## Egypt tours from Cairo to the White and Black Desert

**Price Starting From: \$660** 

6 Days Cairo and Bahariya Oasis Egypt

The journey from Cairo to the stunning White and Black Desert. This <u>Egypt tour</u> offers a unique blend of adventure and natural beauty with <u>Egypt tour packages</u> as you explore the striking landscapes of Egypt's deserts.

Visit the surreal white limestone formations in the White Desert, marvel at the volcanic hills of the Black Desert, and experience the tranquility of the vast desert sands.

Along the way, enjoy guided tours, comfortable accommodations, and authentic Bedouin hospitality, making this a memorable experience. Perfect for nature lovers with an Egypt day tour and adventure seekers alike!

# Overview Inclusion

- Assistance services at airports for both arrivals and departures.
- 3 nights' stay at a 5-star hotel in Cairo with bed and breakfast included.
- One night's accommodation at the Cairo Pyramids Hotel with a half board.
- One night of camping in the White Desert on a full-board basis.
- Entrance fees for all listed sites in Cairo, Bahariya Oasis, and the White Desert.
- Full camping equipment, including sleeping bags, camel blankets, spacious ventilated tents, and mattresses.
- All transfers within Bahariya Oasis and the White Desert in 4x4 vehicles.
- Complimentary bottled water and soft drinks are available throughout all Egypt Travel Packages.
- Shopping tours in Cairo are available upon request.
- Snack stops are available upon request.
- All taxes and service charges for Egypt Vacations are included.

#### **Exclusion**

- Egypt entry visa not included.
- Tipping is not included in the tour price.
- Beverages during meals are not covered.
- Tour pricing applies to peak seasons only.

#### **Itinerary**

### Day 1: Arrival in Cairo

Upon your arrival at <u>Cairo International Airport</u>, you will be greeted by a certified representative from Cairo Top Tours, holding a sign with your name. They will escort you via a private vehicle to your hotel in Giza or Cairo. After reaching the hotel, we'll assist you with a swift check-in and review your Egypt Day Tours itinerary to confirm all your scheduled pick-up times for tours in Cairo and other cities.

Spend your first evening in Cairo. *Welcome drink at the hotel* 

# Day 2: Explore the Giza Pyramids, Sphinx, and Cairo Highlights

Start your day with a buffet breakfast at the hotel, featuring a mix of international and Egyptian cuisine. Your private English-speaking guide will take you to the <u>Giza Plateau</u>, where you'll see the Great Pyramid of King Cheops, marveling at the precision with which it was built. You'll also visit the Pyramids of Chephren and Mycerinus, followed by an up-close view of the iconic Great Sphinx. Your guide will provide a detailed history, and you'll have time to capture photos. Additionally, you'll explore the Valley Temple of King Chephren, where mummification took place.

Afterward, enjoy lunch at a top-notch restaurant in Cairo before heading to Islamic Cairo. There, you'll wander through bustling markets, experience local life, and sip traditional mint tea at one of Cairo's oldest cafés—El Fishawy or Layaly Al-Hussein—within Khan El Khalili.

Next, you'll visit the Egyptian Museum, where your guide will walk you through significant artifacts, including the treasures of Tutankhamun. The tour continues to <u>Coptic Cairo</u>, where you'll explore the Roman Babylon Fortress and the Hanging Church, built above its ancient towers. Walk the historic streets to see St. Sergius Church, home to the crypt where the Holy Family took refuge, and conclude with a visit to the <u>Ben</u> Ezra Synagogue, one of Cairo's oldest Jewish places of worship.

Included meals: breakfast

#### Day 3: Journey to Bahariya Oasis

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and meet your certified guide to begin your trip to Bahariya Oasis, a 4-hour drive from Cairo in an air-conditioned vehicle. Upon arrival, you will visit the Valley of the Golden Mummies, where a serendipitous discovery revealed thousands of Roman-era mummies covered in gold. Then, explore the Tombs of the Nobles from the Pharaonic era, and visit the Temple of Alexander the Great, discovered by Egyptian archaeologists, though partly damaged over time. Finally, see the Temple of Ein El Meffetla, believed to be the heart of the ancient city of Al Qasr.

Enjoy lunch at the oasis, followed by check-in at your hotel. In the afternoon, unwind in the mineral-rich hot springs. Before sunset, take a guided walk through the oasis to interact with locals and learn about their unique traditions. End the day by climbing the Black Mountain for panoramic views of the oasis and the ruins of the English House at sunset.

Spend the night in Bahariya Oasis. Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

### Day 4: Discover the White and Black Desert

After breakfast, you will explore Bahariya's large salt lake and surrounding golden dunes. Visit local palm groves and fruit gardens, then enjoy a delicious lunch before heading into the desert. First, explore the <u>Black Desert</u>, characterized by volcanic hills and black stones. Next, see the sparkling quartz of <u>Crystal Mountain</u> and stop briefly at the Valley of El Haize. From there, you'll venture into the White Desert, renowned for its unique chalk formations sculpted by the wind. These natural sculptures create fascinating shapes that look like they've been artistically carved.

Your night will be spent camping in the White Desert, offering a rare opportunity to spot the elusive desert fox. Watch a stunning sunset while your Bedouin guides prepare a fresh, traditional dinner.

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

## Day 5: Return to Cairo

Start the day with a fresh breakfast prepared by your local hosts, using the finest Arabian ingredients. After breakfast, relax and take a dip in the hot springs before continuing to explore and photograph the surreal white desert formations.

Then, you'll head back to Cairo with your guide and private driver.

Spend the night in your Cairo hotel.

Included meals: Breakfast