Exciting Cairo Christmas Trip to Alexandria and Siwa Oasis

Price Starting From: \$0

9 Days Cairo, Alexandria, Siwa Oasis. Egypt

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Embark on an incredible 9-day Egypt Trip from Cairo, exploring the captivating city of Alexandria and the serene Siwa Oasis. Our Egypt travel packages are designed to showcase the historical and cultural marvels of Cairo as well as the natural wonders of Siwa Oasis. Commencing in Cairo, you'll have the opportunity to discover the enthralling capital city. Explore its wealth of historical and cultural sites, immersing yourself in the rich heritage of Egypt. Marvel at iconic landmarks such as the Giza Pyramids, the Sphinx, and the Egyptian Museum, which houses a vast collection of ancient artifacts. As part of this comprehensive tour, you'll venture beyond Cairo to the enchanting city of Alexandria Delve into the city's intriguing past through visits to attractions like the Library of Alexandria, the Citadel of Qaitbay, Montaza Palace, the Catacombs of Kom el-Shoqafa, and Pompey's Pillar. Each site offers a unique glimpse into Alexandria's fascinating history.

To add a touch of adventure and tranquility to your <u>Egypt Christmas tours from USA</u>, we'll guide you to the Siwa Oasis. Known for its breathtaking natural beauty, the oasis provides a serene escape from bustling city life. Relax and rejuvenate amidst the lush landscapes, crystal-clear springs, and serene salt lakes. Experience the unique culture of the local Berber community, indulge in traditional cuisine, and witness the stunning sunset over the dunes.

Overview Inclusion

- Expert English-speaking tour guide from Cairo Top Tours.
- Every transfer is made in a private, air-conditioned vehicle that is not smoking.
- 4 Nights' Accommodations at the Cairo Pyramids Hotel or similar
- Accommodations in Alexandria for one night
- Accommodation In Siwa For 3 nights
- Fees For All The Sites Mentioned During The Egypt Tours
- The 9-Day Cairo And Siwa Desert Safari Itinerary's Meals Will Be Served.
- Soft drinks and bottled water
- Snack Stops During Your Egypt tour Packages from USA, Upon Reques.
- Cairo Shopping Tours In case you're interested.
- The price of your trip includes all taxes and fees.

Exclusion

- Flying internationally.
- Any Extra things Not Listed On The itinerary
- Tipping is not included in the cost.

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival Day

You will be greeted at the <u>Cairo International Airport</u> on your first day in Egypt by a knowledgeable tour guide. You'll leave the following day after getting ready and checking in at your hotel.

Day 2: Giza Pyramids, Saqqara, and Memphis Tour

After enjoying a delightful breakfast, you will embark on a fascinating tour of the first destination of the day.

The Giza pyramids are globally renowned monuments that boast a distinctive geometric shape, setting them apart from other structures. Each side of these pyramids forms a triangular face, with every edge, base, and vertex contributing to the overall architecture. This design ensures an even distribution of weight, resulting in their remarkable stability. Within the Giza complex, you will find a total of 138 pyramids, with the largest being the pyramid of Khufu.

The <u>Saqqara Necropolis</u> presents a collection of extraordinary tombs, showcasing the pinnacle of ancient Egyptian architecture and engineering. Among these remarkable structures are the Tomb of King Hetepe Sekhemwi, or Ra Neb Neb; the Tomb of King Ni Natjar; the Buried Pyramid; the Funeral Complex of King Sekhemkhet; the Director Bridge; and the Funeral Complex of King Khasekhemwy.

Our next stop will be <u>Memphis</u>, the city after which it was named, which holds significant historical importance. It derives its name from the pyramid of Pepi, the second pharaoh of the Old Kingdom. Over the centuries, the Coptic people have utilized the city, and it served as the foundation of the Narmer Dynasty, the first ruling family known for their military prowess and protection of the country. Today, Memphis thrives as a vibrant metropolis, preserving its rich historical heritage.

Upon concluding your tour, you will be transferred to your hotel for a comfortable overnight stay.

Meals included for the day are breakfast and lunch.

Day 3: Egyptian Museum, Old Cairo, and Khan El Khalili

On the third day of your 9-day Alexandria and Siwa Oasis tour from Cairo, your tour guide will meet you to begin the day's visits.

We will start our <u>Cairo day tours</u> with the Egyptian Museum, which is home to an extraordinary collection of artifacts. Among the museum's treasures are the funerary collections of Yuya and Thuya, the renowned <u>Tutankhamun</u> exhibit, and the mesmerizing Treasures of Tanis belonging to Pharaoh Psusennes I. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to view the Narmer Stela, a priceless artifact commemorating the unification of Upper and Lower Egypt under The power of one king. The museum also showcases impressive statues of the great pyramid builders, Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure.

Next, you will explore both Coptic Cairo and <u>Islamic Cairo</u>, two historically significant areas of Egypt. Coptic Cairo holds religious importance, housing several ancient Coptic churches such as the <u>Hanging</u>

<u>Church</u> (Saint Virgin Mary's Coptic Orthodox Church) and the Church of St. Sergius and Bacchus. These churches have witnessed centuries of Coptic Christian heritage. In Islamic Cairo, you will discover architectural marvels like the iconic <u>Mosque of Muhammad Ali</u> (Alabaster Mosque) and the historic Al-Azhar Mosque, one of the oldest universities in the world.

Afterward, you will visit the famous Khan el-Khalili Bazaar, a vibrant marketplace where you can immerse yourself in the bustling atmosphere and find a wide array of traditional Egyptian goods and beautiful souvenirs. It's an ideal place to shop for unique mementos for your trip.

Following the day's visits, you will be transferred back to your hotel for a relaxing overnight stay.

Meals included for the day are breakfast and lunch.

Day 4: Cairo to Alexandria Day Trip

After enjoying a delicious breakfast, you will embark on a comfortable tour to Alexandria in an air-conditioned vehicle, accompanied by your expert tour guide, who will be with you throughout the 9-day Alexandria and Siwa Oasis tour from Cairo. Upon reaching Alexandria, your visits for the day will commence.

Your first stop will be <u>Pompey's Pillar</u> The current name of this ancient monument, "the pillar of the masts," originated during the Arab era. It is believed that the pillar stood tall among 400 other pillars, resembling ship masts. Hence, it became known as "the pillar of the masts" and later simply as "the masts." This name has been attributed to it by the local community and the Alexandria Governorate.

Next, you will visit The Catacombs Of Kom El Shoqafa, a historical archaeological site located in Alexandria. It is considered one of the most important cemeteries in the city and was considered one of the Seven Wonders of the World in the Middle Ages. The cemetery consists of a series of Alexandrian tombs, statues, and archaeological remains of the Pharaonic funerary cult, and due to the time period at the time, many of the features of the catacombs at Kom al-Shuqafa combine Roman, Greek, and Egyptian cultural points.

Then, you will explore <u>The Citadel Of Qaitbey</u>, which was constructed in 1477 AD (882 AH) by Sultan al-Ashraf Abu al-Nasr Qaytbay. The citadel was built on the site of the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria, located at the eastern edge of Pharos Island. It served as a defensive fortress and is a notable landmark in Alexandria's rich history.

Your final visit for the day will be the <u>Bibliotheca Alexandrina</u>, the modern reimagining of the ancient Library of Alexandria. The original library was famously destroyed in a fire in 48 BC during Julius Caesar's conflict with Ptolemy the Younger. The current Bibliotheca Alexandrina stands as a symbol of knowledge and cultural heritage, housing a vast collection of books and serving as a center for intellectual and cultural exchange.

After the <u>Alexandria day tours</u>, you will be transferred to a high-quality hotel for a comfortable overnight stay, allowing you to rest and rejuvenate.

Meals included for the day are breakfast and lunch.

Day 5: Alexandria to Alamein and Siwa Oasis

Get ready for an adventurous day as you embark on a Trip to <u>Siwa Oasis</u> Your day will be filled with scenic stops and fascinating attractions along the way.

Your first stop will be the Al-Alamein Military Museum. This museum serves as a commemoration of the historic battles that took place during World War II in and around the Egyptian land of El Alamein. Here, you can explore exhibits and artifacts that showcase the significance of these decisive battles.

Afterward, you will enjoy a delicious lunch at <u>Marsa Matrouh</u>, a beautiful coastal city known for its stunning beaches and vibrant atmosphere. Take the time to savor the flavors of the local cuisine and relax in this picturesque setting.

Continuing your Egypt day tours, you will safely reach Siwa Oasis, where you will check in at an eco-lodge. Siwa Oasis is a magical destination known for its natural beauty and serene environment. The eco-lodge provides a sustainable and harmonious retreat amidst the oasis, allowing you to immerse yourself in the unique atmosphere of Siwa.

In the evening, you will indulge in a satisfying dinner at the eco-lodge, enjoying a blend of local flavors and traditional cuisine.

Day meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and dinner

Day 6: Siwa Sightseeing

On the sixth day of your tour, you will begin with a delicious breakfast at your eco-lodge in Siwa Oasis. Afterward, our tour guide will accompany you on a captivating day tour of the area.

Your first stop will be the ruins of the Shali Fortress. This ancient city and fortress, located at the heart of Siwa Oasis in the Desert of Egypt, were named Shali in the local Siwanese dialect. Exploring the ruins will provide you with a glimpse into the rich history and architectural heritage of Siwa Oasis.

Next, you will visit the Temple of the Oracle, situated approximately 4 kilometers east of the present town of Siwa. This temple is believed to have been the residence of the renowned Greek oracle of Jupiter Amun. It is said that <u>Alexander the Great</u> himself sought guidance from this oracle when he first arrived in Egypt in 331 BC. The temple holds great historical and cultural significance and offers a fascinating insight into ancient beliefs and practices.

After the day's tour, you will return to your accommodation for another overnight stay, allowing you to relax and rejuvenate.

Day meals: breakfast and lunch

Day 7: Egypt Desert Safari Tour to the Great Sand Sea

Have an Egypt desert safari tour in the desert beginning in the early morning before sunrise. You will also visit the Grand Sand Sea while traveling by quad bike.

The dead people's mountain

One of the most significant burial sites from Dynasty 26, known as "The Mountain of the Dead," is located in Siwa Oasis, which is roughly 560 kilometers northwest of Cairo. 'The Mountain of the Dead' is home to hundreds of graves carved out of the bedrock, where inscriptions allowed researchers and academics to determine the age of the earliest tombs.

You will pass by a lovely lake and other natural attractions. and after that, you'll be taken back to the Ecolodge.

Breakfast and lunch are daily meals.

Day 8: Back to Cairo

On the day before the last day, you will check out of the eco-lodge and travel to Cairo, the capital of Egypt. On the way, you will stop for lunch in Marsa Matrouh, then drive to Cairo in your air-conditioned vehicle and spend the night at a hotel, with the rest of the day at your leisure.

Day Meals: breakfast and lunch

Day 9: End of service

You will check out of your hotel in Cairo the next morning, and you will then be taken to the airport to catch your journey back home.

Breakfast is a daytime meal.