

Breathtaking 5-Days Nile Cruise Tours From Luxor to Aswan

Price Starting From: \$700

5-Days / 4-Nights Luxor and Aswan Egypt one country Two Cities Every Monday

The Egypt Nile Cruise Tours program offers a comprehensive 5-day cruise experience from Luxor to <u>Aswan</u> aboard the MS Royal Viking Nile Cruise. This immersive journey takes travelers to a variety of ancient archaeological sites in Luxor, including the renowned Valley of the Kings, the majestic Karnak Temple, as well as the remarkable temples of Edfu, Kom Ombo, and Philae in Aswan.

The Nile River, the longest river in the world, serves as the backdrop for this captivating exploration of Egypt's rich cultural heritage. Travelers have the opportunity to experience the serene beauty of the Nile, complemented by engaging excursions, delectable cuisine, and luxurious accommodations aboard the cruise vessel.

These <u>Nile Cruise Tours and Lake Nasser Cruise tours</u> provide a unique opportunity for travelers to delve into the wonders of ancient Egyptian civilization, while also enjoying the natural splendor of the Nile River. The program offers a balance of educational, cultural, and leisure activities, ensuring an unforgettable journey that immerses participants in the magic of Egypt.

Ultimately, the Egypt Nile Cruise Tours present a remarkable chance for travelers to discover great sights, such as the iconic Pyramids of Giza and the magnificent Luxor temples, while indulging in the comfort and amenities of a luxury cruise experience along the legendary Nile River.

Overview Inclusion

- Full board accommodations for four nights on a five-star Nile cruise departing from Luxor and ending in Aswan. The cruise ship MS Royal Viking Nile.
- A mineral water bottle.
- admission passes for the locations specified in the schedule.
- For every mentioned sightseeing tour, a qualified tour guide is available.
- Each and every Egypt Nile cruise tour is private.
- Taxes and service fees are all included.
- tours that include shopping while on Aswan Sightseeing Tours and Luxor tours. (Upon demand)
- On request, the snack stops.
- Egypt Day tours, a soft drink at a neighborhood cafe. (Should we have the time)

Exclusion

- International flights to and from Egypt
- Any additional services or activities not explicitly mentioned in the tour itinerary
- Tipping for cruise staff and guides, which is customary in Egypt
- Drinks during meals, such as alcoholic beverages or bottled water

<u>Itinerary</u>

Day 1: Boarding the cruise and touring Luxor's East Bank

Upon arrival in Luxor, the guests will be met by a representative who will facilitate their transfer to the MS Royal Viking Nile Cruise. After being checked into their cabin, the guests will be provided a short break before enjoying their first lunch meal aboard the cruise ship.

The tour will commence with the guests meeting their English-speaking Egyptologist guide in the lobby. Luxor, situated approximately 700 kilometers south of Cairo, is a city with a population of almost 500,000 people, whose economy is largely driven by tourism and agriculture.

The first stop on the <u>Luxor East Bank tour</u> will be the magnificent Karnak Temple, the largest temple in Egypt. This colossal religious complex was constructed and expanded over a period of 2,000 years, evolving from a simple shrine during the <u>New Kingdom</u> into a vast and impressive structure.

Following the visit to Karnak Temple, the guests will be transferred to the renowned <u>Luxor Temple</u>, located within the city that bears its name. This temple was rediscovered in 1884 and is situated on the East Bank of the Nile River in Luxor.

After the Luxor excursions, the guests will return to the cruise ship for an overnight stay, with the option to attend an optional <u>Sound and Light Show</u> at Karnak Temple in the evening.

Meals included: Lunch, Dinner

Day 2: Exploring the West Bank of Luxor

After a delectable breakfast aboard the MS Royal Viking Nile Cruise, the guests will meet their tour leader to embark on a tour of the <u>Luxor West Bank</u>. The first stop on the itinerary will be the renowned Valley of the Kings, a fascinating necropolis where the New Kingdom Pharaohs constructed their elaborate rock-cut tombs, located far away from potential tomb raiders.

The tour will then proceed to the <u>Temple of Queen Hatshepsut</u>, also known as the <u>Temple of El Deir El Bahari</u>. This extraordinary monument, standing at an impressive height of 97 feet (30 meters), dazzles visitors with its exceptional architectural and artistic features.

The final stop on the Luxor West Bank tour will be the Colossi of Memnon, the massive statues of the great King Amenhotep III. These iconic landmarks provide a fitting conclusion to the guests' exploration of Luxor's ancient wonders.

Following the West Bank tours, a delectable lunch will be served aboard the <u>Nile Cruise</u>, before the vessel sets sail towards Edfu. In the evening, a delightful dinner will be provided, and the guests will spend the night aboard the cruise ship in Edfu.

As an optional activity, guests may choose to embark on a captivating <u>hot air balloon</u> ride above the Luxor West Bank monuments, offering a unique aerial perspective of these ancient sites.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3: Visiting the Temples of Edfu and Kom Ombo

Following the comprehensive sightseeing tours in Luxor, the guests will embark on a delightful day of exploration, beginning with a tasty breakfast aboard the Nile Cruise. Accompanied by their expert tour guide, the first stop will be the Temple of <u>Horus</u> in Edfu, one of the largest and best-preserved ancient Egyptian temples in the country, second only to the Karnak Temple in size.

The guests will have the opportunity to marvel at the remarkably well-preserved elements of this ancient religious complex, which continues to provide invaluable insights into the architectural and cultural traditions of ancient Egypt.

After the visit to the Edfu Temple, the guests will return to the cruise ship and continue their enchanting southward sail toward the town of Kom Ombo. Upon arrival, they will be guided to the remarkable Kom Ombo Temple, a unique dual temple dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek and the falcon god Horus the Elder. This temple, built between 1350 and 180 B.C. under the orders of Pharaoh Ramses II, offers a captivating glimpse into the diversity of ancient Egyptian deities and religious practices.

Following the Kom Ombo and Edfu tours, the guests will be served an unusual and delectable lunch aboard the cruise ship. Afterward, the vessel will continue its journey towards the beautiful city of Aswan, where the guests will enjoy a delightful dinner and an entertaining local music show, before retiring for the night.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4: Tours through the Nile in Aswan

On the following day, the guests will commence their Aswan excursions after enjoying a hearty breakfast aboard the Nile Cruise. Accompanied by a private tour guide, the first stop will be the Aswan <u>High Dam</u>, an engineering marvel that has safeguarded Egypt from the devastating Nile floods that once plagued the region for months, allowing the waters to be effectively utilized.

The tour will then proceed to the Unfinished Obelisk, located at the ancient granite quarries where the Egyptians extracted and transported the massive stones used in the construction of the great pyramids, temples, and other monumental structures during the Old and New Kingdoms.

The final destination of the Aswan excursion will be the <u>Philae Temple</u>, a Greco-Roman-style temple dedicated to the worship of the goddess Isis. This remarkable site is one of the four locations where the legendary story of Isis, Osiris, and Horus is believed to have taken place.

After the Aswan tours, the guests will return to the cruise ship and enjoy a delectable lunch meal. The afternoon will be left free for the guests to explore Aswan at their own pace. In the evening, a high-quality dinner will be served aboard the cruise, followed by an entertaining Nubian cultural

performance. The guests will then retire for the night in Aswan.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Conclusion of our 5-day Nile Cruise Tour from Luxor

On the final day of the Nile Cruise experience, the guests will begin their day with a delectable breakfast aboard the vessel. Following breakfast, the guests will check out from the cruise and be transferred to their requested drop-off location in Aswan, whether that be the railway station or the <u>Aswan Airport</u>.

As an optional addition to the Aswan excursions, guests may choose to embark on a tour to the renowned Abu Simbel temples. This remarkable archaeological site, featuring the colossal statues of Ramses II, provides a fitting culmination to the guests' exploration of Egypt's ancient wonders.

The inclusion of the optional <u>Abu Simbel tour</u> allows guests to fully immerse themselves in the rich cultural and historical heritage of Aswan, ensuring a comprehensive and unforgettable conclusion to their Nile Cruise experience.

Meal included: Breakfast