# Exploring Cairo, Nile Cruise, and Oasis Christmas Trips

**Price Starting From: \$0** 

13 Days / 12 Nights Cairo, White Desert, Bahariya Oasis, Aswan, Luxor Egypt

Begin an exhilarating 13-day Egypt journey, immersing yourself in the wonders of Cairo, the Nile Cruise, and the Oasis Christmas Tours. Explore captivating cities, from Cairo's iconic Giza Pyramids to the enigmatic Sphinx, witnessing the astounding achievements of ancient Egyptians 5000 years ago.

Indulge in the best Egypt Tour Packages, venturing to Luxor and Aswan aboard a luxurious Nile River Cruise. Traverse the Western Desert during our Egypt Desert Safari Tours, a thrilling expedition featuring the mesmerizing White Desert, Black Desert, and essential Oases like Bahariya, Dakhla, Farafra, Kharga, and Baris Oasis! Uncover the essence of Egypt's rich history and natural beauty on this unforgettable journey.

## Overview Inclusion

- Being met and assisted by Cairo Top Tours representatives at the airports and hotels.
- All the entrance tickets to the multiple archeological sites and museums during the tours in Egypt.
- your accommodation in Cairo Pyramids Hotel for 3 nights on a bed and breakfast basis.
- Accommodation in Bahariya Oasis for 1 night on a half-board basis.
- One night of camping with full board in the White Desert, featuring
- Your lodging in the Dakhla Oasis for one night, including breakfast
- Your accommodation for 1 night in Kharga Oasis camping is on full board.
- All meals are included in your lodging for 4 nights while on a Nile River Cruise boat.
- Your half-board lodging for 1 night on a sleeper train from Aswan to Cairo.
- All Camping equipment
- Transportation service by private air-conditioned vehicles
- Transportation inside the Oases by jeep 4-wheel drive.
- Tours in Cairo, the oasis, and during the Nile Cruise tours are privately guided tours.
- Bottles of mineral water and soft drinks during all our Egypt Day Tours and Packages.
- A Professional Egyptologist tour guide is provided by Cairo Top Tours.
- Shopping tours in Cairo.
- Stops for snacks upon request.
- All taxes and service charges are included in the prices

#### **Exclusion**

- International flight tickets to Egypt.
- Visa to enter Egypt.
- Beverage during meals.
- Tipping

#### **Itinerary**

#### Day 1: Arrive Cairo, Egypt

- Arrival Day:
  - Upon your arrival at Cairo International Airport, meet your representative
- - Your representative will assist you with your luggage and transfer you to your hotel in Cairo in a private air-conditioned vehicle
- - Check in at the hotel and meet your tour leader
- - Enjoy a welcome drink and revise your 13 Days Cairo, Nile Cruise, and the Oasis Christmas Tours itinerary with your tour leader
- - Discuss pick-up times for each day of your Egypt Day Tours
- -Overnight in Cairo

## Day 2: Giza Pyramids, Egyptian Museum, Coptic Cairo, Khan El Khalili

- Morning:
  - Enjoy a gourmet breakfast at your hotel
- - Meet your tour guide and head to the Giza Plateau
- - Visit the Great Pyramid of Cheops, the Pyramid of <u>Chephren</u>, the Pyramid of Mycerinus, the Great Sphinx, and the Valley Temple
- Afternoon:
  - Have lunch at an oriental restaurant
- - Visit Coptic Cairo and explore the Hanging Church, Abu Serga Church, and Ben Ezra Synagogue
- - Discover the rich history of Christianity and Judaism in Egypt
- Evening:
  - Visit the Egyptian Museum and see the vast collection of ancient artifacts, including the treasures of King Tutankhamun
- - Take a stroll through the Khan El Khalili bazaar and experience the bustling market atmosphere
- - Head back to your hotel and spend the night in Cairo
- - Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 3: Cairo to Bahariya Oasis

- Morning:
  - Enjoy breakfast at your hotel in Cairo
- - Check out and meet your tour guide for your Egypt Desert Safari Trip
- - Travel by modern air-conditioned vehicle to Bahariya Oasis, a 4-hour drive from Cairo
- - Visit the Museum of <u>Valley of the Golden Mummies</u>, the Tombs of the Nobles, the <u>Temple of Alexander the Great</u>, and the Temple of Muftella
- Afternoon:
  - Have lunch at a Bedouin-style restaurant
- Check-in at your hotel and spend the afternoon freely
- Evening:
  - Go on a 4-wheel drive to ascend the black mountain before sunset
- - See the ruins on top of the mountain, "the English House," and enjoy the picturesque view of Bahariya Oasis during sunset
- - Overnight in Bahariya
- - Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### **Day 4: White Desert and Black Desert**

- Morning:
  - Enjoy breakfast at your hotel in Bahariya Oasis
- - Visit the salt lake to enjoy the views and take pictures
- - Experience the golden dunes and learn how to climb palm trees like the locals
- - Pick fresh fruit of the season from the gardens
- Afternoon:
  - Start the adventure to the White Desert
- - Stop at The Black Desert, a region of volcano-shaped mountains covered with volcanic rocks
- - Visit the Valley of El Haize to the south of Bawiti and Bahariya
- See the quartz crystal in the Crystal Mountain area

- - Spend some time in the charming Valley of Agabat amazing site
- Evening:
  - Camp in the White Desert between the stunning white limestone and chalk formations of the western desert
- - Enjoy a Bedouin dinner in the desert
- Watch the beautiful moon and stars in the night sky

• - Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 5: Farafra Oasis, Dakhla Oasis

- Morning:
  - Enjoy breakfast made by the locals and traditional mint tea
- - Head to the oasis of Farafra
- - Enjoy the sulfur-hot water spring of Bir Setah
- - Visit the unique mud brick museum of local artist Badr
- - Visit the old town of Al Qasr moving site
- Afternoon:
  - Drive from Farafra to Dakhla (about 3 hours)
- - Visit the Roman Temple of Deir El Hagar, dating back to the 26th dynasty
- - Visit the rock-cut tombs at the Roman burial ground of El Muzawwagga
- - Have lunch
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- Evening:
  - Relax by the pool-like hot spring
- - Visit the verdant Dakhla farms and enjoy the sunset on the Edge of the Great Sand Sea with a Bedouin tea
- - Spend the night at Desert Lodge Hotel in Dakhla
- - Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 6: Kharga Oasis

- Morning:
  - Enjoy breakfast at your hotel in Dakhla Oasis
- - Visit Qasr El Labkha, a Roman fortress on the old caravan route
- - Visit the Kharga Museum
- - Visit the Roman Temple of Hibis and Nadura from the outside
- - Visit the Bagawat, the oldest Christian cemetery in the world, with chapels painted with biblical murals from the Old Testament

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- Afternoon:
  - Head to Baris Oasis, the smallest of the Western Desert Oases
- - Visit the Temple of Dush standing in the middle of a flourishing settlement
- - See the residential area with mud-brick houses, the fortress, and the Temple devoted to Isis and Serapis

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- Evening:
  - Enjoy camping in the middle of the golden dunes in Kharga
- - Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 7: Kharga to Luxor, East Bank Tours

- Morning:
  - Enjoy breakfast in the middle of the golden dunes
- - Transfer by air-conditioned vehicle to Luxor (about 6 hours)

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- Afternoon:
  - Begin your 5-star Egypt Nile River Cruise
- - Have lunch aboard the Nile cruise ship
- - Start Luxor day tours, particularly the East Bank tour in Luxor
- - Visit Karnak Temple, one of the biggest man-made temples in the world
- - Visit the Great Temple of King Amenhotep III
- - Visit the popular Luxor Temple, built by many kings of ancient Egypt

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- Evening:
  - Enjoy a tasty dinner aboard the Nile cruise ship
- - Overnight in Luxor

• - Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### **Day 8: Luxor West Bank Tours**

- Morning:
  - Enjoy breakfast aboard the Nile River cruise while overlooking the Nile
- - Begin the West Bank of Luxor tour
- - Visit the two colossal statues of Amenhotep III, known as the Colossi of Memnon
- - Visit the Valley of the Kings, the burial ground of 62 pharaohs of the New Kingdom
- - Visit the famous tomb of King Tutankhamen and legendary King Ramses II
- - Visit the temple of <u>Queen Hatshepsut</u>, known as the Temple of El Deir El Bahary, the first female ruler in the history of Egypt
- Afternoon:
  - Have lunch on board while sailing to Edfu
- - Enjoy the leisurely atmosphere aboard the Nile cruise ship
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- Evening:
  - Have a tasty dinner aboard the Nile cruise ship
- - Overnight aboard your Nile Cruise
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- - Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 9: Edfu and Kom Ombo Temple

- - Early morning breakfast served aboard the Nile Cruise boat.
- Visit the well-preserved Ptolemaic temple dedicated to Horus, the falcon-headed god of the sky, Edfu Temple.
- Sail to Kom Ombo to see the unique <u>Kom Ombo Temple</u>, built for the worship of the crocodile God Sobek.
- - Lunch was served on board while continuing the sailing journey to Aswan.
- - Enjoy dinner in the evening and spend the night aboard your Egypt Nile River Cruise.
- - Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner.

#### Day 10: Aswan Sightseeing Tours.

- After a delightful breakfast aboard the Nile cruise, begin your Aswan day tours.
- - Head to the famous High Dam, an engineering marvel and a vital project in modern Egypt.
- - Explore the awe-inspiring <u>Temple of Philae</u>, dedicated to the Goddess Isis and beautifully situated on an island. Reach the temple via a pleasant motorboat ride.
- - Proceed to the granite quarries to see the largest known Obelisk, where ancient kings sourced stone blocks for their monuments, including the Unfinished Obelisk.
- - Enjoy dinner aboard your Nile Cruise ship and spend the night in Aswan.
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- · Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 11: Disembarkation, Transfer to Cairo by Train

- - Enjoy your breakfast on the Nile River Cruise boat.
- - Check out from the cruise and have free time at leisure in Aswan.
- - Alternatively, you can opt for an exciting optional tour to visit Abu Simbel from Aswan by Land.
- - Later, you will be transferred to the Aswan railway station for your departure to Cairo via the Sleeping Train.
- - Dinner will be served on board the train, where you will also spend the night.
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- Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner

#### Day 12: Arrive Cairo

- - Breakfast will be served aboard the train during your journey.
- - Arrive at the Giza train station where you will be met by a Cairo Top Tours tour leader.
- - Transfer to your hotel in Cairo.
- - If possible, an early check-in will be arranged for your convenience.
- - You have the option to enjoy one of our optional Cairo day tours
- - Spend the night in Cairo.

• - Meals Included: Breakfast

## Day 13 : Final Departure

- - Take your breakfast at your hotel.
- - Embark on one of our exciting Cairo day trips, exploring more of the city's highlights.
- - After the day trip, our tour leader will pick you up and transfer you to Cairo International Airport for your departure.
- - Depart with wonderful memories after enjoying your 13 Days Christmas Tours

• - Meals Included: Breakfast