

4-Day Zeina Nile Cruise tour in Aswan and Luxor

Price Starting From: \$580

4 Days-3 Nights Aswan, Luxor Egypt

Discover Aswan and Luxor with *Egypt Tour* packages aboard the Zeina Nile Cruise. Begin your journey by visiting Aswan's iconic landmarks, including the Unfinished Obelisk, Philae Temple, and the High Dam. Sail onward to Luxor, where you'll explore the Luxor and Karnak temples on the East Bank. Then, head to the West Bank to visit the Valley of the Kings, the Colossi of Memnon, and the Temple of Hatshepsut. Experience the perfect blend of history and luxury on the Nile with our *Egypt Tours*.

Another key attraction in Luxor is the *Valley of the Queens*, an ancient burial ground for Egyptian queens and princesses.

Overview Inclusion

- Accommodation for 4 days and 3 nights aboard the MS Zeina Nile Cruise on a full-board basis.
- Transportation provided by a private air-conditioned vehicle.
- A personal English-speaking Egyptologist guide for sightseeing tours.
- Admission fees included for all specified sites during the MS Zeina Nile Cruise.
- All Egypt Nile Cruises mentioned in the itinerary are guided privately.
- Complimentary bottle of mineral water provided during all Egypt Classic Tours.
- All taxes and service charges included.

Exclusion

- Any extras not mentioned in **Egypt Travel Packages** itinerary.
- Tipping is not included.

<u>Itinerary</u>

day 1: Aswan tour

Our tour leader will meet you at Cairo Airport or your hotel and assist you with your flight to Aswan. Upon arrival, you will embark on the Nile Cruise to begin your journey exploring the most famous sites in Aswan.

The tour will start with a visit to the High Dam, which protects the country from flooding. Next, you'll see Philae Temple, featuring many structures primarily from the Ptolemaic Period.

Then, you'll visit the Unfinished Obelisk, one of Egypt's largest archaeological finds, originally commissioned by Queen Hatshepsut.

Optional: Visit Abu Simbel Temple before heading to Philae Temple, the Unfinished Obelisk, and the High Dam.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 2: Kom Ombo and Edfu Temple

After enjoying your breakfast, you'll visit the double temple of Kom Ombo, dedicated to Sobek, the crocodile god, and Horus, the falcon-headed god. Next, you'll explore the Temple of Edfu, one of the largest temples in Egypt, which was built atop older ruins from the time of Ramses III. It is considered the best-preserved ancient Egyptian temple in the Nile Valley.

In the evening, enjoy a party onboard the Nile Cruise.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3: Luxor East bank tour

In the morning, you'll head to the East Bank of Luxor to begin your visit to the Luxor Temple, one of the most renowned and easily accessible temple ruins in the Luxor region of Egypt.

Next, you will explore the Karnak Temple, which comprises several buildings and temples arranged like a village. The name "Karnak" is derived from the Arabic word meaning 'fortified village.'

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4: Luxor west bank

After enjoying your breakfast, you'll begin your visit to the Temple of Hatshepsut at El-Deir El-Bahari, which features three levels, each with a colonnade at the far end. The uppermost level includes an open courtyard beyond the portico.

Next, you'll explore the Valley of the Kings, where the New Kingdom's kings and queens constructed their tombs in the hills of this desolate area west of Luxor. This site holds a significant number of royal mummies, reflecting their connection to their dynastic roots in the south.

You'll also see the two faceless Colossi of Memnon, larger-than-life statues that rise 60 feet (18 m) above the plains and weigh approximately 720 tons each. These statues were erected to guard the funerary temple and form part of the largest complex on the West Bank.

After visiting these temples, you will disembark from the Nile Cruise and return to Cairo.

Optional: Morning hot air balloon ride.

Meals: Breakfast