

2 Days tour to Sinai Mountain and St. Catherine

Price Starting From : \$230

2 Days

Egypt

Cairo, Saint Catherine

Embark on an unforgettable adventure and explore the captivating landscapes of Egypt's Sinai Peninsula with our 2-day excursion to Mount Sinai and St. Catherine's Monastery. This captivating tour combines the breathtaking natural beauty of the region with its rich religious and historical significance, offering an immersive experience for travelers.

Led by our knowledgeable Cairo Top Tours guide, you'll journey to the summit of Mount Sinai, one of the highest peaks in Egypt, and be rewarded with panoramic vistas of the surrounding highlands and the glistening waters of the Red Sea. As you ascend, you'll have the opportunity to visit the basilica and the renowned "Burning Bush," where God is said to have spoken to Moses, delving into the fascinating history and spiritual legacy of this sacred site.

After your exhilarating trek, you'll explore the renowned St. Catherine's Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that serves as a testament to the region's profound religious and cultural heritage. Immerse yourself in the captivating stories of how Saint Catherine spread Christianity throughout the area, and discover the remarkable architectural and artistic treasures that adorn this ancient institution.

As your tour concludes, consider extending your Egyptian adventure by relaxing at one of the luxurious resorts in Sharm El Sheikh, where you can savour the richness of your journey and the breathtaking natural beauty that defines this remarkable destination.

Egypt's allure extends far beyond its iconic landmarks, such as the El Hussein Mosque and the Pyramids of Giza. This captivating country offers a wealth of opportunities for travellers to immerse themselves in its captivating history, vibrant culture, and breathtaking landscapes. From the Sinai Peninsula to the mighty Nile River, Egypt continues to captivate visitors from around the world, inviting them to embark on unforgettable journeys of discovery.

[Overview](#)

Inclusion

- Transportation from your Cairo hotel to the South Sinai governorate and back.
- Transfers to the St. Catherine area using modern air-conditioned vehicles provided by Cairo Top Tours.
- Accommodation in Saint Catherine for one night on a half-board basis.
- Tickets and entrance fees for all mentioned sites in the itinerary during your Overnight Trip to Sinai.
- An Egyptologist tour guide accompanying you during your Egypt Day Tours.
- Bottled water and a soft drink included in your 2-day trip to Mount Sinai.
- Local Bedouin guide to assist in climbing Mount Sinai.
- All taxes related to your Cairo day tours are included.

Exclusion

- Any extras not mentioned in the Mount Sinai Overnight trip itinerary to climb the mountain and visit St. Catherine's monastery.
- Tipping is not included in the Cairo tour prices but is appreciated by drivers and staff if you feel the service is good.
- Prices are valid during Christmas, New Year tours, and Egypt Easter tours.

[Itinerary](#)

Day 01 Itinerary: Cairo to St Catherine Tour

Your knowledgeable Egyptologist guide will greet you in the morning and accompany you on a private tour with Cairo Top Tours, kicking off one of the most historically significant excursions from Cairo. Following in the footsteps of the Israelites during the biblical Exodus, you'll be transported by a modern vehicle from your hotel in Cairo. The journey to the amazing overnight destination of Mount Sinai is approximately 6 to 7 hours, taking you through the Ahmed Hamdi Tunnel in the Suez Governorate and under the Suez Canal.

Along the way, we'll make a stop for a bathroom break, allowing you to stretch your legs, grab a refreshment, and take a brief respite. We'll also visit Moses' Wells, where, according to tradition, Moses split the rock to provide water for the Israelites. Your guide will discuss the probable routes the Israelites may have taken during the biblical Exodus when the sea parted for Moses and the Pharaoh (most likely Ramses II or Merenptah) drowned.

Upon arrival, we'll ensure a smooth check-in at your hotel in St. Catherine, where you can relax and enjoy the evening at your leisure. Dinner will be served at the hotel, after which you can prepare for the early morning ascent of Mount Sinai the following day.

Meals: Dinner

Day 02 Itinerary: Climb Mount Sinai and visit St Catherine Monastery to Cairo

We'll start your day bright and early with a 1:00 AM pickup. Before heading out, the hotel will provide tea and coffee in the lobby to help you fuel up. From there, you'll be transferred to the starting point of your Mount Sinai ascent, accompanied by a local Bedouin guide. Get ready for an adventurous and spiritual journey as you climb the sacred mountain, following in the footsteps of countless hermits before you. Along the way, you'll find huts where you can purchase a hot beverage or rent a blanket if the weather turns chilly. As you reach the summit, you'll be rewarded with a breathtaking sunrise over the mountain.

After your descent, you'll return to the hotel for a well-deserved breakfast. Then, you'll meet your expert tour guide to explore the historical Monastery of Saint Catherine, the oldest Christian diocese in the world, dating back to the 6th century. Inside the monastery, you'll see the Burning Bush, surrounded by a chapel built by Queen Helena, mother of Emperor Constantine, as well as the Church of Transfiguration, constructed by Emperor Justinian.

The monastery also houses the second-largest Christian library in the world, after the Vatican's. Your guide will also show you the on-site mosque, which was never used, as it was not properly oriented towards the holy Kaaba in Mecca. Along the way, you'll stop to see the rock where the Israelites planted the golden calf,

and the tomb of Aaron, the younger brother of Moses.

After this comprehensive tour, you'll be transferred back to Cairo, concluding your unforgettable overnight adventure at Mount Sinai.

Meals: Breakfast