# 2 Day Trip to Sinai Mountain and St. Catherine's

### Price Starting From : \$230

2 Days Egypt Cairo, Saint Catherine

An amazing trip to Mount St. Catherine from Cairo

You will enjoy a unique experience with us from Cairo to the highest mountains of South Sinai. where spiritual tranquility and natural grandeur meet in one of Egypt's holiest and highest mountains, where we can see and climb Mount St. Catherine.

Our amazing tour will start from Cairo in the evening, on a relaxing road trip through the Eastern Desert, passing beautiful scenic landscapes and mountains that change colors with the moonlight. Once we reach the St. Catherine's area in the early hours of dawn. our climbing adventure will begin with the help of a professional local guide. We will ascend the mountain on foot or by camel through historic paths that have been used by pilgrims for centuries.

When we reach the beautiful summit - more than 2,600 meters above sea level - we will enjoy an unforgettable sunrise, When the mountain peaks are colored by the sun's early rays, lending the area a feeling of peace and wonder.

After descending the mountain, we head to visit the famous St.One of the world's oldest monasteries and a UNESCO World Heritage Site is Catherine's Monastery. There we can explore the Byzantine church, the Holy Bramble Tree, and the library with rare manuscripts.

We will end the day with a traditional Bedouin breakfast before heading back to Cairo for a relaxing trip loaded with unforgettable memories from one of Egypt's holiest and most beautiful places.

#### Overview

#### Inclusion

- Pick-up and drop-off from your hotel in Cairo to the South Sinai Governorate and vice versa.
- A modern air-conditioned vehicle with Cairo Top Tours.
- Overnight accommodation in St. Catherine for 01 night on a half-board basis.
- Tickets and entrance fees to the sites mentioned in the program are included during your overnight trip to Sinai.
- Expert guide during your day excursions to Egypt.
- Bottled water and a soft drink on your 2-day trip to Mount Sinai.
- A local bedouin guide for the ascent of Mount Sinai.
- Any taxes that may be charged for your day tours to Cairo are included.Bedouin

#### Exclusion

• Any extras not mentioned in our Mount Sinai Overnight trip to climb the mountain of Sinai and visit St. Catherine's monastery itinerary.

- Tipping is not included in the tours in Cairo prices but is appreciated by drivers and staff if you feel like you're having good service.
- Prices are valid during Christmas and New Year tours in Egypt or Egypt Easter tours.

### Itinerary

# Day 01 Itinerary: Cairo to St Catherine

Our journey will start early in the morning from Cairo, where you will be met by one of our expert guides who will accompany you during your unique tour. We will depart Cairo in a private air-conditioned vehicle to the city of St. Catherine, located in the heart of southern Sinai, about 500 kilometers from the capital. The journey takes between 7 and 8 hours, and during the trip we can take some breaks along the way to have some refreshments and enjoy the breathtaking scenery that combines vast deserts and imposing mountains.

Once we arrive in St. Catherine in the afternoon, we head straight to the hotel for a brief rest and check-in. Then, we can enjoy an unforgettable tour around the city to explore the spiritual tranquility that characterizes the place with its picturesque nature, with the possibility of visiting some nearby points such as the holy bush tree or wandering around the small local market to get some souvenirs that will immortalize the memory of this trip in the mind.

As night falls, we'll enjoy a special dinner in a unique and peaceful mountain setting, in preparation for climbing Mount Musa in the early hours of the next morning.

## Day 02 Itinerary: Mount Sinai and St Catherine Monastery Trip / Back to Cairo

In the early evening, we will start the next day on our excursion from Cairo to St. Catherine by preparing to ascend Mount Moses at 10:00 a.m. or earlier, where you will be accompanied by a very experienced local Bedouin guide. This night hike takes us on a unique journey under a starry sky in a magical spiritual experience, accompanied by the majestic silence of the desert and the stillness of the mountains. After climbing some 750 steps on the final stretch of the route, visitors reach the top of the mountain as dawn approaches, witnessing one of the most spectacular sunrises in the world, with the first rays of the sun illuminating the surrounding peaks in an unforgettable spectacle.

Then, descending from the mountain, on the Sinai Peninsula, at the base of Mount Catherine, at the mouth of a ravine, we will travel to St. Catherine's Monastery, an Eastern Orthodox monastery. The highest mountain in Egypt, near the city of St. Catherine, named after Catherine of Alexandria. As the world's oldest continuously inhabited Christian monastery, it is a popular tourist destination that welcomes tour groups from all over the globe. It is a place of retreat, administered by the abbot, the Bishop of Sinai, who is not under the authority of any patriarch or holy council, but maintains close ties with the Patriarch of Jerusalem, so that at masses the name of the Patriarch of Jerusalem is mentioned, although for long periods the monastery has been under the guardianship of the Russian Orthodox Church.

Within the monastery, you will witness the Cathedral of Transfiguration, constructed by Emperor Justinian, and the Burning Bush, encircled by a little chapel constructed by Queen Helena, mother of Emperor Constantine.

Finally, we will transfer you back to your hotel in Cairo.

Breakfast meal included.