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### Day 1: Arrive to Cairo

Upon your arrival at [Cairo International Airport](#), one of our representatives will be there to warmly welcome you. They will be holding a sign bearing your name, dedicated to ensuring a seamless beginning to your Egyptian vacation. Your comfort is our priority.

From the airport, you will be transported to your hotel in a private, smoke-free, and air-conditioned car. Upon reaching the hotel, our experienced tour leader from Cairo Top Tours will be on hand to assist you with a hassle-free check-in process. During this time, they will also go over the details of your Egypt travel package itinerary, confirming pick-up schedules for your upcoming tours. As you settle in, a refreshing welcome drink will be served to you.

Enjoy a comfortable [Overnight in Cairo](#).

### Day 2: Tour to Giza Pyramids, Saqqara, and Memphis

After breakfast, you will be accompanied by a knowledgeable tour guide in the hotel lobby, embarking on our [Cairo Day Tours](#) to visit the Giza Pyramids, Memphis, and [Saqqara](#).

Our dedicated tour guide and driver will accompany you to the awe-inspiring landmarks of the Giza Plateau. Here, you will encounter the Great Pyramid of Cheops, as well as the pyramids of Chephren and Mycerinus, all these structures were constructed during the Old Kingdom's 4th dynasty by Pharaohs. Your exploration continues with a visit to the Great Sphinx, a magnificent sculpture featuring the head of a pharaoh atop a lion's body. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to explore the [Valley Temple](#) of King Chephren.

For those seeking a unique experience, an optional 15-minute [Camel ride at Giza](#) is available (Optional activity).

Your journey will then lead you to other remarkable ancient pyramids, including the Step Pyramid of King Zoser, which is also known as the Djoser Pyramid, and the Teti Pyramid. Furthermore, you'll delve into the world of the nobles by visiting their tombs at Saqqara, where vivid paintings adorn the walls and corridors, offering a glimpse into ancient Egyptian life.

A delightful lunch awaits you at a local restaurant, followed by a brief drive to Memphis, located just 20 minutes from Saqqara. In Memphis, you will explore the open-air museum, housing a remarkable collection of statues and artifacts from ancient Egypt. Notable highlights include the alabaster sphinx, crafted from an 80-ton block of marble, and the colossal fallen statue of Ramses II.

As your day of exploration concludes, you will be comfortably transported back to your hotel for a restful night.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 3: Tour to The Egyptian Museum, Coptic and Islamic Cairo

Your Egyptologist guide from Cairo Top Tours will pick you up from your hotel to kickstart your fascinating tour. The first destination is the renowned Egyptian Museum, which is one of the world's largest museums, housing an extensive collection of ancient antiquities and Coptic artifacts.

You will be whisked away to [the Egyptian Museum](#), where you'll embark on a captivating journey through the rich history of ancient Egypt. Inside, you'll encounter an astonishing array of more than 160,000 ancient Egyptian artifacts, each with its unique story. Your Egyptologist guide will provide comprehensive explanations of the museum's highlights, including the treasures of King Tutankhamun. Notably, the King Tutankhamun exhibit has a vast collection of gold and jewelry that remained hidden beneath the sands for over three thousand years until its excavation in 1922.

Next, your adventure leads you to the Citadel of Saladin and the Alabaster Mosque of Mohamed Ali. This mosque is a remarkable example of Ottoman architecture in Cairo, inspired by the famous Blue Mosque of Istanbul. The Citadel holds historical significance as the center of Egyptian governance, dating back to Saladin's era and enduring through King Farouk's reign in the first half of the last century.

You will savor a delectable lunch at a high-quality restaurant. Afterward, your journey continues to the [Coptic Cairo Tour](#), where you'll explore the ancient Roman fortress of Babylon and marvel at The Hanging Church, which is a prominent landmark in old Cairo. Additionally, you'll visit the church of St. Sergius, which is known as the Cavern Church which was built above the crypt where the holy family stayed for nearly three months. You'll also learn about the well from which the holy family drew water. Finally, you'll visit Ben Ezra Synagogue, which is believed to be the site where the pharaoh's palace stood and where the basket of Moses was found on the Nile.

Continuing your exploration, you'll dive into the charms of Islamic Cairo, where you'll uncover the remnants of medieval Cairo, including ancient walls, mosques, madrasas, sails, and city gates dating back to the Middle Ages. The stone-paved streets, preserved since the 10th century, add a unique ambiance to the experience. Your journey culminates with a relaxing tea break at Fishawy's, which is the oldest cafe in [Khan El Khalili](#), Cairo's historic bazaar.

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 4: Cairo to Luxor / East Bank of Luxor Tour

Your tour guide will escort you to [Cairo International Airport](#) for your domestic flight, taking you to the heart of Egypt's tourism, Luxor.

Upon your arrival in Luxor, you will be transferred to the Nile Cruise, which is an extraordinary vessel that will carry you along the timeless river, offering the opportunity to explore its remarkable monuments and history. After settling into your cabin and taking a moment to unwind, a delightful lunch will be served on board the cruise. Then, your exploration of Luxor's treasures will commence.

Our [Luxor Day Tours](#) begin with a visit to the monumental [Karnak temples](#). These awe-inspiring temples were constructed over two millennia, serving as a living museum of ancient Egyptian art and an emblem of the might and glory of a bygone era. They provide a valuable source of historical insights. Following this, we proceed to the [Temple of Luxor](#), which is another testament to the grandeur of the New Kingdom Pharaohs. You'll then be transported back to the cruise to enjoy a leisurely evening before relishing a lovely dinner served in the boat's restaurant. On the first night of your Nile River Cruise in Luxor, experience serenity and tranquility.

For those seeking an extra dimension to their experience, we can arrange an optional tour of the sound and light show at Karnak temple.

Meals included: Welcome Drink, Lunch, and Dinner

## Day 5: Tour to the West Bank of Luxor

On your fifth day, your day will commence with a hearty breakfast. Following breakfast, our [Luxor West Bank Tours](#) will take you on an extraordinary journey. Today, we disembark from the cruise to explore two of Egypt's most iconic attractions: the rock-carved tombs of [the New Kingdom](#) Pharaohs in the Valley of the Kings and the [Temple of Queen, Hatshepsut](#), which is also known as El-Deir El-Bahari.

After this enlightening excursion, we return to the cruise for a delectable lunch while the vessel sails to Esna, where it will pass through the Lock. During tea time on the upper deck, you can savor the breathtaking views of the picturesque Nile Valley. As the day draws to a close, which is a sumptuous Oriental dinner will be served on board upon arrival in Edfu. You will spend the night here, surrounded by the serene waters of [the Nile](#), and can enjoy a belly dancing and musical performances.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

## Day 6: Sightseeing Tour to Edfu and Kom Ombo Temples

Begin your day with a delightful breakfast buffet, setting the stage for another exciting adventure. The boat will make a stop in Edfu, where you'll hop on a horse-drawn carriage to visit the renowned [Temple of Edfu](#), which is a magnificent structure that was dedicated to the worship of the falcon God Horus.

After your temple exploration, everyone will rejoin the boat, continuing its journey down the Nile to the fascinating site of Kom Ombo. Upon arrival, disembark for a captivating visit to the [Kom Ombo temples](#), which were constructed to honor two of Egypt's most significant gods: Sobek, the crocodile god, and one of the forms of God Horus, known as Horaeris, who was venerated in Kom Ombo.

Subsequently, we will return to the cruise ship, which will set sail towards Aswan while you enjoy a soothing tea time. Your evening will culminate with a delightful dinner and entertainment, ensuring another restful night's sleep on the tranquil waters of the Nile.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

## Day 7: Aswan Sightseeing tour

Start your day with a delightful breakfast on the cruise as you get ready for a day of exploration in [Aswan day tours](#), which will help you to visit the most popular historical sites in Aswan.

You'll be transferred to the High Dam of Aswan, which is a significant engineering feat. From there, your journey continues to the Unfinished Obelisk, which holds the distinction of being the largest unfinished obelisk in Egypt, which is abandoned in the granite quarries of Aswan.

After this enriching excursion, you'll return to the Nile cruise for a sumptuous lunch that will be served on board. While you dine, take in the stunning vistas of the Nile, the serene islands, and the diverse birdlife gracing the skies over the city. You can continue to enjoy these picturesque views as you sip tea on the spacious sun terrace.

The remainder of the day offers a variety of options. You can enjoy the sun on the upper deck, take a refreshing dip in the swimming pool, unwind in the comfort of your cabin, or indulge in a rejuvenating massage at the modern onboard spa. Additionally, we can arrange optional tours and activities to further enhance your experience.

In the evening, relish a delectable dinner on board as you spend your final night of the [Nile cruise in Aswan](#). For an extra touch of magic, you have the choice to book an optional tour of the [sound and light show at the Philae temple](#).

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

## Day 8: Disembarkation and Fly Back to Cairo

Savor a delightful breakfast on the Nile Cruise boat to kickstart your day. Following breakfast, you will disembark from the cruise ship and be smoothly transported in a modern vehicle to [Aswan Airport](#) for your flight back to Cairo.

Upon your arrival at Cairo International Airport, our dedicated representative will be there to greet you and assist with your transfer to your hotel, where you will spend the night.

Meals included: Breakfast

## **Day 9: Free Day in Cairo (Optional Trip to Alexandria)**

This day is designed for you to relax and rejuvenate, providing an opportunity to rest. Alternatively, we can arrange optional tours of Alexandria from Cairo. Alexandria is a city of immense beauty and historical significance, nestled along the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. There are many attractions such as the Citadel of Qaitbay, which is a 15th-century fortress built by Alexander the Great. You can also explore the Greco-Roman heritage of the city, including the Roman Catacombs of Kom El-Shoqafa and Pompey's Pillar.

Meals: Breakfast

## **Day 10: Final Departure**

You will be transferred to Cairo International Airport by our tour leader after having breakfast to catch your flight back to your home.

Meals: Breakfast