



The Country of Memory

11 Nights – 12 Days

Day 1 : Saturday

Arrival: Arrive at Cairo International Airport, where you will be met and assisted by your Tour Coordinator. Assistance through Customs and formalities.

Transfer: Transfer in modern, air-conditioned vehicle to your Hotel “Fairmont Nile City Hotel ” 5 star deluxe Hotel located direct on the Nile.

Fairmont Nile City : On the banks of the famed Nile River, the city of Cairo—“The Triumphant” in Arabic—is the center of Egyptian culture and commerce. Here, civilizations have met for centuries, and Cairo today offers a rich diversity of contrasts. Modern architecture and ancient mosques. Urban sparkle and restful natural beauty. Business and leisure. And there’s no better way to experience the majesty of the city and its history than through the gracious hospitality of Fairmont Nile City, Cairo hotel.



Check-in and overnight at hotel

Meals : bed and Breakfast
Overnight at Fairmont Nile City

Day 2 : Sunday

The Pyramids of Giza: Proud to still be recognized as one of “The Seven Wonders of the Ancient World”, the pyramids of Giza stand tall and proud on the west side of the Nile reminding Egypt, Egyptians, and tourists of its heritage and tradition. Built for the Pharaohs Cheops, Chephren, and Mycerinus, the limestone structures were constructed c.2500 BC, quarried from Turah Hills, currently on the periphery of Cairo. The Great Pyramid of Cheops, the largest, required and an astounding 2,300,000 blocks, weighing a hefty 2.5 tons each, to be transported across the vast golden desert to form what many believe to be the pinnacle of the ancient world and a breathtaking sight.



Sphinx: The legendary guardian of the funerary tombs of the Great Pyramids, the statuesque lion body and human head of Chephren lays in looming silence to the east and below the three pyramids. The stele at the paws of the Sphinx was accordingly placed by King Thutmose IV following a dream of promised

kingship, once the sand said to be choking the creature was cleared away. Recognized as the largest monolith in the world, the Sphinx has survived the elements and still resonates the uniqueness of Ancient Egyptian culture.

Solar Boat Museum (optional) : Rich cedar smells, strong musk scents, and golden brown wood offset by the slivers of sunlight seeping through the windows of the building encircle you upon entrance to the Solar Boat Museum located to the south of the Great Pyramid of Cheops. The remarkability of the 141-foot long water vessel lies in the fact that it did not need any nails for its assembly, only ropes and pegs, which furthers the extraordinary ability of Ancient Egyptians who seemingly assembled and sailed it during their time. Historians regard this find just as highly as the discovery and excavation of Tutankhamen's tomb.

Lunch (optional) : Set Menu Lunch at Sakkara Country Club.

Sakkara Pyramid: Built during the 3rd dynasty for King Djoser, the Sakkara Step-Pyramid is the oldest complete known structure of its kind. Recognized by its bench-like steps or its "mastabas", it was built by royal architect Imhotep to house Djoser's funerary tomb. The pyramid is located in the Ancient Egyptian capital of Memphis, established in 3,100 BC. The area was named after Menes, the pharaoh and king famous for uniting Egypt's Upper and Lower regions. Sakkara houses many tombs, built as part of the necropolis, "City of the Dead" in Greek, with 16 other pyramids in various states of preservation, yet none can compare to the stability and longevity of the ancient Sakkara Pyramid.

Memphis: The legendary city of Memphis was founded in 3100 BC by Menes, the Pharaoh who united Upper and Lower Egypt. It became the capital of the Old Kingdom, a center for religion with a huge temple to the god Ptah, and the heart of Egypt's busy import-export activity, with traders from around the world giving it a cosmopolitan atmosphere.

Return to hotel and overnight

Meals : Breakfast, Lunch
Overnight at Fairmont Nile City

Day 3 Monday

Breakfast at hotel.

Egyptian Museum of Antiquities: Fascinating tour through 7000 years of heritage & ancient Egyptian history. Open since 1902. The Museum exhibits over 120,000 objects in its 107 halls, comprising the world's greatest collection of Ancient Egyptian artifacts. Two grand halls containing countless artifacts and one room reserved for the golden treasures, all from the world-famous tomb of the boy-king Tutankhamun astound and delight visitors. More than 2 million people flock to this magnificent site each year.

Islamic Cairo: An easily distinguished region of Cairo, from the towering fortress of the Citadel, grandly sat on the hilltop watching over the city. Built in 1176 by Salah El-Din to protect the city, against attacks from the Crusaders, the garrisoned walls can still be seen around the perimeter. Muhammed Ali Pasha most

notably made his mark here by adapting the building to include a network of four mosques and four museums, one of which is named after him, the Mohamed Ali Mosque built in 1830. From the vast grounds, one is able to take in the magnificent sights of Cairo, incorporating the Mosque of Sultan Hassan in the background. The mosque works as a religious teaching facility or “madrasa” for the four main Sunni sects, established in 1356.



Lunch (optional) : at Famous Naguieb Mahfouz Restaurant located in the heart of the Boazaar.

Bazaar: Renowned as Khan El-Khalili, the largest bazaar in the region, the bazaar was originally established as a resting place for traders in the 14th Century. To this day, it is a melting pot of Egyptian wares, including fabrics, wood and metal crafts, workshops, and food stalls. As you wander through the maze of shops, your senses become heightened experiencing the sights, sounds, and smells of this bustling bazaar. As ever, this wouldn't be a shopping experience without bargaining!

Return to hotel

Meals : breakfast, Lunch
Overnight at Fairmont Nile City

Day 4 : Tuesday

12:00 Hours – noon Embarkation

12:30 hours – Lunch

14:00 hours - Visit Karnak Temple and Luxor museum

19:30 hours – Dinner



Overnight in Luxor

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner
Overnight: on board Oberoi Al Zahra Nile Cruise

Day 5 : Wednesday

06:00 hours – Breakfast

07:00 hours – Transfer to the West Bank, to explore the West Bank of ancient Thebes. Visit Valley of the Kings, with its royal tombs, King Tut's tomb and Ramses "the Six". This is followed by a visit to The temple of Madinat Habu and on the way back stop at the Colossus of Memnon.

11:00 hours – Sail to Quina

13:00 hours – Lunch

14:00 hours to–17:30 hour – Spa Time

15:30 hours – Visit to the Temple of Dendarah, dedicated to Hathor, Goddess of Music, Love and Joy.

19:30 hours – Dinner

Overnight in Quina

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner

Overnight: on board M/s Oberoi Al Zahra Nile Cruise

Day 6 – Thursday

05:00 hours – Sail to Luxor

07:00 – 10:00 hours – Breakfast

10:30 hours – Visit the West Bank (Valley of the Noble's tombs, Dier El Madina, the site of a very special workman's village, whose craftsmen built and decorated the tombs of the Pharaohs in the Valley of the Kings. Lastly, visit the Temple of Hatchepsut)

13:00 hours – Lunch
14:00 –16:00 hour – Spa Time
16:30 – 18:00 hours – Visit of Luxor temple
18:30 –19:30 hour – Cocktail Reception
with live music at the club lounge
19:30 hours – Dinner
Overnight in Luxor

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner
Overnight: on board M/s Oberoi Al Zahra Nile Cruise

Day 7 – Friday

05:00 hours – Sail to Edfu
07:00 – 10:00 hours – Breakfast
09:00 –13:00 hour – Spa Time
13:00 hours – Lunch
14:00 –18:00 hour – Spa Time
15:30 hours – Visit the Temple of Edfu, the
best preserved temple of the ancient world,
dedicated to Horus the Falcon God
19:30 hours – Dinner
Overnight in Edfu

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner
Overnight: on board M/s Oberoi Al Zahra Nile Cruise

Day 8 – Saturday

06:00 hours – Sail to Aswan
07:00 – 10:00 hours – Breakfast
09:00 –14:00 hour – Spa Time
12:30 hours – Lunch
14:30 hours – Visit the High Dam and Philae
temple
18:00 –20:00 hour – Spa Time
19:30 hours – Dinner

Overnight in Aswan

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner

Overnight: on board M/s Oberoi Al Zahra Nile Cruise

Day 9 – Sunday

07:00 hours – Sail to Komombo

07:00 – 10:00 hours – Breakfast

09:30 – 11:00 hours – Visit the temple of Komombo. One side is dedicated to the Crocodile God Sobek, God of Fertility and Creator of the World. The other side is dedicated to the Falcon God Haroeris, also known as Horus, the Elder.

12:00 – 15:00 hour – Spa Time

11:00 hours – Sail to Aswan

12:30 hours – Lunch

15:00 hours – Visit the Botanical Garden by Felucca

17:00 – 19:00 hour – Spa Time

Sound and light show at Philae Temple

19:30 hours – Dinner

Overnight in Aswan

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner

Overnight: on board M/s Oberoi Al Zahra Nile Cruise

Day 10 – Monday

07:00 – 10:00 hours – Breakfast

Optional visit Abu Simbel

Excursion to Abu Simbel by Flight (Optional).

Temple of Abu Simbel: Approximately 3,300 years ago, Pharaoh Ramses II made a decision to erect a temple far greater than anything previously created or even envisioned. Considering the location, where Nubia ends and Egypt begins, the temple was intended to intimidate and ward off enemies from the south.

Using his own image, 20-meter tall statues, of which there were 4, were formed to impress the power and force of the pharaoh of the time. It is recorded throughout history, that Ramses was not a modest pharaoh, despite the role of the pharaoh as the physical representation of the gods on earth he made these towering statues in his own image. Later after completion of the construction it became known that they were in fact in honor of the gods Amon and Re-Harakhte. Significantly smaller than his own size, there are smaller representations of his family members beneath his feet, reinforcing his boastful nature and overconfident attitude.



Upon approach to Abu Simbel, the breath-taking sight and size will remind you of the power of the pharaoh at the time, furthermore, due to the earthquake in 27 BCE, the second (from the left) Ramses' torso and head lay crushed on the ground in front of the entrance. Visitors can stand at the feet of these immense figures and gaze upwards at the detail put into their creation as well as wonder at the manpower taken to assemble this famous landmark.

09:00 –13:00 hour – Spa Time

13:00 hours – Lunch

14:00 –17:00 hour – Spa Time

19:00 hours – Cocktail reception with entertainment

19:30 hours – Dinner

Overnight in Aswan

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner

Overnight: on board M/s Oberoi Al Zahra Nile Cruise

Day 11- Tuesday

Breakfast on board and disembark the cruise

Transfer to Aswan Airport to board your MS flight to Cairo.

Arrive Cairo and Transfer to Fairmont Tower Hotel .

Meals : Breakfast

Overnight at Fairmont Tower hotel

Day 12 – Wednesday

Breakfast at hotel and check-out

Transfer to Cairo International Airport to board your international flight.

Bon Voyage

Our Cost will Be:

Period from 14 April 2015 – 1 June 2015 & from 7 July to 28 September 2015

Per person in double Room/cabin throughout the trip US\$ 2800.00

Single supplement is US\$ 1901.00

(based on minimum 4 pax)

Period from 1 March 2015 – 30 March 2015

Per person in double Room/cabin throughout the trip US\$ 3798.00

Single supplement is US\$ 2531.00

(based on minimum 4 pax)

Period from 31 March 2015 – 13 April 2015

Per person in double Room/cabin throughout the trip US\$ 4113.00

Single supplement is US\$ 2794.00

(based on minimum 4 pax)

Airfare:

Cairo – Luxor / Luxor – Cairo costs US\$ 260.00

In case of embarkation from Aswan airfare will be Cairo - Aswan/Aswan-Cairo costs US\$ 340.00

Abu Simbel Excursion: Aswan – Abu Simbel – Aswan costs US\$ 250.00

(excursion includes return ticket on Egyptair flight in economy class, entry fees to the temple, round trip transfers at Abu Simbel, service of local English speaking guide)

Above rates are based on economy class and subject to change without prior notice from Egyptair.

Our Cost Includes:

- 1- 4 Nights accommodation at Fairmont Nile City in Fairmont room based on bed and buffet breakfast.
- 2- 7 Nights accommodation on board M/s Oberoi Al Zahara Nile Cruise in Standard Cabin based on full board
- 3- All meals as per above program excluding beverages.
- 4- Local English speaking guide.
- 5- All sightseeing as per above program including entry fees.
- 6- US\$ 250.00 alcoholic beverage credit on imported alcoholic beverage.

Our Cost excludes:

- 1- Entry visa to Egypt .
- 2- Any transfers not mentioned in the attached detailed itinerary.
- 3- Any sightseeing not mentioned in the attached detailed itinerary.
- 4- International airfare
- 5- Domestic airfare
- 6- Tips for guides, drivers and hotel/ cruise staff.

Important notes: -

- 1- All prices are quoted in US\$, net & non-commissionable
- 2- Please note that above rates are valid during the mentioned periods and after which rates may be subject to revision.
- 3- Above mentioned rates are subject to change in case of Governmental increase for taxes, services charges, entrance fees...etc.
- 4- Rates are valid till end of September 2015.
- 5- Rates are based on minimum 4 pax.