

# 13-Day Cairo, Nile Cruise, Fayoum, and Oasis Budget Trip

**Price Starting From: \$0** 

13 days Cairo, Luxor, Aswan, Fayoum, and Baharyia oasis Egypt

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The 13-Day Cairo, Nile Cruise, Fayoum, and Oasis Budget <u>Trips</u> in Egypt is an entertaining tour that offers you the chance to explore the historical city of Cairo and learn about its fascinating history and architecture. You'll enjoy a relaxing Nile cruise from Luxor to Aswan, where you'll witness the stunning temples and tombs of the pharaohs and see the magnificent beauty of the Nile River. In addition to the Nile cruise, you'll also visit the white and black deserts in <u>Bahariya Oasis</u>, which is a natural wonder that's a must-see for any travelers to Egypt. You'll also see the waterfalls of Wadi El-Rayan in Fayoum Oasis, a picturesque spot that's perfect for nature lovers.

## Overview Inclusion

- 6 Nights' accommodation at the Cairo Pyramids Hotel (or similar) with breakfast included
- 4 Nights' accommodation on the Blue Shadow Nile cruise (or similar) with an all-inclusive.
- 1 Night accommodation in Fayoum (with lunch and dinner included)
- 1 Night accommodation in Baharyia Oasis (with breakfast and lunch included)

All transports to and from hotels and sites will be provided by an air-conditioned car.

Tickets to all the mentioned sites are also included in the cost.

Taxes are included.

Domestic flight tickets are included in the package to make your <u>Egypt travel Packages</u> more convenient and comfortable.

#### **Exclusion**

International flight tickets to Egypt

Visa to Egypt

Any extra sites or activities not mentioned in the package are not included.

Personal expenses such as souvenirs, tips, additional meals, and drinks are not included in the package.

<u>Itinerary</u>

## Day 1: arrival in Cairo

Upon your arrival at <u>Cairo International Airport</u>, you'll be greeted by an expert tour leader from Cairo Top Tours, who will pick you up in a private, air-conditioned vehicle to take you to your hotel in Cairo. They'll also help you with any arrangements needed for the next day's journey.

You'll be offered a refreshing welcome drink upon arrival at your hotel.

#### **Day 2: Giza pyramids Tour**

On the second day of your trip, you'll enjoy an early morning breakfast at your hotel before being transferred to the <u>Giza Pyramids</u>. The pyramids are one of the Seven Wonders of the World, which are known for their impressive construction and towering height. Each side of the pyramid measures 231 meters, and each brick used to construct the pyramid weighs 2.5 tons. The entire pyramid weighs 6 million tons and is located in the western region of the Nile River in Giza, Egypt.

After that, you'll travel to Memphis, the ancient Egyptian capital during the Old Kingdom era that served as the hub of culture and politics for more than 3,000 years. In Memphis, you may visit the magnificent statue of Ramses II and the alabaster Sphinx.

After that, you'll visit <u>Saqqara Necropolis</u>, where you'll see the famous Step Pyramid of King Djoser. It's one of the most well-known and significant monuments in Egypt, representing a historical turning point in ancient Egyptian funerary monuments. It's also considered a revolution in stone architecture and royal burial. In addition to its enormous size, it's the oldest known stone building and the first pyramid that was built by the ancient Egyptians.

You'll enjoy breakfast and lunch during your tour before being taken back to your hotel for an overnight stay.

#### Day 3: Cairo trip

You'll start your day with breakfast at your hotel before starting your sightseeing tour. Your first stop will be the Egyptian Museum, which houses an unparalleled collection of ancient artifacts. You'll see the funerary collections of Yuya and Thuya, Psusennes I, and the Treasures of Tanis, among other priceless artifacts. The museum also contains impressive statues of the great kings Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure, who built the pyramids on the Giza plateau. You'll also find a large collection of papyri, coffins, and ornaments that complete the museum's distinctive collection.

Next, you'll visit the <u>Salah El Din Citadel</u>, which contains three museums: the Jewel Palace Museum, where you'll see a magnificent chandelier weighing 1,000 kilograms gifted by the King of France; the

Museum of Transport, which features a collection of unique royal cars dating back to different historical periods; and the throne of Muhammad Ali, which were given to him by the King of Italy.

Finally, you'll visit the <u>Khan El Khalili</u> Bazaar, a vibrant marketplace that's been a center of commerce in Cairo for centuries. The neighborhood was named after one of the Mamluk princes who came from Hebron in Palestine, and you'll have the opportunity to explore the bazaar's winding streets and find unique souvenirs and gifts to take home.

You'll enjoy breakfast and lunch during your tour before being taken back to your hotel.

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

On the fourth day of the 13-Day Cairo, Nile Cruise, Fayoum, and Oasis Budget Trip, you'll wake up early in the morning and enjoy a delicious breakfast at your hotel. Then, you'll be transferred to the Airport for your flight to Luxor.

Upon arrival in Luxor, you'll check in to your Nile cruise and start your sightseeing tour with a visit to the <u>Karnak Temple</u>. The temple was built by King Horemheb and King Ramses I and named after Ramses II. Over time, additions were made to the temple, and it now measures 97 meters in length, 29 meters in height, and 14 meters in thickness.

Next, you'll visit the <u>Luxor Temple</u>, which features a facade with four large statues representing the king, each standing 20 meters high. The temple also has a door that leads to rooms measuring 180 feet long. At the entrance to the other temple, you'll see six statues, four of which belong to Ramses II and two to his wife Nefertari.

You'll enjoy all-inclusive meals during your tour before being transferred back to your Nile cruise for an overnight stay.

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

On the fifth day of the 13-Day Cairo, Nile Cruise, Fayoum, and Oasis Budget Trip, you'll start your day with breakfast on your Nile cruise before starting your tour. Your first stop will be the <u>Valley of Kings</u>, which is located on the west bank of the ancient city of Thebes (Luxor). The valley is the home of the tombs of the royal family. The valley is divided into the eastern and western valleys.

Next, you'll visit <u>The Mortuary Temple Of Hatshepsut At Deir El-Bahri</u>, which was built by Queen Hatshepsut to perform rituals that would benefit her in the afterlife. The temple's name, Deir al-Bahari, comes from the Arabic name given to this area in the 7th century AD when the Copts used the temple as their monastery. The temple consists of three ascending terraces connected by ramps for ascent and descent.

Finally, you'll see the <u>Colossi of Memnon</u>, two colossal statues that were built around 1350 BC. and locally known as the Kolesat or Salamat. These statues are an impressive sight to behold.

You'll enjoy all-inclusive meals during this tour before being transferred back to your Nile cruise. You will spend the night on your cruise.

#### Day 6: Edfu and Kom Ombo

You'll enjoy breakfast on your Nile cruise during the sail to Edfu. Once you arrive, you'll visit the magnificent Temple of <u>Edfu</u>, which was dedicated to the god Horus and is located on the west bank of the Nile. The temple is one of the most popular ancient Egyptian temples and took about 180 years to construct, during the reign of King Ptolemy III in 237 BC.

Next, you'll visit the <u>Kom Ombo Temple</u>, whose name comes from the legend of the king of Emboa, who named the city after himself. The name consists of two syllables: "Kom," which means what is above the earth, and "Ombo," which is the name of the king or ruler of the valley.

You'll enjoy all delicious meals before being transferred back to your Nile cruise for an overnight stay.

#### Day 7: Aswan day tour

On the seventh day of the 13-Day Cairo, Nile Cruise, Fayoum, and Oasis Budget Trip, you'll have breakfast on your Nile cruise before being taken to visit the High Dam. The idea of building the dam in the upper areas of the Nile was to make an artificial lake. The decision to start the construction was taken in 1953, and a committee was formed to develop the design for the project. One of the world's leading companies was enlisted to help with construction.

Next, you'll visit the <u>Unfinished Obelisk</u>, which is a 42-meter-long obelisk lying on the ground in the northern corner of the obelisk quarry in Aswan. It was discovered in 1921 in that quarry.

Finally, you'll visit the <u>Philae Temple</u>, which is dedicated to the goddess Isis. The temple was flooded by the Nile and was divided and reassembled in a new location on the island of Agilika, about 500 meters from its original location on the island of Philae.

You will be transferred back to your Nile cruise for an overnight stay.

All meals are included.

#### Day 8: Sail to Abu Simbel

You'll start your day with a delicious breakfast on your Nile cruise before being transferred to start your journey by sailing to Abu Simbel.

Abu Simbel is a temple that was built by <u>King Ramses II</u>, the most famous king of Egypt during the era of the modern state. He ruled Egypt from 1279 BC to 1213 BC, a period of 67 years. The temple is an impressive sight and it is also considered one of the most iconic ancient Egyptian landmarks.

After visiting <u>Abu Simbel Temples</u>, you'll sail back to your Nile cruise to arrange your luggage. You'll then fly to Cairo and spend the night at a hotel there.

Included meals: Breakfast

#### Day 9: Free day

On the ninth day of the 13-Day Cairo, Nile Cruise, Fayoum, and Oasis Budget Trip, you'll have a free day to explore Cairo at your leisure. You can choose to take a walking tour with locals to learn more about the culture and history of this city or relax and enjoy many cafes, restaurants, and shops.

Alternatively, your tour leader may offer optional tours for you to take a tour to visit the Egyptian Museum to see the country's vast collection of artifacts and antiquities or a trip to the Giza Pyramids to see one of the world's most iconic ancient wonders.

Included meals: Breakfast

## Day 10: Travel to Fayoum

You'll start your day with a tasty breakfast before traveling to Fayoum.

You'll visit <u>Wadi Hitan</u>, which is located within the Wadi El-Rayan and covers an area of 400 km2. In 1989, the Egyptian government declared <u>Wadi El-Rayan</u> as a nature reserve to preserve the area and the important fossils that document that Wadi El-Hitan was submerged in water and inhabited by marine creatures 40 million years ago.

After visiting Wadi El Hitan, you'll have lunch in Tunis village before spending the night in Fayoum.

Your meals: Breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

#### Day 11: The last day at Fayoum

On the eleventh day of the 13-Day Cairo, Nile Cruise, Fayoum, and Oasis Budget Trip, you'll start with a tasty breakfast before being transferred to <u>Qaroun Lake</u>. This lake was declared a nature reserve in 1989 and covers an area of 1,385 square kilometers. It is one of the oldest natural lakes in the world and is famous for its marine, river, and continental fossil deposits dating back about 40 million years.

Next, you'll visit Wadi El Rayan, one of Egypt's most important nature reserves. It was named after a king called Al-Rayyan Ibn Al-Walid, who lived in this area with his army and irrigated it with natural springs. The name was found to have ancient Egyptian origins, as it was found in an ancient papyrus.

After visiting these beautiful spots, you'll travel back to Cairo and spend the night there.

The meals: Breakfast and lunch.

#### Day 12: Baharyia Oasis

You'll have breakfast in the early morning before traveling to Baharyia Oasis.

Your first destination will be the <u>White Desert</u>, which is characterized by the beauty of the sand dunes and the distinctive geological formations of white limestone rocks. The White Desert is covered with

white chalk ground on which geological formations are spread in the form of snow-white chalk columns formed by the wind and steep hills, which give the region a rare geological and natural situation.

Next, you'll visit the <u>Black Desert</u>, which was named for its mountains and plateaus covered with black powder due to the remnants of volcanic eruptions that dried up over millions of years.

After visiting these stunning desert landscapes, you'll be taken back to Cairo and spend the night at a hotel there.

Included meals: Breakfast and lunch.

#### Day 13: The last day of your tour

On the thirteenth and the final day of the 13-Day Cairo, Nile Cruise, Fayoum, and Oasis Budget Trip, you'll have breakfast before being transferred to the Cairo International Airport to catch your flight back to your home. Our services will end here, and we hope you had an enjoyable and memorable trip to Egypt.

Meals: Breakfast only.