

# Festive King Tut 9 days



Classic Egypt at its best - ancient temples, tombs, Nile river cruising, topped off with plenty of festive cheer! With 4 tour dates to choose from, the hardest decision you'll need to make is where you want to spend Xmas & New Years - sailing the Nile, at the legendary pyramids or discovering Cairo!

## TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Cairo / Ends in: Cairo
- Departs: 21, 23, 27 Dec 2012
- No local payment required
- Breakfast: 8, Lunch: 2, Dinner: 2
- Hotel Rating: 4 - 5 star
- 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

Welcome to Egypt and the start of a great festive Egyptian adventure. Arrive Cairo airport and included transfer to our hotel. Overnight - [Cairo](#)

## Day 2: Pyramids & Saqqara

Cairo - Aswan. A big day out with a visit to the famous pyramids of Giza, sole survivors from the ancient Greek-listed Seven Wonders of the World. Later we continue to Saqqara to tour King Zoser's step pyramid - the first known pyramid ever built. Later there is time for dinner before travelling on the overnight seater train to Aswan. Sleeper train upgrade available Overnight - seater Train

## Day 3: Philae Temple & Aswan High Dam

Arrival and check into our hotel. Our first stop is the mighty High Dam and later a leisurely boat trip to the romantic Temple of Philae, dedicated to the goddess Isis and rescued under an enormous UNESCO effort in the 1970's to save the temple from the rising waters of the High Dam. As night falls, free time to shop in the colourful souqs or simply relax and watch an amazing sunset. Overnight - [Aswan](#)



## Day 4: Abu Simbel, Nile Cruising

Aswan - Nile Felucca cruise. Optional early morning excursion to the magnificent rock-cut Temples of Abu Simbel, built by mighty King Ramses II. If travelling on 15 Dec 2012, our optional Abu Simbel excursion is undertaken by air. On 21, 23 and 27 Dec 2012, the optional excursion is undertaken by road. This afternoon, we board our Nile felucca for a 2 night voyage downstream on the River Nile. Relax, top up your tan and chat with new friends as the felucca gently plies its route. Stops are made en route for swimming and visiting local villages.

If sailing by felucca is not your style, navigate the River Nile on board a 5 star Nile Cruiser with private cabin and ensuite bathroom. Our Nile Cruise Upgrade can be purchased in conjunction with a sleeper train upgrade. Overnight - [Felucca Cruise](#)



## Day 5:

Relax, go for a swim or just chill out in the sun on deck. Let your troubles melt away, as the felucca plies its route. Overnight - [Felucca Cruise](#)



## Day 6:

Kom Ombo - Edfu - Luxor. Disembarking, we enjoy a guided tour of Kom Ombo Temple and the Temple of Horus at Edfu, before driving north to Luxor. Chcking into our 5 star hotel the afternoon is free for swimming or relaxing by the pool. Home of the legendary Valley of the Kings and Queens and the gigantic Temple of Karnak, 4000 year old Luxor is ancient Egypt at it's best. Tonight, we have the opportunity to view Luxor Temple - built by Amenophis III, at night with dinner afterward. The temple looks stunning at nightfall illuminated by hundreds of coloured lights. Book/pay locally. Remainder of the evening at leisure Overnight - [Luxor](#)

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## Day 7: Valley of the Kings

Luxor - Cairo. An early start allows us to avoid some of the fierce midday heat as we venture to the tomb strewn Valley of the Kings. Consider opting to join our hot air ballooning excursion over ancient Thebes - fabulous at sunrise! Highlights of the visit include the Colossi of Memnon, a massive pair of statues that stand silent against the backdrop of history, the Valleys of the Kings and the awesome ramped and colonnaded Temple of Queen Hatshepsut.

The Valley of the Kings is studded with often highly decorated tombs, constructed to once house the regal sarcophagi enclosed mummies of the mighty pharaohs awaiting passage into the after-life. This afternoon after lunch and time to relax we visit the colossal Temple of Karnak. Lose yourself in the stone-columned Hypostyle Hall and go crazy with your camera. This is ancient Egypt. Tonight, we return by overnight train to Cairo, 1st class recliner seats. Overnight - Train



## Day 8: Egyptian Museum

Arrival and hotel check in. Later we enjoy a guided tour of the famous Egyptian Museum. See the priceless funerary treasures of King Tutankhamen, including his legendary solid gold death mask. Enjoy the remains of the day shopping and exploring Cairo. Overnight - [Cairo](#)

## Day 9: Cairo

Our tour concluded after breakfast and onward departure transfer to the airport.

## WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

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

- Cairo - Pyramids and Sphinx at Giza Plateau, Necropolis of Saqqara, Egyptian Museum
- Aswan - High Dam, Philae Temple, River Nile
- Nile felucca cruising - islands en route
- Kom Ombo - Temple of Kom Ombo
- Edfu - Temple of Horus
- Luxor - Temple of Karnak
- Luxor - Valley of the Kings, Colossi of Memnon, Temple of Queen Hatshepsut

### What's Included

- Breakfast daily
- All meals aboard felucca cruise
- 4 nights 4 - 5 star hotels
- 2 nights aboard felucca (open deck)
- 2 nights train: Cairo - Aswan and Luxor - Cairo (seater train).
- Airport arrival and departure transfer day 1 and day 9
- Touring of Cairo, Giza, Saqqara, Aswan, Edfu & Luxor
- Escorted by an Egyptian tour leader/guide degree qualified in Egyptology
- All relevant transfer and transportation

### What's Not Included

- Tip for your tour guide. We recommend you allow \$3 - 5 USD per day, per traveller. Tip for your Felucca Crew/ Nile Cruise staff, we recommend you allow \$10 USD. Tipping your guide and crew is an entirely personal gesture
- International flights and visa
- Entrance Fees: \$80-90 USD
- Tipping Kitty: \$35-45 USD

## BOLT-ONS:

Make the most of your time away! Listed below are the optional activities that are available on this trip. Please note that you will need to book these prior to travel as we cannot always guarantee availability of these activities once you are on holiday.

### Abu Simbel - USD \$259

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Abu Simbel by flight. The massive rock-cut temple of Abu Simbel never fails to impress. It's possibly the most awe-inspiring temple of all ancient Egypt, with its gargantuan intricately carved facade, created to revere the mighty pharaonic ruler King Ramses II. Guarding the entrance to the temple, the 4 colossal statues of Ramses II sit majestically staring out across the desert, seemingly since time began. This excursion is offered on all tours visiting Aswan.

## Alexandria Day Trip - USD \$119

Carry on your Egyptian affair before or after your tour, with a day tour (with lunch) to amazing Alexandria on the Mediterranean Coast. Founded by Alexander the Great, Alexandria boasts wonderful beaches and an impressive seafront corniche, along which are dotted cafes and restaurants, as well as catacombs, souks and relics from a bygone age.

## Hot Air Ballooning - USD \$199

An aerial adventure awaits in Luxor! Imagine drifting silently over temples, ancient sites, ruins and villages in the early morning sun. See ancient Thebes from a different angle as you float above the River Nile and wave down at the locals as you drift a few metres from their open rooftops!

## Sleeper Train Upgrade - one way - USD \$89

On our Jewel of the Nile, Family tours and many tailor-made itineraries we include the Sleeper Cabin Train as part of your journey. On all other tours (taking the Nefertiti Seater Train) we offer the option to upgrade to a sleeper cabin on the Sleeper train. Cabins are lockable, equipped with 2 bunk beds, linen, washbasin and towel, allowing passengers to relax and stretch out.

## Nile Cruise Upgrade - USD \$339

Upgrade from the included Nile felucca cruise from Aswan to Luxor and cruise in style aboard a luxury Nile cruiser. Our 5 star cruiser has a bar and restaurant, whilst your well-appointed, air-conditioned cabin offers a private bathroom. The boat deck offers plenty of space for relaxation and a swimming pool. Sightseeing stops are made en-route. All meals included, buffet style during your onboard stay.

## Festive Abu Simbel - USD \$69

Discover the Temples of Abu Simbel on a journey from Aswan by road. Egypt, with its gargantuan rock-cut facade is the magnificent Abu Simbel. Guarding the entrance to the temple are 4 colossal seated statues of King Ramses II, staring out across Lake Nasser.

**PRICES AND DATES: from USD \$1,069**

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, thus avoiding the single person supplement.

### 2012

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
21 DEC - 29 DEC	USD \$1,069	USD \$269
23 DEC - 31 DEC	USD \$1,069	USD \$269
27 DEC - 04 JAN	USD \$1,069	USD \$269

### 2013

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
17 DEC - 25 DEC	USD \$1,069	USD \$269
21 DEC - 29 DEC	USD \$1,069	USD \$269
23 DEC - 31 DEC	USD \$1,069	USD \$269
27 DEC - 04 JAN	USD \$1,069	USD \$269

### 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.

*Ehab was very friendly, knowledgeable and took care of everything, to make the tour care-free and very smooth sailing. He gave us information about the logistics/admin each day, which was very helpful. His guide skills were excellent. Very impressed with the OTG planning & care of travel - no mishaps, hidden fees or problems with accommodation and tickets.*

Alecia Heah , Jan 2011

*Hamada has been amazing tour guide, so much energy and friendly. He constend positive attitude, highly contributed to the success of this trip. He did a great job sharing his passion of Egypt. Especially enjoyed his explanations on the sites visited and the way he made it entertaining creating scene.*

Ellen Maynes , Jan 2011

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*I attended the 9 day King Tut tour in Egypt through On The Go Tours on 25-31 December 2010. I was in group E and my tour guide was Mohamed Alam. I wanted to give some positive feedback about my experience in Egypt. It was a very well organised tour from the point of pick up at the airport until I was dropped off again at the airport at the end. I felt safe and relaxed, and could enjoy myself by not worrying about a thing. This is thanks to my tour guide, Alam, who was fantastic! A great guy, great sense of humour, very professional, knowledgeable, and easy to approach. He put in a lot of effort to keep everything on track, even though we were going on Egyptian time! Everyone in my group appeared happy and relaxed. All the other tour guides were also very friendly and it was great to meet lots of people from the other groups as well. I have already recommended the tour to everyone who's asked me about my trip. I originally chose this tour myself through recommendations from friends who went the year before me. Egypt is a fascinating place and I see myself returning in the future. Regards, Angelina Josevska*

Miss Angelina Josevska, Jan 2011

*Hi Janet I just want to say THANK YOU SO MUCH!!!! The trip to Egypt was absolutely amazing!!!! Everything went well, the hotel could help us with an early check in and we were treated like royalty!! I couldn't possibly say what the highlight was because it was all so great. We did the Hot Air Balloon ride as well, and I am so glad I did because it was really worth it. Our tour guide was Ahmed Hamed, and he really was excellent. I have been on coach tours before and have never had such a good tour guide!! He really went out of his way to make everyone's trip amazing. I would highly recommend him!!! Like I said before everything was great and I would definitely recommend an On the Go Tour to my clients, and can see why the clients I have sent have enjoyed them so much!! I am even thinking about doing another one already!! Once again, thank you for all you help and for the amazing prize. And please pass on my thanks to your whole team in Egypt as they were all amazing!! Chat again soon when I book my next trip!!*

Davina, Mar 2009

*I have had a fantastic trip and this is largely because Saeed was one of the best tour guides I have encountered in my travels.. He is professional, organized, very informative and his knowledge on all sites has been incredible. I found the tour to cover all the best sites/ excursions and I didn't feel rushed. Thanks so much for a great trip!*

Maria Lloyd, Dec 2008

*I do not usually do group tours, I am an independent traveller but the Classic Tut tour was great. Everything was organized very well by (ABN) Amro the tour guide. It covered pretty much all the main ancient sites of Egypt and the group was great. I would definitely use On The Go again.*

Graeme, Dec 2008

*Hi Ryan, I want to thank you for your help with organizing our xmas escape to Egypt. It was a great learning experience, exceptional tour guides and good value for money! I would recommend Classic King Tut to everyone who doesn't want to spend christmas on their own in rainy, miserable England. Job well done!*

Matt Klump, Dec 2008