Cairo and Alexandria Egypt tours Explorer

Price Starting From: \$720

5 Days Cairo and Alexandria Egypt

Cairo and Alexandria Egypt Tours Explorer for a deep dive into the rich history and vibrant culture of two of Egypt's most celebrated cities. This exceptional tour combines the grandeur of Cairo with the charm of Alexandria, offering an immersive experience that spans ancient wonders and coastal beauty.

Begin your adventure in Cairo, where you'll explore the iconic Pyramids of Giza, a testament to ancient engineering marvels, and the Egyptian Museum, brimming with invaluable artifacts from Egypt's storied past. Wander through bustling markets and historic sites, absorbing the city's unique blend of tradition and modernity.

The journey continues to Alexandria, a city where history meets the Mediterranean. Discover the famed Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa, the grandeur of the Roman Theater, and the serene beauty of the Alexandria Library, which stands as a modern tribute to the ancient Great Library of Alexandria. Enjoy leisurely walks along the stunning waterfront, savoring the blend of ancient allure and contemporary vibrance.

With expertly guided <u>Egypt tour packages</u>, comfortable accommodations, and a thoughtfully designed itinerary, the Cairo and Alexandria <u>Egypt Day Tours</u> Explorer offers an unparalleled opportunity to experience Egypt's dual legacies. Whether you are marveling at ancient pyramids or soaking up the coastal ambiance, this tour promises a comprehensive and unforgettable exploration of Egypt's most iconic destinations.

Overview Inclusion

- Expertly guided tours of Cairo and Alexandria
- Entrance fees to key attractions, including the Pyramids of Giza, Egyptian Museum, Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa, and Alexandria Library
- Comfortable transportation between Cairo and Alexandria
- Accommodation in hotels
- Daily breakfast and selected meals
- Professional tour guide services

Exclusion

- International and domestic flights
- Meals not specified in the itinerary
- Personal expenses and gratuities
- Optional tours and activities

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival and Check-in in Cairo

After landing at <u>Cairo International Airport</u>, you'll be welcomed by a Cairo Top Tours representative holding a sign with your name. You'll be driven in a private, air-conditioned vehicle to your Giza hotel, where you'll check in and settle into your room. Review the Egypt Classic Tours itinerary to familiarize yourself with the upcoming pick-up times and activities.

Relax and unwind with a welcome drink upon arrival, followed by an overnight stay in Cairo.

Day 2: Giza Pyramids Exploration

Start your day with a delightful breakfast at your Cairo hotel before meeting your certified tour guide. Begin your exploration of the Giza Plateau with visits to the following iconic sites:

The Great Pyramid of Cheops: Built over 4,500 years ago during the Old Kingdom, this monumental structure offers the opportunity to venture inside or capture stunning photographs as your guide shares its fascinating history.

The Second Pyramid of Chephren: Built by Chephren, the son of Cheops, this pyramid is slightly smaller but equally significant. Nearby, you'll encounter the Great Sphinx, a majestic lion with a human head guarding the necropolis.

The Third Pyramid of Mycerinus: Visit the smallest of the three pyramids, constructed for King Mycerinus of the 4th dynasty. From the plateau, you can opt for a camel ride to take memorable photos against the pyramid backdrop.

The <u>Great Sphinx</u>: This colossal statue, carved from a single block of stone, stands as a sentinel over the ancient necropolis.

The <u>Valley Temple</u>: Located in front of the Sphinx, this ancient temple was used for rituals such as the 'Opening of the Mouth,' ensuring the Pharaoh's mummy could eat, drink, and speak in the afterlife.

<u>Memphis</u> City: Drive to the open-air museum in Memphis, the ancient capital of Egypt. Explore the remnants of this historic city, which dates back to the time of King Menes, and marvel at its ancient artifacts.

Saqqara Necropolis: Continue to <u>Saqqara</u>, renowned for its extensive archaeological sites, including 11 royal pyramids and numerous Mastaba tombs. Visit the Step Pyramid of Djoser, the world's first stone structure, and the Pyramid of Teti, adorned with hieroglyphic inscriptions. Explore one of the Mastaba tombs, decorated with vivid scenes of daily life in ancient Egypt.

Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant in Saqqara before returning to your hotel in Giza for a restful overnight stay.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 3: Discover Cairo's Heritage

Start your day with a delightful breakfast at your hotel, then get ready to delve deeper into Cairo's rich history. Your licensed tour guide will escort you to the Egyptian Museum, home to one of the world's most extensive collections of Egyptian artifacts. The museum's two floors display a vast array of antiquities, with

a special focus on the treasures of Tutankhamun.

Proceed to the Citadel of Saladin, a historic stronghold that was the center of Egyptian governance for centuries. Here, you'll visit the Alabaster Mosque of Mohamed Ali, renowned for its Ottoman architectural style. As you explore Islamic Cairo, marvel at the numerous ancient mosques, towering minarets, and vividly colored domes that adorn the city, some of which are over a millennium old.

In <u>Coptic Cairo</u>, discover the Roman Fortress of Babylon and the Hanging Church, also known as Al Mualaka, which is perched above the ancient fortress towers. Visit the Church of St. Sergius, where the Holy Family is said to have sought refuge, and see the <u>Ben Ezra Synagogue</u>, traditionally located where baby Moses was discovered.

After a delicious lunch, continue to the <u>Khan El Khalili Bazaar</u>, a vibrant marketplace in the heart of medieval Cairo. Wander through the historic streets, gates, and walls, reflecting Cairo's rich medieval past.

At the end of your day, your representative will transport you back to your hotel for a comfortable overnight stay in Cairo.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 4: Explore Alexandria

Start your day with a hearty breakfast before meeting your knowledgeable Egyptologist guide for a day trip to Alexandria. You will travel from Cairo to Alexandria in a modern, air-conditioned vehicle, with a brief break en route. The drive takes around 2.5 hours.

Arriving in Alexandria, often referred to as the "Pearl of the Mediterranean," you will delve into the city's rich history. Begin with <u>Pompey's Pillar</u>, a monumental column erected in 297 B.C. in honor of Emperor Diocletian's victory over a revolt in Alexandria. Then, visit the <u>Catacombs of Kom El Shokkafa</u>, a significant Roman necropolis discovered in the 20th century.

Next, admire the <u>Citadel of Qaitbay</u>, which stands on the site of the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria, once one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. The citadel offers stunning views from its strategic location at the entrance of the Eastern Port.

Explore the <u>Bibliotheca Alexandrina</u>, a modern library built to honor the ancient Library of Alexandria, founded in the 3rd century B.C. by Ptolemy I. This architectural marvel faces the Mediterranean and serves as a center of learning and culture.

Cap off your visit with a seafood lunch, showcasing the freshest local catches.

After a day of historical discovery and culinary delights, return to your Cairo hotel for the night.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 5: Farewell to Cairo

Enjoy a delicious breakfast to start your last day in Egypt. Following check-out, your Cairo Top Tours guide will transfer you to Cairo International Airport for your departure. Bid farewell to Egypt as your tour comes to a close.

Meals Included: Breakfast