

Day Trip to Wadi El Natroun Monasteries from Cairo

Price Starting From : \$50

About 8 hours

Egypt

Cairo

Enjoy a unique experience from Cairo to the Wadi El Natrun Monasteries, which is a worthwhile adventure if you are interested in the history of the ancient Egyptians.

Wadi El Natrun was a prominent site in Pharaonic times for the extraction of Natron salt, used to embalm the dead, and also acquired the status of sanctity in Christianity because the Holy Family passed through it. The area was known by various names, the most famous being The Salt Field, Shehit, Esqet, and Hooker's Well.

Enjoy a unique experience at Wadi El Natrun where you can see and explore Anba Makar Monastery This monastery is attributed to Anba Makar the Great, a disciple of Anba Anthony the Great, the founder of Christian monasterism.

We also allow you to see Anba Bishoy Monastery, which is the largest of the four monasteries, and is attributed to Anba Bishoy, who was a disciple of Anba Makar the Great, and established it by leading a group of monks in the late fourth century AD. It has an area of about two acres and includes five churches, the largest of which is the "Church of Bishop Bishoy"; the largest church in Wadi al-Natrun, along with a guesthouse, a large garden, a library, the ancient table, and the well of the martyrs, as well as several villages where the monks live.

Also, if there is still time, we offer you a very valuable opportunity to visit the Monastery of Baramous, attributed to the Virgin Mary, Maximus, and Domadius of the Romans; the word baramous means "the one of the Romans." It was founded in the 6th century AD. The monastery is located on an area of 880 acres in the northernmost part of Wadi El Natrun, about 12 kilometers from the Rust House rest house, on the desert road between Cairo and Alexandria. The monastery has five archaeological churches, a library with hundreds of manuscripts in several languages, a fortress, a guesthouse, a bakery, and some stores.

Discover the finest that this amazing country has to offer by booking one of our most memorable Egypt travel packages. One of the greatest day trips from Cairo is visiting the Wadi El Natroun waterfall.

[Overview](#)

Inclusion

- Return transfers from your hotel in Cairo to Wadi El-Natrun by professional Cairo Top Tours tour guides.
- A private air-conditioned non-smoking car during your tour.
- Any entrance fees to the sites mentioned in Wadi El-Natrun Monasteries.
- A licensed tour guide will accompany you to Wadi El-Natrun on all trips to Egypt.
- Lunch of Egyptian cuisine at an oriental restaurant in Cairo.
- Complimentary bottled mineral water on board the vehicle during our day tours to Egypt.

- Full taxes and service charges are covered.
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Exclusion

- Additional items not mentioned in the itinerary during your stay in Egypt.
- Tipping is not included.
- Beverages during meals.

[Itinerary](#)

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Cairo Top Tours' professionally guided representative will be waiting for you at your hotel in Cairo to take you in a private air-conditioned car to accompany you on your full-day excursion to the Wadi El Natroun Monasteries.

Your day begins with an impressive visit to Wadi El Natroun, also known as The Salt Field, Shehit, Esqet, and Hooker's Well. It was a major location for the extraction of Natron salt during Pharaonic times, used to embalm the dead, and gained sanctity in Christianity as a result of the Holy Family's passage through the region.

Your trip to Wadi El Natroun starts with a must-see visit to the Anba Bishoy Monastery, the biggest of the four monasteries. It was founded by Anba Bishoy, a follower of Anba Makar the Great, who led a group of monks there in the late 4. Covering roughly two hectares, it has five churches, the biggest of which is the "Church of Bishop Bishoy," the biggest church in Wadi al-Natroun. There are also several villages where the monks reside, a guest house, a large garden, a library, the ancient table, and the well of the martyrs.

After that, you will go to the Monastery of Baramous, which is named after the Romans Maximus, Domadius, and the Virgin Mary. The name Baramous means "the one of the Romans." The 6th century AD saw its founding. The monastery occupies 880 acres in the northernmost region of Wadi El Natroun, on the desert road between Cairo and Alexandria, approximately 12 kilometers from the Rust lodge rest lodge. The monastery includes a fortress, a hotel, a bakery, a few shops, a library with hundreds of manuscripts in various languages, and five archaeological churches.

Visiting and exploring the Anba Makar Monastery near Wadi El Natroun will provide you with a unique experience. As a follower of Anba Anthony the Great, the founder of Christian monastic schools, Anba Makar the Great is credited with founding this monastery.

We will drop you off at your Cairo hotel after your trip is over.