

# Cairo, Nile, and Lake Cruise Luxury Tour

**Price Starting From : \$3400**

12 Days

Cairo, Luxor and Aswan

Egypt

We've handpicked the finest Egypt travel packages to help turn your dream vacation into a reality. Explore the awe-inspiring Egyptian Museum, the world-renowned pyramids, the open-air wonders of Luxor, and the historic treasures of Aswan.

Indulge in a luxurious journey on the Movenpick cruise, offering the most authentic experience with premium amenities and exceptional service.

Sail aboard the MS Movenpick Prince Abbas, one of the top-rated Lake Nasser cruises in Egypt. Along the way, you'll uncover the ancient Nubian sites and marvel at the grandeur of the Abu Simbel Temples and the Temple of Ramses II. This cruise also offers stunning views of the majestic Nile River and the towering temples of the Pharaohs.

Embark on an unforgettable 12-day luxury tour of Egypt, where you'll visit the legendary monuments in Cairo and set sail on a Nile exploration from Aswan to Luxor.

During your stay, immerse yourself in the rich history of Egypt by discovering its ancient temples, tombs, and iconic landmarks.

## [Overview](#)

### [Inclusion](#)

- Airport assistance for swift check-in upon arrival.
- Lavish 4-night stay in a luxury Cairo hotel with breakfast included.
- 4 nights aboard a 5-star deluxe Nile cruise from Luxor to Aswan, full board (Movenpick MS Royal Lily or similar).
- 3 nights aboard a 5-star Lake Nasser cruise, full board (MS Movenpick Prince Abbas or similar).
- Domestic flights between Egyptian cities (Cairo to Luxor, and Aswan to Cairo).
- All Nile and Lake Nasser cruise tours include a private guide.
- Guided tours of Cairo, Alexandria, Luxor, Aswan, and Abu Simbel, as per the itinerary.
- Entry fees to all sites mentioned in the itinerary are included.
- You'll be accompanied by an accredited Egyptologist throughout the trip.
- Private, air-conditioned transportation for all transfers.
- Meals at hotels, on cruises, and during tours, as specified in the itinerary.
- Rest stops available at your request.
- Bottled water is provided during all-day tours.
- Shopping tours in Cairo.
- All service charges and taxes are covered in the total cost.

### [Exclusion](#)

- Flights to Egypt are not included in the tour price.
- Entry visa fees for Egypt are excluded.
- Any optional excursions not mentioned in the itinerary will incur extra charges.

- Beverages and soft drinks with meals are not included.
- Tipping is not part of the tour cost.
- Rates do not apply during festive periods like Christmas and Easter.

## [Itinerary](#)

### **Day 1: Cairo, Nile and Lake Nasser Cruise Luxury Trip**

Upon your arrival at the airport in Cairo, you will be welcomed by one of the city's top tour representatives. They will assist you with the check-in process and transfer you to your hotel in a private, air-conditioned vehicle driven by your driver.

At the hotel, your tour leader will be present to help you with the check-in and go over the itinerary for your Egypt Luxury Tours. They will also confirm the scheduled pick-up times for each tour activity.

You will be spending the night in Cairo.

### **Day 2: Giza Pyramids / The Egyptian museum Trip**

Start your day with a delightful breakfast, fueling up for the adventures ahead. Your private guide will meet you in your hotel lobby, ready to lead you to the iconic Giza Plateau. Here, you'll marvel at the remarkable achievements of the ancient Egyptian pharaohs, standing before the awe-inspiring Great Pyramid of King Cheops, the largest structure ever constructed in human history, along with the smaller but equally significant pyramids of his son, Chephren, and grandson, Mycerinus.

Your expert Egyptologist will unravel the fascinating lives of these rulers, sharing insights into their prosperous reigns and explaining why they built such magnificent structures as their final resting places. As you stand on the high plateau, you'll be treated to a panoramic view of all three pyramids. For an extra touch of adventure, you may opt for a scenic camel ride, with a friendly Bedouin guide helping you capture breathtaking photos against the timeless backdrop of these ancient wonders.

Guarding these treasures is the enigmatic Sphinx, a symbol of royal power and protection. Next, you'll visit the Valley Temple of King Chephren, where the ancient mummification rituals took place before the Pharaoh's burial. The temple, built from massive red granite blocks from Aswan and paved with alabaster, is an architectural marvel that leaves visitors in awe of its craftsmanship.

From here, you'll head to Cairo's bustling downtown for a visit to the world-renowned Egyptian Museum. Inside, you'll explore a vast collection of ancient artefacts, including the priceless golden treasures of King Tutankhamun, unearthed by Howard Carter in 1922. Take your time to absorb the rich history on display before heading off to the next chapter of your tour.

Afterwards, indulge in a delicious lunch at a stylish restaurant before continuing to Coptic Cairo, where history unfolds before your eyes. Explore the remnants of the Roman fortress of Babylon, built in the 1st century, and discover some of Egypt's most fascinating churches. The Hanging Church, perched above ancient fortress towers, and the Church of St. Sergius, built over a cavern where the Holy Family is believed to have sought refuge, will leave a lasting impression. You'll also visit Ben Ezra Synagogue, where tradition holds that the Pharaoh's daughter discovered baby Moses in a basket along the Nile.

Your journey then takes you into the heart of Islamic Cairo, where you'll stroll through the medieval streets, passing by the ancient gates and walls that date back to the Fatimid era of the 10th century. As the tour winds down, you'll relax with a refreshing cup of mint tea at the famous Fishawy Café in Khan El Khalili Bazaar, one of the city's oldest markets. Here, you can browse for unique souvenirs, preserving the memory of your incredible Egyptian adventure.

If time permits, consider capping off the day with an optional Sound and Light Show at the Giza Pyramids—a dazzling spectacle that will leave you spellbound as the ancient stones come to life with colour and history.

### **Day 3: Luxor/ Nile Cruise**

On your third day, you'll start the day with an early morning transfer to Luxor. Your tour leader will escort you to Cairo International Airport, where you'll catch a flight to Luxor, the city famously known as the "world's greatest open-air museum" and the heart of Egypt's ancient history. Upon landing at Luxor International Airport, you'll be warmly greeted by our representative and transported to your accommodation aboard the luxurious 5-star Movenpick MS Royal Lily or a similar Nile cruise ship.

After settling in and enjoying a delicious lunch on board, you'll embark on an unforgettable East Bank tour of Luxor. Your first stop will be the impressive Karnak Temple, an awe-inspiring religious complex dedicated to the Theban Triad, where ancient pharaohs built upon the site for over 2,000 years. Walk through the towering columns and expansive courtyards, marvelling at the scale and grandeur of this ancient wonder.

Next, you'll take a stroll down the Avenue of Sphinxes, a breathtaking pathway once lined with hundreds of these mythical creatures, leading you to the majestic Luxor Temple. This site was built around 1400 BC and once served as a major centre for the worship of the god Amun. You'll have the chance to explore the beautifully preserved statues, columns, and courtyards that transport you back to Egypt's golden era.

As the evening sets in, you'll return to your cruise for a delightful dinner served on board, where you can unwind and reflect on the day's incredible sights.

For an added treat, you may choose to book an optional sound and light show at Karnak Temple. This captivating experience brings the ancient complex to life with a vivid display of lights and dramatic narration, immersing you in the history and legends of Egypt's ancient gods and kings.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner.

### **Day 4: West Bank of Luxor/ Edfu**

After enjoying breakfast on your Nile cruise boat, you will have the opportunity to discover the Colossi of Memnon - two awe-inspiring ancient Egyptian statues that are the sole remnants of a once-magnificent temple.

Next, you will explore the Valley of the Kings, where over 62 pharaohs from the New Kingdom, including King Tutankhamun and the victorious Ramses II, were buried. The tombs, chiselled into the mountain, feature enchanting paintings and are filled with treasures that once belonged to Egypt's royal pharaohs.

Your tour will continue at the Temple of Hatshepsut, also known as the Temple of Deir El Bahari. This complex of ancient Egyptian temples, located on the west bank of the Nile River near Luxor (ancient Thebes), was built by Egypt's first female ruler, who reigned for 20 prosperous years.

After completing the Luxor West Bank Tours, you will be served lunch before embarking on a cruise to Edfu. During the cruise, you can enjoy dinner and entertainment on the boat. Additionally, if you desire, you can opt for a Luxor Hot Air Balloon ride (an optional activity).

You will spend the night on your Nile cruise.

## **Day 5: The temples of Edfu / Kom Ombo**

After a delicious breakfast aboard your Nile cruise, your day begins with a visit to the Temple of Edfu. This magnificent temple, dedicated to Horus, the falcon-headed god of kingship and protection, is one of Egypt's best-preserved ancient sites, offering a fascinating glimpse into the sacred rituals and royal power of ancient Egypt.

Following your exploration of Edfu, you will travel to the Temple of Kom Ombo. This unique double temple, dedicated to both the crocodile god Sobek and the falcon god Horus, stands as a testament to the diverse religious practices of ancient Egypt. The temple's intriguing symmetry and detailed reliefs make it a captivating site to explore.

A sumptuous lunch will be served on board as you continue your journey down the Nile. In the afternoon, you'll set sail toward Aswan, enjoying the scenic views and tranquil waters of the river.

You'll spend the night on your luxurious Nile cruise, reflecting on the day's discoveries and preparing for the adventures that await.

## **Day 6: Aswan Tours**

Your day will begin early with a delightful breakfast aboard the Nile cruise. Then, embark on a journey to explore some of Aswan's most remarkable sites.

First, you'll visit the High Dam, a monumental feat of engineering and a key project in modern Egypt's history. From there, you'll take a scenic motorboat ride to the Temple of Philae, a stunning sanctuary dedicated to the goddess Isis, set against the serene backdrop of the Nile.

Next on your itinerary is the Unfinished Obelisk, the largest obelisk ever attempted, still lying in the granite quarries of Aswan. This site offers a fascinating glimpse into ancient Egyptian craftsmanship and the scale of their architectural ambitions.

Returning to the cruise, you'll enjoy a sumptuous lunch followed by a gourmet dinner. The evening will be spent relaxing on the ship, reflecting on the day's discoveries.

Your meals for the day include breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

## **Day 7: Aswan/ Abu Simbel/ Lake Cruise prepare**

In the early morning, you'll receive a breakfast box delivered to your hotel. Then, you and your guide will embark on a private air-conditioned car journey, approximately three and a half hours long, to the magnificent Abu Simbel temples.

Upon your return, you'll board a luxurious 5-star cruise on Lake Nasser. After checking in, you'll be treated to a delicious lunch onboard.

## **Day 8: Kasr Ibrim**

Begin your day with breakfast as you continue your cruise towards Qasr Ibrim, the sole remnant of the Nile's ancient floodplain. This historic site, which once served as a significant frontier fort during the Roman era, offers a glimpse into its past as a pivotal center for Nubian tribes until their conversion to Christianity in the 6th century.

From the sun deck, you'll embark on a tour to the Amada archaeological site. Here, you can enjoy lunch while cruising to your next destination.

Your exploration includes visits to the Amada and Derr temples, as well as the tomb of Pinout, promising a memorable experience rich in history and culture.

In the afternoon, you'll continue your leisurely cruise towards Wadi El Seboua. After a day of exploration, savor a delicious dinner on board and relax with an overnight stay on the ship.

## **Day 9: Temple of Dekka**

On the ninth day of your journey, you'll explore the Temple of Wadi El Seboua, renowned for its impressive lion statues. Following this, you'll visit the temples of Dakka and Moharraka, located in Lower Nubia.

Lunch will be provided on the cruise.

## **Day 10: Disembark - Back to Cairo**

After breakfast, you'll disembark from the MS Movenpick Prince Abbas Lake Nasser cruise in Aswan and head to the stunning Kalabsha Temple. This grand Nubian sandstone temple, dedicated to the god Meryl, is one of the largest of its kind.

Next, you'll visit the Beit El Wali Temple, which was relocated and preserved by Germany to prevent it from being submerged. This temple, dedicated to Amun Ra, and the Kiosk of Kertassi offer a fascinating glimpse into ancient Nubian heritage.

Following your explorations, you'll be taken to Aswan Airport for your flight back to Cairo.

When you arrive in Cairo, a representative will help you with your transfer to the hotel.

Spend the night in Cairo, enjoying your stay.

Meals: Breakfast.

## Day 11: Alexandria Trip

In the morning, your Egyptologist guide will pick you up from your Cairo hotel for a day exploring the historic city of Alexandria, founded by Alexander the Great.

Your tour will include a range of fascinating sites:

**Pompey's Pillar:** This iconic column, with debated origins, stands as a powerful symbol of Alexandria's past grandeur, possibly dedicated to the Roman general Pompey or as a testament to the city's might.

**Citadel of Qaitbay:** An essential fortress built by Sultan Qaitbay in the 15th century, this fortification reflects the strength and historical significance of the Qaitbay dynasty along the Mediterranean coast.

**Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa:** These extensive Roman-era burial chambers are the largest in Egypt and offer a glimpse into the burial practices and historical significance of the area.

**Bibliotheca Alexandrina:** A modern tribute to the ancient Library of Alexandria, this architectural marvel serves as a centre for knowledge and research, echoing the scholarly spirit of its predecessor.

You'll drive along Al Bahr Street, enjoying views of Alexandria's picturesque skyline and the Stanley Bridge before returning to Cairo for the evening.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

## Day 12 : Final Departure of your Egypt Luxury tour packages

To start your day, you will enjoy a delightful breakfast before a representative from Cairo Top Tours escorts you to Cairo International Airport for your final departure.

The only meal included for this day is breakfast.