

Passageway in Temple of Edfu

Tour Code: EDEGO25



Egypt

Including 3 night Nile Cruise

SCHEDULED DEPARTURE:
Oct. 17 - 26, 2025



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Giza Plateau



Day 1: Friday, October 17, 2025 • Depart for Egypt

Our Egyptian journey starts today as we board our flight for Egypt. **In Flight Meals**

Day 2: Saturday, October 18, 2025 • Cairo

Welcome to Egypt, one of the world's greatest ancient civilizations. We arrive in Cairo, meet our travel representative and transfer to our hotel.

Day 3: Sunday, October 19, 2025 • Cairo

Today we visit sacred sites important to Jews, Christians, and Muslims. We learn about the rich culture, traditions, and religious values of Egypt, appreciating their heritage despite religious differences. We marvel at ancient churches and Jewish Synagogues in Old Cairo, including the Holy Family Cave Church. After lunch, we explore the Egyptian Museum, home to the world's largest collection of ancient Egyptian artifacts. We have a special pass to the Hall of King Tut-Ankh-Amon, showcasing many pieces for the first time. Following free time at the Museum we return to the hotel. This evening, we choose between dinner on your own and enjoy some leisure time or join an optional dinner cruise. **B/L**

Optional tour: Dinner Cruise • \$110

Day 4: Monday, October 20, 2025 • Cairo

After a hearty breakfast, we visit the famous Pyramids of Giza, constructed during the 3rd and 4th dynasties of the Old Kingdom. We enjoy an up-close view of the Great Pyramid, built for the Pharaoh Khufu, as well as the Pyramids of Khafre and Menkaure. The Great Pyramid rises 450 feet in the air and covers 13 acres of land. Near the Pyramids, we see the Mythical Sphinx of Giza, a legendary statue featuring the head of a human and the body of a lion, amazingly carved from a single massive piece of limestone. The monument symbolizes the power and divinity of the Pharaoh. We enjoy a BBQ lunch before continuing to Sakkara to admire the Step Pyramid. At 4700 years old, the Step Pyramid is the world's oldest stone construction and a revolutionary royal tomb-building achievement. We explore the Nobel Tombs, adorned with wall carvings depicting daily life activities. We may have the opportunity to explore the Pharaoh's Burial chamber. We visit a famous Carpet School where you can shop. We return to our hotel for a relaxing evening on our own. **B/L**



Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut

Day 5: Tuesday, October 21, 2025, • Aswan

We begin our day with a flight to Aswan, where we have the morning at leisure to explore this ancient frontier town. This afternoon, we enjoy a Felucca (sailboat) ride on the Nile River, admiring the plants, birds, and rocky islands along the shore. We return to the hotel or join an optional tour to the botanical garden, the Nubian Village spice market and a visit to a local family's home. This evening, we gather for a stroll through Aswan's Spice Market, followed by dinner at a charming local restaurant. **B/D**

Optional tour: Nubian Village • \$60

Day 6: Wednesday, October 22, 2025 • Nile Cruise

We spend the morning at leisure or join an optional excursion to Abu Simbel. A quick flight from Aswan transports us back in time to the mighty Temple of Abu Simbel, reclaimed from the floodwaters of the Aswan High Dam and totally reconstructed by UNESCO in the present location. The site is dominated by the looming twin temples of Ramses II and his wife Queen Nefertari making it one of Egypt's most recognizable and unique ancient sites. After our returning flight to Aswan, we board our cruise ship in time for lunch and settle in for our three-night stay. The afternoon is free to explore Aswan's Spice Markets. **B/L/D**

Optional tour: Abu Simbel Temples – including roundtrip flight from Aswan • \$420

Day 7: Thursday, October 23, 2025 • Nile Cruise

After breakfast, we take a tour to Philae Temple dedicated to the goddess Isis, and marvel at the temple's lovely island location with its tropical trees and flowers. While there, we learn about the legend of Isis & Osiris and see carvings of the Kings of Ancient Egypt depicting the myths of creation before continuing to the beautiful Botanical Garden of Aswan. In the afternoon, our Nile cruise sets sail for an unforgettable journey on the legendary Nile River. Our first stop is the Temple of Kom Ombo, dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek and the sky god Horus and depicting reliefs of the ancient medical instruments and the calendar. We continue sailing to Edfu where we dock for the evening. Tonight, enjoy an Egyptian Galabiya Night (Dress Party) with Egyptian food, music, dancing and fun. **B/L/D**

Day 8: Friday, October 24, 2025 • Nile Cruise

Today we explore the Temple of Edfu one of the best-preserved temples of the ancient world. Built for Horus, the

Temple of Karnak



falcon God of the Sky, the temple was built entirely during the Greek era of Egypt. We return to the Nile cruise and sail through the lock of Esna to Luxor, known in ancient Egyptian times as Thebes. Upon arrival, we take a sightseeing tour of the East Bank of Luxor. We visit the magnificent Temples of Karnak, which date back over 3,000 years. Walking along the avenue of the Sphinxes, we marvel at the Hypostyle Hall with its 134 massive sandstone columns built by Ramses II. We explore the sacred lake and many other temples. We visit the Temple of Luxor before returning to our Nile cruise. **B/L/D**

Day 9: Saturday, October 25, 2025 • Luxor

We begin the day with the choice of an optional hot air balloon ride or enjoying additional leisure time. Following breakfast, we visit the UNESCO-listed Valley of the Kings, the necropolis of Thebes and admire the tombs of ancient Egypt's rulers. The valley houses 63 tombs, and we visit three of the most beautiful tombs, including King Tut's tomb. We proceed to the Temple of Hatshepsut, a colonnaded structure surrounded by cliffs where we learn about the life of the strong Queen Hatshepsut, Egypt's first female ruler. After a visit to the Alabaster house, we drive past the newly discovered Lost Golden City. Our tour concludes at the Colossi of Memnon, two massive stone statues of Pharaoh Amenhotep III. We also visit the Valley of the Queens where we see the Tomb of Queen Nefertari. Later this afternoon, we check into our hotel and have free time to explore the city of Luxor. **B/L**

Optional tour: Hot Air Balloon ride • \$160

Day 10: Sunday, October 26, 2025 • Return to home

After a relaxing morning at the hotel, we check out and enjoy lunch before transferring to Luxor Airport. We fly to Cairo for our connecting flight back home. We return with amazing memories of our wonderful tour of Egypt. **B/L/Inflight meals**

Abbreviations for Meals
B=Breakfast **L**=Lunch **D**=Dinner

To register:

<https://tinyurl.com/EDEGO25>

Tour Code: EDEGO25

Tour Price: \$3,049

Prices are *Land Only*
per person, double occupancy
with a minimum of 10 paying participants

Single supplements: \$1,000

Your Tour Includes:

- **Land transportation** via private, deluxe air conditioned vehicle
- All airport, ferry and hotel transfers
- Egypt Entry Visa fee
- Domestic flights within Egypt
- **Accommodations** (double-occupancy) in 4 and 5 star hotels
- **Meals** as indicated in itinerary
- English-speaking Egyptologist/tour manager throughout
- **Admission** to all activities as per itinerary
- **All taxes and tips except as listed below**

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- International flights to/from Cairo.
- Optional tours
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. (*Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.*)
- End of tour tips for tour guide, coach driver, Nile Cruise and portorage (\$210)
- **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 90 days prior to departure date (July 18, 2025). 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.

Refund/Cancellation Policy:

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.

Terms and Conditions

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