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# BEST OF THE NILE JOURNEYS

From Pyramids to Aswan



# Nile Explorer Collection

Discover Egypt on a Long and Timeless Nile Cruise  
Cairo – Luxor – Aswan – Cairo



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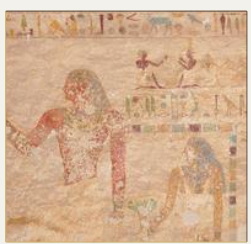
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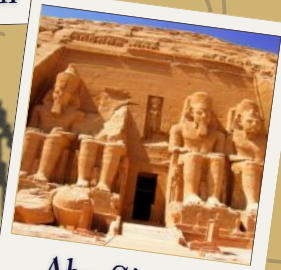


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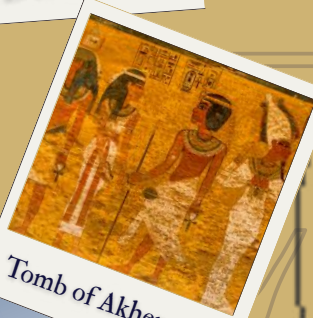
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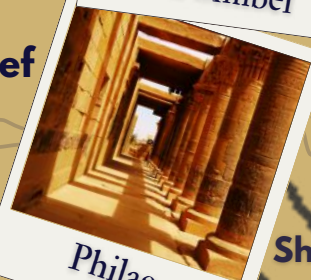
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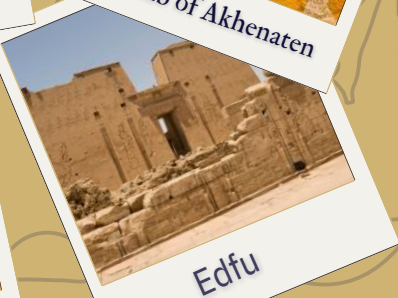
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Aswan



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**Best of the Nile I – 14 Days**

2N Cai+1N Train +10N Cruise

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**Best of the Nile II – 9 Days**

1N Cai+7N Cruise

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**Best of the Nile III – 16 Days**

3N Cai + 1N Train + 11N Cruise

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**Best of the Nile IV – 10 Days**

2N Cai+7N Cruise



# Pyramids to Abu Simbel

## What Makes This the Best of the Nile?

### The Nile Few Get to See

Most visitors only ever sail the short stretch between Luxor and Aswan, where more than 98% of cruise boats are concentrated. This makes the temples and riverside stops along that section feel crowded, busy, and rushed. By choosing a long Nile cruise from Cairo, you're stepping away from the ordinary.

With only 1.6% of boats sailing this route, your journey feels calm and exclusive, with a sense of space and tranquillity that's almost impossible to find elsewhere on the river. It's Egypt as it should be peaceful, authentic, and unspoilt.



### Discover Egypt in Peace

Imagine walking through temples that have stood for thousands of years, without the noise and bustle of large tour groups around you.

On the long Nile route, most of the historic sites you'll visit remain far less crowded, giving you the rare opportunity to absorb their magic almost in private. From little-visited temples to charming riverside towns, each stop becomes a personal encounter with history. You don't just see Egypt you feel it, undisturbed and unhurried.



### The Complete Story of the Nile

Sailing from Cairo is not an ordinary Nile cruise – it is the complete story of the Nile. From the Pyramids on the Giza Plateau to the temples of Upper Egypt or in the opposite direction, you will journey along the very waters that gave life to Egypt.

Did you know that over 110 million Egyptians live mostly along the river's banks, confined to a fertile green strip that makes up only 6% of the country's land, while the desert covers the rest? It is on these banks that one of the greatest civilisations in history was born.

This is the best way to experience the Nile, watching the scenery shift from lush farmland to endless desert and uncovering hidden treasures missed by shorter cruises. It is a voyage that unites Egypt's past and present in an unforgettable experience.





# Your Cairo Stay

## About your Accommodation in Cairo

As part of your Best of the Nile journey, you will enjoy a refined and comfortable stay in Cairo. At one of our carefully selected partner hotels chosen for their quality, service, and style, your time in the city will perfectly complement your unforgettable Nile Cruise aboard **MS Coral II**.

### Hilton Pyramids Golf

Nestled beside a championship golf course and overlooking the Great Pyramids of Giza, this resort-style hotel offers spacious rooms, elegant dining, and a tranquil setting. A wonderful choice for travellers who prefer a more relaxed retreat with world-class facilities.



### Baron Hotel Heliopolis

A modern, welcoming hotel in the heart of Heliopolis, offering easy access to both Cairo's cultural highlights and the airport. Perfect for those who wish to be close to the city's vibrant life before setting sail.



### Optional: Luxury Nile-Side Retreat

For guests who wish to stay directly on the Nile, we offer a carefully selected range of premium hotels, available as an upgrade on request.

- **Kempinski Nile Hotel** – Boutique-style luxury with intimate charm, personalised service, and a prime Corniche location.
- **Sofitel Cairo Nile Corniche** – A landmark riverside hotel blending French elegance with contemporary comfort, featuring fine dining, a lively casino, and sweeping views of the Nile.
- **Grand Nile Tower** – Known for its iconic revolving restaurant and panoramic cityscape, offering an unforgettable Cairo experience.
- **Hilton Cairo Nile Maadi** – Modern design and relaxed elegance, with rooftop dining and direct views over the Nile from the quieter Maadi district.



### Why not Upgrade Your Stay

**Standard Room from:** \$110 per person, per night

**For Nile View Room, there is a supplement of \$50** per person, per night.

The itinerary may be adjusted to accommodate sailing conditions while ensuring all core experiences are included.



# MS Coral II

## About the MS Coral II

Experience the perfect blend of comfort, elegance, and authentic Egyptian charm on MS Coral II.

Enjoy world-class dining in both the main restaurant and the rooftop à la carte venue, relax by the panoramic swimming pool, and browse the boutique shop for authentic treasures such as organic Egyptian cotton and local herbs. Evenings come alive with entertainment in the lounge bar, ensuring your journey is as memorable on board as it is ashore.

What makes MS Coral II truly special is its unique design: with a rare short draft (shared by less than 2% of Nile boats), it can navigate shallow stretches of the river, making it one of the few vessels able to complete the full Long Nile Cruise between Cairo and Aswan.

## Accommodation

The ship offers 63 well-appointed cabins across the Nile, Main, and Upper decks, all standard cabins measuring 12 m<sup>2</sup> and 2 family suites of 24 m<sup>2</sup>. Each cabin is designed for comfort and convenience, featuring a private bathroom with shower cabin, hairdryer, satellite TV (available while docked), mini-bar, in-room safe, and laundry service on request.



## Facilities

- Elegant main restaurant with seating for up to 140 guests
- Stylish roof deck à la carte restaurant, overlooking the Nile – perfect for lunch, special dinners and BBQ nights under the stars
- Panoramic swimming pool at the bow of the boat, offering spectacular views while sailing
- Elegant boutique shop, featuring unique souvenirs including authentic Egyptian organic cotton and local herbs
- Lounge bar with a variety of evening entertainment, making your nights on board as enjoyable as your days



## Dining

The Coral II's main restaurant accommodates up to 140 guests in one sitting, offering international favourites and Egyptian specialities served buffet-style for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. In addition, an à la carte restaurant is available at no extra charge for food, giving guests more dining choice. Your stay includes Full Board, with the option to upgrade to an All-Inclusive Drinks Package. Drinks are also served in the elegant lounge bar, the perfect place to relax in the evening.

# The Rail Experience

Travelling by rail has its own special charm, especially when it carries a touch of classic elegance.

And what could be more enchanting than a journey to Ancient Egypt? It awakens memories of the great expeditions and discoveries of the past century, recalling the travels of writer Agatha Christie, explorer Howard Carter, and other legendary adventurers.

That's why our program includes travel between Cairo and Upper Egypt by Sleeper Train, adding a sense of authenticity and history to your journey. Recently, the Egyptian National Railways renewed its trains, transforming them into an experience reminiscent of the classic carriages of old—while offering the highest standards of comfort.

This unique experience completes your journey from the Pyramids to Aswan, echoing the footsteps of early travellers like Agatha Christie. Dinner and breakfast are served in your cabin in refined style, with drinks available in the café car at an extra charge.



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# Best of the Nile Journey I

## A 14-Day Nile Expedition Aswan to Cairo

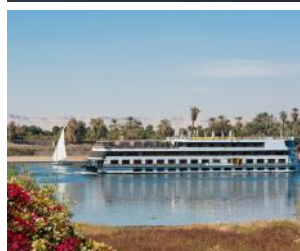
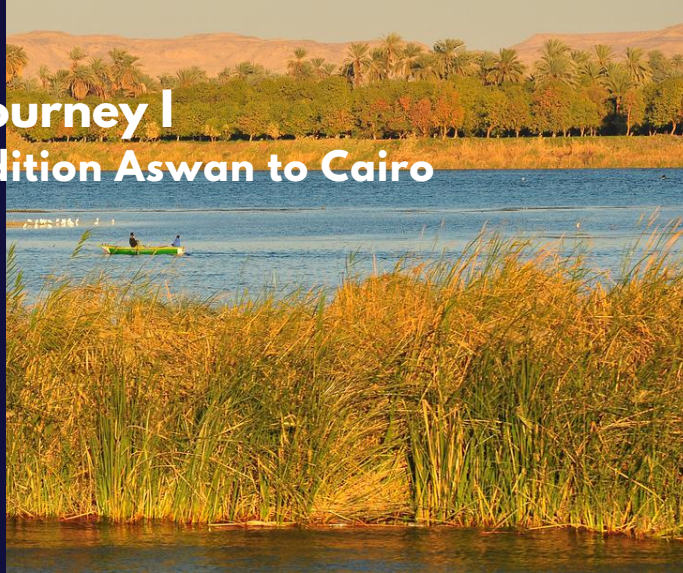
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Sail & Rail

### The Tour

Day 1: Arrival in Cairo  
Day 2: Pyramids & GEM  
Day 3: Old Cairo & Train to Aswan  
Day 4: Aswan - Sightseeing  
Day 5: Abu Simbel-Kom Ombo  
Day 6: Edfu-Luxor  
Day 7: Luxor's West Bank  
Day 8: Luxor-Qena  
Day 9: Abydos & Sailing to Sohag  
Day 10: Tel El Amarna-Asyut  
Day 11: Royal Tomb of Akhenaten  
Day 12: Beni Hassan Tombs  
Day 13: Cairo Old Market  
Day 14: Departure



### At a Glance

### Day by Day Itinerary

**Departure: 28 April 2026**

Embark on a **14-day journey** beginning in **Cairo** with a visit to the long-awaited **Grand Egyptian Museum**, followed by the timeless **Pyramids of Giza and the mighty Sphinx**. Afterwards, board the classic train to Aswan, just as great figures of the past such as Howard Carter and Agatha Christie once did.

On arrival in **Aswan**, your Nile adventure begins with a visit to the city's highlights, the very place where Agatha Christie wrote her famous novel *Death on the Nile*. From here you sail northwards, stopping at **Kom Ombo**, and making an excursion to the magnificent **Abu Simbel**, considered one of the greatest temples ever built. You then continue to **Edfu**, home to the most complete and best-preserved temple in ancient Egypt, still retaining its splendour through the ages.

The voyage then takes you to **Luxor**, the city of history and legend, where you will explore the **Valley of the Kings**, the **Karnak Temple Complex**, and **Luxor Temple**. From there, you sail towards Cairo, far from the bustle of the crowded cruise ships, where you may often feel as though you have the river to yourself, rarely passing another vessel.

En route, visit Dendera, Abydos, and Tel el-Amarna, where Akhenaten built his new capital. Conclude in Cairo with a direct transfer to the airport after a unique Nile journey along the eternal waters of the White and Blue Nile.

**Please note: Shore excursions during the Nile cruise are optional and may be pre-booked or arranged upon arrival on the cruise boat.**

#### Day 1- Tuesday : Arrival in Cairo

Upon arrival in **Cairo** you will be transferred to your hotel for a comfortable overnight stay, preparing for the adventure ahead.

#### Day 2- Wednesday: Pyramids & Grand Egypt Museum

Today, after breakfast, you will begin your adventure with a visit to the **Grand Egyptian Museum** — a landmark project that took Egypt over ten years to complete.

It houses the largest collection of Pharaonic treasures in the world, including the magnificent artefacts of Tutankhamun. Later, you will head to the Giza Plateau to enjoy lunch with spectacular views of the iconic Pyramids.

Afterwards, explore the **Pyramids** themselves and admire the enigmatic **Sphinx** before returning to your hotel for the evening.  
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#### Day 3- Thursday: Cairo City Tour-Aswan

Enjoy breakfast and a leisurely free morning. Before lunch, you will head out to explore **Old Cairo**.

After dining at an authentic local restaurant, your tour continues with visits to both **Coptic and Islamic** Cairo, where centuries of history and faith intertwine. In the evening, you will transfer to the railway station to board the overnight Egyptian sleeper train to Aswan.

Dinner will be served in your cabin, airline-style, as you travel south along the Nile Valley.  
**B-L-D**



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#### Day 4-Friday: Aswan - Sightseeing

Upon arrival in Aswan, you will board your Nile cruise boat.

Start your sightseeing with a visit to the **High Dam**, from there, continue to the **Unfinished Obelisk**, an extraordinary monument frozen in time that offers a rare insight into the ancient stone-carving techniques of the pharaohs.

Visit the **Temple of Philae**, dedicated to the goddess Isis, beautifully relocated to its island setting after the construction of the dam. Surrounded by the Nile's shimmering waters, this temple is one of Egypt's most atmospheric sites.

Later in the afternoon after lunch, unwind with a traditional felucca sailing trip, gliding gently along the Nile and passing the picturesque islands of Aswan, where palm trees, ancient rocks, and elegant domed mausoleums rise from the riverbanks. Stay overnight on board.

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#### Day 5-Saturday: Aswan- Abu Simbel -Kom Ombo -Edfu

After breakfast, you will travel to **Abu Simbel**, a journey of around four hours each way. The trip is well worth it, as Abu Simbel is considered the greatest temple complex in Egypt, a true masterpiece of ancient civilisation.

Upon returning from Abu Simbel, you will begin sailing towards Kom Ombo, where you will visit the unique double temple dedicated to **Sobek and Horus**. Afterwards, continue sailing to **Edfu**, where you will stay overnight on board.

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#### Day 6 Sunday : Edfu-Esna-Luxor

Early in the morning, visit the **Temple of Edfu**, the best-preserved temple in all of Egypt and a magnificent example of Ptolemaic architecture. After your visit, return to the boat for breakfast while sailing towards Esna.

Here you will experience the fascinating process of crossing the **Esna Lock**, where the boat is carefully lowered from the higher water level of the Upper Nile to the lower level below.

It is an impressive sight, as the lock gradually fills and releases water, allowing your vessel to pass through. Continue sailing towards Luxor, enjoying a full day of leisurely cruising along the Nile, watching timeless riverside villages, palm groves, and farmlands unfold before you.

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#### Day 7 Monday: From Hatshepsut to the Colossi: Exploring Luxor's West Bank

This morning, you will explore the West Bank of Luxor, beginning with the **Valley of the Kings**, the ancient royal necropolis where Egypt's pharaohs were laid to rest.

Continue to the **Temple of Queen Hatshepsut**, an architectural masterpiece built into the cliffs of Deir el-Bahari, and finish with a stop at the Colossi of Memnon, the towering statues that have guarded Thebes for millennia. Afterwards, return to the boat for lunch. In the afternoon, visit the magnificent **Karnak Temple** complex, the largest religious site of the ancient world, followed by the elegant **Luxor Temple**. Later, return to the boat for your overnight stay.

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#### Day 8 Tuesday : Luxor -Qena

After breakfast, sail north towards Qena, where you will visit the beautifully preserved **Temple of Dendera**, dedicated to the goddess Hathor.

This site is renowned for its vivid astronomical ceiling, impressive columns, and sacred sanctuary. In the evening, continue sailing to Naga Hammadi, where you will spend the night.

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#### Day 9 Wednesday : Abydos & Sailing to Sohag

Sail onward to El Balyana, where you'll visit the Temple of Abydos, one of Egypt's most important cult centers, dedicated to Osiris, god of the afterlife.

Return to the ship and continue the journey north toward Sohag. Evening on board with entertainment. Overnight in Sohag.

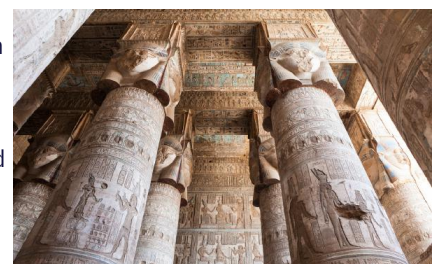
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#### Day 10 -Thursday : Monastery of Prince Tawdrous & Tel El Amarna

Cruise from Sohag toward Tel El Amarna, passing through the **Asyut Lock**. Along the way, a guided explanation as you view Prince Tawdrous Monastery from the ship, an important Coptic Christian landmark on the Nile.

Arrive at Tel El Amarna and overnight on board.

**B-L-D**





### Day 11-Friday: In the Footsteps of Akhenaten

Today, explore the ancient city of **Tel El Amarna**, the short-lived capital of **Pharaoh Akhenaten and Queen Nefertiti**. Here you'll see the **Northern Tombs**, the **Royal Tomb of Akhenaten**, the Northern Palace, and the **Small Temples of Aten**, all reflecting Egypt's brief experiment with monotheism.

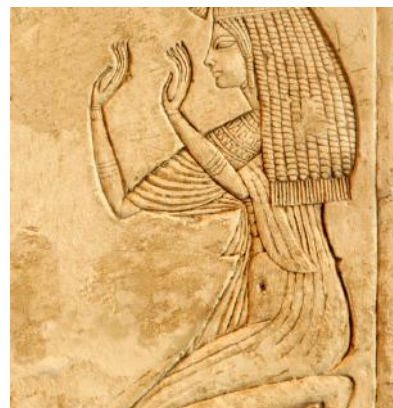
Continue to Ashmunein, once a centre dedicated to **Thoth**, and then on to **Tuna El Gabal**, famous for its catacombs, animal necropolis, and painted tombs that blend Egyptian and Greco-Roman traditions. Afterwards, relax on board as you sail to **Minya** for an overnight stay.

**B-L-D**

### Day 12-Saturday: Beni Hassan Tombs & Sailing to Beni Suef

Journey to the cliffs of **Beni Hassan**, where rock-cut tombs reveal colorful scenes of daily life, wrestling, agriculture, and foreign delegations from over 4,000 years ago. Among the most impressive are the tombs of **Baqet III, Khety, Amenemhat**, and **Khnumhotep II**. After your visit, sail towards Beni Suef, enjoying the changing Nile landscapes. Overnight in Beni Suef.

**B-L-D**



### Day 13 Sunday: Arrival in Cairo & Old City Tour.\_

Sail into Cairo and step ashore for a tour through the vibrant old city. Stroll along Al-Muizz Street and lose yourself in the colorful alleys of Khan El Khalili Bazaar, where spices, handicrafts, and souvenirs fill every corner. Return to your boat for overnight in Cairo.

### Day 14 Monday: Departure from Cairo

After breakfast, transfer to Cairo International Airport for your onward flight, carrying unforgettable memories of sailing the full length of the Nile from Aswan to Cairo.

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## INCLUDED

- All transfers to and from the airport and Nile cruise, as per the itinerary
- Sightseeing in Cairo with an English-speaking guide
- 2 nights' accommodation in a 5★ hotel in Cairo, BB
- 1 night Sleeper Train Cairo to Aswan HB
- 10-night Nile Cruise, officially 5★ (our rating: 4★+), full board, sailing Aswan to Cairo.
- Tour leader and English-speaking guide throughout the Nile cruise

## NOT INCLUDED

- Any Flight tickets
- Travel Insurance
- Tipping on board the Nile cruise (approx. USD 10–15 per person, per night)
- Entry visa to Egypt (currently USD 25)
- **Shore Excursions on board Nile Cruise**
- **Onboard AI drinks supplement \$75 pp per Night**

## Shore Excursions, Your Way

Excursion pricing is flexible to suit all guests. While Cairo's iconic highlights are included, all other shore visits on the longer cruise are optional, giving you the choice to explore or simply relax on board.

## Beach Holiday Extension

7 Nights in a 5★ North Coast Hotel from \$799 pp (Full Board). See page 9

**Special programs, such as the Holy Family Route, can be arranged with prior notice.**

Wed.	Pyramids & GEM included
Thu.	Old Cairo included
Fri.	H.dam. Obsik, Phiale \$ 90 pp
PM	Felucca Ride & Nubian Village \$ 65 pp
Sat.	Abu Simbel \$ 170 pp - Kom ombo \$ 40 pp
Sun	Edfu Temple \$ 50 pp
Mon	Karnak & Luxor Temple \$ 100 pp
Tue	West bank 100 pp
PM	Dendera \$ 100 pp
Wed	Abydos Temple \$ 150 pp
Fri.	Tel El Amarana \$ 160 pp
Sat	Beni Hassan \$ 125 pp
Sun	Old Market Included

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### Pricing & Packages : Per Person

Best of The Nile I	PP in DBL	PP in SGL
Nile Deck	\$2,697	\$3,930
Main Deck	\$3,010	\$4,455
Upper Deck	\$3,380	\$4,850

**Book Now**

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# Your North Coast Extension

## Caesar Bay Resort – Mediterranean Escape

Between El Alamein and Marsa Matrouh, Caesar Bay Resort offers golden sands, turquoise waters, and a relaxed Mediterranean charm.

Spacious rooms include Superior (36 m<sup>2</sup>), Deluxe (45 m<sup>2</sup>), Family (55 m<sup>2</sup>), and Suites (65 m<sup>2</sup>) all with balconies or terraces, air-conditioning, satellite TV, minibar, and modern bathrooms.

Spend your days by the beach or at one of five pools, unwind at the La Siesta Spa, or stay active with volleyball, billiards, and a gym. Dining ranges from generous buffets to fresh seafood and cocktails, with evening shows adding to the atmosphere. Caesar Bay Resort is more than a stay it's a Mediterranean sanctuary close to Alexandria and El Alamein.

### Add a Mediterranean Stay

#### 7 Nights FB

Price PP from DBL \$799

Price PP from SGL \$1197

#### Includes

- Transfer by car from Cairo to hotel
- Transfer by car from the hotel to Cairo Airport

#### Not Incl. Optional Excursions

- Full day Siwa Oasis \$210
- Overnight Siwa Oasis \$260
- HD Al Alamain Tour \$120
- Full day Alexandria: \$210
- HD Marsa Matrouh \$100



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# Best of the Nile Journey II

## 9 Days From Luxor to Pyramids

FROM

\$1,897



Nile Sailing

### The Tour

Day 1: Arrive Luxor  
Day 2: West Bank & sail to Qena  
Day 3: Abydos & Sailing to Sohag  
Day 4: Tel El Amarna-Asyut  
Day 5: Royal Tomb of Akhenaten  
Day 6: Beni Hassan Tombs  
Day 7: Cairo Old Market  
Day 8: Pyramids & GEM  
Day 9: Departure



### At a Glance

Embark on a magical Nile cruise from Luxor, the world's greatest open-air museum, to the vibrant heart of Cairo on a **9-day** journey that blends relaxation with exploration.

This is more than just a voyage along the Nile – it is a passage through time, where every bend in the river reveals a new chapter of history and civilization.

From the magnificent temples of **Luxor** – home to the **Valley of the Kings**, **Karnak**, and the Temple of **Queen Hatshepsut** – your journey begins northwards as the Nile carves its way between golden desert and fertile valleys, painting a breathtaking scene of blue waters, green riverbanks, and endless sands.

Along the way, you will discover the sacred temples of **Abydos** and **Dendera**, explore the painted tombs of **Beni Hassan**, and visit the mystical city of Amarna, once the capital of Pharaoh Akhenaten and **Queen Nefertiti**. Further on, you encounter sites rich in Pharaonic and Greco-Roman heritage before reaching the capital.

The voyage culminates in **Cairo**, where the eternal Pyramids of Giza and the enigmatic Sphinx stand in timeless splendour. Here, the **Grand Egyptian Museum** awaits, housing the greatest collection of treasures from the **golden boy king, Tutankhamun**.

**Please note:** Shore excursions during the Nile cruise are optional and may be pre-booked or arranged upon arrival on the cruise boat.

### Day by Day Itinerary

#### Day 1 – Monday: Arrival in Luxor

Upon arrival in Luxor you will be transferred to your boat for a comfortable afternoon. Visit **Karnak** and **Luxor Temple**. Overnight stay, preparing for the adventure ahead.

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#### Day 2 – Tuesday : Luxor Treasures-Qena

Begin the day with an excursion to the **West Bank**, home to the Valley of the **Kings** and **Queens**, where generations of pharaohs were laid to rest, and the grand **Temple of Hatshepsut**, the only temple built by a female pharaoh.

Later, sail north to Qena and visit the beautifully preserved **Dendera Temple**, dedicated to the goddess Hathor, with its vivid astronomical ceiling and sacred sanctuary. In the evening, continue sailing to **Naga Hammadi**. Overnight in Naga Hammadi.

**B-L-D**



### Departure: 4 May 2026

#### Day 3 – Wednesday: Abydos - Sohag

Sail early to El Balyana for a visit to the **Temple of Abydos**, one of Egypt's most sacred sites.

Here, Seti I and Ramses II left some of the most exquisite reliefs in the country, and the famous Abydos King List carved into its walls provides a near-complete chronology of pharaohs. Continue sailing towards Sohag, with time to enjoy the peaceful Nile scenery along the way. Overnight in Sohag.

**B-L-D**

#### Day 4 Thursday: Sail to Tel El Amarna

Cruise from Sohag toward Tel El Amarna, passing through the Asyut Lock. Along the way, enjoy a guided explanation as you view Prince Tawdrous Monastery from the ship, an important Coptic Christian landmark on the Nile.

Arrive at Tel El Amarna , overnight on board.

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### Day 5–Friday: In the Footsteps of Akhenaten

Explore the ruins of **Tel El Amarna**, capital of the heretic Pharaoh Akhenaten and Queen Nefertiti.

Visit the **Northern Tombs**, the **Royal Tomb of Akhenaten**, the Northern Palace, and the **Small Temples of Aten**, gaining insight into Egypt's brief but radical experiment with monotheism. Continue to Ashmunein and sites rich with Greco-Roman and late Pharaonic remains. Sail onwards to Minya. Overnight in Minya.

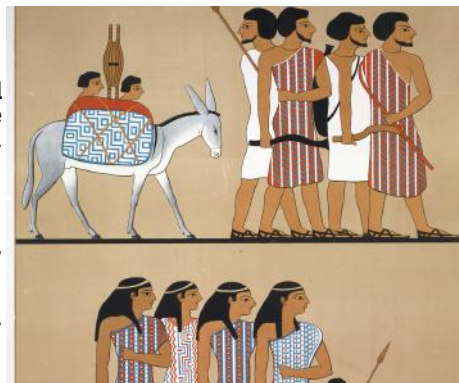
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### Day 6- Saturday: Beni Hassan Tombs & Sailing to Beni Suef

Journey to the cliffs of **Beni Hassan**, where rock-cut tombs reveal colourful scenes of daily life, wrestling, agriculture, and foreign delegations from over 4,000 years ago.

Among the most impressive are the tombs of **Baqet III**, **Khety**, **Amenemhat**, and **Khnumhotep II**. After your visit, sail towards Beni Suef, enjoying the changing Nile landscapes. Overnight in Beni Suef.

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### Day 7- Sunday: Arrival in Cairo & Old City Tour

Sail into **Cairo** and step ashore for a tour through the vibrant old city.

Stroll along **Al-Muizz Street** and lose yourself in the colorful alleys of **Khan El Khalili Bazaar**, where spices, handicrafts, and souvenirs fill every corner. Return to your boat for overnight in Cairo.

**B-L-D**

### Day 8 – Monday: The Pyramids & Cairo Museums

After breakfast, explore Cairo's treasures, starting with the spectacular **Grand Egyptian Museum**, home to Tutankhamun's collection and 5,000 years of history. Enjoy lunch overlooking the **Pyramids of Giza**, the last Wonder of the Ancient World, before returning to your hotel for an overnight stay.

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### Day 9 Tuesday: Departure from Cairo

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## INCLUDED

- All transfers to and from the airport and Nile cruise, as per the itinerary
- Sightseeing in Cairo with an English-speaking guide
- 1 nights' accommodation in a 5★ hotel in Cairo
- 7 nights on board a Nile cruise vessel, officially rated 5 ★ (our assessment: a comfortable 4 ★ +). Full board throughout. Cruise from Luxor to Cairo
- Tour leader and English-speaking guide throughout the Nile cruise

## Shore Excursions, Your Way

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Mon	Karnak & Luxor Temple (\$ 100 )
Tue	West bank 100 pp
PM	Dendera \$ 100 pp
Wed	Abydos Temple \$ 150 pp
Fri.	Tel El Amarana \$ 160 pp
Sat	Beni Hassan \$ 125 pp
Sun	Old Market Included
Monday	Pyramids & GEM included

**See It All**  
**SAVE 10%**

## NOT INCLUDED

- Any Flight tickets
- Travel Insurance
- Tipping on board the Nile cruise (approx. USD 10–15 per person, per night)
- Entry visa to Egypt (currently USD 25)
- **Shore Excursions on board Nile cruise**
- **Onboard AI Drinks Supplement : \$75pp per Night**

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Main Deck	\$2,225	\$3,669
Upper Deck	\$2,360	\$3,930

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# Best of the Nile Journey III

## 16 Days From Pyramids to Aswan

FROM

**\$2,997**

Sail & Rail



### The Tour

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**Day 11: Luxor-Esna**  
**Day 12: Esna-Edfu-Kom Ombo**  
**Day 13: Aswan**  
**Day 14: Abu Simbel -Cairo**  
**Day 15: Cairo**  
**Day 16: Departure**



### At a Glance

### Day by Day Itinerary

**Departure: 9 May 2026**

Set sail from Cairo on a remarkable 16-day voyage that journeys against the current of the Nile, tracing the river from the **Pyramids of Giza** all the way to the monumental temples of **Abu Simbel**.

Discover Cairo's treasures, including the **Grand Egyptian Museum**, and sail to the **tombs of Beni Hassan** and Amarna, the **temples of Abydos** and Dendera, and the timeless wonders of **Luxor**.

Continuing south, visit **Kom Ombo**, **Esna**, and **Edfu** before arriving in Aswan, gateway to the breathtaking masterpiece of **Ramses II** at **Abu Simbel**.

Combining the comfort of life on board with enriching excursions ashore, this is the most complete way to experience the Nile – a voyage that unites Egypt's past and present, from north to south.

**Please note: Shore excursions during the Nile cruise are optional and may be pre-booked or arranged upon arrival on the cruise boat.**



#### Day 1 – Saturday : Arrival in Cairo

Upon arrival in **Cairo**, you will be transferred to your hotel for a comfortable overnight stay, preparing for the adventure ahead.

#### Day 2 – Sunday Cairo's Treasures

Start your journey at the **Grand Egyptian Museum**, then head to the **Pyramids of Giza** for lunch with panoramic views. Explore the Pyramids and the Sphinx with your guide, and finish the day wandering through the vibrant **Khan El Khalili Bazaar** before spending the night at your hotel.

**B-L**



#### Day 3 – Monday: Cairo - Beni Suef

After breakfast, explore Cairo's historic treasures – the **Coptic Quarter** with its ancient churches, and **El-Muizz Street**, Egypt's oldest Islamic street.

By midday, return for check-in and lunch on board, then sail south as Cairo fades into peaceful Nile landscapes of fields and palm groves. Overnight in Beni Suef.

**B-L-D**

#### Day 4 – Tuesday: Sailing to Minya

Sail south towards **Minya**, soaking in the scenery of the Nile Valley.

On board, savor a variety of international dishes and enjoy traditional folkloric entertainment in the evening. Overnight in Minya

**B-L-D**

#### 5 – Wednesday: Minya – Beni Hassan – Amarna – Sailing to Asyut

After breakfast, visit the rock-cut tombs of **Beni Hassan**, with vivid scenes of ancient life. Continue to **Tel El Amarna**, capital of Akhenaten, to see Aten temples and unique tombs, before returning to sail south. Overnight on board

**B-L-D**



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### Day 6 – Thursday: Cruising to Sohag

Today, immerse yourself in the Nile's most authentic landscapes as the ship glides between verdant valleys and endless desert.

Relax on the sundeck while the crew ensures your comfort at every moment. By sunset, you will arrive in Sohag and visit the historic Red and **White Monasteries, two of Egypt's oldest Coptic sites**

**B-L-D**

### Day 7 – Friday: Sohag – Abydos – Sailing to Naga Hammadi

After breakfast, visit **Abydos** to explore **Seti I's Temple**, famed for its exquisite reliefs and King List, before rejoining the ship to cruise on to Nag Hammadi

**B-L-D**

### Day 8 – Saturday: Qena – Dendera – Sailing to Luxor

This morning, the ship docks at Qena, where you will visit the Temple of Dendera, dedicated to the goddess Hathor. Admire its well-preserved astronomical ceilings.

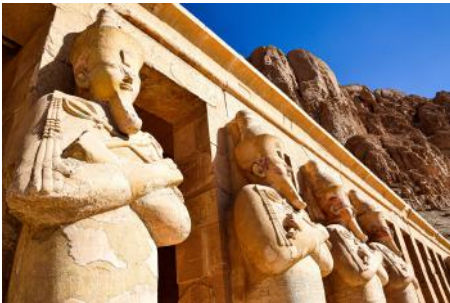
Return to the ship to continue sailing to Luxor. In the evening, visit **Luxor Temple by night, beautifully illuminated under the stars**, where the Avenue of Sphinxes leads you deep into ancient history **B-L-D**

### Day 9 – Sunday: Luxor – West Bank Treasures

After breakfast, cross to Luxor's **West Bank** to explore the **Valley of the Kings**, where pharaohs rest in richly decorated tombs. Continue to the remarkable mortuary temple of **Queen Hatshepsut** before admiring the mighty **Colossi of Memnon**.

After lunch, visit the awe-inspiring **Karnak Temple – the largest religious complex ever built**, renowned for its towering columns and sacred lake.

**B-L-D**



### Day 10 – Monday: Luxor – Leisure Day

Today is dedicated to relaxation in Luxor. Unwind on board, explore the city at your own pace, or join optional excursions such as a visit to the Luxor Museum, Medinet Habu Temple, or a traditional horse-drawn carriage ride through the streets of Luxor.

**B-L-D**

### Day 11 – Tuesday: Luxor - Esna

Late in the morning, the vessel sails to Esna to cross the lock and visit the Temple of Khnum one of the Nile's most remarkable hidden treasures. While 99% of cruise boats pass by in their rush to reach Aswan, our carefully designed programme offers you the rare privilege of discovering this extraordinary site in peace and tranquillity, away from the crowds.

Recently restored after centuries of soot and neglect, the temple now reveals its true splendour. Brilliant colours blaze across its columns and ceilings, breathing life back into exquisite reliefs that had long been hidden. Here, the ancient world seems vivid and immediate: Khnum, the ram-headed creator god, is shown fashioning mankind on his potter's wheel; surrounding him are striking astronomical carvings, divine figures, and images of Ptolemaic rulers and Roman emperors who once sought to honour this sacred place.

By pausing in Esna, we ensure you discover what so many travellers miss – a jewel of the Nile between Luxor and Aswan. The Temple of Khnum is more than just another stop along the river; it is a true highlight of any Nile journey, where history, art, and serenity converge. To step inside its restored halls is to experience the Nile as it was meant to be – timeless, unhurried, and filled with wonder.

Esna is not only a temple visit; it is a revelation. It shows how Egypt still holds hidden corners of beauty that reward those who take the time to look beyond the standard itineraries. For many, this peaceful and dazzlingly colourful sanctuary becomes one of the most unforgettable memories of their entire journey.

**B-L-D**

### Day 12 – Wednesday: Esna - Edfu -Kom Ombo

Early in the morning, before breakfast, grab your coffee and croissant and set out to visit Esna Temple at sunrise. This magical hour bathes the temple in soft golden light, making your experience even more special.

After your visit, return on board and enjoy breakfast on the sundeck (weather permitting) as the vessel sails towards Edfu. Upon arrival, you will explore the grand Temple of Horus at Edfu, one of the best-preserved temples in Egypt. Later, continue sailing to Kom Ombo, where the ship will moor for the night.

**B-L-D**

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### Day 13 – Thursday - Kom Ombo -Aswan

Today, at sunrise, you will have the opportunity to visit the **Temple of Kom Ombo**. Afterwards, enjoy breakfast on the sundeck (weather permitting) as the ship sails south towards Aswan.

Upon arrival in Aswan, begin your visits with the impressive **High Dam**, the **Unfinished Obelisk**, and the beautiful **Philae Temple**, dedicated to the goddess Isis. After lunch, relax on a traditional felucca sailing trip around the picturesque islands of Aswan, including a visit to a **Nubian village**.

**B-L-D**

### Day 14 – Friday From the Grandeur of Abu Simbel to Cairo by Train

Early in the morning, set out to visit the magnificent Temple of Abu Simbel — one of the greatest monuments of ancient Egypt and an unmissable highlight for any traveller. The journey takes around 3.5 hours each way, but the experience is truly worth it. In the late afternoon, board your traditional classic sleeper train from Aswan to Cairo.

This way, you will have travelled one direction by Nile cruise and returned by rail — a rare combination experienced by very few travellers. On board the train, enjoy dinner before settling in for a calm night's sleep as you make your way back to Cairo.

**B-D**

### Day 15—Saturday: Cairo

Arrive in Cairo and transfer to your hotel for check-in and some leisure time. In the afternoon, After lunch at a local restaurant, enjoy shopping at the lively Khan El Khalili Bazaar. End the evening with an optional dinner accompanied by a live local music band playing oriental beats at the renowned Naguib Mahfouz Restaurant, named after Egypt's Nobel Prize-winning author.

**B-L**

### Day 16 –Sunday: Departure

Bid farewell to Egypt, taking home unforgettable memories of your Nile journey. Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

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## INCLUDED

- All transfers to and from the airport and Nile cruise, as per the itinerary
- Sightseeing in Cairo with an English-speaking guide
- 3 nights' accommodation in a 5★ hotel in Cairo BB
- 11 nights on board a Nile cruise vessel, officially rated 5★ (our assessment: a comfortable 4★+). Full board throughout. Cruise from Cairo to Aswan.
- 1 Nights sleeper Train from Aswan to Cairo HB
- Additional English-speaking tour guide on board the Nile cruise available on demand

## NOT INCLUDED

- Flight tickets
- Travel Insurance
- Tipping on board the Nile cruise (approx. USD 10–15 per person, per night)
- Entry visa to Egypt currently (USD 25)
- **Shore Excursions on board Nile cruise**
- **Onboard AI drinks supplement: \$75 pp per Night**

## Shore Excursions, Your Way

Excursion pricing is flexible to suit all guests. While Cairo's iconic highlights are included, all other shore visits on the longer cruise are optional, giving you the choice to explore or simply relax on board.

**Special programmes, such as the Holy Family Route, can be arranged with prior notice.**

## Holiday Beach Extension

7 Nights in a 5★ North Coast Hotel from \$799 pp (Full Board). See page 11.

## Book Early, Save Big Get 25% Off

Take advantage of our exclusive Early Booking Offer and save 25% on your dream holiday when you book before 31 December 2025.

### Pricing & Packages : Per Person

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Nile Deck	\$2,997	\$4,324
Main Deck	\$3,669	\$4,717
Upper Deck	\$3,850	\$5,110

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Sun	Pyramids & GEM included
Mon.	Old Cairo included
Wed.	Beni Hassan & Amarna \$ 160 pp
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Fri.	Abydos Temple \$ 150 pp
Sat.	Dendera \$ 100 pp
Sun.	Luxor West Bank \$ 100 pp
PM	Karnak & Luxor \$ 100 pp
Teu.	Esna \$ 40 pp
Wed.	Edfu Temple \$ 50 pp
PM	Kom ombo Temple \$ 40 pp
Thu.	Abu Simbel \$ 170 pp
PM	Felucca Ride & Nubian Village \$ 65 p
Fri.	H.dam. Obsik, Phiale \$ 90 pp

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# Your Red Sea Extention

## Gemma Resort Marsa Alam

Tucked between lush gardens and the turquoise Red Sea, Gemma Resort is a place where space and comfort meet natural beauty. Superior Rooms start at a generous 55 m<sup>2</sup>, Family Rooms stretch to 65 m<sup>2</sup>, and Junior Suites offer 95 m<sup>2</sup> with separate living areas, all featuring modern comforts and private balconies or terraces to take in the views.

Days drift easily between the golden beach, nine shimmering pools, and colourful coral reefs just offshore. You can unwind in the spa's Turkish bath or Jacuzzi, enjoy international dining and à la carte meals, or stay active with tennis, diving, and water sports.

Gemma Resort isn't just a hotel; it's a Red Sea escape where every detail — from spacious rooms to endless leisure — is designed to let you relax, explore, and reconnect.

### Red Sea Stay Extension

#### 7 Nights AI

Price PP from DBL \$799

Price PP from SGL \$1197

#### Includes

- Private Transfer from Luxor /Aswan to hotel
- Private transfer from hotel to Hurghada airport

#### Not Incl. Optional Excursions

- HD Safari \$160
- FD Boat Trip \$165



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## At a Glance

## Day by Day Itinerary

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Embark on an **10-day** journey that begins at the timeless **Pyramids of Giza** and carries you all the way to **Luxor**, the world's greatest open-air museum.

This is more than a cruise – it is a voyage through the heart of ancient Egypt, where every bend of the Nile reveals a new chapter of history, culture, and beauty.

From the grandeur of **Cairo** and its bustling bazaars, to the hidden tombs of **Beni Hassan** and the mystical city of Amarna, you will sail past fertile riverbanks and desert horizons that have witnessed thousands of years of civilisation.

Along the way, discover the sacred temples of **Abydos** and **Dendera**, before arriving in magnificent Luxor, home to the **Valley of the Kings**, **Karnak**, and the **Temple of Queen Hatshepsut**.

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### Day 1 – Saturday: Arrival in Cairo

Upon arrival in Cairo, you will be transferred to your hotel for a comfortable overnight stay, preparing for the adventure ahead.

### Day 2 – Sunday: Cairo's Treasures

Begin your journey with a visit to the **Grand Egyptian Museum**, home to some of the world's most important antiquities.

Continue to the legendary Pyramids of Giza for lunch with breathtaking views, followed by a guided tour of the **Pyramids** and the **Sphinx**.

End the day with a stroll through the bustling **Khan El Khalili Bazaar** before returning to your hotel for overnight.

**B-L**



### Day 3 – Monday: Cairo to Beni Suef

After breakfast, explore Cairo's historic treasures, the Coptic Quarter with its ancient churches, and El-Muizz Street, Egypt's oldest Islamic street.

By midday, return for check-in and lunch on board, then sail south as Cairo fades into peaceful Nile landscapes of fields and palm groves. Overnight in Beni Suef.

**B-L-D**

### Day 4 – Tuesday: Cruising to Minya

Enjoy a leisurely day on board as the ship sails towards **Minya**. From the sun deck, take in breathtaking scenes: the shimmering blue of the Nile, golden desert horizons, lush farmlands, and local villagers tending their fields and water buffalo along the riverbanks.

In the evening, enjoy a guided stroll through Minya, a charming city rarely visited by mass tourism.

**B-L-D**

### Day 5 – Wednesday: Minya – Beni Hassan – Amarna – Sailing to Asyut

After breakfast, visit the **rock-cut tombs of Beni Hassan**, with vivid scenes of ancient life. Continue to **Tel El Amarna, capital of Akhenaten**, to see **Aten temples** and unique tombs, before returning to sail south. Overnight on board.

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**B-L-D**

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**B-L-D**

### Day 10 – Monday: Departure

Today, after breakfast, you bid farewell to Egypt, carrying with you lasting memories of a remarkable journey. Transfer to the airport.

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## INCLUDED

- All transfers to and from the airport and Nile cruise, as per the itinerary
- Sightseeing in Cairo with an English-speaking guide
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Upper Deck	\$2,487	\$4,060

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## **The Grand Egyptian Museum Awaits**

*Seize the moment to explore the world's largest archaeological museum – a timeless encounter with Egypt's greatest treasures.*

