

Lake at the Karnak Temple complex

Tour Code: FFE23



Highlights of Egypt

Including 4 night Nile Cruise

SCHEDULED DEPARTURE:
March 14 - 26, 2023



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Giza Plateau



Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut

Day 1: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 • Overnight flight to Cairo

Our journey back in time begins, as we board our flight to Cairo, Egypt.

Day 2: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 • Arrive Cairo

Upon arrival at the Cairo Airport, we meet our Egyptologist and guide who assists us through the airport formalities. We transfer to our hotel for overnight.

Overnight: Cairo at the Steigenberger Pyramids

Day 3: Thursday, March 16, 2023 •

National Museum, Old Cairo, Amr Ibn el As Mosque

After a late breakfast, we meet our guide to orient ourselves to Egypt and our travels. Then we depart for the fabulous Egyptian Museum. The museum house more than 100,000 antiquities dating back to the Pharaonic times, 5,000 years ago! Included in our time at the museum is a special visit to the two Royal Mummy Rooms which houses Un-Wrapped Mummies for the most famous Kings and Queens of Ancient Egypt. After time at the museum, we tour the ancient churches and Cave of the Holy Family in Old Cairo. We also take a short visit to Amr Ibn El As Mosque. This evening we experience the famous Sound & Lights Show at the Pyramids in front of the Sphinx. Dinner is on our own.

Overnight: Cairo

Meals: B, L

Day 4: Friday, March 17, 2023 • Pyramids & Sphinx, Sakkara.

Today we see one of the wonders of the world: The Great Pyramids of Giza. As we marvel at the human imagination and energy they display, we find it difficult to avoid being overwhelmed as these pyramids survived for 4,500 years, seeing dynasties come and go and surviving Egypt's many foreign invaders and conquerors. We have lunch at a local restaurant serving authentic Egyptian food. Our final sites for the day are the ancient Step Pyramid of King Zoser (27th century BCE) and a tomb at Sakkara, the necropolis of pharaohs during the Old Kingdom. Dinner and evening free.

Overnight: Cairo

Meals: B, L

Day 5: Saturday, March 18, 2023 • Cruise – Luxor

After breakfast, we check out of our hotel and fly to Luxor. Upon arrival, we visit the Temple of Karnak, perhaps the greatest temple in Egypt and the Ancient World. We then drive to visit the Temple of Luxor that was used as the residence of the God Amon's Harem. Our afternoon is free to explore the city of Luxor and markets before we board our cruise, our home for the next 4 nights.

Overnight: Nile Cruise, Luxor on the MS Concerto

Meals: B, L, D

Day 6: Sunday, March 19, 2023 • Luxor – Edfu, Via Esna Lock

Today we visit the Valley of the Kings known as Biban El Muluk (Kings' Gates) which was the Burial Ground for the Great Pharaohs

who ruled the most Ancient Empire that history has known. We also visit the temple of Queen Hatshepsut, a temple unique for its architecture. Our excursion also includes the Colossi of Memnon, once related to the Greek God of Music. We return to our ship for lunch and sail to Edfu.

Overnight: Nile Cruise, Edfu

Meals: B, L, D

Day 7: Monday, March 20, 2023 • Edfu-Aswan

This morning we visit the Temple of the God, Horus, in Edfu, one of the best-preserved temples of the Ancient World. This afternoon, we enjoy lunch while sailing from Edfu to Kom-Ombo. We arrive at Kom-Ombo for a short visit to the temple of Kom-Ombo, a dual Temple, which was built for two Gods, Sobek the Crocodile and Harhoris the Falcon. We return to the ship and sail to Aswan.

Overnight: Nile Cruise, Aswan.

Meals: B, L, D

Day 8: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 •

Aswan tour, High Dam, Philae Temple

We drive over the British dam to visit the high dam of Aswan, which was built in the sixties to block the Nile Flood, conserve water and generate electricity. We visit one of the most romantic locations for a Temple, **the Temple of Philae**. The story of the temple is the first love story in history of mankind. It was built for the Goddess Isis and the triad of Osiris, Isis and their son Horus, on the Philae Island. We continue to the Ancient Quarries with the unfinished Obelisk before we return to our cruise for lunch. After lunch, we enjoy a nice sailboat ride then continue through the National Parks area observing different plantations and birds en route to the Nubian village where we experience a visit to a Nubian house and learn about their way of life and culture. We return to the cruise and overnight in Aswan. This evening entertainment is the Nubian Dance Show at the Lounge Bar.

Overnight: Nile Cruise, Aswan.

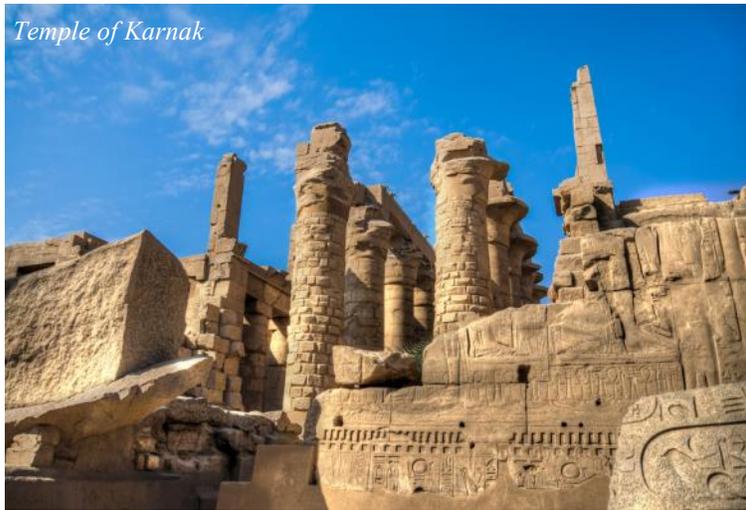
Meals: B, L, D

Day 9: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 • Abu Simbel Temples

After disembarking our cruise, we fly to Abu Simbel where we enjoy the World Heritage site of Abu Simbel which was saved by UNESCO during the building of the high Dam of Aswan. The complex consists of two temples. The larger one is dedicated to Ra-Horakhty, Ptah and Amun, Egypt's three state deities of the time, and features four large statues of Ramesses II in the facade. The smaller temple is dedicated to the goddess Hathor, personified by Nefertari, Ramesses's most beloved of his many wives. Returning to Aswan, we take a connecting flight to Cairo. We check into our hotel and the evening is free to enjoy its restaurants and explore the City Stars mall and overnight. Dinner is on our own.

Overnight: Cairo at the Intercontinental City Stars

Meals: B



Day 10: Thursday, March 23, 2023 • Cave Churches and drive to Alexandria

After breakfast today, we visit the cave church in the Mokkattam Mountain. We drive through the garbage Collectors District and learn about how the locals trash pick and recycle in Cairo and how the church started the Ministry there. We learn about another way of life. We have lunch at el Azhar Park. After lunch, we continue our drive to Alexandria where we spend two nights.

Overnight: Alexandria

Meals: B, L

Day 11: Friday, March 24, 2023 • Roman Amphitheatre, Alexandria New Library, Royal Jewelry Museum, Montazah Gardens, View Qait-Bay Fortress

After breakfast, we visit the Roman Amphitheatre and continue to the New Library of Alexandria which was built to commemorate the Ancient Library. After a guided tour, we have time to explore this beautiful library. Then we continue to lunch, the Royal Jewelry Museum and end with the Montazah Gardens. We enjoy a beautiful sunset.

Overnight: Alexandria at the Helnan Palestine

Meals: B, L

Day 12: Saturday, March 25, 2023 •

Visit Wadi Natron Monastery

After breakfast, we check out of our hotel before a visit to the Coptic Monastery at Wadi Natron. We enjoy a peaceful and spiritual visit of the Monastery and learn about Monastic life in Egypt. After our tour, we return to Cairo where we enjoy a nice farewell dinner.

Overnight: Cairo at the Intercontinental City Stars

Meals: B, L /D

Day 13 Sunday, March 26, 2023 • Fly Home

Early morning, we depart to the Cairo Int'l Airport for your flight home. **B**

Tour Prices:

March 14 - 26, 2023 • Tour Price: \$5,750

Prices are *Land only package per person, double occupancy* with a minimum of 20 paying participants

Single supplements: \$835

Your Tour Includes:

- **Land transportation** via private, deluxe air conditioned vehicle
- Domestic flights within Egypt
- **Accommodations** (double-occupancy) in 4 and 5 star hotels
- 4 night Nile River Cruise
- **Meals** as indicated in itinerary
- English-speaking Egyptologist/tour manager throughout
- **Admission** to all activities as per itinerary
- All taxes and tips except hotel housekeeping
- Tour director, driver and local guide gratuity included

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- Egypt Entry Visa fee (Available upon arrival; \$25)
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. (*Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.*)
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (This insurance is available and recommended.)

Payment Schedule:

A deposit of \$500 per person is due with reservation. Final payment is due August 30, 2022. Invoice will be sent out prior to final payment. Early registration is encouraged.

Currency:

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, we reserve the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

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All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit to 120 days before departure a \$100/person administrative fee plus any airfare & land penalties will be assessed. From 119-31 days, a \$300/person cancellation penalty plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable. Anyone canceling less than 30 days prior to departure will receive no refund.

Purchase of health, baggage and trip cancellation/interruption insurance is strongly encouraged.

Abbreviations for Meals

B=Breakfast L=Lunch D=Dinner

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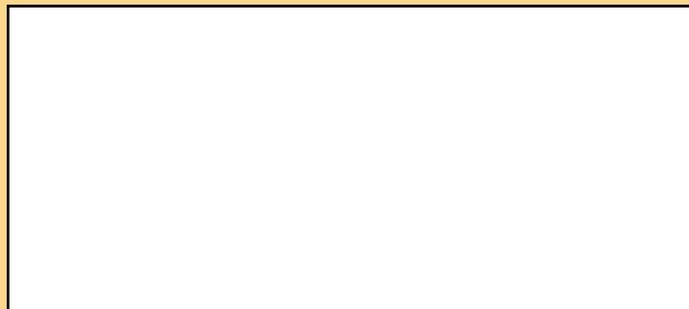
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Please record information **exactly as it appears on your passport**. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport. *Best practice is to include a copy of the photo page of your passport.*

Legal Name: _____

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Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Gender (required by airline): Male Female

Special Dietary Needs: _____

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Special Dietary Needs: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Work phone/cell: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed (1 bed) Twin Beds (2 beds)

Roommate name: _____ **OR Single supplement:** Yes No

Travel Insurance (7.2% of tour cost; policy must be purchased at time of initial deposit to cover pre-existing medical conditions)

- I wish to purchase Travel Guard insurance and have included the premium with my deposit.
- I wish to decline the travel insurance offered. I understand I am solely responsible for any cancellation penalties and out of pocket expenses occurred should I have an emergency before or during the tour.

Deposit Payment Information

Enclosed is my \$ _____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable). **Make checks payable to Ed-Ventures, Inc.**

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Credit Card Number: _____ **Exp. Date:** _____

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Signature of 1st traveler: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ **Date:** _____



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