8-Day Classic Tour Cairo/Luxor/Aswan/Alexandria

Day 1:

On arrival at Cairo Airport, our representative will meet and assist you with the customs process. Then transfer to your hotel for check-in and overnight.

Day 2:

Around 8:00 AM, our Egyptologist will pick you up in a private, air-conditioned vehicle to explore one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World: the impressive three Pyramids of Kings Cheops, Chephren, and Menkaure which are guarded by the Sphinx, the rock-cut, half-human, half-lion statue.

We then proceed to the world-renowned Museum of Egyptian Antiques to tour a collection of over 120,000 masterpieces ranging from the Pre-Dynastic Era and Pharaonic Era to the Greco-Roman Period, including the treasures of King Tutankhamen and the Pharaonic Gods and Goddess, with an optional visit to the Mummies Room where you'll learn about the Great Egyptian Civilization and its mummification art.

We end with a trek to Khan el Khalili Bazaar, one of Cairo's main attractions, a bazaar where you will find countless souvenirs shops and restaurants as well as coffeehouses serving Arabic Coffee and offering Hookah "Shisha".

Then back to your hotel to stay overnight.

Day 3:

Breakfast at your hotel, then a flight to Aswan City. Upon arrival, our Egyptologist will accompany you on an exciting tour of the world-famous High Dam. Continue to the Granite Quarries which supplied the ancient pyramids and still hold the famous Unfinished Obelisk. Then transfer to your Nile Cruise Ship, for a 4-Day/3-Night cruise from Aswan to Luxor. Lunch, afternoon tea and shipboard leisure time. Then, a trip by boat to the Island of Egilka to visit the majestic Philae Temple, dedicated to the Goddess Isis.

Return to our Nile Cruise Ship for dinner and overnight.

Day 4:

Shipboard breakfast before being escorted by your Egyptologist for an optional tour to explore the Temples of Ramses II in Abu Simbel, one of Egypt's most visited sites. Then, on to Aswan to re-embark your Nile cruise ship. Lunch, afternoon tea, and free time aboard your Nile Cruise sailing to Kom Ombo. Dinner and overnight stay onboard your Nile Cruise Ship.

Day 5:

After breakfast, your Egyptologist takes you to the Temple of Kom Ombo, the crocodile-headed god of fertility and creator of the world. Lunch and leisure time on your ship while sailing to Edfu to explore the Temple of Horus, one of the best-preserved Ancient Egyptian temples on the Nile. From there, the cruise continues to Luxor. Afternoon tea is served on the sun deck.

Dinner and overnight stay onboard your Nile Cruise Ship.

Day 6:

Breakfast onboard. Your tour guide then picks you up to visit archaeological sites of the Ancient Egyptians on the West Bank of the Nile including the two colossal statues of Amenhotep III, the Colossi of Memnon. From there, visit three magnificent tombs at the Valley of the Kings. Continue on to visit the Hatshepsut Temple at El Deir El Bahary. This impressive temple was dedicated to Queen Hatshepsut, the only female pharaoh.

We then visit the two massive temples on the Eastern Bank of the Nile, the Temple of Luxor, and Temple

of Karnak. Afterwards, you will fly back to Cairo where our representative will escort you to your hotel. **Check-in and overnight at Cairo.**

Day 7:

Breakfast at the hotel, then your guide takes you to discover the beauty of the Greco-Roman Civilization at Alexandria, Egypt's second capital. You'll visit the Catacombs which is the largest known Roman burial site in Egypt. Then, a photo stop at Qaitbay's Citadel, the 15th-Century fortress on the Mediterranean Coast, erected on the exact site of the famous Lighthouse of Alexandria, which was one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. We end the tour with a visit to the Montazah Royal Palaces and Gardens which belong to the royal family of Mohamed Ali Pasha.

Drive back to Cairo and overnight.

Day 8:

Breakfast at your hotel and check-out.

Travel to Cairo airport for your flight back home.