

8 Days Desert Safari trip to El Gilf El Kebir

Price Starting From : \$0

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Western Desert
Egypt

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These [Egypt Tours](#) are meant to appeal to both adventurous spirits and history buffs, as you travel the same roads used by past civilizations. The first Europeans to view it referred to it as the Gilf Kebir (The Great Barrier), a 7,770 square kilometer plateau of limestone and sandstone that rises 1,000 meters above the desert and is larger than the Great Sand Sea.

Early explorers only made their way along its edges, and it was not until 1930 that they penetrated its valleys and discovered that Gilf is composed of two masses of rock. Discover the hidden valleys and get a glimpse of the prehistoric civilization that used to inhabit this remote place 10,000 years ago through our [Egypt Desert Safari tours](#) to El Gilf El Kebir.

If you're looking for an exciting and unforgettable vacation, your carefully crafted [Egypt Travel Packages](#) offer you the opportunity to experience the wonders of the desert like never before. Look no further than an [Egypt Shore Excursions](#). These tours offer a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to explore the amazing desert landscapes of Egypt and see some of the most iconic historical sites in the world.

[Overview](#)

Inclusion

- Assistance by Cairo Top Tours representatives during all our Egypt Travel Packages.
- Transportations are organized by private air-conditioned vehicles.
- Accommodation for 1 night in Dakhla Oasis including breakfast and dinner.
- Accommodation for 6 nights camping in the desert including 3 meals.
- All necessary camping equipment.
- Entrance to all the sites mentioned in the itinerary.
- All transports inside the desert are arranged by a jeep 4x4 vehicle.
- All Egypt tours are private.
- Stops for snacks or rest upon request.
- All meals as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Bottled water aboard the vehicle during all Egypt safari trips.
- All service charges and taxes are included.
- shopping tours in Cairo

Exclusion

- International flight tickets.
- Entry visa to Egypt.
- Beverage during meals.
- Tipping is not included in our Desert Safari Trip to El Gilf El Kebir.

[Itinerary](#)

Day 1: Cairo to Dakhla Oasis

You will be met by our representative to be transferred to [the Dakhla Oasis](#) by a Jeep vehicle, and visit the Roman Temple of Deir El Hagar which is one of the smallest temples in Egypt. It is located about 15 km from Al Qasr and 47 km from the city of Mut.

Then, explore the Roman cemetery of Muzzawaqa, which has some of Egypt's most exquisite rock-cut tombs. Visit the historic Islamic village of Al-Qasr after lunch.

Now it is time for relaxation

Relax by the pool in the afternoon, then travel to the lush Dakhla to take in the bright skies and golden sand dunes. Finally, watch the sun set over [the Great Sand Sea](#) while sipping a wonderful Bedouin tea. Spend the night in Dakhla at the Desert Lodge, which is perched on a cliff overlooking the lush settlement surrounded by dunes and the stunning pink rose mountains for which Dakhla Oasis is renowned. In Dakhla, check into your hotel and stay the night.

we recommended you wear white and cotton clothes to avoid the rays of the sun in the desert and to feel more comfortable during this tour.

Included Meals: Lunch, Dinner.

Day 2: Sugar Loaf, Mud Lions

We will prepare for the Gilf El Kebir visits after a great breakfast. Gilf was a watershed from which water radiated forth millions of years ago, at the end of the Tertiary period. Over 100,000 years have passed since water, wind, and sand first destroyed its wadis. The south and southwest sides have the tallest cliffs.

Our first stop is at the Sugar Loaf area, where the arch and hill of the same name are a well-known landmark in El Gilf El Kebir. Then, we'll make a visit to Mud Lions, which was formerly the site of a big lake but is now dry. The location is known as the "mud lions area" because variations in the atmosphere have carved out shapes from the rocks.

Enjoy the night stargazing and taste the delicious dinner meal and overnight in the camp.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3: Gilf El Kebir Safari Adventure

After you get up and eat breakfast, we'll take the 4x4 car to begin the exciting safari trip in El Gilf El Kebir by driving through the Wadi Mashī and sand dunes. We'll keep going until we reach the Central Gilf El Kebir area, where the hill is divided into two sections with an amazing view of sand dunes and rock formations.

We will continue traveling until we reach Wadi Assib, where we may then set up camp in the desert to take advantage of the area's alluring environment, go stargazing, enjoy a delectable dinner, and spend the night at

our leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4: Aqaba Path, Swimmer's Cave, and Wadi Sura

We will resume our trip as we arrive at the Aqaba path to see the western hills of the Gilf El Kebir!

Our first stop is the Swimmer's Cave, which Almasi found in October 1933 and is actually situated in Wadi Sura (Valley of Pictures). Patrick Clayton had investigated the western valleys of Gilf and Uweinat two years prior, and Frobenius' expedition looked for rock art there. Although Clayton's son thinks that his father discovered the wadi and its other caves earlier, Almashi was ultimately responsible for opening Swimmer's Cave and giving the valley its name.

It is essentially a tiny valley at the start of the wadi that is totally exposed to the elements. There are almost a thousand figures in diverse styles inside the Swimmer's Cave. Famous swimmers have stem-like and tadpole-like bodies, small, round heads, and spider-like arms and legs. They are 10 cm long, painted red, and have these characteristics.

Our following station will be at the Mestekawi Cave which was found in 2002 by an Egyptian-Italian tourist group which was commanded by Massimo Foggini (an Italian tourist) and Ahmed Mistikaoui (An Egyptian Tourist).

This cave is spectacular hosting a large number of ancient rock drawings that are perfectly well preserved. Later that day, we get our camp ready in Wadi Sura to enjoy the enchanting mood of the place, stargazing, have an astounding dinner meal, and spend the night in our cozy camp.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5: Wadi Abd El Malik

Every morning breakfast will be made and served at the camp, after which we will board the jeep and travel to the region known as Wadi Abd El Malik, which Al Masi also found. Here, we will have the opportunity to observe the stunning acacia forest and snap breathtaking pictures.

Finally, we will start camping in Wadi Abd El Malik and spend the rest of the day with the local Bedouins drinking tea and eating dinner in the serenity of the desert.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6: Silica Glass Area

Our amazing Desert Safari Trip will continue to El Gilf El Kebir once we have our breakfast at the camp. Our first trip is to the Silica Glass Area, which was formed 26 million years ago. It is made up of a sizable space filled with magnificent shards of stunningly clear yellow and green silica glass that are dispersed all

over the place to create an uncanny but incredible image.

Finally, we will start camping in the Silica Glass area and spend the rest of the day with the local Bedouins drinking tea and eating dinner in the serenity of the desert.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7: Ain Dalla

Have breakfast prepared at the camp and continue your lovely safari to Ain Dalla Water Spring, one of Egypt's most stunning and calming natural water springs that is surrounded by palm trees on all sides. Take a swim in the warm water or practice meditation there before continuing your safari.

Then, we will start camping in the same area and spend the rest of the day with the local Bedouins drinking tea and eating dinner in the serenity of the desert.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 8: Back to Cairo

Today, after having our early morning breakfast, we will start the drive to Cairo after we enjoyed 7 amazing days during our safari trip to El Gilf El Kebir.

Meals: Breakfast