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SAIL EGYPT

Cairo / Aswan / Luxor
8 days / 7 nights



TOUR AVAILABLE FROM MID-OCTOBER
THROUGH APRIL.

Bring your sleeping bag and backpack!! This trip offers adventurous travelers a unique look at 5,000 years of history. As there is virtually never any inclement weather and bugs are rare, the stars will be your cover as you sleep on the deck of your Felucca (sailboat). Fully crewed, your only job will be to enjoy the incredible sites, sounds and surroundings. This is life as it has been since recorded history began.

Day 01: (Sunday) Arrive Cairo, clear immigration and customs then staff will transfer you to the [Pyramids Park resort](#). Overnight Cairo.

VISAS: All travelers to Egypt must have a visa. Citizens of most countries can obtain one on arrival. Please let us know what passport you are traveling with and we will confirm whether you can get your's on arrival.

Day 02: (Monday) Breakfast, check out and enjoy visiting the [Pyramids at Giza](#), the inscrutable [Sphinx](#) plus the [Egyptian museum](#) where you will marvel at [King Tut's treasures](#) and the [Khan el Khalili Bazaar](#), where travelers have been finding bargains since the middle ages. In the evening staff transfers you to board your first class sleeper train to Aswan departing at 8PM. You will enjoy dinner in your private compartment. Overnight train. (B,D)

Day 03: (Tuesday) Arrive Aswan at 9AM and staff will transfer to the [Movenpick Elephantine Island Resort](#) or the [Iberotel Aswan resort](#). Overnight Aswan (B)

Day 04: (Wednesday) Board your [Felucca](#) (or motor launch if there is not enough wind) and sail to the west bank of the Nile where you will climb aboard a 'ship of the desert' (camel) for a ride to [St. Simeon's Monastery](#). This early Christian monastery/fortress presents a great story of early Christianity and the photo opportunities are excellent. Return to the river, raise the sail, turn the bow downstream and you are off. You will spend the night onboard at El Hardeyat Island (about 12 miles upriver of Kom Ombo). The Felucca's deck is nicely covered with large mattresses and comfortable cushions, serving as your bedroom, living room and dining room most of the time. The Felucca is equipped with a simple kitchen sufficient for providing you with your tasty meals, as well as hot and cold drinks. Sailing on the Nile starts in the early morning till sun set in normal conditions but can be interrupted due to reasons like wind or river currents or perhaps after spotting a nice area for swimming or lunch. In the evening you might want to build a small fire on shore and visit with your Nubian crew where they can teach you songs, show you their native dances and share stories. Overnight Felucca (B,L,D)

Day 05: (Thursday) Sail on to Kom Ombo, visit the [temple](#) and then sail to Hammam Island (about 18 miles upriver of Edfu) where you will dock for the evening. Overnight Felucca (B,L,D)

Day 06: (Friday) Sail on to Edfu, visit the [Temple of Horus](#) and overnight. Overnight Felucca (B,L,D)

Day 07: (Saturday) Disembark your Felucca and transfer by private air-conditioned bus to Luxor. At Luxor enjoy visiting the antiquity sites of both banks of the river including the Necropolis of Thebes with the [Valley of the Kings](#), [Valley of the Queens](#), [Queen Hatshepsut's Temple](#), [Colossi of Memnon](#) plus the temples of [Luxor](#) and [Karnak](#). In the evening staff transfers you to board the sleeper train departing at 9PM for your overnight trip to Cairo. (B,D)

Day 08: (Sunday) Arrive Cairo about 6AM and staff will transfer you to the airport, assist with exit formalities and checking in for your international departure. (meals on the flight)

Tour Includes: All transfers by air-conditioned vehicle relating to the tour program starting with arrival to Cairo. Baggage handling of no more than 1 piece of luggage per person however baggage and personal effects are at the owner's risk at all time during the tour (baggage handling does NOT include tips for bellmen, porters, etc.). Hotels (based on double occupancy). Meals as outlined by B for Breakfast, L for lunch and D for dinner. Fees for visiting antiquity sites and museums. Services of an English speaking licensed Egyptologist. Service charges and taxes.

NOTE: During any of our small group tours people may join or leave at various times, however at no time would any group be larger than 16 travelers. We can provide private tours with an additional supplement. The cost depends on the tour chosen.

NOT included are: INTERNATIONAL AIR, items of a personal nature such as tips, entry visa (available at the airport on entry for USA and Canadian citizens. Other nationalities should check with the nearest Egyptian consulate), phone calls, laundry, bar bills, beverages, any items not specifically covered in the included items.

Tour Cost: \$1395 per person, double occupancy at hotels.

Single supplement (hotels only): +\$295

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