One day trip to Philae Temple, High Dam, and the Unfinished Obelisk

Price Starting From: \$70

Day Trip Egypt Aswan

Explore Egypt's rich history with a tour of the Philae Temple, the High Dam, and the Unfinished Obelisk. This experience allows you to explore some of the most splendid archaeological wonders and attractions along the Nile River.

Begin your adventure with a visit to the ancient Philae Temple, dedicated to the goddess Isis. This temple, relocated to Agilika Island to save it from the rising waters of the Nile, offers a glimpse into Egypt's mythological past and the legendary tales of Isis, Osiris, and Seth.

Next, marvel at the engineering feat of the Aswan High Dam. This modern marvel, one of the most significant projects in Egypt's recent history, controls the Nile's floodwaters and generates hydroelectric power for the country.

Your tour continues to the granite quarries to see the Unfinished Obelisk. Here, you will learn about ancient Egyptian techniques for cutting and transporting massive stone blocks used in their temples and pyramids.

Join us for daily sightseeing tours in Aswan that feature these highlights. This enchanting journey seamlessly blends natural beauty and cultural heritage, offering a comprehensive understanding of both ancient and modern Egypt.

Discover the second-largest dam in the world, visit the granite quarries to witness the impressive Unfinished Obelisk, and delve into the mythological stories of Philae Temple. This tour provides a unique opportunity to appreciate the importance of these remarkable cultural and engineering monuments.

Overview

Inclusion

- Pick-up service from your hotel and return during Aswan day tours and excursions by Cairo Top
- All entry fees and tickets to the listed sites are included in Aswan day tours.
- An expert Egyptologist guide will accompany you throughout the excursions in Aswan.
- Complimentary mineral water and soft drinks are provided during the tour to Philae Temple, High Dam, and Unfinished Obelisk.
- All service charges and taxes are covered during your visit to Philae Temple, High Dam, and the Unfinished Obelisk.

Exclusion

• Any additional activities not listed in the Egypt Day Tours in Aswan itinerary.

- Tipping is not included in the price of the tour to Philae Temple, High Dam, and the Unfinished Obelisk.
- Prices are valid during Christmas, New Year, and Easter tours in Egypt.

Itinerary

Tour to Philae Temple, High Dam and the Unfinished Obelisk from Aswan

A knowledgeable tour guide from Cairo Top Tours will pick you up from any hotel in Aswan to start your delightful Aswan day tours from our Egypt day tours collection, beginning with a fascinating visit to Philae Temple. Your journey kicks off with a tour of the High Dam, an engineering marvel built in the 1960s that created the largest artificial lake in the world. The dam was constructed to protect Egypt from the destructive annual Nile floods and severe droughts, effectively managing the water throughout the year. During its construction, the High Dam generated about 50% of Egypt's electricity, bringing power to many of the country's villages for the first time.

Next, you'll visit the granite quarries in Aswan, the source of the durable stone used by the ancient Egyptians for their statues, buildings, and especially their obelisks. Here, you'll find the Unfinished Obelisk, offering insight into the ancient methods of carving and extracting these massive structures. This obelisk is believed to have been commissioned by Queen Hatshepsut, one of ancient Egypt's most powerful female rulers.

The tour continues with a visit to the majestic Philae Temple, dedicated to the goddess Isis. The temple was saved from submersion by an international campaign that relocated it to its current island location, accessible by a scenic boat ride. Philae Temple became a significant religious centre during the Ptolemaic Dynasty and remained an active site of ancient Egyptian worship even after the spread of Christianity in Egypt. The temple includes the Mammissi, or birth house, of Horus, the son of Isis and Osiris and the protector of kingship.

Finally, you'll be transferred back to your hotel in Aswan or to Aswan Airport.