

# 10-Day Budget-Friendly Egypt Trip

Price Starting From: \$0

10 days Cairo, Luxor , Aswan, and fayoum Egypt

### **Budget-Friendly Egypt Trip**

Our budget-friendly <u>Egypt trip</u> offers an unforgettable 10-day journey to the country's most wonderful cities. You will visit all the important sites, from the awe-inspiring Great <u>Pyramids of Giza</u> to the impressive tombs and temples of Luxor. Our <u>Egypt travel packages</u> offer an opportunity to discover the country's rich history and culture.

Explore the lively markets of Cairo, where you will enjoy a relaxing felucca ride on the Nile with our <u>Egypt Nile cruise tours</u>, and admire the stunning landscapes of the Red Sea. Our budget tour in Egypt provides you with an affordable way to experience the best of this fascinating land.

#### **Overview**

#### Inclusion

- 1. A Professional Tour Guide.
- 2. 6 Nights of B&B lodging at the Cairo Pyramids Hotel
- 3. Your accommodation on the 5-star MS Blue Shadow Nile Cruise from <u>Luxor</u> to Aswan for 4 days with full board.
- 4. Domestic flight tickets from Cairo to Luxor and Aswan
- 5. Private, air-conditioned cars to transport you on all of your private sightseeing excursions in Cairo.
- 6. Taxes and service charges

#### **Exclusion**

- 1. International airfare for travel abroad
- 2. An entry visa for Egypt
- 3. Gratuities are not included in the cost of your package.

### <u>Itinerary</u>

# **Day 1: Arrival in Cairo**

When you arrive at <u>Cairo International Airport</u>, you will easily find our agent, who will be waiting for you before the luggage belt, holding a sign with your name on it. They will personally greet you and assist you. Then, you will be transferred to your hotel in Cairo, where the friendly staff will help you to check in and settle into your room quickly. You will have plenty of time to rest before your exciting

# Day 2: Tour to the Giza Pyramids and Egyptian Museum

One of the most magnificent sights in Egypt is the Great Pyramids of Giza, which are among the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. You will be picked up early from your accommodation by a knowledgeable Egyptologist guide to explore these wonders. The pyramids of Khafra Chefren and Mycrinos were built after the massive pyramid of King Cheops and are renowned for their enormous size and exceptional preservation.

You will see the Great Sphinx, which is a fascinating sculpture of a lion's body and a pharaoh's head carved into the rock at Giza. Additionally, you will visit the Valley of Temples of Khafraa, which was constructed for the mummification of King Chephren. This temple is located at the base of the Great Sphinx and is a part of the burial complex.

After a great lunch, we will continue our <u>Egypt Day excursion</u> with a visit to the spectacular <u>Egyptian Museum in Cairo</u>'s central Tahrir Square. The museum houses an impressive collection of Egyptian monuments that date back more than 6,000 years, such as the Tutankhamun treasures, which are a vast collection of gold and jewelry artifacts that were buried for more than 350 centuries until their discovery in 1922.

After exploring the museum, we will transport you back to your hotel in Cairo, where you can relax.

# Day 3: Old Cairo tour

Our Egypt day tour continues with a visit to the <u>Citadel of Salah El-Din</u>, where you will have the opportunity to see the stunning Mohamed Ali Alabaster Mosque. This mosque is a rare example of Ottoman architecture and is one of the most famous landmarks in <u>Islamic Cairo</u>. The Citadel was once a medieval stronghold from the Islamic era and was the location of the Egyptian government until the early 20th century.

After enjoying a delicious lunch, we will take a half-day excursion to explore Old Cairo's churches and learn about the Roman fortifications of Babylon. One of the most popular highlights of this tour is the Hanging Church, which is an ancient Coptic church that is suspended above the ground.

You will also visit St. Sergius Church, which was constructed over the crypt where St. Joseph the Carpenter, Jesus Christ, and his mother resided for about three months. The Ben Ezra Synagogue, which was originally a Coptic church before being converted into a Jewish synagogue, is the final stop on this part of your tour.

Next, we will explore the Islamic area of Cairo, where you can admire the historical defenses and visit mosques like Egypt's Al-Hakim mosque. You can also stroll through the city's ancient stone-paved streets and view its medieval madrasas, sails, and city gates, which are remnants of the Islamic era. You will visit Khan El Khalili, Egypt's oldest souk, and enjoy mint tea at Fishawy, one of the oldest and most renowned traditional Egyptian coffee shops.

Finally, our knowledgeable tour guide will transport you back to your accommodation, where you can relax.

### **Day 4: Fly to Luxor (Luxor East Bank Tour)**

We offer you a day trip from Cairo. You will be picked up by a Cairo Top Tours representative and transported to Cairo International Airport for a flight to Luxor.

Upon arrival in Luxor, you will be met by a tour guide who will be holding a placard with your name and the Cairo Top Tours logo. We will transfer you in a private, air-conditioned car for about 30 minutes to your Nile cruise ship, where you will have the opportunity to experience the charm of the everlasting river and discover its fascinating temples and Egyptian history.

After checking in and enjoying lunch on board your Nile cruise, we will begin our Luxor day tour on the <a href="East Bank of Luxor"><u>East Bank of Luxor</u></a>. Our first stop will be the <a href="Marnak Temple"><u>Karnak Temple</u></a> Complex, which was built over two millennia as a wonderful museum of ancient Egyptian art, a testament to the might and splendor of a golden age, and a repository of historical data. Next, we will visit <a href="Luxor Temple"><u>Luxor Temple</u></a>, which is another illustration of the importance of the New Kingdom pharaohs.

Afterward, you can relax on board the cruise ship and enjoy a free evening until dinner is served at the restaurant. On the first night of your Egypt Nile River Cruise in Luxor, you can experience tranquility and peace.

As an optional activity, we also offer a trip to the Karnak Temple's light and sound show, which is a mesmerizing display of lights and sounds that brings the temple's history to life in a unique way.

### **Day 5: Luxor West Bank tour**

Start your day with a delicious breakfast in the magnificent dining room of the Egypt Nile River Cruise. Your tour guide will pick you up as we begin our <u>Luxor day tour</u> to the west bank. We will visit the <u>Valley of the Kings</u>, where you will learn about the mummification process of ancient Egypt while viewing the rock-carved tombs of the New Kingdom pharaohs. This site is a must-see attraction on any Egypt trip, and we recommend visiting the tombs of Thutmose III, Ramses IX, Siptah, and Ramses IV.

Next, we will take a little train to the <u>Temple of Queen Hatshepsut</u>, which is also known as El-Dier El Bahari was dedicated to the sun god Amun Re. This temple is carved out of the sheer limestone cliffs that rise above the desert in the Deir el-Bahari valley.

After this memorable experience, we will return to the cruise ship for lunch as we travel to Esna to bridge the lock. While enjoying tea on the upper deck of the cruise ship, enjoy the breathtaking views of the stunning Nile Valley. Upon arriving at the <a href="Edfu Temple">Edfu Temple</a>, where you will spend the night, an oriental lunch will be served on board as you enjoy a musical performance and belly dance spectacle on the serene Nile waters.

### Day 6: Sightseeing tour to Edfu Temple and Kom Ombo

Start your day with a breakfast buffet on board the Nile cruise ship as we set sail for Edfu. Upon arrival, you will take a horse-drawn carriage to the <u>Temple of Edfu</u>, which is one of Egypt's most beautiful temples dating back to the Ptolemaic era. This temple is dedicated to the deity Horus and is

one of the largest temples in Egypt.

After the tour, we will return to the ship and continue sailing towards Kom Ombo on the Nile. Here, we will visit the <u>Kom Ombo temples</u>, which were built to honor two gods because the locals didn't like having a deity that represented evil and the crocodile god Sobek.

As you finish your tea, we will board the Egypt Nile River Cruise and begin sailing toward Aswan. Dinner will be served, and you can enjoy the entertainment before another peaceful night.

## Day 7: Aswan Sightseeing tour

After enjoying a delicious breakfast on board your Nile cruise, start your Aswan day excursion by visiting the Aswan High Dam, which was constructed between 1960 and 1970 and is one of the most significant modern construction projects in Egypt's history. Next, head to Aswan's granite quarries to see the largest unfinished obelisk in Egypt, which was intended to be the biggest in all of Ancient Egypt. After exploring these historical sites, you will head back to the Movenpick MS Royal Lily Nile Cruise for lunch while experiencing breathtaking views of the Nile and its island ecosystems, as well as various migratory birds.

You can spend the rest of the day relaxing at the yacht's spa or in your cabin. Finish your day with a delectable dinner on board while cruising the Nile, and spend your final night on the cruise in Aswan. You can visit the <a href="Philae temple">Philae temple</a> during the night (Optional tour)

# Day 8: Disembarkation and Back to Cairo

On the last day of your Egypt Nile boat excursion on the Al Kahila Nile Cruise from Luxor to <u>Aswan</u>, you will have breakfast before checking out. Then, you will take a flight from Aswan to Cairo, where you will spend the night in your hotel.

## Day 9: Arrive in Al Fayoum

We will pick you up from your hotel in Cairo to start your tour to <u>Al Fayoum</u>. You will travel over 90 kilometers to visit the famous attractions of the region. Your first stop will be Karanis, one of the largest Greco-Roman ruins that was built during the third century BC under Ptolemy II's rule. Next, you will visit <u>the Hawara Pyramid</u>, which is one of the most impressive sights in El Fayoum and was built by Amenemhat III during the Middle Kingdom's golden period.

You will go to see the water wheels in Al Fayoum, which played an important role in the region's agriculture, and now it is the El Fayoum governorate's official emblem. Finally, you will visit <u>Lake Qarun</u>, which is one of the most historically significant natural lakes, and admire the waterfalls of <u>Wadi Al Rayan</u>. The most popular activities at Lake Qarun are bird watching, fishing, and water sports. After the tour, you will be transferred back to your hotel in Cairo.

# **Day 10: Final Departure**

Before checking out from your hotel, you will enjoy your final breakfast there. Your tour guide from Cairo Top Tours will then pick you up and take you to the Airport, where you can catch your flight back to Cairo International Airport and return to your home.