

Christmas Tour with pyramids and Nile cruise

Price Starting From : \$1200

9 Days

Egypt

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Cairo, Luxor and Aswan

It is Christmas time, the most special time of the year. Let's achieve your wish to have the perfect vacation in the land of wonders by coming to Egypt. When you choose to spend your Christmas holiday in Egypt, you are about to have an unforgettable adventure. See the Great Pyramids of the Egyptian Pharaohs and experience the luxury tour of Egypt Nile cruises between the two enchanting cities of Luxor and Aswan.

[Overview](#)

Inclusion

- Have easy entrance to Egypt by meeting and assistance services by [Cairo Top Tours](#) representatives at the airports.
- 3 nights' of accommodation in [the Cairo Pyramids Hotel](#), including bed and breakfast.
- 4 nights of accommodation aboard a 5-star Egypt Nile River Cruise, including all meals.
- 2 nights of accommodation onboard the comfortable sleeping train from Cairo to Luxor and from Aswan to Cairo.
- Enjoy the service of transportation to/from airports and hotels, and during the tours in Egypt, by a private, nonsmoking, air-conditioned vehicle.
- Have a private tour guide during your tours and excursions in Cairo and during the Christmas season.
- Enjoy complimentary water bottles and soft drinks during all our Egypt Travel Packages.
- Admission tickets to the sites that are included in the itinerary.
- Delicious [cuisine](#) lunch meals in top-quality restaurants during [Egypt Tours](#).
- Professional English-speaking Egyptologist guide during the sightseeing tours in Egypt.
- Enjoy the meals in the hotels and aboard the [Egypt Nile River Cruise](#) as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Shopping [tours in Cairo](#) (Upon request).
- All taxes and service charges are included in the cost .

Exclusion

- The booking of international flight tickets.
- the cost of the entry entry visa to Egypt is 25 dollars at the airport in Cairo.
- Optional [Egypt Day Tours](#) in Cairo, Luxor, or Aswan.
- Tipping is excluded.
- served beverages during meals.

[Itinerary](#)

Day 1: Welcome to Cairo

Here you are, welcome to Cairo and the land of legends. Once you arrive at the airport, the Cairo Top Tours representative will be waiting for you to assist you in finishing your procedures. Then, your private car and your tour leader will be waiting for you to transfer you to your hotel to relax. The tour leader will help you to have an easy check-in process in the hotel, and He will organize your schedule and times for pick-up service with you.

Have a happy first night in Cairo

Enjoy your welcome drink

Day 2 : Discover the Egyptian Museum, Pyramids and Old Cairo

Start your adventure with your certified tour guide, who will be responsible for discovering Cairo's secrets with you and leading you to Cairo Gems. after having your breakfast, start your tour to visit

The Egyptian Museum in Tahrir Square, near the downtown area, was built by the French architect Marcel Dorono to have a great style to suit the valuable treasures and pieces that will be put inside it. The museum-style allows the natural light to enlighten the halls and reflects the sunrays on the fascinating pieces of Egyptian antiques. The museum includes treasures and jewelry that reveal the greatness and cleverness of the Egyptian mentality and works like the statue of King Kufu, the owner of the biggest pyramid in Egypt.

Our next visit will be to the Great Giza Pyramids, where the great Egyptian kings hide their treasures and mummified bodies. Some archeologists believe that the pyramids include hidden halls and rooms hiding more and more secrets about the Egyptian kings and queens. The ancient Egyptians believed that the pyramid was a symbol of rebirth after death, and this reflects how valuable the pyramids were for the Egyptians.

When you see the pyramids, you will be amazed by the number of stones in each pyramid and how these stones form a huge and massive construction, never changing for thousands of years. Move to the plateau of Giza and take cool pictures that you can not take anywhere else. Move to see the Great Sphinx, or the guardian of the treasures of the pyramids. The statue of the Sphinx reflects a strong bond between the statue and the pharaohs. Let's visit the valley temple where the Egyptian mummies were subjected to the process of mummification beside the great pyramids.

Now it's the time to taste the Egyptian delicious lunch in one of the top-quality restaurants.

Let's continue our journey to the old Coptic Cairo, which embraces iconic churches like the Hanging Church of the Virgin Mary. The church is known as the hanging church because it is far from the earth, and it was built in the basilica style on two of the Babylon Towers. Then we walk to Saints Sergius and Bacchus Church, known as Abu Serga Church. It was an important stop on the Holy Family's journey to Egypt. Also known as the Church of the Cave, the church embraces the cave where the Holy Family rested. Our final stop will be the Ben Ezra synagogue. It is the oldest synagogue in Egypt, and it includes many documents and books narrating the lives of the Jews in Egypt.

Finally, you will be transferred to take your train, seeing the various Egyptian villages reaching to Luxor

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner

Day 3 : See the East Bank of beautiful city of Luxor

A new adventure is about to start today. When you arrive at Luxor train station, you will find Cairo Top Tours' representative waiting for you with a private and comfortable car for only you. You will meet your tour guide, who specializes in the history of Luxor and Aswan's history. Our first destination will be Luxor temple

The temple of Luxor is one of the east-bank temples. The temple was built by Amenhotep III, and King Ramses, who put the columns and the obelisk that narrated the history of the Battle of Cadiz. The temple was mainly built for worshipping the god Ra. The temple includes many statues of King Ramses in different positions with massive sizes; the temple also included one of the biggest projects for the restoration of the statues inside it. The walls and the columns of the statues record the historical expansions and battles of the Egyptian rulers. The temple is amazing to visitors around the world every day because of its history and great architectural style.

Then, check in on your comfortable Nile cruise and have your delicious lunch meal made by the professional chefs onboard.

Our next stop will be the Karnak Temple, which is one of the most important temples in the city of Thebes or Luxor and is located on the eastern mainland. The ancient Egyptian pharaohs called it 'Ebet Sut Ai' or 'The Chosen Spot'. Karnak Temple has a great deal of wealth and religious importance in ancient Egypt and modern Egypt too. The fascinating temple received royal patronage, and every king of the New Kingdom left a monument on its walls like his print. It also includes the Great Hall of Columns, which includes 13 massive columns and is the most famous and largest hall in the world. See the ancient Egyptian art of construction and architecture that amazed the world and how these huge temples have been built without recent modern technologies and beautifully decorated.

Finally, let's go back to our Nile cruise and enjoy the Night of the Cruise with the nice shows and celebrations.

Day 4: Discover the west bank of Luxor

When you come to Luxor, there is sightseeing that can not be missed. After spending your comfortable night, start your second day on the Nile cruise by having your delicious oriental breakfast, and start your tour to one of these places, the Valley of Kings.

The Valley of Kings is considered a small picture of the other world. It is located behind the rocks of Thebes Mountain. The Egyptian kings have a story of choosing this place as the location for their tombs, so they have chosen this place to be far away from the hands of thieves and secure their mummified bodies. The royal tombs are characterized by drawings and inscriptions from Egyptian mythology that reflect ancient religious beliefs and memorial ceremonies. Some of the most prominent tombs are for King Ramses , Seti I, Mernenptah, and Tutankhamun.

The second temple for today will be the Hatshepsut Temple, which is one of the beautiful funeral temples; its name in the ancient Egyptian language is "Jisro Jisro," meaning the holiest of holies. It was designed by Senenmut. In addition, the temple included sections dedicated to Queen Hatshepsut's father, King Thutmose I, the goddess Hathor, and the goddess Anubis, as well as a compartment open to the sky, dedicated to the sun god Ra Hor Ahti. The walls of the temple narrate and give images about the religious traditions and move the obelisks from their place of carving to the temples.

The final visit of today will be the huge statues of Memnon, which were considered the guardians of the temples and the tombs of the west bank of Luxor. They were established thousands of years ago to guard the tombs of the Valley of Kings, and they are all that remains of the temple commemorating Pharaoh Amenhotep III.

Finally, you will go back to your Nile cruise to enjoy sailing to Edfu and Kom-Ombo the next day.

Meals : Breakfast, Lunch, dinner

Day 5 : Sail to Kom-Ombo and Edfu temples

On day five, after undergoing the charm of navigating the Nile between Luxor and the beautiful city of Aswan, your exploration of Edfu and Kom-Ombo temples begins.

Edfu Temple ranks among the most beautiful and well-preserved ancient temples in Egypt. Construction was started on the orders of King Ptolemy III, and completion of the temple took place during the reign of King Ptolemy XII. Besides being known for its architectural beauty, the temple is decorated with scenes of sacrifice of offerings carried forth by the kings to their idols. The temple is famous for its statue of Horus.

Then continue to the temple of Kom-Ombo. Having been built in the Roman period, it was also much adorned and beautiful in design, much to talk about the mysteriously beautiful ornamentation of Egypt. The temple, like no other, distinguished itself in worshipping two local gods: Sobek and Horus the Falcon-headed. The left side was to worship Horus the Great, while the right side was to worship Sobek.

After the in-depth Egyptian history knowledge and learning on the gods, then back on board the Nile cruise and have the rest of your time on the Nile cruise.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

Day 6 : Continue exploring Aswan's beauty

On the sixth day, you will have the opportunity to check out the beauty of Aswan City and see the famous golden places of Aswan. Be accompanied by your tour guide to see the first sight, which is the unfinished Obelisk.

The unfinished Obelisk is carved from granite stone in a rectangular shape. The Obelisk has a famous story worth telling; it was carved to be used in the temple. There was a team of architects working on it to keep it in the most careful shape, but what happened was exposing the obelisk to a big crack, but the Egyptian

architects didn't give up, and attempts to restore it still appeared. In the end, the different attempts weren't successful; therefore, the architects stopped finishing it, and for this, it was called the "unfinished Obelisk."

Furthermore, our second destination is Philae Temple, which also has a great story in Egyptian history; the temple was dedicated to Isis. The temple was submerged during the process of finishing the construction of the High Dam during the reign of Gamal Abd El Nasser, the Egyptian president. Therefore, the government and Unesco have cooperated in transferring the temple to another island in a very huge process to Agelica Island. In addition, the name of the temple of " Philae" back to the ancient Greek language.

Our final stop on the Nile cruise tour is the Egyptian High Dam, which was built during the reign of Gamal Abd El Nasser. It protects Egypt from the danger of excessive floods and enables Egypt to control the flow of the water and produce electricity. Furthermore, it formed the largest artificial lake in the world; its storage capacity is about 162 billion cubic meters.

Finally, you will be transferred after your long trip to your Nile cruise to relax and enjoy your night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner

Day 7 : disembarkation of Nile cruise Tour

on the seventh day, after enjoying the last breakfast on your luxury Nile cruise with the vibes of sailing in the Nile River.

You will have one of the optional activities to do while in Aswan, like visiting the enchanting temples of Abu Simple. Another activity: you can visit the Nubian village and see the Nubian shows of Aswan.

After finishing your adventure in Aswan, you will be transferred to the Aswan train station to have your sleeping train.

Included meals: breakfast onboard your Nile cruise and dinner on the train.

Day 8: Return to Cairo

In the morning, your train will reach Cairo, and you will find your private car and your tour leader waiting for you to assist you with easy check-in at your hotel. You can choose to add one of the optional tours in your free time.

For example: you can visit the Grand Museum, which is the modern and largest museum in Egypt and Africa dedicated to the Egyptian civilization. In addition, you can visit the National Museum of the Egyptian Civilization, where you can see the royal mummies of the Egyptian kings and queens.

included meals: Breakfast

Day 9: The end of the christmas vacation

Enjoy the last breakfast in Cairo and be transported and assisted by your tour leader to be transferred to the airport to catch your international flight for your final departure.

Meals: Breakfast.