Stunning 5-Days Nile Cruise Tour from Luxor to Aswan

Price Starting From: \$700

5-Days / 4-Nights Luxor and Aswan Egypt one country two cities Every Monday

Egypt Nile Cruise Tours offers an enchanting 5-day cruise from Luxor to <u>Aswan</u> aboard the MS Royal Viking Nile Cruise. This tour includes visits to ancient archaeological sites such as the Valley of the Kings, Karnak Temple, Edfu, Kom Ombo Temple, Philae Temple, and various excursions in Aswan.

Embark on Egypt Nile Cruises and Lake Nasser Cruise tours to explore the Nile River, the world's longest river, and its ancient civilization sites. These tours are filled with fun, delicious food, and breathtaking landscapes. Enjoy a 5-day cruise from Luxor to Aswan for an unforgettable experience.

Discover the magic of Egypt with our Nile Cruise Tours. Explore remarkable landmarks such as the Pyramids of Giza and the temples of Luxor, all while enjoying luxurious accommodations and exquisite cuisine.

Overview Inclusion

- 4-night accommodation aboard the luxurious 5-star MS Royal Viking Nile Cruise, with a full-board meal plan
- Bottled mineral water is provided
- Entrance tickets to all the sites mentioned in the itinerary
- Qualified, private tour guide for all sightseeing tours
- All service fees and taxes are included
- Optional shopping tours are available in Luxor and Aswan
- Snack stops are provided upon request
- Soft drink at a local cafe during Egypt day tours, if time permits

Exclusion

- International flights are not included in the package
- Any services not explicitly mentioned in the itinerary are not covered
- Tipping for Nile River cruises in Egypt is not included in the package price for 2024/2025
- Drinks during meals are not part of the included full-board plan

Itinerary

Day 1: Tour to Luxor East Bank

You'll be picked up from your Luxor hotel and our representative will transfer you to start your 5-day Nile River cruise from Luxor to Aswan. Upon arrival, the cruise's tour leader will provide you with the keys to your cabin, allowing you to take a short break before enjoying your first lunch on board the luxurious MS Royal Viking.

After getting settled, you'll meet your English-speaking Egyptologist guide in the lobby to begin your Luxor East Bank tour. Situated 700 kilometers south of Cairo, Luxor is a city of around 500,000 people, relying heavily on tourism and agriculture. Your first stop will be the magnificent Karnak Temple - the largest temple in Egypt, built and expanded over 2,000 years from a simple shrine during the New Kingdom into the impressive complex it is today. Next, you'll be transferred to the amazing Luxor Temple, located in the city that bears its name and was discovered in 1884 on the Nile's East Bank.

After your Luxor excursions, you'll return to the ship for an overnight stay, with the opportunity to optionally attend the Sound and Light Show at Karnak Temple in the evening.

Meals included for the day are lunch and dinner.

Day 2: Continue Luxor West Bank Tour

After a delicious breakfast aboard the MS Royal Viking Nile Cruise, you'll meet your tour guide to begin your excursion to <u>Luxor's West Bank</u>. Your first stop will be the legendary Valley of the Kings, home to the magnificent rock-cut tombs of the New Kingdom pharaohs. These tombs were intentionally built far away from potential tomb raiders, and over 60 have been discovered to date.

Next, you'll continue your Luxor West Bank tour with a visit to the stunning <u>Temple of Queen Hatshepsut</u>, also known as <u>the Temple of El-Deir El-Bahari</u>. This extraordinary 30-meter-tall monument is sure to dazzle you with its architectural grandeur. Your final stop will be the colossal <u>Colossi of Memnon</u>, the imposing statues of the great King Amenhotep III.

After your morning of Luxor sightseeing, you'll return to the cruise ship for a delicious lunch. In the afternoon, you'll have the optional opportunity to take <u>a hot air balloon ride</u> over Luxor's West Bank memorials.

As the day winds down, you'll enjoy a delightful dinner onboard the Nile Cruise before overnighting in Edfu.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 3: A visit to Edfu and Kom Ombo Temples

After two days of immersive Luxor sightseeing, you'll begin your third day with a delectable breakfast aboard the Nile Cruise. Accompanied by your expert tour guide, you'll enjoy one of the most fascinating Egypt Day tours - a visit to the Temple of Horus in Edfu. This temple is remarkably well-preserved, with many of its ancient Egyptian elements still intact. It is one of the largest and best-preserved temples in the entire country, second only to the majestic Karnak Temple.

Following your <u>Edfu</u> exploration, you'll return to the cruise ship and enjoy an enchanting sailing experience as you journey southward to the town of Kom Ombo. Upon arrival, you'll be taken to the fantastic <u>Kom</u>

Ombo Temple, dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek. This temple was built between 1350 and 180 BC, under the orders of King Ramses II.

After your tours of Edfu and Kom Ombo, you'll savor an unusual and delightful lunch aboard the ship. The afternoon will then be spent sailing toward the beautiful city of Aswan, where you'll enjoy a sumptuous dinner on the cruise, accompanied by local music and entertainment.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 4: Aswan Nile Cruise Tour

Undertaking on an Aswan Adventure: Exploring the Wonders of the Nile

Beginning your day with a delectable breakfast aboard the Nile Cruise, you'll be prepared to launch on an exciting excursion to the highlights of Aswan, accompanied by your private tour guide.

Your first stop will be the legendary <u>High Dam</u>, a remarkable engineering feat that has shielded Egypt from the devastating Nile floods that once submerged the land for months, preventing the effective use of this vital waterway. Aswan, the southernmost city in Egypt, is situated near the first Nile cataract, a mere thousand kilometers from the bustling capital of Cairo.

Next, you'll venture to the granite quarries where ancient Egyptians once toiled to extract the raw materials for their grand monuments. Here, you'll witness the Unfinished Obelisk, a testament to the engineering prowess of the Old and New Kingdoms, when these massive granite structures were carved and transported to adorn the great pyramids and temples.

Concluding your Aswan exploration, you'll visit the Greco-Roman Philae Temple, dedicated to the revered goddess Isis. This site is one of the four locations where the legendary tale of Isis, Osiris, and Horus is believed to have taken place.

After your immersive morning of Aswan sightseeing, you'll return to the comfort of the Nile Cruise to savor a delightful lunch. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure in Aswan, before indulging in a sumptuous dinner and an engaging Nubian cultural performance aboard the vessel. Overnight, you'll rest in Aswan, eager for the adventures that await on the following day.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5: Last Day of our 5 Day Nile Cruise Tour from Luxor to Aswan

As you enjoy your final breakfast aboard the Nile Cruise, it's time to check out and prepare for your transfer to your requested drop-off location in Aswan, be it the railway station or the <u>Aswan airport</u>.

Before departing, you'll have the opportunity to embark on an optional tour of the captivating <u>Abu Simbel temples</u>. This excursion will serve as the perfect culmination to your Aswan adventures, allowing you to fully immerse yourself in the rich history and cultural significance of this remarkable region.

With special memories and a wealth of new experiences, you'll depart Aswan, eager to continue your journey or return home, energized and inspired by the wonders you have witnessed along the Nile.

Meal Included: Breakfast