# 13 Days Cairo, Nile Cruise and the Oasis Tour

**Price Starting From: \$0** 

13 Days / 12 Nights Egypt Cairo

Experience the enchantment of Egypt with our exceptional 13-day Cairo, Nile Cruise, and Oasis <u>Tour package</u>. This immersive journey will allow you to explore the most captivating historical and natural wonders of this ancient land.

Begin your adventure in Egypt Day Tours, where you'll embark on a mesmerizing exploration of Egypt's rich heritage. Witness the awe-inspiring Giza Pyramids and the iconic Sphinx, marveling at the architectural prowess of the ancient Egyptian pharaohs. The Egyptian Museum in Cairo will unveil a treasure trove of artifacts, offering a glimpse into the grandeur of a bygone era when other civilizations were yet to emerge.

As you set sail on a Nile Cruise in Egypt Shore Excursions, your voyage will take you to Luxor and Aswan, allowing you to bask in the timeless beauty of the Nile River. The journey doesn't stop there; you'll also venture into the mystical landscapes of the White Desert and the Black Desert. These surreal terrains, along with visits to Bahariya Oasis, Dakhla Oasis, Farafra, Kharga, and Baris Oasis, will captivate the adventurous soul within you.

For those seeking the pinnacle of luxury, we offer all-inclusive options that encompass opulent <u>Siwa Oasis</u> trips from Cairo and thrilling White Desert Safari tours, among other exciting safari adventures.

Experience the best of Egypt, where history, culture, and natural wonders converge into an unforgettable journey.

Overview Inclusion

Cairo Top Tours representatives at the airports and hotels.

All the entrance tickets during the tours in Egypt.

accommodation Cairo Pyramids Hotel for 3 nights on a bed & breakfast basis.

Your accommodation in Bahariya Oasis for 1 night on a half-board basis.r

1-night full board camping in the White Desert including all required camping equipment.

Accommodation in Dakhla Oasis for 1 night including dinner and breakfast.

Accommodation for 1 night in Kharga Oasis camping on full board.

Accommodation for 4 nights aboard Egypt Nile River Cruise boat including all meals.

Accommodation for 1 night on a sleeping train from Aswan to Cairo on a half-board basis.

All the required camping equipment like sleeping bags, camel blankets, and spacious well-ventilated tents are included.

Transportation service by private air-conditioned vehicles during all our Egypt Tours Packages.

Transportation inside the Oases by jeep 4-wheel drive.

Tours in Cairo, the oasis, and during the Nile Cruise tours are privately guided tours.

Bottled water and soft drinks during all our Egypt Day Tours and Packages.

An English-speaking tour guide is provided by Cairo Top Tours.

Meals in hotels, Nile cruise, and the oasis as mentioned in the itinerary.

Stops for snacks upon request.

All taxes and service charges are included.

#### **Exclusion**

International flight tickets to Egypt.

Visa to enter Egypt.

Beverage during meals.

Tipping is not included in the prices of your Cairo, Nile Cruise, and the Oasis Tour.

Prices are not applicable also during peak seasons like Egypt Xmas tours and Egypt Easter tours.

#### **Itinerary**

#### Day 1: Arrive to Cairo Airport

Welcome to Cairo, Egypt!

Upon your arrival at <u>Cairo International Airport</u>, a friendly tour leader from Cairo Top Tours will be eagerly awaiting your arrival at the luggage belt. Look for a signboard displaying your name along with our company's logo. Your personal driver and a comfortable, private, air-conditioned vehicle will be ready to transfer you to your Cairo hotel.

Upon reaching the hotel, our dedicated tour leader will assist you with a smooth check-in process and take the time to review your Egypt tour itinerary. This ensures that you are well-prepared for the upcoming days of your Egypt Day Tours.

Rest well in <u>Cairo</u> for the night, and to kick off your journey, we'll be delighted to serve you a refreshing welcome drink!

#### Day 2: Pyramids and the highlights of Cairo Tour

Take your nice breakfast at your hotel in the early morning, then get ready to be accompanied by your Egyptologist guide to the Giza Plateau and enjoy the tour to Giza Pyramids of Cheops of the fourth dynasty, built over 4500 years ago by the hands of 100,000 men and it is considered the largest between the 3 Pyramids of Giza. Behind it, you will see the pyramids of his son Chephren and the third pyramid of King Mycerinus, The Great Sphinx made by king Chephren to be the guardian of the necropolis, and the only (almost intact) surviving Valley Temple which is part of Chephren's pyramid complex in Giza at the end of your Giza pyramids tour.

You will go to the oldest part in Cairo to enjoy an amazing <u>Coptic Cairo tour</u> and visit <u>The Hanging Church</u>, which was built above the ruins of the old Fortress of Babylon, the church of St Sergius or Abu Serga church, in addition to Ben Ezra Synagogue, which was a Coptic church before it was converted into a Jewish synagogue in 882 A.D.

Take a rest while having your lunch served in an oriental restaurant. After that, we will resume Cairo day tours to <u>The Egyptian Museum</u>, which was opened in 1902 as the first antiquities museum in Cairo. The museum houses artifacts from all periods in the <u>history of Egypt</u> between great statues and huge sarcophagi to the tiniest accessories used by ancient Egyptians.

Finally, you will be taken to the oldest bazaar in Cairo for an unusual Cairo shopping tour experience in the market of Khan El Khalili which is one of the most visited sites during the Islamic Cairo trips.

You will be transferred back to the hotel and overnight in Cairo.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch

#### Day 3: Cairo to Bahariya Oasis

At approximately 6:00 AM, begin your day with a hearty breakfast before checking out of your accommodation, as you prepare to embark on your Egypt Desert Safari Trips Adventure. You'll rendezvous with an experienced Egyptologist guide from Cairo Top Tours, who will be ready with a modern, air-conditioned vehicle for your journey to Bahariya Oasis, a scenic drive that takes approximately 4 hours from Cairo.

Upon arrival at Bahariya Oasis, you'll explore its fascinating attractions. Your itinerary includes a visit to the Valley of Golden Mummies, where you'll encounter the tombs of the oasis's regional rulers from ancient times. You'll also explore the temple dedicated to the renowned Alexander The Great, who played a pivotal role in the creation of the beautiful city of Alexandria. Additionally, you'll visit the Temple of Muftella, dedicated to God Bis, one of the prominent deities of ancient Egypt revered in desert locations as the god of entertainment and pleasure.

Lunchtime beckons, and you'll savor a delicious meal in a traditional Bedouin-style restaurant. Following this, you'll proceed to your hotel to check in and have a leisurely afternoon at your disposal.

As the day unfolds, you'll embark on a thrilling adventure, ascending the Black Mountain aboard a 4-wheel drive vehicle, all in time to witness the mesmerizing sunset. At the summit, you'll explore the ruins, including the famous "English House," while soaking in the picturesque view of Bahariya Oasis as the sun dips below the horizon.

Your day will conclude with a comfortable overnight stay in Bahariya, where you'll enjoy breakfast, lunch, and dinner as part of your package.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 4: White & Black Desert

Begin your day with an early morning breakfast as you prepare for an exciting day ahead. Your adventure starts with a visit to the extraordinary salt lake, where you'll be treated to breathtaking views and ample photo opportunities. Take in the natural beauty of the golden sand dunes, and immerse yourself in the local culture by learning how to climb palm trees just like the locals, allowing you to pick the freshest fruit of the season as you wander through beautiful gardens.

Your journey continues as you set out for the White Desert, with your first stop being the captivating The Black Desert. Here, you'll encounter mountains shaped by volcanic forces and adorned with an abundance of volcanic rocks. Venture further to the south of Bawiti and Bahariya, where you'll explore the Valley of El Haize. Along the way, a stop will be made for you to marvel at the quartz formations in the Crystal Mountain area. You'll also have the opportunity to spend some time in the enchanting Valley of Agabat.

As the day comes to a close, prepare for a unique experience – spending the night amidst the pristine beauty of the White Desert. Camp between the striking white limestone and chalk formations of the western desert,

and witness the awe-inspiring moon and stars above.

To complete this memorable day, savor a delicious Bedouin dinner in the heart of the desert.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 5: Farafra & Dakhla Oases

Start your day with a delightful breakfast prepared by local experts, complemented by the popular morning tea infused with mint. Your journey continues as you make your way to the enchanting <u>Farafra Oasis</u>. Here, you'll have the opportunity to relax and rejuvenate in the soothing sulfur hot water spring of Bir Setah, also known as Setah Well.

While in Farafra, don't miss the chance to visit the one-of-a-kind mud brick museum curated by the local artist Badr. Explore the historic charm of the old town of Al Qasr before embarking on a scenic 3-hour drive from Farafra to Dakhla.

In Dakhla, you'll uncover the Roman Temple of Deir El Hagar, a magnificent structure partially buried by sand dunes and dating back to the 26th dynasty. This temple bears the legacy of legendary Roman Emperors.

Discover some of Egypt's most exquisite rock-cut tombs at the Roman burial ground of El Muzawwaqqa. After a satisfying lunch, visit the ancient Islamic Village of Al Qasr, which traces its origins back to the twelfth century A.D. Wander through narrow alleys lined with ancient houses, explore historical sites such as the old oil press, the wheat grinder, the old court, and even a medieval prison. Additionally, you'll encounter an old school and an Ayyubid mosque.

As the afternoon unfolds, unwind by a pool-like hot spring and soak in the serene surroundings. Then, venture into the verdant Dakhla farms, where golden sand dunes stretch beneath the clear blue sky. Witness the breathtaking sunset on the Edge of the Great Sand Sea while enjoying a flavorful Bedouin tea.

Your night will be spent at the Desert Lodge Hotel in Dakhla, situated atop a cliff, offering panoramic views of the green village and the renowned rose mountains that Dakhla Oasis is celebrated for.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 6: Kharga Oasis

Today's adventure takes you to the <u>Kharga Oasis</u>. Start your day with a satisfying breakfast as you prepare for an exploration of Dakhla Oasis. Your journey commences with a visit to Qasr El Labkha, a Roman fortress situated along the historic caravan route known as the famous 40 Days Road, which once linked Egypt with Sudan (DARB EL ARBEIN). Delve into history at the Kharga Museum.

Continue your expedition with a visit to the Roman Temple of Hibis and Nadura, observing these ancient treasures from the outside. Explore Bagawat, renowned as the world's oldest Christian cemetery, where chapels adorned with biblical murals from the Old Testament still retain their vibrant colors.

Next on your itinerary is the charming Baris Oasis, the smallest and most picturesque of the Western Desert Oases. Discover the Temple of Dush, standing proudly amidst a flourishing settlement that once guarded the

forty days road during its operation. You'll have the opportunity to observe the well-preserved details of this Roman settlement, including mud-brick houses, a fortress, and the Temple dedicated to Isis and Serapis.

As the day draws to a close, relish the experience of camping amidst the golden sand dunes of Kharga, where you'll be surrounded by the tranquility of the desert.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

# Day 7: Kharga \ Luxor ( East Bank )

Savor your breakfast amidst the enchanting golden sand dunes. Following this delightful start to your day, you'll be chauffeured to Luxor in the comfort of an air-conditioned vehicle, with the journey taking approximately 6 hours. Upon your arrival in <u>Luxor</u>, an exciting chapter of your adventure begins as you embark on your 5-star <u>Egypt Nile River Cruise</u>.

Lunch will be a delectable affair served aboard the Nile cruise ship. Dive into Luxor's rich history with a visit to the East Bank, where you'll explore the awe-inspiring Karnak Temple, one of the largest man-made temples in the world. Additionally, you'll have the opportunity to visit the grand temple built by King Amenhotep III and the iconic Luxor Temple, constructed by various kings of ancient Egypt.

Conclude your day with a sumptuous dinner on board the cruise ship, and spend the night in Luxor, where your culinary journey continues.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 8:Luxor West Bank

Aboard the Nile river cruise, you will enjoy your savory breakfast viewing the Nile River to continue your Egypt Travel Packages. Begin the <u>west bank of Luxor tour</u> to the two colossal statues of Amenhotep III renowned as the <u>Colossi of Memnon</u>, and then visit <u>the Valley of the Kings</u>, the burial ground of 62 pharaohs of the New Kingdom including the famous king Tutankhamen and legendary King Ramses II, the tombs were cut from the mountain, decorated with fascinating paintings and filled in with treasures the Pharaohs were planning to enjoy in the afterlife. Make sure you will go to see the Temple of Hatshepsut well-known as the temple of El Deir El Bahary, the first female ruler in the history of Egypt.

Your lunch will be served on board while sailing to Edfu. Enjoy a leisurely dinner aboard the Nile cruise.

Overnight aboard your Nile Cruise.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

# Day 9:Edfu / Kom Ombo

Begin your day with a delightful breakfast served aboard the <u>Nile Cruise</u> boat. Following this, you'll set off to visit the remarkably well-preserved Ptolemaic temple dedicated to the revered god Horus, who is depicted

with a falcon's head and symbolizes the sky. This is the impressive <u>Edfu Temple</u>, a site filled with historical and architectural wonders.

Sail onward to Kom Ombo, where you'll encounter the unique <u>Temple of Kom Ombo</u>, constructed for the veneration of the crocodile God Sobek. Lunch will be served on board the cruise ship as you continue your voyage towards <u>Aswan</u>.

In the evening, relish a delicious dinner on board, and settle in for a comfortable night's sleep on your Egypt Nile River Cruise, where your culinary journey continues.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 10: Aswan Sightseeing

Following a delightful breakfast on board the Nile cruise, your day in <u>Aswan</u> begins with an exploration of its renowned attractions. Your first stop is the iconic <u>High Dam</u>, an engineering marvel and one of modern Egypt's most significant projects.

Next, you'll visit the magnificent <u>Temple of Philae</u>, dedicated to the Goddess Isis and elegantly situated on an island. To reach the temple, enjoy a delightful motorboat ride across the sparkling waters.

Your journey continues to the granite quarries, where you'll encounter the largest known obelisk, <u>the Unfinished Obelisk</u>. These quarries were essential for the ancient kings, who sourced the stone blocks needed for their grand projects from Aswan.

As the day winds down, indulge in a scrumptious dinner served on board your Egypt Nile River Cruise, and spend a restful night in Aswan.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

# Day 11: Disembarkation / Cairo

After a satisfying breakfast, it's time to check out from your Egypt Nile River Cruise. You'll have some free leisure time to explore Aswan at your own pace or opt for an additional excursion to visit <u>Abu Simbel from Aswan by Land</u>.

Later, you'll be transferred to the Aswan railway station to catch your overnight <u>Sleeping Train</u> back to Cairo. As you journey through the night, dinner will be served on the train, ensuring you're well-fed and comfortable.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

#### Day 12: Arrive Cairo

Your day starts with a breakfast served aboard the train as you journey back to Cairo. Upon your arrival at the Giza train station, <u>Cairo Top Tours</u> representative will be there to greet you and facilitate your transfer to your hotel. If possible, an early check-in will be arranged for your convenience.

Once you're settled, you have the option to explore Cairo further with one of our optional Cairo day tours or a Cairo half-day tour, depending on your preferences and schedule.

Enjoy a comfortable overnight stay in Cairo, where you can rest and recharge.

Included Meals: Breakfast

# Day 13; Final Departure / the best of Egypt holidays all inclusive

On the closing day of your Egypt Classic Tours, Take your breakfast at your hotel. Enjoy one of our <u>Cairo</u> <u>Day tours</u>. After that, our tour leader will pick you up and transfer you to <u>Cairo International Airport</u> for departure.

Meals: Breakfast