#### <u>Itinerary</u>

### **Day 1: Arrive to Cairo**

When you arrive in Cairo, the capital of the Arab Republic of Egypt, a member of our experienced staff will be ready to help you with the visa procedure.

Our tour leader will offer you with all of the required information for your trip, answer any questions or requests you may have, and give you a quick overview of the city and its everyday life.

We will arrange for a ride to the hotel in one of our private air-conditioned automobiles. Once at the hotel, our assistance will assist you with the registration process.

# Day 2: Giza, Pyramids & Saqqara tour

Today you're eating a nice breakfast with traditional fare. The trip will start with the most noteworthy sites of interest in Cairo.

Our first stop with our certified English-speaking guide will be to the Pyramids of Giza. The Great Sphinx of Giza, the Great Pyramid of Giza, and the Pyramid of Khufu will leave you in awe. This is the only one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World that still exists. You can see it from both the main entrance esplanade and closer.

You can optionally add an excursion to the <u>Saqqara</u> Necropolis. Within this World Heritage site, the funeral complex of King Djoser stands out. This is a structure designed to honor the monarch in the afterlife. The Pyramid of Djoser was the first stone edifice to be created in the pyramidal shape. It represents the origins of this form of architecture in Egypt.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 3: Old Cairo tour

You will begin the day with a sumptuous breakfast in the hotel's dining area. Then you'll have free time to explore Cairo.

Then start your trip in <u>old Cairo</u>, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that has been home to Caliphs and their mosques since the 10th century. <u>Saladin's Citadel</u> stands out, having been constructed over a century ago to protect itself from the Crusaders.

You will then visit the Khan El Khalili bazaar, where you will have free time to practice your negotiation abilities.

Before returning to the hotel, you will visit the Coptic neighborhood, which is a melting pot of religions and is notable for the <u>Hanging Church</u> built on the Babylon Fortress, the church of San Sergio, where the Holy Family is said to have sought refuge in Egypt when fleeing Herod, and the <u>synagogue of Ben Ezra</u>, one of the country's oldest.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 4: Fly to Aswan

Early in the morning, after a pleasant breakfast, your English-speaking crew will transport you to Cairo Airport, where you will fly to Aswan.

Then you will travel by air-conditioned vehicle to <u>Aswan</u>, where you will embark to visit the inaccessible island of <u>Philae</u> and see the temple built in honor of the goddess Isis, which, like <u>Abu Simbel</u> and other Egyptian temples, had to be relocated due to the risk of being covered by Nile flooding.

Later, you will see the famed Aswan <u>High Dam</u>, an astounding hydraulic engineering project begun by the British Empire and finished by the Egyptians in the middle of the past century.

At night, you will eat a delicious supper on board and then relax.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner.

## **Day 5: Kom Ombo - Edfu Temples**

After a delicious breakfast on board, you can choose for a fascinating trip to Abu Simbel's temples and archeological complex.

Within the compound, the Temple of <u>Ramses II</u> takes center stage, with four awe-inspiring sculptures towering around 20 meters tall on its main front. Whether during the day or at night, the lit temple creates a captivating dance of light on the stone.

Continuing our voyage, we'll cruise to <u>Kom Ombo</u>, where you may see the temples of Haroeris, the falcon deity, and Sobek, the crocodile god. A quick visit to an exhibition displaying well-preserved mummified crocodiles will give you a glimpse into Ancient Egypt's fascinating civilization.

Following the excursion, you will take sail for Edfu, where you will spend a relaxing night on board.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner.

#### Day 6: Edfu tour - sail to Luxor

Begin the day with a delicious breakfast before heading on an interesting tour. Our first visit will be the breathtaking Temple of Edfu, located on the west bank of the beautiful Nile River.

Dedicated to the god of gods, <u>Horus</u>, this architectural masterpiece is Egypt's second-largest temple, rivaling the magnificence of the <u>Karnak temple</u>. It is exceptionally well-preserved, with enthralling inscriptions on its walls that reveal unique insights into the mythology, religion, and daily life of the Greco-Roman civilization during the Hellenistic period (237-57 BC).

Continuing our adventure, we'll go towards Esna, passing through the breathtaking Nile lock, an architectural marvel built to control a spectacular 10-meter drop.

Our next trip is Luxor, the city of temples. Enjoy a delicious supper on board, followed by a well-

earned relaxation.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner.

#### Day 7: Luxor tour - Fly to Cairo

Begin the day with a delicious and ample breakfast before heading on an interesting tour. Our first visit is the intriguing Necropolis of Thebes, also known as the <u>Valley of the Kings</u>, which is located on the Nile River's west bank, opposite Luxor.

This outstanding monument has been designated a World Heritage monument since 1979. The valley is separated into East and West Valleys, and it contains several tombs, the majority of which belong to <a href="Pharaohs">Pharaohs</a> of the New Kingdom (18th, 19th, and 20th dynasties).

We'll visit <u>Queen Hatshepsut's Mortuary Temple</u>, which houses the magnificent Deir el Bahari and the awe-inspiring Colossus of Memnon.

In the afternoon, we'll go on a trip to the enormous and spectacular temple of Luxor.

We will drive you to Luxor Airport for your return journey to Cairo at the scheduled time. When you arrive, you will be brought to your hotel, where you may relax and recover.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch.

## Day 8: Fly to Turkey

Following a wonderful breakfast and at the specified time, one of our cars will transport you to <u>Cairo</u> <u>International Airport</u> to check in your luggage and, if applicable, handle any tax refund on tax-free purchases.

After your arrival in what was once known as Byzantium and later Constantinople, an Englishspeaking person will be waiting at your exit to assist you, communicate all of the itinerary details, clear up any doubts you may have, and provide a brief overview of the city and its day-to-day activities.

One of our vans will take you to the hotel. At the hotel, your helper will help you register. The remainder of the day will be spent relaxing and, if desired, exploring Istanbul.

Meals: Breakfast.

### Day 9: Istanbul tour

After breakfast, we'll stop by your hotel or the nearest meeting location to begin a full-day exploration of Istanbul, an amazing city.

Prepare for an epic adventure with our friendly English-speaking guide, all-inclusive tickets, a delicious lunch at a famous central city restaurant, and trips to the most impressive Ottoman, Byzantine, and Roman monuments.

Also, ready yourself for the grandeur of Hagia Sophia, the exhilarating Constantinople Racecourse, the magnificent Blue Mosque, the stately Topkapi Palace, and the busy Grand Bazaar, which has over 4,000 outlets to visit.

After the tour, you are invited to stay and enjoy the lovely atmosphere of the ancient city for a little longer, relishing each minute. When you're ready, head return to your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch.

# Day 10: Cappadocia tour

Begin your day with a delicious breakfast at your hotel, which will give you the energy you need for a fantastic day in Istanbul. Enjoy the freedom to explore this amazing place at your leisure, immersing yourself in its fantastic atmosphere and rich cultural legacy.

In the afternoon, prepare for an unforgettable excursion to the lovely area of Cappadocia, known for its magnificent scenery and interesting history. When you arrive, you will be greeted cordially at your hotel, where you may finish the check-in procedure before relaxing and rejuvenating.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch.

### Day 11: Central Anatolia - Istanbul

After a delicious breakfast, you will spend the full day visiting Cappadocia. Your adventure will begin at the Göreme Valley, which is home to an open-air museum with churches, chapels, and monasteries with historic murals on their walls.

You will next go to Avanos, which is well-known for its long-standing pottery-making history dating back to the Hittite period. You'll be charmed by the use of red clay originating from Kizilirmak, Turkey's longest river, and get the opportunity to sample delicious Turkish tea.

Afterwards, you'll pass through the Pasabag Valley, popularly known as the "Valley of the Monks," because of the numerous monk refuges cut into the soft rock. Prepare to be astounded by the beautiful cone-topped rock pillars known as Fairy Chimneys.

Finally, you'll visit Urgüp, a city known for its wine production, rich vineyards, and apricot orchards, where you may take unforgettable images as souvenirs of your trip.

In the late afternoon, you'll return to Istanbul for the night.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch.

#### **Day 12: Final Departure**

You will have breakfast before being transferred to Istanbul airport to board your international aircraft at the specified time.

Have an enjoyable journey!

Meals: Breakfast.