

## **Cairo Half-Day Tour to Saladin Citadel**

**Price Starting From: \$40** 

4 Hours

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Egypt is home to many renowned and significant historical sites, among which is the Citadel of Saladin, one of the most famous figures in both international and Egyptian history.

Join our Cairo Private Tours and explore the Saladin Citadel, a historic fortress built by the great leader Saladin centuries ago. Situated atop a hill overlooking Mokattam Mountain, the Citadel was completed by his brother, Al-Malik Al-Adil, and was constructed to protect Cairo from potential invasions. It served as the seat of the Egyptian government during the Ayyubid and Ottoman periods.

This medieval Islamic fortification, built in the 12th century and further enhanced by later rulers, stands as one of the most iconic strongholds in the Middle East. With Cairo Day Tours, this visit to Saladin's Citadel, including the beautiful Mosque of Mohamed Ali, will satisfy all your cultural curiosities during your Egypt Tours.

# Overview Inclusion

- Transport services from /to your hotel in Cairo or Giza.
- Tickets to the mentioned sites in Cairo.
- Transportation during all our tours by a private air-conditioned car.
- Good quality lunch in a local restaurant during your <u>Cairo Half Day Tours</u>.
- Accredited Egyptologist guide during our Cairo City Tour to Saladin Citadel.
- A bottle of mineral water during **Egypt day tours** is included.
- Shopping tours in Cairo if we have enough time.
- All taxes and service charges are included in our **Egypt Tours** price.

#### **Exclusion**

- Any extras not mentioned in our Cairo Day Trips itinerary.
- Tipping is not included during our <u>Cairo Trips</u>.

#### <u>Itinerary</u>

### Cairo Half-Day Trip to Saladin Citadel and Mohamed Ali Mosque Trip

You will be picked up from your hotel in Cairo by a Cairo Top Tours representative, who will escort you to meet your accredited guide for a visit to the Citadel of Saladin. This formidable military fortress, built during the Middle Ages, was strategically positioned to oversee and control the cities of Cairo and Fustat, as it forms a natural barrier between them.

Among the various structures within the Citadel, the most notable is the Alabaster Mosque of Mohamed Ali. Designed in the Ottoman style, similar to the mosques in Istanbul, the mosque features a square layout with sides measuring 41 meters. It boasts a large central dome with a diameter of 21 meters and a height of 52 meters. The Citadel underwent significant development over the 700 years following its construction by the renowned Sultan Saladin, with notable enhancements during the Mamluk Sultanate. Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1976 and officially opened to the public in 1983, the Citadel remains a key historical landmark.

After your <u>Cairo Half-Day Tour</u> to the Citadel of Saladin and the Mohamed Ali Mosque, you will be returned to your hotel.