A 16-day itinerary for Egypt

Price Starting From: \$0

16 Days/ 15 Nights Cairo, Luxor, Aswan, Hurghada, Siwa Oasis Egypt

Visit and discover Egypt

The itineraries for <u>Egypt tours</u> offer packed schedules where time takes on a different significance. While a single week may not be sufficient to explore all of Egypt, 16 days provide ample opportunity to visit the country's major landmarks and experience the attractions that draw tourists from around the world. These itineraries are carefully designed to help you make the most of your time in Egypt, providing day-by-day guidance on what to do and see.

Additionally, our <u>Egypt tour packages</u> offer a comprehensive experience; there are optional recommendations to explore multiple cultures and partake in various activities during their vacation in Egypt. Choose from <u>Egypt day tours</u>, to create a tailor-made experience that will leave you enamored with this incredible land and longing to return home feeling rejuvenated.

Overview Inclusion

- Our tour guides will meet and greet you at the airports.
- The support of Cairo Top Tours staff throughout all of our Egypt travel packages.
- A private air-conditioned vehicle arranges all transports.
- 5 nights of lodging in Cairo at the Cairo Pyramids Hotel, including breakfast
- Four nights' lodging and full board on a Nile cruise from Luxor to Aswan.
- 3 nights' lodging with full board in a hotel in Hurghada.
- Three nights' lodging at the Siwa Oasis ecolodge, including breakfast each day.
- Every Egypt Desert Safari excursion is conducted in a private vehicle.
- Tickets and entrance fees for each of the mentioned locations.
- Tickets for domestic flights from Cairo to Luxor or Hurghada.
- All day trips to Egypt are private.
- Upon request, stops to buy snacks.
- Every meal that is specified in the schedule.
- During your Egypt day tours, go shopping in Cairo.
- On all Egypt tours, bottled water and cold beverages are provided.
- Taxes and all service fees are included.

Exclusion

- International flight tickets.
- Entry visa to Egypt.
- Beverage during meals.
- Tipping is not included in our trip costs.
- Tour cost doesn't apply during peak seasons like the Xmas tours in Egypt, New Year, or during Egypt Easter tours.

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Cairo and Check-in

Depending on the time of your flight, a representative from Cairo Top Tours will meet you at the Cairo International <u>Airport</u> and drive you in a private vehicle to your hotel in Cairo or Giza so you can check in. He will make every effort to ensure that the room is ready, everything is running smoothly, and that the pick-up times and order for the 16 Days in Egypt itinerary are appropriate and without significant changes.

With our services, we can recommend a good restaurant for an <u>Egyptian cuisine</u> dinner or a Nile dinner cruise in Cairo. You can also book one of our Cairo day tours, such as going to the Giza Pyramids to see the sound and light show or experiencing the thrill of quad biking around <u>the Giza Pyramids</u>, if you're feeling tired and want to take some time to rest.

Welcome Drink

Day 2: Giza Pyramids, Saqqara, and Memphis

The hotel's breakfast buffet will kick off your first tour in Cairo, and your licensed tour guide will meet you there to take you to the Giza pyramids. Your tour begins with a visit to the renowned Giza Pyramids, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Marvel at the impressive Great Pyramid of King Cheops.

Your day continues with a journey through ancient antiquities as you explore the Valley Temple of King Chephren, the Pyramid of Mycerinus, and the iconic Great Sphinx. After immersing yourself in the wonders of the Giza plateau, you will move to the Saqqara and Memphis tours. First, you will explore the site of Saqqara, the oldest necropolis, including the Step Pyramid complex of King Djoser.

You will also enter the Pyramid of Teti, which is not so narrow like the other pyramids of Egypt but more elaborate and exciting. King Teti ruled Egypt during the 6th dynasty, and his son-in-law, Kagemni, has his own mastaba tombs among the various tombs of the nobles at Saqqara. You will have a tour inside to see the well-preserved scenes of offerings and hunting during ancient Egypt.

We will now eat a lunch of traditional fare in Saqqara before traveling to Memphis to see the remains of the country's former capital that dates back more than 5000 years. we will get back to the hotel by private vehicle and make sure you organize with your tour guide if you would like to do something in Cairo by night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 3: Egyptian Museum Tour, Old and Islamic Cairo

After a hearty breakfast at the hotel in Cairo, we'll head to the Egyptian Museum, where your knowledgeable guide will point out the highlights and masterpieces of the largest collection of Egyptian artifacts in the entire world, including the famed pharaoh Tutankhamen's golden treasures.

Enjoy <u>Islamic Cairo tours</u> by visiting <u>the Citadel of Saladin</u>, which includes the Mohamed Ali Mosque. From the top of the citadel, you will have an overwhelming view of numerous mosques, domes, and minarets piercing the sky.

Enjoy your lunch then your guide will start the Coptic Cairo tour to see the ancient Roman fortress of Babylon, the Hanging Church, the church of the Holy family, or St Sergius church. Our guide will show you the famous Old Cairo synagogue known as Ben Ezra Synagogue probably the site of the royal palace where Prophet Moses was floating above the water of the Nile River.

Your driver will navigate through the heavy traffic in Cairo to facilitate your Cairo sightseeing tours and reach the Islamic district of Cairo, and spend time at one of the most famous and vibrant markets in Egypt well known as Khan El Khalili, one of the oldest Bazaars in Cairo.

You will be transferred back to the hotel to spend your night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 4: Fly to Luxor, Nile Cruise, East Bank of Luxor Tours

After eating breakfast at the hotel, make your way to <u>Cairo Airport</u> to catch your domestic flight to Luxor. Our representative will meet you and assist you upon arrival at Luxor Airport and then drive you to the Nile cruise boat, where you can board and check into your cabin. Get served your open-buffet lunch before beginning your Luxor day tours.

As part of your <u>Luxor</u> East Bank tours today, begin at the enormous <u>Karnak</u> Temple, which is thought to be the most ancient structure in all of Egypt. Only the Giza Pyramids in Cairo can fully convey the majesty of this incredible temple complex.

Continue your Luxor tours to the Luxor Temple, which was built on the same site as a slightly smaller temple devoted to the worship of God Amun. This temple has a view of the Nile. Before dinner is served on the Nile cruise ship and you spend the night in Luxor, take pleasure in an afternoon tea or a welcome cocktail.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5: Luxor West Bank Tours

Enjoy a buffet breakfast on board the Nile cruise ship, then meet your Egyptologist to begin your excursions in Luxor today. Start with a trip to the Valley of the Kings, a small valley of red rock hidden between mountains that contains numerous tombs of nearly 70 pharaohs who ruled Egypt during the new kingdom, including Ramses II and the golden pharaoh Tutankhamen.

Continue your Luxor sightseeing tours to the Temple of El Deir El Bahari, which was constructed by the illustrious and strong Queen Hatshepsut. This temple symbolizes the conflict between Hatshepsut and her son-in-law, Tuthmosis III, as evidenced by the fact that several of her statues were vandalized by the monarch's supporters after her passing.

The enormous statues of <u>Amenhotep III</u>, known as the Colossi of Memnon, can now be seen before you return to the ship and head toward Edfu. Before dinner is served on the Nile cruise ship, enjoy your lunch and afternoon tea while listening to the entertaining Galabeya party. Spend the night in Luxor.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6: Edfu and Kom Ombo Temples

Breakfast will be served aboard your Luxor to Aswan Nile Cruise in the early morning. Get ready for the Kom Ombo and Edfu tour, starting at the Temple of Edfu that was built for the worship of God Horus, protector of Kingship. Back to the cruise ship to have your tasty lunch served, and sail to Kom Ombo to visit the double Greco-Roman style temple that was shared by God Sobek the crocodile and God Haroeris, who was another figure of Horus.

In order to start your early morning Aswan sightseeing tours, return to the boat and eat dinner while sailing toward Aswan.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7: Aswan Sightseeing Tours

As you begin your Aswan day tours to the city's <u>famous landmarks</u> that were known for their significance during the ancient times of Egyptian history, enjoy your daily breakfast aboard the Nile cruise ship. Start your Aswan excursions by visiting the Temple of Philae, the epicenter of Goddess Isis worship and one of the key locations where the Osiris myth occurred. Then, continue your Aswan excursions by visiting the Unfished Obelisk in the granite quarries to see <u>the enormous obelisk</u> that is thought to have been carved during Hatshepsut's reign.

The High Dam is the final stop on your Aswan sightseeing tours to see the largest project in modern Egypt's history, which was built in the 1950s by the late President Nasser to protect Egypt from the annual Nile flood water and to produce the necessary electricity as well. Before spending the night in Aswan, head back to the cruise ship and enjoy dinner and the night show.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 8: Disembarkation, Optional Abu Simbel Tours, Transfer to Hurghada by Land

After breakfast, you will disembark from your Nile cruise ship and be driven to Hurghada in your own vehicle. If you'd like to see the splendor of the rock-cut temples built for King "Ramses II" and his beloved wife, Queen Nefertari, in Abu Simbel, you can arrange an optional tour from Aswan.

Your representative will meet you at the Hurghada airport, drive you to the hotel in a private vehicle, help you check in without incident, and give you the rest of the day to yourself after lunch at the open buffet.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 9: (Optional) Snorkeling Trip to Mahmya Island in Hurghada by Boat

We have a great suggestion for you that will even make your tours of Egypt more exciting: an optional snorkeling trip to <u>Mahmya Island</u> in Hurghada by boat. Today, you can enjoy the sunshine at the beach of your hotel.

On one of the island cruise boats in the Red Sea, you will be guided to begin your amazing Hurghada Day Tours and Excursions to the Mahmya Island. From there, you will need to travel for about an hour to get to the island. Enjoy your time swimming or snorkeling to see the stunning coral reefs, then after your Red Sea Snorkeling Tours are finished, take a transfer back to the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 10: (Optional) Hurghada Bedouin Desert Safari by Jeep

If you don't want to stay at the hotel today, we can arrange a Hurghada Bedouin Desert Safari by Jeep so you can interact with the native Bedouins of the eastern desert of Egypt and the Red Sea and learn about their way of life. To be entertained by your adventurous activity in the middle of the desert, a tour guide from Cairo Top Tours will meet you in the hotel lobby. You will then be driven 35 kilometers to a point between the Hurghada hills, where we will enter a Bedouin village, where you will learn a lot about the Bedouins' simple but fascinating way of life and get a clear understanding of their cultures and attitudes.

If you book this Hurghada excursion with (an optional) quad biking tour in Hurghada close to the Bedouin village, a camel ride in the Hurghada desert is also included. Mineral water and soft drinks are also included, and you can enjoy the entertainment and the stars adorning the desert sky while the locals prepare your dinner on a grill.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 11: Fly Back to Cairo

When you finish your daily buffet breakfast at the Hurghada hotel, you will be taken to the airport to catch your flight back to <u>Cairo</u>. Our representative will meet you at the Cairo airport and take you to the hotel so you can check in and choose an activity from our selection of Egypt day tours and Cairo excursions.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 12: Siwa Oasis from Cairo, Alamein to Siwa Oasis

Following check-out procedures, our tour guide will meet you at the hotel in the early morning to start your unusual Egypt Desert Safari Trips to <u>Siwa Oasis</u>. The tour of El Alamein's World War II cemeteries departs from Cairo at that point.

You will see the recently built memorials erected by the governments of Australia and New Zealand, as well as the Commonwealth World War Museum. Then continue your journey to Siwa, where you will enjoy a delectable lunch after traveling for about 6 hours from El Alamein, via the breathtaking bay of Marsa Matrouh. Before being taken to the hotel for an overnight stay in a lovely Eco-lodge, take a dip in a hot spring.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 13: Shali Fortress, Temple of the Oracle, Umm Ubaida, Siwa House Museum

The Shali Fortress remains, which have been slightly melted down as a result of the heavy rains, will be visited before you continue your Siwa Oasis Desert Safari adventure. Then take a transfer to the ancient Aghurmi village, which dates to the 26th dynasty, to see Alexander the Great's temple (The Temple of The Oracle).

Continue on to <u>Um Ubeyda</u> to see <u>the Amun Ra Temple</u>, which was built in Amun's honor. After learning about the Bedouin societies in Siwa's culture at the Siwa House Museum, you can enjoy lunch at the Abdo restaurant in the Oasis' renowned square.

Spend a relaxing afternoon swimming in the clear, natural water at <u>Cleopatra</u> Spring before being taken to your eco-lodge for the night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 14: Mountain of the Dead, Great Sand Sea, Bir Wahed

Before beginning your Siwa Oasis adventure from Cairo to the rock-cut tombs at the Mountain of the Dead to visit the impressive tombs of the rulers of Siwa Oasis during the 26th dynasty, a delectable breakfast will be prepared at the eco-lodge. Return to the ecolodge and prepare for the excitement of the Great Sand Sea tour as we travel through the sand dunes until we reach the location of the Cambrian-era fossils.

Drive to one of the charming places in the great sand sea, a lovely lake in the heart of the desert and now you can watch the flamingo birds and swim in the lake enjoying the calmness of the desert.

Continue your safari tour in Siwa Oasis and be amazed by the sandboarding experience. Then, rinse your body in the hot spring known as Bir Wahid to relax and soothe your muscles, thanks to the warm water that can reach a temperature of 40 degrees Celsius. Finally, take in another breathtaking sunset at the large sand sea in the middle of the dunes while sipping Bedouin tea.

Overnight in Siwa overnight.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 15: Back to Cairo

We hope you had a great time on your Siwa Oasis Desert Safari trip from Cairo. After breakfast, drive back to your hotel in Cairo while being escorted by your tour guide.

Overnight in Cairo hotel

Meals: Breakfast

Day 16: Final Departure

Your 16 Days in Egypt itinerary will come to an end after breakfast at the hotel. We hope you enjoyed every day of your Egypt vacation packages before being driven by our representative to Cairo International Airport to catch your flight home.

Meals: Breakfast