

16 Days in Egypt Itinerary

Price Starting From : \$1825

16 Days/ 15 Nights

Egypt

Cairo, Luxor, Aswan, Hurghada, Siwa Oasis

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When it comes to exploring the ancient wonders of Egypt, there's just no beating the **Best 16-day itinerary in Egypt** of our [Egypt tour itineraries](#). Here, we've put together a stellar route that covers the major highlights of this fascinating country – from the vast desert expanses of the Siwa through our [Egypt Desert Safari tour packages](#) to the colorful cities of [the Nile Valley](#). We will see ancient tombs in [the Valley of the Kings](#) on our tour in Luxor. You will visit [Giza Pyramids | Necropolis Of Giza](#) on our tour in Cairo, a stop at the Great [Sphinx](#) of Giza, a day trip to the Red Sea resort of Hurghada, and a foray into the dramatic and exotic African desert landscape of the Siwa oases. So whether you're a history buff or just looking to take a fun and interesting trip, this itinerary is sure to please. If you're interested in exploring more of Egypt, be sure to check out our other [Egypt travel packages](#) from our [Egypt tours](#).

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[Inclusion](#)

Meet and greet serportvice by our tour leaders at the airports

The assistance of Cairo Top Tours representatives during all our [Egypt Travel Packages](#).

All transports are organized by a private air-conditioned vehicle.

Accommodation in Cairo for 5 nights in [Cairo Pyramids Hotel](#) including bed and breakfast.

Accommodation for 4 nights aboard a [Nile cruise from Luxor to Aswan](#) on a full board basis.

Accommodation for 3 nights in Hurghada hotel on a full board basis.

Accommodation for 3 nights in Siwa Oasis ecolodge including daily breakfast.

All [Egypt Desert Safari trips](#) are done by private vehicles.

Entrance fees and tickets to all the mentioned sites.

Domestic flight tickets Cairo Luxor / Hurghada Cairo.

All Egypt day tours are private.

Stops for snacks upon request.

All meals as mentioned in the itinerary.

Shopping tours in Cairo during your [Egypt day tours](#).

Bottled water and cold drinks during all [Egypt Tours](#).

All service charges and taxes are included.

Exclusion

International flight tickets.

Entry visa to Egypt.

Beverage during meals.

Tipping is not included in our trip prices.

Tour price doesn't apply during peak seasons like the [Xmas tours in Egypt](#), New Year, or during [Egypt Easter tours](#).

[Itinerary](#)

Day 1: Arrive Cairo and Check-in

According to your flight landing time, you will be picked up by Cairo top tours representative upon arrival at [Cairo international airport](#), he will be holding a sign-board with your name and transfer you by a private vehicle to your hotel in Cairo or Giza for check-in, he will do his best to make sure the room is ready and everything's going well and that the 16 Days in Egypt Itinerary pick-up times and sequence are suitable with no major changes.

If you feel tired you might spend the rest of the day at leisure to have some rest, and if you feel like discovering the area around you we can suggest a good restaurant to have an Egyptian cuisine dinner or a Nile dinner cruise in Cairo by boat with our services, or even you can book one of our Cairo day tours like attending the sound and light show in Giza Pyramids or get the thrill of the [quad biking around the pyramids of Giza](#).

Welcome Drink

Day 2: Giza Pyramids, Saqqara, and Memphis

Buffet breakfast at the hotel and start your first tour in Cairo, your certified tour guide will meet you at the hotel lobby to be transferred to the pyramids of Giza.

You cannot explain in words what one feels when touching the oldest buildings in the world.

The visit lasts about 3-4 hours and has several stops at the Cheops Pyramid, the Chephren Pyramid, the smallest but no less interesting Pyramid from Mycerinus, a very cool view from the high plateau with a great chance of a camel ride in Giza Pyramids (optional) and finally the Great Sphinx, the lion statue with the head of a pharaoh which stood for 4500 years guarding the old kingdom necropolis, your tour to Giza Pyramids continues to the Valley Temple of the mummification for King Chephren which is paved with the finest white alabaster and its stone blocks are among the most enormous in the whole site. This guided tour to the Giza pyramids usually includes full access to all the sights except for the entrance to the pyramid of Cheops

from the inside.

(extra ticket on spot).

Now we will move to the [Saqqara and Memphis tours](#), first, you will explore the site of Saqqara, the oldest necropolis including the Step Pyramid complex of King Djoser that was built by the genius architect Imhotep, you will also enter the Pyramid of Teti which is not so narrow like the other pyramids of Egypt but more elaborate and exciting, King Teti ruled Egypt during the 6th dynasty and his son in law, Kagemni has his own mastaba tombs among the various tombs of the nobles at Saqqara, you will have a tour inside to see the well-preserved scenes of offerings and hunting during ancient Egypt, in addition to numerous types of animals depicted in the perfection of the ancient Egyptian artist.

Now we will have our local-food lunch meal in Saqqara before heading to Memphis to discover the ruins of the ancient capital of Egypt more than 5000 years ago, nothing much remained except for the unique artifacts that were found and especially the colossal statue of Ramses II and [the alabaster sphinx of Memphis](#).

After exploring the area and finishing the [Giza Pyramids tour](#), we will get back to the hotel by private vehicle and make sure you organize with your tour guide if you would like to do something in Cairo by night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 3: Egyptian Museum Tour, Old and Islamic Cairo

Breakfast in the hotel in Cairo, then we will go to the Egyptian Museum and your professional guide will explain to you the highlights and masterpieces of the largest collection of Egyptian antiquities in the world including the golden treasures of the famous pharaoh Tutankhamen.

Visit the Citadel of Saladin including [Mohamed Ali Mosque](#) and enjoy [Islamic Cairo](#) trips, from the top of the citadel you will have an overwhelming view with a lot of mosques, domes, and minarets piercing the blue sky.

Enjoy your lunch then your guide will start the [Coptic Cairo tour](#) to see the ancient Roman fortress of Babylon, the Hanging Church, the church of the Holy family, or St Sergius church. Our guide will show you the famous Old Cairo synagogue known as Ben Ezra Synagogue probably the site of the royal palace where Prophet Moses was floating above the water of the Nile River.

Your driver will navigate through the heavy traffic in Cairo to facilitate your Cairo sightseeing tours and reach the Islamic district of Cairo, and spend time at one of the most famous and vibrant markets in Egypt well known as Khan El Khalili, one of the oldest Bazaars in Cairo.

You will be transferred back to the hotel to spend your night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 4: Fly to Luxor, Nile Cruise, East Bank of Luxor Tours

Have your breakfast in the hotel then transfer to Cairo airport to take your domestic flight heading to Luxor. Meeting and assistance at Luxor airport upon arrival by our representative who will transfer you to the Nile cruise boat for boarding and check-in to your cabin. Have your open-buffet lunch served before starting

[Luxor day tours](#) and today you will enjoy Luxor East Bank Tours, start with the [Karnak Temple](#), an enormous temple that is considered the most ancient place in the whole country of Egypt. Giza Pyramids in Cairo is the only place that shows the majesty of this amazing Temple complex. Continue Luxor excursions to Luxor Temple overlooking the River Nile which was constructed on the same site where a slightly smaller temple dedicated to the cult of God Amun was standing. Enjoy your afternoon tea or a welcome cocktail before dinner is served aboard the Nile cruise ship and overnight in Luxor.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5: Luxor West Bank Tours

Have your buffet breakfast aboard the Nile cruise boat then meet your Egyptologist to start your [excursions in Luxor](#) today you will enjoy Luxor West Bank Tours, start with the Valley of the Kings, a narrow valley of red rock, that is hidden between the mountain, numerous tombs of nearly 70 pharaohs who ruled Egypt during the new kingdom and among them are the famous kings who are well-known as the golden pharaoh Tutankhamen and Ramses II. Continue Luxor sightseeing tours to [the Temple of El Deir El Bahari](#), built by the famous powerful Queen [Hatshepsut](#), the Temple represents the conflict between Queen Hatshepsut and her son-in-law, Tuthmosis III for we can see that several statues for her were damaged by King Tuthmosis III followers after her death. Now you will get to see the enormous statues of Amenhotep III known as the Colossi of Memnon then you will be back to the ship and navigate towards Edfu. Enjoy your lunch and the afternoon tea before dinner is being served aboard the Nile cruise ship with the entertaining Galabeya party. Overnight in Luxor.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6: Edfu and Kom Ombo Temples

Breakfast will be served aboard your Luxor to Aswan Nile Cruise in the early morning and get ready for the Kom Ombo and Edfu tour starting by the Temple of Edfu that was built for the worship of God [Horus](#), protector of Kingship, back to the cruise ship to have your tasty lunch served and sail to Kom Ombo to visit the double Greco-Roman style temple that was shared by God Sobek the crocodile and God Haroeris who was another figure of Horus. back again to the boat and have your dinner meal while sailing towards Aswan, overnight to start your early morning Aswan sightseeing tours.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7: Aswan Sightseeing Tours

Enjoy your daily breakfast aboard the Nile cruise vessel and start [Aswan day tours](#) to the famous highlights in the city that were known for their significance during the ancient times of Egypt history. Start Aswan excursions by visiting the Temple of Philae, the center of Goddess Isis cult and one of the major places where the myth of Osiris took place, continue your excursions in Aswan by the visit of the Unfinished Obelisk in the granite quarries to witness the huge obelisk that is believed to be cut during the reign of Hatshepsut. The High Dam is your last station during Aswan sightseeing tours to see the biggest project in the history of

modern Egypt, implemented by the famous president Nasser in the 1950s to secure the country from the annual Nile flood water and to generate the needed electric power as well. Back to the cruise ship and enjoy your dinner and the night show before overnight in Aswan.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 8: Disembarkation, Optional Abu Simbel Tours, Transfer to Hurghada by Land

After breakfast, you will disembark from your Nile cruise boat to be transferred by your vehicle to Hurghada, you have a chance to book an optional tour to Abu Simbel from Aswan to witness the grandeur of the rock-cut temples built for King "Ramses II " and his beloved wife Queen Nefertari.

Upon arrival at Hurghada airport, you will be welcomed by our representative who will accompany you by a private vehicle to the hotel and assist you with a smooth check-in, enjoy your open buffet lunch meal, and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner.

Day 9: (Optional) Snorkeling Trip to Mahmya Island in Hurghada by Boat

Today you will enjoy the sunshine at the beach of your hotel, but we have a good idea for you that will even make your tours in Egypt more exciting, an **optional** Snorkeling Trip to Mahmya Island in Hurghada by Boat. You will be guided to start your amazing [Hurghada Day Tours and Excursions](#) to the Mahmya Island aboard one of the island cruise boats in the Red Sea and start navigating for about one hour to reach the island. Enjoy your time snorkeling or swimming to view the beautiful coral reefs, enjoy your lunch and transfer back to the hotel after your Red Sea Snorkeling Tours are done.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 10: (Optional) Hurghada Bedouin Desert Safari by Jeep

Today if you don't want to stay at the hotel, we can organize an **optional** Hurghada Bedouin Desert Safari by Jeep to experience the desert life with the local Bedouins of the Red Sea and the eastern desert of Egypt. Cairo Top Tours tour leader will meet you at the hotel lobby to be amused by your adventuresome activity in the core of the desert, you will be transferred to the point between Hurghada hills for 35 km till we enter the Bedouin village where you will experience lots of things about this pure yet fascinating life of the Bedouins and see their cultures and attitudes very firmly. There is also a camel ride in the Hurghada desert included if you book this Hurghada excursion with an **(optional)** quad biking tour in Hurghada nearby the Bedouin village if you're inspired to enjoy the marvelous sunset view while the grill dinner is being cooked by the locals, mineral water and soft drinks are included as well, enjoy the entertainment and the stars ornamenting the desert sky.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 11: Fly Back to Cairo

After your daily buffet breakfast at the hotel in Hurghada, you will be transferred to the airport to take your flight back to Cairo, upon arrival at Cairo airport you will be met by our representative and transferred to the hotel to check in and pick something to do from our variety of Egypt day tours and Cairo excursions.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 12: Siwa Oasis from Cairo, Alamein to Siwa Oasis

Our tour leader will meet you at the hotel in the early morning after the check-out procedures to begin your unusual Egypt Desert Safari Trips to Siwa Oasis. Then the El Alamein tour from Cairo starts to visit the World War II Cemeteries of El Alamein. You will see the Commonwealth World War Museum and the recently constructed memorials established by the New Zealand and the Australian governments. Then drive on to the stunning bay of Marsa Matrouh on the way to Siwa where you are going to enjoy a gourmet lunch, around 6 hours drive from El Alamein to reach Siwa. Enjoy a swim in a hot water spring before being transferred to the hotel for overnight in a lovely Eco-lodge.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 13: Shali Fortress, Temple of the Oracle, Umm Ubaida, Siwa House Museum

After enjoying the local breakfast, you will resume your Siwa Oasis Desert Safari adventure and enjoy a visit to the remains of the Shali Fortress which has been slightly melted down as a reason for the heavy rains.

then transfer to see the temple of Alexander the Great (The Temple of The Oracle) at the ancient Aghurmi village that dates back to the 26th dynasty.

Proceed to visit the Temple of Amun Ra at Um Ubeyda which was created for the honor of God Amun. then see the different Siwan heritage through the Siwa House Museum to discover the culture of the Bedouin societies in Siwa, and have your lunch served in the Oasis famous square at Abdo restaurant.

Reclining afternoon at Cleopatra Spring swimming in the gleaming natural water before being transferred to your eco-lodge for overnight.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 14: Mountain of the Dead, Great Sand Sea, Bir Wahed

A tasty breakfast at the eco-lodge will be prepared before starting your Siwa Oasis Adventure from Cairo to the rock-cut tombs at the Mountain of the Dead to visit the impressive tombs of the rulers of Siwa Oasis during the 26th dynasty. Transfer back to the ecolodge and get ready for the thrill of the Great Sand Sea tour between the sand dunes till we reach the area of the fossils which date back to the Cambrian age. Drive to one of the charming places in the great sand sea, a lovely lake in the heart of the desert and now you can watch the flamingo birds and swim in the lake enjoying the calmness of the desert. Then resume your Safari tour in Siwa Oasis and get amazed by the sandboarding adventure, after that, it is time to rinse your body in the hot spring distinguished as Bir Wahid for chilling and soothing our muscles thankfulness to the warm water that goes up to 40 degrees Celsius, enjoy another breathtaking Sun Set at the great sand sea in the middle of the dunes while having Bedouin tea. Overnight in Siwa overnight.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 15: Back to Cairo

After breakfast, Drive back to your hotel in Cairo escorted by your tour guide and we hope you enjoyed your Siwa Oasis Desert Safari trip from Cairo. Overnight in Cairo hotel

Meals: Breakfast

Day 16: Final Departure

After breakfast at the hotel, you will be transferred by our representative to Cairo international airport to take your flight back home, this will be the end of your 16 Days in Egypt Itinerary, we hope you enjoyed each day during your Egypt travel packages.

Meals: Breakfast

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