# **Egypt Nile Cruise Tour from Luxor with Abu Simbel**

**Price Starting From: \$0** 

5 Days / 4 Nights Egypt Luxor, Aswan and Abu Simble

#### Nile Cruise Luxor Aswan Abu Simbel

The Luxor and Aswan Cruise with <u>Abu Simbel Tour</u> is a remarkable voyage that offers visitors the chance to discover Egypt's ancient wonders while cruising along the Nile River. Travelers will have the opportunity to see two significant upper Egypt cities on this tour.

The tour typically lasts for 4-5 days and offers a unique opportunity to explore the ancient wonders of Egypt.

The <u>Valley of the Kings</u>, the temples of <u>Karnak</u> and Luxor, the temple of Edfu, <u>Kom Ombo</u>, and the exquisite temple of Philae in Aswan, as well as the Abu Simbel temples, are all included in this private trip to Egypt.

Your Nile cruise turns your visit to Egypt into a unique experience! You will receive valuable insight into ancient history and ancient Egyptian civilization with your private guide, who will lead you to each of the sites.

A Luxor-<u>Aswan</u> Nile cruise is a popular way to explore the ancient wonders of Egypt while enjoying the scenic beauty of the Nile River.

## Overview Inclusion

Your full board accommodation for 4 nights on board your 5-star cruise on the Nile between Luxor and Aswan.

all transports are done in a private non-smoking car during all of our Egypt Travel packages.

An accredited tour guide will accompany you during Egypt Classic Tours.

Entrance fees to all the sites from Luxor to Aswan.

All Nile Cruise excursions as indicated in the program are done by a private guide.

Upon request, makes a stop for a snack.

Bottled mineral water during Egypt Day Tours.

All taxes and service charges of your Egypt tours are covered within the final price.

#### Exclusion

Any extras not mentioned in the Nile Cruise Tour from Luxor itinerary.

Tipping.

Beverage during meals.

Tickets to enter special sites like the tomb of Tutankhamun and Seti I in the Valley of Kings.

Tour price is not applicable during peak seasons like Christmas, New Year, or during Egypt Easter tours.

**Itinerary** 

#### Day 1: Getting onboard of the Nile Cruise / Luxor East Bank

Start your first day on this Egypt classic tour for 5 days cruising the Nile from Luxor to Aswan and Abu Simbel. Our <u>Cairo Top Tours</u> representative will meet you at <u>Luxor Airport</u>, railway station, or any hotel located in <u>Luxor</u> to be transferred to the Nile Cruise for Embarkation and Lunch. Explore and discover the two Massive temples on the <u>Luxor east bank tour of the Nile</u>.

The first stop will be the <u>Karnak temple</u>, it is more than a temple, Karnak is a magnificent complex of temples, pavilions, pylons, and obelisks, all dedicated to the Theban gods and to the great glory of <u>the Egyptian kings and rules</u>. Karnak was the most important place of worship in the Theban triangle (<u>Amun</u>, <u>Mut</u>, and <u>Khonsu</u>).

Our second temple is <u>Luxor Temple</u>, most of it built by <u>the New Kingdom</u> pharaoh <u>Amenhotep III</u> and completed by <u>King Tutankhamun</u> and the great king <u>Ramses II</u>. The first pylon was raised by Ramesses II and decorated with his military victory at the Battle of Kadesh. You will notice a mosque called (<u>Abu Al-Haggag</u>) erected on the ruins of a church that was inside.

Afterward, you will travel to Luxor on the Cruise, where you will have lunch, watch a folkloric show, have dinner, and overnight on board.

## Day 2: West Bank of Luxor and sail to Edfu

**Hot Air Balloon Ride to Luxor (optional):** A 30-45 minute hot air balloon flying over the west bank of Luxor offers a spectacular perspective of the country's iconic landscapes from the air. Enjoy the sunrise over the great temples and mountains below as it lights up the sky over the open-air museum city (Luxor).

After the morning breakfast, we will take you to visit the archaeological sites of ancient Egypt on the <u>Luxor</u> west bank tour of the Nile, including the Valley of the Kings, where you will see the well-preserved tombs of the kings of the new kingdom, including the great ruler Ramses II, the mortuary temple of Queen Hatshepsut, called "the Holy of Holies". It consists of three levels connected together by ramps and on its walls, there are various scenes representing the divine birth of the queen and also her trading expedition to the land of Punt. The temple is mainly dedicated to the cult of the supreme god Amon-Ra.

At the end of the day you will visit the 2 <u>Colossi of Memnon</u> which are two massive statues representing King Amenhotep III in a sitting position). Then back to the floating hotel for lunch, a folkloric show, and sailing back to Edfu to overnight.

## Day 3: Edfu temple and Kom Ombo temple

Breakfast is served after arrival in Edfu. Then you will visit the most complete and best-preserved temple in Egypt, the <u>temple of Hours</u>. A massive temple dedicated to the falcon <u>god Horus</u> dominates this Upper Egyptian site. Construction of the Ptolemaic Temple of Horus, built on the site of an earlier temple, took place between the reigns of <u>Ptolemy III</u> and <u>Ptolemy IV</u>.

After that, you will sail to the Kom combo. Lunch on board the Nile cruise during the sail and then visit the <u>temple of Kom Ombo</u>. The temple, along with the adjacent housing complex, is located 40 kilometers north of Aswan and was dedicated to the gods <u>Sobek</u> and Horus during the Ptolemaic and Roman periods. Return to the ship, have dinner, then sail to Aswan for the overnight.

#### Day 4: Sail to Aswan / Abu Simbel

Early in the morning, you will visit Abu Simbel to see the most famous temples of King Ramses II and his wife <u>Queen Nefertari</u>. The position of this temple in the solid rock above the banks of the Nile is its most striking feature. The sun's rays reached the sanctuary on October 22 and February 22 and illuminated the sculptures on the back wall, except for the figure of <u>Ptah</u>, which was always dark. These dates would coincide with the king's birthday and the day of his coronation. Then, in the afternoon, return to Aswan.

Afterward, you will take a felucca tour of the Aswan Islands and the <u>Kitchener Botanical Garden</u>, where you will see a variety of unusual plants, as well as <u>Elephantine</u>, the largest island in the vicinity of Aswan. On the island, various monuments have been discovered, including the ruins of a temple dedicated to the ram god Khnum. Back to the cruise for an overnight on the water.

#### Day 5: Aswan day tour / Disembarkation

Disembarkation after breakfast. You will be driven to the <u>Aswan High Dam</u>, which is one of Egypt's most important achievements of the last century. It provides Egypt with water and energy and protects the country from the catastrophic floods of the Nile. You will then go to the <u>Temple of Isis in Philae</u>, which was built in honor of <u>the goddess Isis</u>, considered the mother of the gods and partner of the god Osiris. In the afternoon, transfer to <u>Aswan International Airport</u> to catch a flight back to Cairo, where you will be met and transferred to your hotel for the night.