

Egyptian Express for Families

8 days | Cairo to Luxor



A one week family holiday with camel riding, boating on the Nile, a visit to a village school, pyramids, tombs and Tutankhamun's treasure. This tour is set at a pace ideal for families with children aged 5 years and over and offers valuable insight into the life, culture and the mysteries of ancient Egypt, coupled with plenty of free time for relaxing by the pool.

HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

Trip Highlights

- Cairo – discover the treasures of the Egyptian Museum and browse the Khan el-Khalili bazaar
- The Great Pyramids – enjoy a tour of this legendary Ancient Wonder of the World and gaze at the iconic Sphinx
- Aswan – sail the Nile to Elephantine Island aboard a traditional felucca sailboat and visit a local school
- Monastery of St Simeon - ride a camel across the rolling desert sands to this 7th century monastery
- Luxor - uncover the tombs of pharaohs in the Valley of the Kings and explore the vast Karnak Temple complex

- Kom Ombo - visit the perfectly symmetrical Nile side Temple of Kom Ombo and see a mummified crocodile

What's Included

- Breakfast daily, 1 lunch and 1 dinner - onboard train
- 6 nights 4 - 5 star hotels
- 1 overnight train - Cairo to Aswan (Private 2 berth sleeper cabin)
- Aswan - camel ride to St Simeon's Monastery
- Aswan - felucca sailing on the Nile and visit to Elephantine Island
- Airport arrival transfer (from Cairo International Airport) on day 1 and departure transfer (from Luxor International Airport) on day 8
- Touring of Cairo, Giza, Aswan and Luxor
- Escorted by an Egyptian tour guide degree qualified in Egyptology
- All relevant transfer and transportation in private modern air-conditioned vehicles

What's Not Included

- Tipping Kitty: Adult / Child USD\$30-40pp, paid in local currency
- Entrance Fees: Adult USD\$80-100pp / Child USD\$40-50pp, paid in local currency
- Gratuity for your tour guide. We suggest USD\$20-30 per adult. Tipping your tour guide is an entirely personal gesture

- International flights and visa

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Day 1 : Cairo

Welcome to the land of the Pharaohs! At Cairo airport your family will be met and transferred to our hotel. The rest of the day is free to relax at leisure. **Overnight - Cairo**

Day 2 : King Tutankhamun's Treasure



Cairo - Aswan. Today we discover the treasures of King Tutankhamun, ancient mummies and more with a guided tour of the Egyptian Museum. Later we tour the Islamic Citadel of Saladin and enjoy views over the old city, where people are going about their daily life. We conclude the day with a market walk through the bustling Khan el-Khalili bazaar. **Overnight - Cairo (B)**

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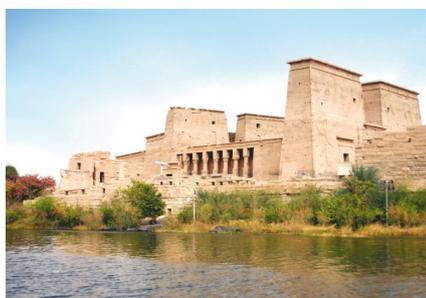
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Day 3 : Pyramids and iconic Sphinx



Cairo - Aswan. Today, we visit the legendary pyramids and iconic Sphinx at Giza Plateau, the sole survivors from the ancient Greek-listed Seven Wonders of the World. Gaze in awe at the largest of the three great pyramids - Cheops. Constructed from over 2.5 million limestone blocks, it took more than 20 years to construct. We explore this area on foot and there's the opportunity to venture inside one of the great pyramids. The afternoon is free to relax by the hotel pool with your family or independently explore Cairo before we take the comfortable overnight sleeper train to Aswan. **Overnight - Sleeper Train (B, D)**

Day 4 : Aswan & Philae Temple



We arrive into Aswan this morning and take a boat out to Agilkia Island to visit the beautiful Philae Temple and then make a stop at a perfume oil emporium. The rest of the day is free to independently explore or relax by the hotel pool. Scenically located on the Nile, a walk along the riverfront corniche to view the many boats is a real treat. This evening we'll visit the Aswan market and enjoy the smells of herbs and spices being traded by local merchants. **Overnight - Aswan (B)**

Day 5 : Felucca Sailing & Elephantine Island



Sail onboard a traditional felucca as we enjoy a visit to Elephantine Island. Take a guided walk to many important archaeological sites and a local school (if open), before lunch on board the felucca. This afternoon is free for you to spend in Aswan as you please. You may wish to join our optional excursion to the Nubian Museum. The museum is home to more than 3,000 artefacts and scale models from across ancient Egyptian history, from the Pharaohs to the Romans. **Overnight - Aswan (B, L)**

Day 6 : Camel riding & Kom Ombo



Aswan - Luxor. This morning we take a motorboat across the river to the west bank of the Nile and enjoy a camel ride across the desert to the 7th century Monastery of St Simeon. We explore this site before bidding farewell to Aswan and travelling to Luxor, stopping en route to visit the temple of Kom Ombo. The northern half of this temple was dedicated to the falcon god Horus, whilst the southern half was dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek. The two are perfectly symmetrical and you'll think you're seeing double as we explore. **Overnight - Luxor (B)**

Day 7 : Luxor & the Valley of the Kings



We visit Luxor's legendary West Bank this morning - home to the famous Valley of the Kings, the imposing colonnaded temple of Queen Hatshepsut and the gigantic Colossi of Memnon. See how the ancient Egyptians confounded tomb robbers with the construction of elaborate catacombs, once filled with treasures and highly decorated to allow the pharaoh passage to the afterlife.

Later, visit the colossal Karnak Temple, which took around 1,500 years to complete. Imagine you're a pharaoh as you stroll around Hypostyle Hall and see the impressive Avenue of Sphinxes. Return to the hotel and enjoy your last night in Luxor at leisure with your family. You may wish to join our optional tour of Luxor Temple, beautifully illuminated at night. **Overnight - Luxor (B)**

Day 8 : Farewell

Today your Egyptian adventure comes to an end. You will be transferred to Luxor airport for your onward flight. **(B)**

HOTELS

Highlighted below are some of the hotels which we frequently use on this tour, though we reserve the right to substitute these hotels to ones of a similar standard.

Please refer to your Tour Voucher for your confirmed arrival hotel and further arrival information.

Oasis Hotel

Just a stone's throw from the Pyramids, the Oasis Hotel is a classic Egyptian hotel with beautiful expansive gardens. Rooms are very spacious with comfortable beds and fantastic

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en suite facilities. Wi-Fi is available and the buffet breakfast offers a good spread. In the evening the outdoor pool and fountains are lit up making the restaurant and bar the perfect place to spend an evening sipping on a cold glass of beer.



Sleeper Train

When travelling on an overnight train in Egypt, sleeper carriages offer the highest level of comfort. Cabins are equipped with two beds (one above the other), a basin, electric points and air conditioning. Freshly laundered bedding is provided and in the early evening an attendant will come round and make up your bed for you. The carriages have toilets at each end and there is a club car which serves snacks and beverages. In the morning a very basic breakfast is provided.



Tolip Hotel

Set in manicured gardens, the Helnan Aswan is an elegant hotel with impressive views of the Nile. Guest rooms are spacious with modern interiors and located next to the beautiful pool. Wi-fi is available in the lobby and by the pool. There are also two restaurants and bars, a bowling alley, a swimming pool and a cinema. Why not relax by the pool before exploring the rest of Aswan.



Aracan Hotel

Offering a prime location in the centre of Luxor, this 4-star hotel is close to top attractions including the Luxor Museum and Luxor Temple. Surrounded by manicured gardens, the contemporary-style guestrooms are well-equipped with air conditioning, a minibar and a balcony overlooking the garden or River Nile. Guests can enjoy a rich breakfast, lunch and dinner in the sunlit restaurant or outdoors by the resort style pool. There you'll also find a poolside bar and sun deck, so you can enjoy a cocktail or two as you soak up the rays.



PRICES / DATES INFO

Departure dates noted with a 'G' are guaranteed to operate. All other departure dates are guaranteed with a minimum of 4 persons. Prices shown are per person when there are 2 persons sharing a room. We offer a discounted price for children under 12 years of age at time of travel. This discount is listed at the very bottom of this page.

PRICES / DATES 2019

Date	Twin Share	Single
19 Oct	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
21 Dec	CAD 1,705	CAD 2,145
28 Dec	CAD 1,705	CAD 2,145

PRICES / DATES 2020

Date	Twin Share	Single
04 Jan	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
11 Jan	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
04 Apr	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
27 Jun	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
04 Jul	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
08 Aug	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
15 Aug	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885

PRICES / DATES 2020

Date	Twin Share	Single
19 Sep	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
26 Sep	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
24 Oct	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
19 Dec	CAD 1,705	CAD 2,145
26 Dec	CAD 1,705	CAD 2,145

PRICES / DATES 2021

Date	Twin Share	Single
02 Jan	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
27 Mar	CAD 1,705	CAD 2,145
03 Apr	CAD 1,705	CAD 2,145
01 May	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
29 May	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
19 Jun	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
26 Jun	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
10 Jul	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
24 Jul	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
07 Aug	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
11 Sep	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
18 Sep	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
23 Oct	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885
18 Dec	CAD 1,705	CAD 2,145

PRICES / DATES 2022

Date	Twin Share	Single
01 Jan	CAD 1,445	CAD 1,885