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Egypt – 10 Day Crossroads of Cultures & Faith



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Uncover the mystery and mystique of Egypt and marvel at the Great Pyramid of Giza and the Sphinx
- See the world's largest collection of Pharaonic artifacts and the treasures of Tutankhamen's tomb at the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities
- Discover the largest collection of Egyptian Christian artifacts in the world and visit Sainte Mary Church in Maadi, where the holy family started their trip to Upper Egypt
- On your Nile cruise, visit the High Dam, the Granite Alexandria Quarries with the Unfinished Obelisk, and the Temple of Isis at Philae

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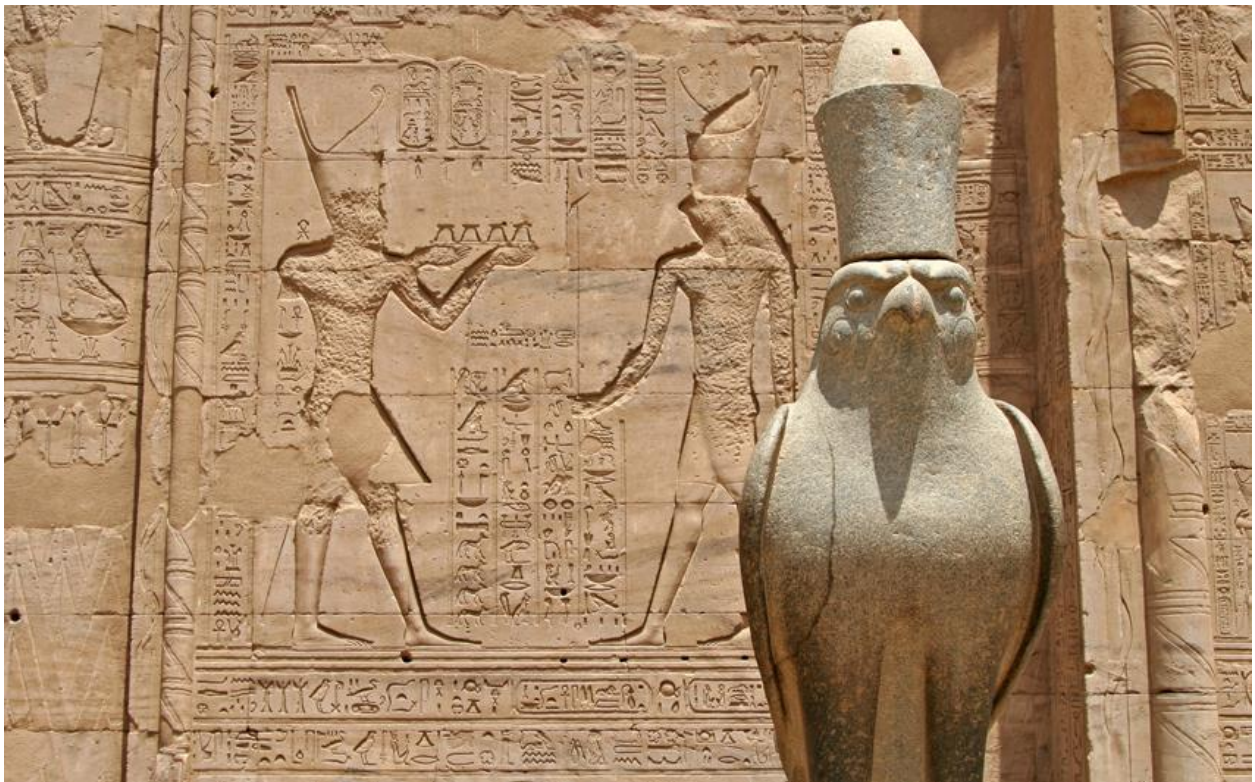
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- Sail on board a traditional Egyptian sailing “felucca” for a view of Kitchner's Island Botanical Garden and the Agha Khan Mausoleum
- Visit the West Bank necropolis including the Valley of the Kings, the Funerary Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir El Bahari, and the Colossi of Memnon
- In Alexandria, admire the Roman catacombs and the Catacombs and Pompey’s Pillar, the area’s most prominent remaining Greek Landmark



Day To Day Itinerary

Day 1 – SUN: **US - CAIRO**

Arrive in the Land of the Pharaohs. Upon completion of immigration and customs formalities at Cairo International Airport, you will be met at the exit by our representative and escorted to your hotel.

Day 2 – MON: **CAIRO**

Visit the Great Pyramids of Giza and the enigmatic Sphinx. Then tour the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities to see the world's largest collection of Pharaonic artifacts and the treasures of

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Tutankhamen's tomb. Later, have lunch then proceed to Khan El Khalili bazaars where you can haggle for Egyptian treasures to take home or dine at cafes along the Nile River. (B,L)

Day 3 – TUE: CAIRO

Visit Old Cairo to see Al Moallaka Church (Hanging Church) and Ben Ezra Synagogue. Then, visit the Coptic Museum where you can find the largest collection of Egyptian Christian artifacts in the world. Next, have lunch followed by a visit to Sainte Mary Church in Maadi, the place where the holy family started their trip to Upper Egypt by boat. (B,L)

Day 4 – WED: CAIRO - ASWAN - KOM OMBO - EDFU

Transfer from your hotel to Cairo Airport for your morning flight to Aswan. Upon arrival you will be escorted to your Nile cruise ship. You will visit the High Dam, the Granite Alexandria Quarries with the Unfinished Obelisk, and the Temple of Isis at Philae. Sail on board a felucca, a traditional Egyptian sailboat and view Kitchner's Island Botanical Garden and the Agha Khan Mausoleum. After lunch, sail to Kom Ombo where you will visit the Ptolemaic Temple of Sobek and Haroeries before arriving to Edfu. (B,L,D)



Day 5 – THU: EDFU | LUXOR

Travel by horse-drawn carriage to the Temple of Horus, the falcon god. Dating from 237 B.C., it is considered the best preserved temple in Egypt and the second largest after the Temple of Karnak. Sail to Esna, passing through the Esna Lock, and continue sailing towards Luxor. (B,L,D)

Day 6 – FRI: LUXOR



Visit the West Bank necropolis including the Valley of the Kings, the Funerary Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir El Bahari, and the Colossi of Memnon. Take in the sights at St. Wanas Monastery, the saint who is widely known for helping anyone who asks him to find anything (or anyone) that has been lost. (B,L,D)

Day 7 – SAT: LUXOR - CAIRO

After breakfast, visit the Karnak and Luxor temples, a centuries old city of pylons, hypostyle halls, colossal statues, shrines and obelisks. Disembark and transfer to the airport for your afternoon flight to Cairo. Upon arrival in Cairo you will be met and escorted to your hotel. (B)

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Day 8 – SUN: CAIRO - ALEXANDRIA

After breakfast, transfer from Cairo to Alexandria where you will visit St. Bishoy Monastery in Wadi El Natroun. The Monastery of Saint Bishoy contains the relics of Bishoy, Paul of Tammah, and relics of other saints. Eyewitnesses recount that the body of Bishoy remains incorrupt. Pope Shenouda III of Alexandria is also entombed there. Next, drive to Alexandria where you enjoy lunch and continue your visit to the Catacombs, the largest Roman cemetery in Alexandria. Then discover Pompey's Pillar, the most prominent remaining Greek Landmark in Alexandria then you will be escorted to your hotel for an overnight stay. (B,L)



Day 9 – MON: ALEXANDRIA | CAIRO

After breakfast, visit Alexandria Library and the Monastery of St. Mina who is well known as the Wonders' Maker. Then drive back to Cairo for an overnight stay. (B)

Day 10 – TUE: CAIRO TO USA (OR EXTEND YOUR STAY)



After breakfast, transfer from hotel to Cairo International Airport for final departure. (B)

End of Services.



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Inclusions

- Hotel accommodations for 6 nights
- 3 nights on board a Nile River cruise ship
- 18 included meals consisting of:
 - 9 buffet breakfasts
 - 6 lunches
 - 3 dinners
- 8 days of touring in an air-conditioned van/minibus/bus
- Sightseeing, including licensed Egyptologist and all entrance fees, as follows:
 - Tour of Cairo, including the Pyramids, Sphinx, Egyptian Museum and Khan El Khalili bazar
 - Tour of old Cairo, including the Coptic Museum and St. Mary Church in Maadi
 - Nile Cruise sightseeing including: Aswan, Kom Ombo, Edfu, Esna and Luxor
 - Visit Anba Bishoy on Wady El Natroun on the way to Alexandria
 - Tour of Alexandria, including the Cata Comb, Pompey's Pillar and Alexandria Library
 - Visit Mar Mina Monastery on the way back to Cairo
- All transfers and luggage handling within Egypt
- All Hotel taxes and service charge
- Document holder and luggage tags

HOTELS

Le Meridien Pyramids - 3 Nights / First Class

This majestic resort hotel is beautifully set in its own landscaped gardens and provides unrivalled views of the Giza Pyramids, one of the Seven Ancient Wonders of the World and only 15 minutes from the centre of Cairo. The hotel offers a spectacular swimming pool complex including a health club with sauna and massage, as well as a Royal Club floor and a variety of superb restaurants with oriental, Mediterranean and Mexican cuisines.

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Rooms

Standard - these rooms are very generously sized, with space for an extra bed and with some rooms interconnecting, Deluxe Rooms - on the 4th floor, these are luxurious double rooms with Cairo or Pyramid views, Royal Club - these luxurious rooms are located on the newly refurbished 5th floor, accessed by express elevator, with a private Reception and lounge, Presidential Suite - the most luxurious suite in the hotel, located on the Royal Club floor and accessed by express elevator, with a private Reception

and lounge overlooking the Pyramids and swimming pool..

Resturant

Al Shams - a perfect setting with sumptuous international buffet and A la carte menu. 24-hour restaurant.

The Med - elegant atmosphere for the finest Mediterranean cuisine.

Laredo - for the best Tex-Mex food in a fun and informal setting.

Nubian Village - outdoor and indoor dining, overlooking the pool and offering a wide selection of oriental and Lebanese dishes.

Harris Cafe - offering freshly prepared cakes, pastries and breads.

Shisha Cafe - For a typical oriental Egyptian evening with specially flavored shisha (water pipe) and drinks.

Location

Le Meridien Pyramids resort hotel is conveniently located within walking distance of the historic treasures of Egypt, including El Giza Pyramids, the Sphinx and other monumental sights, and is only 15 minutes' drive from the attractions in the city centre of Cairo.

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Sheraton Montazah Hotel [-1 Night / First Class

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