

Festive Road to Jordan 17 days



The ultimate Egypt & Jordan experience. Pyramids, Petra, Red Sea & Dead Sea. Do something out of the ordinary this New Year - spend it under the desert stars in Wadi Rum, sailing the Nile on a felucca cruise or celebrating by the Red Sea in Dahab!

TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Cairo / Ends in: Cairo
- Departs: 15, 21, 23, 27 Dec 2012
- No local payment required
- Breakfast: 16, Lunch: 4, Dinner: 3
- Hotel Rating: 4 - 5 star (+ 3 star Jordan hotels & Wadi Rum camp)
- 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 your holiday! Arrive Cairo, included transfer to hotel. Overnight - [Cairo](#)

Day 2: Pyramids & Sphinx

Cairo - Aswan. A big day out at the pyramids and sphinx at Giza then a visit to the ancient tomb strewn necropolis at. We later enjoy a chance to relax, freshen up and have dinner. Tonight, we travel to Aswan by overnight seater train. Sleeper cabin upgrade available Overnight - Train

Day 3: Philae Temple

Arrival and check into our hotel. Today, we visit the Aswan High Dam and travel by boat to Agilika Island to visit the Temple of Philae. Later, free time to hit the bazaars or relax by the swimming pool. Overnight - [Aswan](#)



Days 4 - 5: Felucca Cruise

Aswan - Nile felucca cruising. 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 cruise downstream toward Kom Ombo. Relax, top up your tan and chat with new friends as the felucca gently plies its route. Stops are made en route at local villages and islands.

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 6:

Kom Ombo - Edfu - Luxor. Disembarking at Kom Ombo, travel to visit the Temple of Horus in Edfu. Later, time to relax at our hotel and spend the evening your way. Alternatively enjoy an optional visit to the Temple of Luxor by night. The excursion is payable locally. Overnight - [Luxor](#)



Day 7: Valley of the Kings

Luxor - Cairo. Optional hot air ballooning excursion over Luxor, before crossing to the West Bank, where the first monument you'll see is the imposing 18m-high Colossi of Memnon. After we enjoy a guided tour of the Valleys of the Kings and the colonnaded Temple of Hatshepsut. Taking a break and time for lunch, we visit the giant Temple of Karnak. This evening we return to Cairo by overnight seater train. Overnight - Train

Day 8:

Arriving to Cairo, we set off on a guided tour of the Egyptian National Museum of Antiquities. The museum boasts an amazing and certainly extensive collection. Opt to visit the Royal Mummy Room, where 9 royal mummies from the New Kingdom is displayed. The afternoon offers free time or the option to take part in a city tour. Overnight - [Cairo](#)

Days 9 - 11: Dahab - by the Red Sea

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Cairo - Dahab. Today we cross the Suez Canal and travel onto Dahab, located on the Red Sea. Dahab has developed from a hippy village to a respected haven with a solid infrastructure for SCUBA divers, snorkellers and travellers seeking sun, sea and relaxation. The waterfront is dotted with laid back cafes, bars and shops, perfect for eating, drinking or relaxing with a little retail therapy. You can opt to take part in an excursion to the Blue Hole or climb Mt Sinai and see St Katherine's Monastery if your interested. Overnight - [Dahab](#)



Day 12:

Dahab - Aqaba - Madaba. This morning, we transfer to Taba/Nuweiba to take a private ferry crossing to Aqaba in Jordan. From Aqaba we commence our included excursion to the Dead Sea to test our powers of buoyancy and enjoy some lunch. After we explore Mt. Nebo - the single most important biblical site in Jordan. Having led the Israelites for 40 years through the wilderness, Moses finally saw from this panoramic vantage point, the Promised Land. We too can enjoy excellent views of the Jordan River Valley, the northern shore of the Dead Sea, Jericho and on clear days Jerusalem. We travel onto the bustling market town of Madaba. Overnight - [Madaba](#)



Day 13: Time to Explore Petra

Madaba - Petra. Explore Christian Madaba this morning before noon time transfer to Petra. The late afternoon offers free time.

Choose to explore the town on foot, stop off at a cafe for a cup of rich dark arabian coffee, browse the village shops, pop into the 'Made in Jordan' store for quality hand made items or simply spend the afternoon relaxing by the pool.

Free evening or why not test your culinary skills in the Petra Kitchen? Consider our Petra Kitchen - something good's cooking bolt-on. Overnight - [Petra](#)

Day 14:

Welcome to the Rose City! Access to the city on our guided exploration is through the famous narrow, deep siq. The rocks then give way to the most amazing site - that of the fantastically impressive Treasury. Walking down the gravel tracks, we'll explore the ancient Nabatean tombs and the Roman rock-carved streets lined with temples, royal tombs, staircases, arched gates and public buildings. There is also a gigantic amphitheatre originally built to house 3000 spectators, though the Romans increased capacity to a whopping 7000. After the guided tour, you're free to head off and further explore, haggle for a horse and chariot or just relax and take it all in.

Tonight, it maybe possible to take a candlelit walk through the Siq by attending the 'Petra by Night' excursion. Overnight - [Petra](#)



Day 15: Wadi Rum - Lawrence of Arabia's land

Petra - Wadi Rum. A free morning in Petra to further explore independently or with your guide. If following in the footsteps of our guide we enter the Nabataean city via the 'secret road' of al-Madras, and visit the High Place of Sacrifice for a panoramic view of the ancient city centre. Later this afternoon, we depart Petra and drive to Wadi Rum. A vast, silent landscape of ancient riverbeds, pastel coloured stretches of sandy desert and amazing rock formations known as jebels, dating from when time began that rise from the desert floor, Wadi Rum is our base for an exciting 4 x 4 desert safari. We'll jump aboard open-top 4 x 4s for our sunny, sandy and scenic adventure into Jordan's wilderness. Tonight, we'll enjoy an included Bedouin dinner and bed under a galaxy of stars at our remote camp. Overnight - [Wadi Rum](#)

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Day 16: Crossing the Gulf of Aqaba

Wadi Rum - Aqaba - Cairo. Free time, dependent upon ferry scheduling. Later today we drive to Aqaba to cross the Gulf of Aqaba once again by private ferry and travel onward by road to Cairo. The journey will take approximately 8 hours with us arriving to Cairo very late in the evening. Overnight - [Cairo](#)



Day 17: Cairo

Cairo. Our tour concludes after breakfast and included departure transfer to the airport. Happy Travels!

Note: Please ensure that you book a flight departing Cairo after 7am today. This will allow a window of time in the rare event that our ferry returning from Jordan is delayed.



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
- Valley of the Kings, Colossi of Memnon, Temple of Queen Hatshepsut
- Dahab - Red Sea coast - swim, relax, opt to snorkel or scuba dive in the clear coastal waters
- The Dead Sea, take a swim and opt for a mud bath
- Madaba, Jordan - Christian market town, Church of St George, Jordan's finest Byzantine mosaics
- Rose City of Petra, Jordan
- Wadi Rum desert and safari, Jordan

What's Included

- Breakfast daily, all meals aboard felucca, 1 lunch (Dead Sea), 1 dinner (Wadi Rum desert camp)
- 8 nights 4 - 5 star hotels, 3 nights 3 star hotels - Jordan, 2 overnight trains: Cairo - Aswan & Luxor - Cairo (seater train), 1 night deluxe desert camp (Wadi Rum)
- 2 nights aboard felucca (open deck)
- Return private ferry crossing to Jordan: Taba/Nuweiba to Aqaba, Aqaba - Taba/Nuweiba
- Airport arrival and departure transfer day 1 and day 17
- Touring of Cairo, Giza, Saqqara, Aswan, Edfu, Luxor, Dahab, Madaba, Petra and Wadi Rum
- Trip to the Dead Sea
- Wadi Rum 4x4 desert camp
- Egyptian tour guide degree qualified in Egyptology and Licensed Jordanian guide throughout Jordan
- All relevant transfers and transportation in private modern air conditioned vehicles

What's Not Included

- Tip for your tour guide in Egypt & Jordan. 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: \$190-200 USD

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- Tipping Kitty: \$60-70 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

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.

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!

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.

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.

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 \$2,819

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. All hotels charge a compulsory New Year's dinner supplement. Tours departing on 21 Dec & 23 Dec 2012 will be staying at a hotel in Dahab. The New Year's dinner cost is payable by you locally, budget approx: USD\$70.

2012

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
15 DEC - 31 DEC	USD \$2,819	USD \$699
21 DEC - 06 JAN	USD \$2,819	USD \$699
23 DEC - 08 JAN	USD \$2,819	USD \$699
27 DEC - 12 JAN	USD \$2,819	USD \$699

2013

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
17 DEC - 02 JAN	USD \$2,819	USD \$699
21 DEC - 06 JAN	USD \$2,819	USD \$699
23 DEC - 08 JAN	USD \$2,819	USD \$699
27 DEC - 12 JAN	USD \$2,819	USD \$699

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.

"On the Go Tours" were great!....Our guide was very experienced and we felt that our experience was authentic and unique. The tour was a lot of fun and we saw many wonderful sights and it was a very fulfilling experience. The tour was able to offer flexibility and was very accommodating to our needs.

Mr Trevor Schwab, Oct 2011

Fabulously well organised including one off specifics just for our party despite being part of a group tour. Great balance of the organised

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activities and free time which is a trademark of On the Go - this was our second trip with On The go (Road to Jordan 2008) twchich was just as good as the first (Road to Revolution (Russia)) in 2006.

Mr Terry Blake, Dec 2010

Abu Simbel and felucca cruise were the highlights of the trip, and of course our guide - Abdul, very energetic, lots of fun and always willing to please everyone. I also felt very safe and comfortable being a single female traveller. Had a great time!

Raquel Daniels, Dec 2009

It was great to spend Christmas in the sun! Loved Dahab - such a change from the rest of Egypt, cool town, great vibe. I could easily spend a month there! our guide, Saeed, was simply amazing. He had great knowledge of his country and a gift to share it with us. Thank you for the memorable experience.

Bernard C., Dec 2008

Hi John, I thought I would let you know that Egypt and Jordan was awesome!!! On the go were very well organised and I can not fault them at all!! Thanks for making the trip so memorable. Regards

Stephen Mccracken,, Dec 2008

Hi Charlie, I've just finished my Classic Road to Jordan tour which was AMAZING!!! I had the best time, the tour guides were fantastic and everything was well taken care of. It was the perfect way to finish off 2008 and begin 2009 but I'm now suffering from post-holiday depression so I need to book my next trip quick!

Karla Lowrie, Dec 2008
