

Luxor and Aswan Nile Cruise Trip from Cairo during Christmas

Price Starting From : \$0

9 Days

Cairo, Luxor and Aswan

Egypt

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Spend the holidays discovering Egypt's beauty and history on a 9-day [Egypt tours](#). Start in Cairo, visiting highlights like the pyramids, Sphinx, and Egyptian Museum. Then cruise the Nile from [Luxor](#) to Aswan, seeing ancient temples, tombs, and monuments that are millions of years old. Exploring Egypt at Christmas is magical. The country's 7,000-year history comes to life at Cairo's sites, like the [Giza Pyramids](#), built over 4,500 years ago. Then head south on the Nile, where you'll be awed by Luxor's Valley of the Kings and Karnak Temple. And a Christmas cruise lets you unwind as you admire the awe-inspiring Egyptian countryside.

Our [Cairo day tours](#) to the "Walk of Cairo" experience during Christmas feature decorations like an 8-meter-tall Santa gorilla and angel wing photo ops for Instagram. Plus, the Museum of Illusions offers a mind-bending adventure with its trippy mirrors and confusing displays. Our [Egypt travel packages](#) provide an unforgettable holiday filled with adventure, history, and good cheer.

[Overview](#)

Inclusion

- At the airports, Cairo Top Tours representatives provide meet-and-greet and assistance services.
- Three nights of lodging at the Cairo Pyramids Hotel with breakfast are included.
- All meals and lodging for 4 nights on a 5-star Egypt-Nile River cruise
- Boarding a sleeping train for two nights between Cairo, Luxor, and Aswan.
- During the [Egypt day tours](#), transportation to and from the airports, hotels, and other locations is provided in a private, non-smoking, air-conditioned vehicle.
- All Site Admission Tickets Are Included In The Itinerary.
- Lunches with [Egyptian cuisine](#) in top-notch restaurants while on an Egypt tour

Exclusion

- Tickets for international travel
- Entry visas to Egypt cost \$25 at the Cairo airport.
- Day trips to Cairo, Luxor, or Aswan are optional in Egypt.
- Tipping is not included in any of Egypt's travel packages.
- Drinks Throughout Meals.
- Only during the busiest holiday and new year's seasons does the tour cost apply.
- The tour cost only applies during the peak season of Christmas And New Year's.

[Itinerary](#)

Day 1: Arrival in Cairo

At [Cairo International Airport](#), a representative from Cairo Top Tours will be waiting for you with a signboard when you arrive in Egypt.

Using a private, contemporary vehicle with air conditioning, you will be driven to the hotel. The Cairo Top Tours guide will help you check in easily at the [Cairo Pyramids hotel](#) or a comparable establishment, and he will go over the details of your Egypt Christmas and New Year Tours itinerary with you to confirm the pick-up times for each tour. You'll receive a welcome beverage at the hotel.

Take a nap today before beginning your fantastic [Xmas trips in Egypt](#) with us!

Day 2: Pyramids and Old Cairo Tour; Train Trip to Luxor

Start your day in Cairo with a breakfast at your hotel before meeting your Egyptologist guide. First up is the Giza plateau to see the pyramids; the Great Pyramid, built over 4,500 years ago, still stands as one of the wonders of the world. Next, marvel at [the Great Sphinx](#), a mythical creature with the body of a lion and the head of a man.

After a delicious lunch at a local restaurant, head to [the Egyptian Museum](#) in Tahrir Square. This museum holds over 120,000 artifacts spanning Egypt's entire history, including the treasures from King Tutankhamun's tomb.

Then it's off to [Coptic Cairo](#) to visit historic churches and a synagogue like the Hanging Church, Church of St. Sergius, and [Ben Ezra Synagogue](#). These attractions will give you an authentic experience of Cairo's Coptic history.

Next up is [Islamic Cairo](#)! Visit the famous [Khan el-Khalili](#) market, the oldest bazaar in the world, for a glimpse of daily life and some souvenir shopping. Then relax with a cup of tea at a local cafe.

You'll wrap up your full day of sightseeing by boarding an overnight train to Luxor. Enjoy dinner and breakfast as you travel in comfort to the "City of the Living."

Day 3: Arrival in Luxor; Luxor East Bank Trip

Your breakfast will be served on the train. Once you arrive in Luxor, a representative from Cairo Top Tours will meet you and assist you in boarding the luxurious 5-star MS Royal Lily [Egypt Nile Cruise](#). After enjoying a delicious lunch on board, we'll begin our tour of Luxor's East Bank.

Our first stop will be the impressive [Karnak Temples](#), which are the largest man-made religious complex in the world. Next, we'll visit the [Temple of Luxor](#). Once we've finished our [Luxor East Bank Tours](#), you'll have the opportunity to relax and enjoy the beautiful sunset from the Nile cruise before dinner is served. To close the evening on a high note, we'll also have entertainment shows on board. It's a perfect way to end your first day on the Nile River cruise. You'll be provided with breakfast, lunch, and dinner throughout the day.

Day 4: Luxor West Bank Tour; sailing to Edfu

Once you've had your breakfast buffet, your knowledgeable guide will accompany you on [the West Bank of Luxor tour](#). You'll get to see the impressive [Colossi of Memnon](#) and two massive statues of Amenophis III. Next, you'll visit the fascinating Valley of the Kings, where more than 60 pharaohs from the New Kingdom period were buried, including famous kings like Tutankhamun and Ramses II. The tombs, which are carved into the Theban Mountain, are richly decorated with captivating paintings and colors. When the valley was discovered, it was full of gold and treasures that the Pharaohs had prepared to enjoy during their eternal life after death.

After exploring [the Valley of the Kings](#), we'll visit the Queen Hatshepsut Temple, also known as [El Deir El Bahari](#), which was built by her famous architect. Hatshepsut was the first female ruler in written history. Then we'll head back to the ship for a good-quality lunch on our way to Edfu.

As soon as we board the Nile cruise, it will start sailing, and you can enjoy the beautiful landscapes during tea time. Your onboard dinner will be served in the evening, followed by a music and dancing show and entertainment. You'll spend the night on board the Nile cruise, and breakfast, lunch, and dinner are included.

Day 5: Edfu Temple & Kom Ombo Temple Tour

Start your day with a delicious breakfast before embarking on your [Aswan day tour](#). You'll be taken by horse carriage to visit the well-preserved [Temple of Edfu](#), which was dedicated to the falcon [God Horus](#) during the Ptolemaic era. After completing your visit to the temple, your carriage will bring you back to the ship, which will set sail towards Aswan and make a stop at Kom Ombo.

At Kom Ombo, you'll have the chance to walk off the boat and explore the impressive [Temple of Kom Ombo](#), which was dedicated to the crocodile [gods Sobek](#) and Haroeris. Your guide will accompany you back to the MS Royal Lily Nile Cruise, where you'll enjoy a delicious lunch on board. In the afternoon, we'll start sailing towards Aswan.

Enjoy dinner on board in the evening and spend the night in Aswan. You'll be provided with breakfast, lunch, and dinner during the day.

Day 6: Aswan Tour

Enjoy a delightful breakfast while taking in the charming view of the Nile. We'll begin our Aswan excursions by touring the famous [High Dam](#), which is one of the most important development projects in Egypt. Then we'll move on to the wonderful [Philae Temple](#), which is dedicated to the [Goddess Isis](#) and was built in 280 B.C. during the reign of Ptolemy II Philadelphus. The temple is beautifully situated on an island, and we can reach it after an amazing boat ride.

Our tour will continue to the granite quarries in Aswan, where we'll visit the largest known Obelisk. It was left unfinished, inspiring scientists to learn more about how many granite monoliths were freed from the quarry. [The Unfinished Obelisk](#) was most probably carved by Queen Hatshepsut.

After the tour, we'll take you back to your Egypt Nile River Cruise, where you'll enjoy a fine dinner and spend the last night on board your magical Nile cruise. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are included in the day's meals.

Day 7: Aswan optional tours; Back to Cairo

Enjoy a delicious breakfast on board the MS Royal Lily Nile cruise before disembarking and beginning your free day in Aswan. You can choose to relax and explore the city at your own pace, or you can book one of our optional tours. One such tour is the Optional Tour to Abu Simbel, where you can see the Great [Temple of Abu Simbel](#), dedicated to the worship of Ramses II, and the small temple of Nefertari. Both were excavated out of the solid rock of a mountain and are truly awe-inspiring. Another option is a [tour to the Nubian Village](#) or a Felucca ride in Aswan.

Later in the evening, your Cairo Top Tours guide will escort you to the Aswan railway station to board the Sleeper Train back to Cairo. A light dinner will be served onboard, and you'll spend the night inside your private compartment. Breakfast and dinner are included in the day's meals.

Day 8: Arrive at the Cairo hotel

You'll enjoy a light breakfast aboard the train before arriving at Giza railway station, where a guide from Cairo Top Tours will meet you and accompany you to your hotel. We'll do our best to check you in as early as possible, so you can settle in and start exploring Cairo. You can choose to experience one of our best optional Cairo excursions for the rest of the day. Breakfast is included in the day's meals.

Day 9: Final Departure

You'll be served an early breakfast at approximately 8 a.m. at your hotel in Cairo. You can choose to enjoy one of our optional Cairo day tours or simply relax until it's time for your flight. When it's time for your final departure, we'll transport you to the Cairo International Airport. Breakfast is included in the day's meals.