Stunning 5-Days Steigenberger Omar el Khayam Lake Nasser Cruise

Price Starting From: \$1180

5 Days / 4 Nights Aswan / Abu Simbel Egypt One Country One City Every Monday

This 5-Day Steigenberger Omar el Khayam Package is a great journey through Egypt, especially crafted for that person who simply loves the best things in life. **Egypt Tours** invites you into the heart of Egypt where its history and culture come alive in the most enchanting way.

Your trip begins with breathtaking <u>Abu Simbel</u>, a place where you'll be amazed by temples carved in the face of the mountain. This is the place where you can really appreciate the mastery of the Pharaohs and their faith in the gods. Let yourself be amazed by huge statues and hieroglyphics that tell you stories from an era long past.

Continue to relax on a tranquil **Nile Cruise**, meandering along one of the world's longest rivers while enjoying beautiful scenery of lush landscapes and time-worn monuments. Every stop on route reveals another fragment of Egyptian history: Amada Temple, Wadi Al Seboua, and more. Enjoy delicious meals and attentive services while you sit back and relax on the terrace, soaking in the beauty around you.

Your stay at the Steigenberger Omar el Khayam will be nothing less than extraordinary. Beautifully blending modern luxury with classic Egyptian design in the craft of this ship, it offers a tranquil retreat after an eventful day of exploration. Savor fine dining, refreshing spa treatments, and stunning views of the Nile that leave you refreshed and inspired.

More than a holiday, this five-day festivity is a reach for Egypt's dynamic heritage and making memories one has ever dreamt of in this truly magical setting. Come along, be a part of this lifetime journey as you unravel the magic of one of the most enchanting destinations in the world.

Overview Inclusion

- Upon arrival and departure, our representatives will meet and help you.
- our staff's support in interacting with visitors during your trip to Egypt.
- All transfers during Egypt tours are done by air-conditioned vehicles.
- The 5-star Steigenberger Omar El Khayam Lake Cruise provides full board for your stay.
- The price includes the entrance fees to the mentioned historical sites between Aswan and Abu Simbel.
- An expert English-speaking guide when visiting Egypt.
- All the taxes and service charges are paid.
- Shopping tours in Aswan. (when asked)
- Stops for a snack when asked.
- A soft drink at a neighborhood cafe while touring Egypt. (Assuming we have time.)

Exclusion

- Every extra that isn't listed on the itinerary.
- The cost of your Nile River cruises in Egypt in 2024–2025 does not include gratuities.
- drinks while eating.

Itinerary

Day 1: Aswan-Check-in

Your trip begins with a warm reception by the guide to attend to your immediate needs before you commence the magnificent Steigenberger Omar El Khayam Lake Nasser Cruise. You will have lunch on board and enjoy the afternoon in the splendor of Lake Nasser and its shores.

Later on, take your time and retire to enjoy the facilities offered onboard this cruise. Relax in style on the sun deck or lounge areas. At around dinner time, get ready for dinner, which is a sumptuous affair with lots of dishes to choose from.

Then the night becomes really exciting, with a dynamic Nubian show-dance that allows the guest to touch the rich cultural heritage of the region. This enchanting show is the great ending of your first day on board Steigenberger Omar El Khayam, promising an unforgettable journey onward.

Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Day 2: The 18th Dynasty - Kalabsha Temple

Start the day with a healthy breakfast on board, before taking off to explore the many wonders of <u>Aswan</u>. Day tours today are rich in their variety, starting with a visit to the <u>Kalabsha Temple</u>. This magnificent building dates back to the <u>18th Dynasty</u> and is committed to the gods <u>Amun-Re</u> and <u>Khnum</u>. Its richly inscribed walls allow the visitor to get the concept of the religious life of ancient Egyptians and display architectural genius from those talented people.

Following your visit to Kalabsha, you will be taken to <u>Beit El Wali</u>, a very unusual place that contains inscriptions and reliefs about the most important deeds of Pharaoh Ramses II. Here, you can learn more about one of the most popular pharaohs in Egypt.

The famous <u>Temple of Abu Simbel</u>, famous for its gigantic statues and imposing edifices, will be your next stop. This impressive mountain-cut temple complex has depicted Ramses II as mighty and divine through dramatic scenes showing him alongside the gods Amun-Re, Ra-Horakhty, and Ptah.

Your trip will head further on toward <u>Wadi El Sebou</u>, a place of uncommon beauty, with several temples offering great views. Each of these sites will afford a deeper look into the culture and history of Ancient Egypt-all within one day.

In the afternoon, after a whole day of sightseeing, take your time to relax on board. Enjoy the serenity of Lake Nasser in your cabin and then later enjoy a delicious dinner put together by our talented chefs while reflecting on the once-in-a-lifetime experiences of your **Aswan Tour**.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3: Wadi El Sebou - Amada Temple

After a delicious breakfast on board, your **Egypt Day Tours** excursion proceeds for **Wadi El Sebou**, another archaeological site that boasts of fabulous temples built by Ramses II himself. This area was relocated higher to prevent flooding from Lake Nasser. Reliefs show the victories and homage paid to the gods by the great Pharaoh. The temples are an example of old and modern engineering marvels.

You will also visit <u>Amada Temple</u>, which was built by <u>Thutmose III</u> and dedicated to the god Amon Ra, being one of the oldest temples in <u>Nubia</u>. In this well-preserved temple are well-preserved artwork and inscriptions regarding religious rituals and worship practices of ancient Egyptians on the walls. It also is a cultic centre and representative of the spiritual life at the time, reflecting the skill of the ancient craftsmen especially of the Nubian people during the times of Thutmose III and <u>Ramses II</u>.

You would then head to your cruise ship to relax in the afternoon and enjoy stunning views of Lake Nasser from your cabin. You would enjoy a delicious dinner as you recall the great experiences from your Egypt Day Tours.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4: Kasr Ibrim - Abu Simbel

Then, a tasty breakfast on board while the boat sails to Qasr Ibrim. This is one of the most important historical sites in Egypt and was once a Nubian fort; inside it once lay the tombs of the Nubian kings and queens from the time of Pharaoh Thutmose III. Although it is now closed to outside visitors, Qasr Ibrim's cultural and spiritual significance is still palpable from onboard ship. This strategic location along the Nile was important for trade and militaristic defense against ancient invaders; its ruins carry very interesting insights into the culture and governance of the Nubian people.

You will visit the overwhelming Abu Simbel, a gigantic complex of temples ordered by the great Pharaoh Ramses II. The bigger temple has colossal statues of Ramses II standing besides the gods Amun, RaHorakhty, and Ptah; all of them postulating the closeness of the Pharaoh to divinity. A small temple given to goddess Hathor is one that symbolizes love and devotion, representing the relationship of Ramses II with his wife, Nefertari.

In the 1960s, these temples were mightily relocated to higher ground to save them from the rise in the waters of Lake Nasser. This was an engineering feat which was quite crucial to save these architectural marvels for future generations to come and see. Also, the temples are phenomenal not only in aspects of size and construction skill but also for what they speak about the power of Ramses II and his religious beliefs. This big temple is specially aligned with the sun, so that it shines into the inner sanctum only once every year at the times of the Pharaoh's birthday and coronation, being an omen of their great knowledge in astronomy and spiritual matters.

Later on, we will return to the ship for more free time. Enjoy your afternoon and you can pick up on some rest or continue reflecting on everything you saw on this amazing, historic site.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5: Disembarkation from Aswan

You will have your last Breakfast meal on the Steigenberger Omar El Khayam before leaving for the last destination of your program, which is the Abu Simbel Airport for your final flight by our tour guide.

Meals: Breakfast.