

# Trip to Giza Pyramids, El Rifai, and Sultan Hassan Mosque

**Price Starting From : \$0**

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Giza, Cairo

You'll be traveling to visit the most beautiful building in Cairo... Don't miss our offers to discover this masterpiece, an amazing achievement of human strength and design in primitive conditions before the development of technology.

Learn about the story of Caliph Al-Ma'mun, the first excavator and explorer inside the pyramid. An opening in the Great Pyramid is named after him, as he was unable to discover the original opening due to the limestone covering.

Egyptians are builders with a strong religious bent, as seen by the past being exposed in the present. Despite being named after Sheikh Ahmed bin Ali al-Rifai, the mosque does not contain his grave. He died in the Iraqi village of Umm Ubaidah in 578 AH/1182 AD. But the term was first applied to "Zawiya al-Rifai," the old zawiya (mosque corner) that stood where the present mosque now stands. The sheikh buried there, Ali Abu Shabak, a descendent of al-Rifai, was given this name. The same name was then applied to the contemporary mosque.

The construction was completed in 1363 AD, seven years after it began in 1356 AD... Before construction was finished, the sultan was assassinated, and his corpse was never discovered... He was not buried in the mausoleum he had built specifically for the mosque; instead, his two sons were buried there later. Learn more with us.

## Overview

### Inclusion

- Water in bottles when traveling.
- English-speaking professional tour guide with certification.
- Entrance and admission costs to the trip's designated locations.
- All transportation and transfer services to and from the hotel and the aforementioned locations.

### Exclusion

- Lunches are not included.
- During the trip, gratuity is not included.
- Anything additional that isn't listed on the schedule.

## Itinerary

**Giza Pyramids And Islamic Cairo Mosques Tour**

On this day, our company will take you in a modern private car to and from the hotel. In the morning, we begin with a guide providing rich information about the three pyramids, starting with their construction and continuing through the developments the area has witnessed. Air-conditioned vehicles will next take you to the Sphinx, which is believed to be a representation of the sun deity Horemakhet, as shown by the temple across from the monument, where religious ceremonies were held.

Throughout their history, the Egyptians held this in high regard because they saw it as a statue of the god Horemakhet, or Horus on the horizon, a representation of Atum, the greatest Egyptian deity and symbol of the waning sun. Discover more about the Sphinx's alternative theories.

Al-Rifai Mosque is one of Cairo's most famous mosques. It is distinguished by its unique architectural design, meticulously detailed decorations, and massive columns. Known as the "Cemetery of Kings and Princes," it houses the burial sites of King Farouk, Queen Ferial, Khoshyar Hanem, Khedive Ismail, King Fuad I, the Shah of Iran, and Jananyar Hanem.

See it and take some photos. We'll take you to Sultan Hassan Mosque after lunch. French orientalist Gaston Viette describes this timeless monument, saying: "This mosque is the only one in Cairo that combines the strength and grandeur of its construction, the delicacy and beauty of its decoration.

It leaves a strong impression on us, as it has characteristics that no other building shares." In his book, Description of Egypt, Jomard says: "It is one of the most beautiful buildings in Cairo and Islam. It deserves to be ranked first in Arab architecture thanks to its high dome, the height of its two minarets, its vastness, its splendor, and the abundance of its decorations..."