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Day 1: Arrival in Cairo

At <u>Cairo International Airport</u>, a licensed tour guide will be waiting for you with a sign bearing your name. He will drive you to your hotel in Cairo or Giza, where we will assist you with check-in. Additionally, we'll go through your schedule for the 6 Days in Cairo and the White Desert Christmas trip with you to ensure that all of your pickup times are accurate.

Take a first-night stay in Cairo.

Welcome beverage

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

Start your day with a delicious buffet breakfast at the hotel before your personal English-speaking tour guide accompanies you to the Giza Plateau. Here, you'll visit the Great Pyramid of King Cheops, which was built on a perfectly squared piece of ground oriented in an unusual cardinality that still impresses world astronomy scientists today. Your guide will also take you to the Pyramids of Chephren and the smallest royal pyramid in the Necropolis, built by King Mycerinus. You'll have plenty of time to take photos and learn about the history and significance of these ancient structures. Additionally, you'll see the Great Sphinx and the Valley Temple of King Chephren, where the mummification process was performed.

Afterward, you'll enjoy a delicious lunch at a high-quality restaurant in Cairo before heading to <u>Islamic Cairo</u> to explore the local market, experience real life in Egypt, and try traditional tea-mint at El Fishawy or Layaly Al-Hussein, Cairo's oldest cafes in <u>Khan El Khalili</u>. You'll then return to the hotel for an overnight stay in Cairo.

The next day, you'll visit the Egyptian Museum, where your guide will explain important information about all the masterpieces on display, including the items of the golden pharaoh Tutankhamen, which were discovered in the Valley of the Kings in 1922. You'll then visit Coptic Cairo and explore the old Roman fortress of Babylon, built by Emperor Trajan in the 1st century. You'll also see the Hanging Church, built mysteriously above the towers of the old fortress, and the church of St. Sergius, where the holy family stayed for three months. Finally, you'll visit Ben Ezra Synagogue, one of the oldest Jewish synagogues in Cairo.

Your meals for the day will include breakfast and lunch.

Day 3 : Cairo to Bahariya Oasis Trip

After breakfast at your Cairo hotel, check out and meet your licensed tour guide. Take a comfortable, air-conditioned vehicle for the roughly 4-hour drive to Bahariya Oasis.

Upon arrival, visit the <u>Valley of Golden Mummies</u>, discovered accidentally by a donkey cart getting stuck in a hole. This revealed thousands of gold mummies dating back to Roman Egypt. Next, see the Tombs of Bahariya's noble rulers from Pharaonic times.

Also tour the so-called <u>Temple of Alexander the Great</u>, though it has suffered damage over time, obscuring some inscriptions and carvings. See the Temple of Ein El Meffetla, considered the ancient city of Al Qasr's center.

Enjoy lunch at the oasis, then check into your hotel. Relax for the afternoon and dip into the hotel's mineral-rich hot springs.

Before sunset, your guide will take you walking through the oasis to meet local residents and experience Bahariya's unique traditions. Climb <u>Black Mountain</u> to the ruins of the English house atop it, offering panoramic views of the expansive oasis and a clear sky at sunset. The climb is worth it for this experience.

Have dinner and spend the night in Bahariya Oasis, ready for tomorrow's adventures.

Day 4: The White and Black Desert Trip

After breakfast, we'll visit the large salt lake and golden sand dunes in Bahariya. Then an excursion to see palm gardens and local fruit orchards.

After a delicious lunch, we're off to the desert. At the <u>Black Desert's</u> interesting volcanic rocks and black stones, continue to the Quartz Crystal Mountain and Valley of Agabat after a stop at the Valley of El Haize.

Arriving at the White Desert, a region of eroded chalk formations carved by springtime sandstorms The weirdly interesting shapes resemble human creations.

We'll camp overnight in the White Desert, with chances to spot the shy Eastern Desert fox. Enjoy an amazing sunset as local Bedouin guides prepare our fresh dinner around the fire.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 5: Bahariya Oasis - Back to Cairo

After enjoying your locally made breakfast, spend time taking photos of the beautiful white desert formations.

Next, dip in the hot springs to soak up the views.

Your tour guide and driver will then return you to Cairo.

You can spend the night at your Cairo hotel or join one of our recommended day trips from the city.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 6: Final Departure

Enjoy your final breakfast in the hotel before the tour guide from Cairo Top Tours picks you up and drives you to the Cairo International Airport, where he will help you board your aircraft out of Egypt. after having a wonderful time on the White Desert Christmas Tour and the fantastic 6 Days in Cairo.

Dining: Breakfast