

Siwa to Alexandria 7 days



Take the road less travelled & discover coastal Alexandria and remote Siwa. Isolated by the desert sands and untouched by the modern world, the Siwans hold fast to their centuries old customs, traditions & belief in black magic.

TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Cairo / Ends in: Cairo
- Departs: Sundays - year round
- No local payment required
- Breakfast:6, Lunch: 2, Dinner: 2
- Hotel Rating: 3 star (+ 4 star Siwan style hotel)
- Tour Guide: Yes

ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - [click here](#)
- To book this trip - [click here](#)
- To enquire about this trip - [click here](#)

TOUR MAP:



QUICK WEB LINKS

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Day 1: Cairo

Sunday. Cairo – El Alamein – Siwa. Starting early (7am) we drive North-west toward the Mediterranean coastline, to the World War II cemeteries of El Alamein. In 1942 the Allies under Britain's field Marshal Montgomery halted the German- Italian advance towards the River Nile. Marked as a major victory for the Allies, though not without loss of life, with some 11,000 killed and 60,000 wounded. We visit the Commonwealth cemetery and recently erected memorials funded by the Australian and New Zealand governments. Through the arches and beyond the gardens, 7,000 white headstones commemorate the Australian, New Zealand and British soldiers who fought and died. Stopping for a light lunch in Marsa Matrouh we continue onward to Siwa. Evening walk and opportunity for dinner in a typical Siwan style restaurant. Overnight - [Siwa Oasis](#)

Day 2: Bike ride & Temple of the Oracle

This morning we take a leisurely bicycle ride through the verdant date palm groves, visiting the local sights en-route. Our first stop is the Temple of the Oracle, dating back to near 570BC, whose most famous petitioner was Alexander the Great. Alexander visited the Siwa in the spring of 331BC, seeking confirmation from the Oracle that he was the son of Zeus (whom the Greek's identified with Amun – the sun god and creator of all life in Pharaonic history). We cycle to Cleopatra Spring for a dip in the pool as the spring fed warm water bubbles to the surface. Afternoon at leisure or optional (book/pay locally) sunset dinner, swim and campfire at the 'Great Saltwater Lake'. Overnight - [Siwa Oasis](#)

Day 3: 4x4 Safari

Today we visit Mountain of the Dead and explore Old Shali. Old Shali is the old city abandoned in 1926 after 3 days of rain that literally melted the mud brick city. A hermetic labyrinth of secret corridors, homes, shops, granaries and mosques are all waiting to be explored.

Afternoon - Desert Safari. 4x4 through the massive sand dunes of the Great Sand Sea, stopping off at an amazing natural spring fed lake surrounded by miles of sandy desert. We also visit the site of an ancient ocean abundant with marine fossils and finish the day at the hot spring of Bir Wahed for swimming and sunset dinner. Overnight - [Siwa Oasis](#)



Day 4: Libyan market

Siwa – Marsa Matrouh – Alexandria. An early start, we drive along the north coast to Marsa Matrouh . The city has a large Libyan/Berber population distinctive in custom and dress. We stop for lunch, swim in the Med and have time to explore the Libyan souq (if open) before driving onward to Alexandria. Total - 9hrs drive. Overnight - [Alexandria](#)

Days 5 - 6: Alexandria

Alexandria - Cairo. A free morning to relax, afternoon sightseeing of Montazah Palace, home to King Farouk – the last monarch of the Mohamed Ali dynasty who abdicated and fled to Italy and Quat Bay Fort, the site of the Pharos – Alexandria 's great lighthouse. Evening tram ride into the downtown to shop followed by famous Alexandrian Fateer for dinner. On day 6, guided sightseeing of the Catacombs, Pompeii's Pillar, National Museum and stop at the Library of Alexandria. After lunch, we return to Cairo. Overnight - Alexandria (1), Cairo (1)



Day 7: Cairo

Saturday. Our tour concludes, onward transfer to the start hotel of any subsequent tour or to the airport.

WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

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Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

Trip Highlights

- El Alamein – World War II, Commonwealth War Cemetery
- Siwa oasis and village walking tour
- Siwa sights - Temple of the Oracle, Amun Temple and Cleopatra Spring
- Jeep safari – Great Sand Sea, golden sand dunes, cold lake, hot springs, fossil ocean and Bir Wahed
- Marsa Matrouh – Mediterranean seaside - beach & swim
- Libyan market – Marsa Matrouh
- Alexandria – sightseeing, Quat Bay Fort, Montazzah Palace, Library of Alexandria - forecourt, Catacombs, Pompey's Pillar, National Museum

What's Included

- 6 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners
- 3 nights Siwan 4 star Siwan style hotel, 3 nights 3 star hotels
- Bike ride tour of Siwa & swimming in natural springs
- 4x4 jeep safari into the Great Sand Sea
- Evening tram ride, downtown Alexandria
- Airport and departure transfer day 1 and day 7
- Escorted by English speaking tour leader
- Siwa - specialist local jeep drivers and local commentary
- Qualified Egyptologist guide for antiquity sights at Alexandria sites of antiquity
- All relevant transfers and transportation in private modern air-conditioned vehicles

What's Not Included

- International flights and visa
- Tip for your tour leader. We recommend you allow \$3 - 5 USD per day, per traveller. Tipping your guide is an entirely personal gesture
- Entrance Fees: \$25-35 USD
- Tipping Kitty: \$25-35 USD

PRICES AND DATES: from USD \$1,499

Prices shown are per person travelling. 'Twin/Double' prices per person apply when there are 2 people travelling, sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the 'Twin/Double' price. If you are happy to be paired up with another single traveller of the same sex on your tour, this can be arranged, (if another solo traveller of the same sex is already booked upon the tour), thus avoiding the single person supplement. All our scheduled tour departures are guaranteed subject to a minimum of 2 travellers.

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2012

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
03 JUN - 09 JUN	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
08 JUL - 14 JUL	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
29 JUL - 04 AUG	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
12 AUG - 18 AUG	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
02 SEP - 08 SEP	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
16 SEP - 22 SEP	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
30 SEP - 06 OCT	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
14 OCT - 20 OCT	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
28 OCT - 03 NOV	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
11 NOV - 17 NOV	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
09 DEC - 15 DEC	USD \$1,499	USD \$369

2013

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
03 FEB - 09 FEB	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
03 MAR - 09 MAR	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
17 MAR - 23 MAR	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
07 APR - 13 APR	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
05 MAY - 11 MAY	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
26 MAY - 01 JUN	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
23 JUN - 29 JUN	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
21 JUL - 27 JUL	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
18 AUG - 24 AUG	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
08 SEP - 14 SEP	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
22 SEP - 28 SEP	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
06 OCT - 12 OCT	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
20 OCT - 26 OCT	USD \$1,499	USD \$369
03 NOV - 09 NOV	USD \$1,499	USD \$369

Supplementary Prices

	Price/Person	Single Supp.
Pre Accom - Cairo	USD \$79	USD \$20
Post Accom Cairo	USD \$79	USD \$20

POSTCARDS:

Here's what some of our past travellers have written in to us and said about their experiences on this trip.

Very nice and comfortable transport, good quality hotels in great locations. Good and safe driver, excellent guide. Overall an enjoyable

experience.

Mary S., Mar 2010

We were taken care of right from the start till the very end of the tour. Sam was a great guide, always helpful and great company. I throughoutly enjoyed the tour and would recommend it to everyone wanting to see Egypt from a different perspective.

R. Gummer, Feb 2010

Our tour guide and driver were very professional and able to answer all our questions. They worked very well together and took care of all our needs. We will definitely recommend On the Go and Egypt to our friends, and are looking forward to our next journey with you!

Mandy Matthews, Nov 2009

Hi Charlie, Im back from Egypt - although i wish i could have stayed there longer... much longer! My wife and I had an amazing time and took some really goos pictures - will send them to you soon. Thank you for organizing our trip. I am looking forward to our next adventure with On the Go! Regards

Carl O'Brien, Oct 2009