

# 9 Days Egypt Itinerary Cairo and Desert Safari

**Price Starting From: \$0** 

9 Days/ 8 Nights Cairo, Alexandria, Siwa Oasis Egypt Every day

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With our <u>Egypt day tours</u>, you will embark on an exciting day trip from Cairo to Alexandria, the city founded by Alexander the Great in 332 B.C. This tour offers a chance to explore the remnants of the Greco-Roman era in Egypt, including the impressive Citadel of Qaitbey, constructed on the site where the renowned Lighthouse Pharos once stood before an earthquake struck in the 6th century A.D. Additionally, you'll have the opportunity to visit the remarkable Bibliotheca Alexandrina, a modern library that surpasses any other in the world.

For a unique and unconventional experience away from the usual Cairo trips, consider traveling to Siwa Oasis. Situated below sea level, this oasis in the Western Desert provides a serene setting to immerse yourself in Bedouin life and partake in exhilarating desert safaris. Discover ancient temples and villages that date back to the fourth century B.C., adding an enriching historical dimension to your <u>Egypt tours</u>. With a range of <u>Egypt tour packages</u> available, you can tailor your itinerary to suit your preferences and make the most of your time in this captivating country.

## Overview Inclusion

- Cairo Top Tours tour guides provide airport meet-and-greet services.
- All transportation in a private, air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle to and from the airport, hotel, and throughout your tours.
- Your lodging for 4 nights at the Cairo Pyramids Hotel, including breakfast.
- Accommodations in Alexandria for one night.
- Three nights of lodging in Siwa.
- All of the aforementioned locations' admission fees during your trip.
- A tour guide who speaks English will be with you.
- The itinerary will be followed for the serving of meals.
- soft drinks and bottled water are provided during Egypt day tours.
- Upon request, stops to buy snacks.
- In one of Cairo's most well-known cafes, such as El-Fishawy or Layali El-Hussein, sample the local tea mint or coffee.
- Cairo shopping tours. (If you're curious).
- Your trip cost includes all taxes and service fees.

#### **Exclusion**

- International flight tickets.
- Entry visa to Egypt.
- Any extra activities that are not mentioned in the itinerary.
- Beverage during meals.
- Costs do not apply during peak seasons like the Xmas tours in Egypt and Egypt Easter Tours.
- The tipping kitty is not included in the costs.

#### **Itinerary**

#### Day 1: Welcome to Cairo, Egypt

When you arrive at <u>Cairo International Airport</u>, you will be greeted by a representative from Cairo Top Tours who will drive you to your hotel in Cairo or Giza in a private A/C vehicle and assist you with a smooth, quick check-in. After that, your Egypt 9-day tour will be discussed with you to ensure that you enjoy every moment of your tours in Cairo, Alexandria excursions, and Egypt Desert Safari tours and that all pick-up times are as scheduled. Spend the night in your hotel and get ready for Egypt Private Tours that you will never forget.

Welcome Drink

## Day 2: Giza Pyramids Tour - Memphis City - Saqqara Necropolis

After having your tasty open-buffet breakfast in the hotel, you will be met by your tour guide. You will visit the Giza Pyramids, which were built during the Fourth Dynasty of the Old Kingdom in ancient Egypt and are considered to be one of the best things to do in Cairo.

The high plateau offers stunning views of the <u>Cheops</u>, Chephren, and <u>Mycerinus</u> pyramids, including the queen pyramids for Queen Hetepheres and Queen Merite. Chephren, Cheops' son, built a smaller pyramid with a height of 136 meters and ruins at the apex. See <u>the Great Sphinx</u> in Giza which is a statue of a man-headed lion that is thought to be built by King Chephren himself as it is standing within his pyramid complex, enter the <u>Valley Temple</u> where the mummification process of the king took place as part of the burial process.

You will visit the oldest capital of Egypt, the ancient city of Memphis, now known as Mit Rahina, and see the open-air museum with the second-biggest sphinx made out of alabaster and the colossal statue of King Ramses II, who was the most powerful king during the new kingdom. Your next stop is to see the step pyramid, which is considered the first-ever stone pyramid built by King Djoser. The pyramid is sited in the Saqqara Necropolis and is an important stage of the development of pyramids as it consists of six steps above each other. You will also see the pyramid of King Teti.

You will have a gourmet lunch in a good-quality restaurant overlooking the pyramids of Giza before being transferred back to your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 3: Coptic Cairo Tour - Egyptian Museum - Khan El-Khaliki

After breakfast in the hotel, meet your guide, and you will transfer to visit the oldest area in Cairo for a very informative <u>Coptic Cairo</u> tour. Visit <u>the Hanging Church</u>, which dates back to the 9th century and was constructed above the ruins of the <u>Roman Fortress of Babylon</u>. The Ben Ezra Synagogue, formerly a Coptic church before it was converted into a Jewish synagogue in the year 882 A.D., as well as the church of St. Sergius or the cavern church.

Take a nap and enjoy your lunch at a valuable restaurant. After that, we will resume Cairo day tours with the Egyptian Museum tour and see the oldest artifacts inside the Egyptian Museum in Cairo, which was opened to the public in 1902.

Finally, you will be taken to the ancient bazaar in Cairo for an elegant shopping experience in the Khan El Khalili market.

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

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 4: Cairo to Alexandria Day Trip

After your tasty breakfast at the hotel, get ready to meet your efficient English speaking tour guide to launching the day tour to Alexandria from Cairo. you will be transferred to <u>Alexandria</u> by an airconditioned car. The trip is almost 2.5 hours including a stop on the way for a break.

Start your tour at the well-known <u>Pompey's Pillar</u>, which was constructed in 297 AD to commemorate the victory of a Roman emperor by the name of Diocletian (who ruled Rome from 284 to 305 AD and also took control of Egypt). From there, you will be taken to <u>the Catacombs of Kom El Shokkafa</u>, which are regarded as one of the vast burial Roman sites.

After that, you will drive by the seaside to reach <u>the Citadel of Qaitbay</u>, which was built in the 15th century on Pharos Island, where the <u>Pharos Lighthouse of Alexandria</u> stood. Visit also the Bibliotheca of Alexandria was the world's largest library it was established by king Ptolemy I and it housed about 900,000 manuscripts throughout his reign.

Enjoy your delicious/tasty seafood lunch manstrucode out of the best quality fish before being returned to your hotel in Alexandria for check-in and see how can we make your evening a fabulous time walking on the corniche and enjoying the beautiful breeze of the Mediterranean sea.

Overnight in Alexandria

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 5: Alexandria to Siwa Oasis - Alamein WWII Cemetery

Today, after traveling from Cairo to Siwa Oasis for roughly seven hours, we will stop at the Alamein

Military Museum and the Commonwealth Alamein Cemetery to view army models and learn more about the main battle that took place in Alamein during World War II. We will eat lunch at a distinctive restaurant in Marsa Matrouh before continuing our drive to Siwa Oasis. After arriving, we'll leave our belongings in the eco-lodge and travel to one of the Siwa Oasis' many natural hot springs to take a dip and unwind our muscles after a long day of traveling.

Overnight at the hotel after returning.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### **Day 6: Siwa Sightseeing Tours**

The Eco-lodge serves breakfast. After that, you can continue your tour of the Siwa Oasis from Cairo and take in the ruins of the former city of Siwa (Shali). Then, you will be taken to the 26th dynasty Aghurmi village to see the Temple of Alexander the Great (also known as The Oracle) and the Temple of Um Ubeyda, which is a temple dedicated to Amun Ra.

You will also visit the Mountain of the Dead (Jabal el Mawta), where you will see the magnificent tombs of the rulers of Siwa Oasis during the 26th dynasty, such as the tombs of SI Amon, MSW Isis, and the crocodile tomb. Finally, you will enjoy a relaxing afternoon at <u>Cleopatra Spring</u> (Ein Guba), swimming and dipping into the sparkling water.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

### Day 7: Siwa Oasis Desert Safari to the Great Sand Sea

On the second day of your Siwa Desert Safari, your guide will take you in a four-wheel drive to explore the great sand Sea after you have a hearty breakfast in the hotel. Beginning with the golden sand dunes, our Egypt Desert Safari excursion will continue until we reach the fossil-rich region and see the rocky coral reefs that date back to the Cambrian era.

Then, we'll take you to one of the amazing locations in the vast sand sea, a beautiful lake in the middle of the desert, where you might have the good fortune to see flamingo birds. You can swim in the lake's chilly water while taking in the tranquility of the desert and bathing in a very calming environment.

Passing by the Dakrour Mountain, it is located 3 km southeast of Siwa Oasis. Now we will enjoy the sandboarding experience, although not as fast as snowboarding, but with the right amount of bee wax, we can let you shoot down some of the energizing sand dunes in the Great Sand Sea and have thrills to spare. After sandboarding, it is time to wash up in the hot spring renowned as Bir Wahid for chilling and smoothing our muscles. Enjoy another astonishing sunset at the Great Sand Sea in the middle of the dunes while having Bedouin tea.

Overnight in Siwa overnight.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 8: Back to Cairo

After an early breakfast, you will be driven back to Cairo, where you can check into your hotel. If we arrived there before dusk and you still have time in the evening, you can take part in one of the activities in Cairo, such as the Sound and Light Show at <a href="the Giza Pyramids">the Giza Pyramids</a>, the Cairo by Night Tour, or a shopping tour of the city. well-known <a href="Khalili Bazaar">Khan El-Khalili Bazaar</a> in the heart of <a href="Islamic Cairo">Islamic Cairo</a>, or just spend your time in comfort at the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast

### **Day 9: Final Departure**

Your trip to Egypt is coming to an end today. We hope you enjoyed our Egypt Day Tours and that the itinerary we created for you during your nine-day trip covered the majority of the attractions you wanted to see in Egypt. For your return flight, you will be taken to the Cairo International Airport.

Meals: Breakfast