5 Days to discover Cairo and Alexandria

Price Starting From: \$450

5 DAYS Egypt Cairo, and Alexandria

Are you ready for a new adventure? Be ready for a new adventure in the two largest and most famous cities in Egypt. You will be accompanied by your private tour guide to see the real Egypt and the beautiful sights in both cities. Egypt and Alexandria are two different cities embracing history and modern life together. Both cities have witnessed a lot of vital events in Egyptian history, like battles, wars, and motivating events for the civilization. Seize the opportunity and book your trip for an unforgettable vacation in Egypt.

Overview

Inclusion

- Meet and assist service to you upon arrival and during departure at Cairo International Airport.
- Get comfortable accommodation for 4 nights in the Cairo <u>Pyramids Hotel</u>, including a bed & breakfast in Cairo.
- Entrance fees to the archeological sights are included in Egypt Classic Tours.
- Local meals will be served in high-quality restaurants during our <u>Egypt Travel Packages</u> from Cairo to Alexandria.
- During your tour, get a certified tour guide.
- Transportation of exclusive transfers and tours for non-smoking, air-conditioned vehicles.
- Get stops for snacks upon request.
- A complimentary bottle of water and soft drinks during the Cairo and Alexandria tour packages.
- Shopping tours in Cairo or Alexandria. (If there is enough time).
- All taxes and service charges are covered.

Exclusion

- the cost of International airfare.
- The cost of the entry visa to enter Egypt at Cairo airport is 25 USD.
- Tickets to enter the pyramid from inside.
- Tipping is not covered in the prices.
- cost of drinks during meals.
- Tour price doesn't apply during peak seasons like <u>Xmas tours in Egypt</u>, New Year, or during <u>Egypt</u> Easter tours.

Itinerary

Day 1 : Cairo's arrival / Welcome to Cairo

After you arrive at the airport, a Cairo Top Tours representative will be waiting for you to assist you during your entry procedure to Egypt. Your tour leader will be in touch with you and waiting for you in your private and air-conditioned car to transfer you to your hotel.

Upon arrival, your tour leader will help you to have a smooth check-in process to rest. He will confirm with you the tour itinerary for your vacation.

Day 2: Tour to Giza pyramids, Saqqara, and Memphis city.

Be ready for a different morning with your delicious breakfast to start your tour of the secrets of the Egyptian civilization. Your adventure will start by visiting the Great Giza Pyramids.

The Great Giza Pyramids are royal tombs, but not like any royal tombs. The Egyptian kings had a strong belief that they were chosen by the gods to rule Egypt; therefore, they planned to build massive tombs to secure their mummified bodies, their valuable possessions, and symbols from their lives. They used stones of the best quality to build the pyramids; the pyramids date back to three famous kings, Khufu, Chefren, and Menkure. When you see the pyramids, you will be surprised by the huge construction that has needed more than 100,000 workers to build them. When you reach the pyramids, your tour guide will reveal more secrets and details about the pyramids and the great stories behind them. Our team will be helping you capturing beautiful pictures around the great pyramids.

Then we move to see one of the greatest statues in Egyptian history, the statue of the great Sphinx. It is one of the large statues revealing the power of the Egyptian kingdom. It is the guardian of the treasures of the pyramids, having a semi-lion body with a human head. when you see it for the first glance, seeing the statue setting in front of the sun rays, representing solidarity, wisdom, and power.

The pyramids of Giza are continuous when you see the temple of the valley. It was a significant temple to the Egyptians where they prepared the body of the dead king or the dead person to be mummified, so it gained a very valuable position to the ancient Egyptians. It has a high position because of the religious traditions that were happening inside the temple.

Saqqara:

Saqqara is called the open-air museum; it includes many tombs for the kings and the nobles of the first and second dynasties. It also will allow you to go in a live experience seeing the consequences of building the pyramids while seeing the pyramid of King Djoser. The pyramid of Djoser is considered the first pyramid on earth that was built by the ancient Egyptians. The shape and the construction of the pyramid have a great consequence, starting from Mastba's square shape and developing to the rectangle shape.

Saqqara also includes the Great Pyramid of Onas who was the first person to build his pyramids and decorate the room of the burying with texts of the pyramids, which were aimed to protect the dead or the king during his journey to another world. It is not the end of the pyramid's history; let's continue to Memphis City.

Memphis city:

It is one of the rich cities with ancient Egyptian treasures. It was founded by King Narmer, and it was the capital of the ancient Egyptian kingdom. It includes one of the most sparkling statues in Egypt for King Rameses with a height of 10 meters and weighing about 100 tons. The name of Memphis appeared after King

Bebi considered it the capital with white walls surrounding it.

Finally, you will be transferred to your hotel to relax.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 3: Exploring Old Cairo symbols

On the second day of your journey, have your delicious breakfast to start your tour to explore the highlights of the Old Cairo area and the Egyptian Museum in Tahrir Square. Our certified tour guide will accompany you on a new adventure to discover more and more about Cairo. Our first treasure will be the Egyptian Museum in Tahrir Square near the downtown area.

It is considered the oldest museum in the Middle East; it also includes unique and beautiful pieces of Egyptian kings and queens through different ages. It also includes the statue of one of the most famous kings in history: King Khufu, the owner of the largest pyramid in Giza, and its made of ivory. In addition, the museum is very rich in pieces of jewelry and valuable treasures, including the most known treasure of King Tutankhamun.

Then we move to see one of the significant sights in Egypt: the citadel of Salah El Din, which was built to be the capital for the Egyptian rulers and administrative decisions. It is a large citadel consisting of four gates, thirteen towers, and four mosques. This massive citadel embraces an enchanting mosque of Muhammed Ali Basha, also called the Alabaster Mosque. The mosque has been built in the Turkish style, and it also has a magnificent clock that was a gift from the French king Louis Philipe to Muhammed Ali. When you see the citadel, you will also have a great view of all of Cairo from the highest point.

Then we move to another unique part of Cairo, which is Coptic Cairo, where you can see the Virgin Mary church, which has another name, El Mualaka or the Hanging Church, because when you see it, it sounds suspended or Hung for being built upon the ruins of two towers of the Babylonian fortress. It embraces holy icons and a very special one for the Virgin Mary wherever you go, it seems looking for you.

Then after a little walk, you will find the great Church of Abu Serga, It is a church dedicated to the two martyrs Sergius and Bacchus for their Christian belief in Syria. It is one of the attractive churches for being one of the points that was taken as a shelter for the Holy Family trip in Egypt.

Then we move to Ben Ezra Synagogue; despite that it is a Jewish property, it looks like an ancient church. Some archeologists believe that it was a church and then sold and turned into a synagogue. The synagogue embraces various documents and books, including the history of the Jews in Egypt and the world.

We have reached the end of our day tour; let's be transferred to your hotel to rest and be ready for the next day.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 4 : Discover Alexandria

Are you ready for a different adventure in a new city? Let's be prepared in the morning and be accompanied with your professional driver and have a two to three hours until you reach to see the beauty of Alexandria. Alexandria is an enchanting city on the Mediterranean sea; It has witnessed various historical ages and kingdoms over years. Our first destination will be:

The Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa: the catacombs dates back to the Roman age, It looks similar to the catacombs in the Italian city of Roma, but it follow the pharaonic burying traditions. One of the prominent characteristics of the catacombs is the artistic overlapping between the Romand and Egyptian styles. When you enter it, you will find the statues and the decorations mangling between the Roman and Egyptian style too reflecting the fusion between both cultures. Then, let's move to the Citadel of Qaitbay.

The citadel of Qiatbay is one the Mediterranean Sea, it was one of the significant defensive fortresses. It has received the attention of many Egyptian rulers for its significant location and did many restorations and expansions to suit the developments in the methods of the war. It surrounded by the water of the sea from three sides.

After seeing some of the great Egyptian sights in Alexandria, you should experience the sea food meal from fresh fish. It's very delicious and has a very different taste. Then, Let's continue our adventure to see Pompey pillar. Which is considered the tallest column in the world, It dates back to the Roman age. It has dedicated for Christianity after its victory in the city of Alexandria. The columns is made from the Red granite stone, It reaches to 26.85 meter height.

Let's see the library of Alexandria, which can embrace more than two thousand readers. It was built by the hand of the Athenian Demetrius with order from the King Ptolemy II. It was famous for having many scientific books and documents from the papyrus, It gives the city of Alexanderia to be known as the city of the academic and scientists. The library includes large numbers of books and has a specialized department for people with special needs. It also has different kinds of books for different sciences and arts.

After seeing all of this enchanting sites, have a nice walk on the Corniche of Alexandria. After this, you will be transferred to your hotel in Cairo.

Included meals: breakfast and lunch

Day 5: The End of Cairo and Alexandria adventure

On the fifth day, enjoy your delicious breakfast in Cairo with the clear sky and fresh air of Cairo. After the check-out process, you will be transferred to the airport to have your international flight.

If you have time, you can add one of the optional tours and activities to enjoy your day.

Meals: Breakfast.