

Lake at the Karnak Temple complex

Tour Code: EHRS21



# Highlights of Egypt

*Including Nile Cruise & Red Sea*

**SCHEDULED DEPARTURES:**

March 6– 16, 2021

May 8 - 18, 2021

October 2 - 12, 2021

*Additional dates available for groups of 8-40. "Go Private" with a surcharge for a minimum of 2 passengers.*



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Giza Plateau



**Day 1: Saturday • Depart for Egypt**

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**Day 2: Sunday • Cairo**

Welcome to Egypt, one of the world's greatest ancient civilizations. We arrive in Cairo, meet our Ed-Ventures representative and transfer to our hotel. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. Tonight, attend an orientation while sipping on your welcome drink with your Tour Manager and fellow travelers at your hotel.

**Day 3: Monday • Cairo**

After a hearty breakfast at the hotel, we start our tour at the **Grand Egyptian Museum**, a neoclassical building located on **Tahir Square**. The museum houses the world's largest collection of ancient Egyptian artifacts with more than 120,000 items on display. Our tour manager points out some of the more interesting artifacts and brings their stories to life. We enjoy lunch at an authentic **Egyptian restaurant** nearby. We then visit **Old Cairo's ancient churches with crypts** where the Holy family stayed during their period of exile. We also visit a Jewish Synagogue before visiting the **first Mosque of Egypt, Mosque of Amr Ibn El As**. Tonight, attend an optional Sound & Light Show held in Giza with views of the mighty Pyramids. A spectacular and unforgettable evening, then return to the hotel and treat yourself to a superb dinner at one of the fine international restaurants. **B/L**

**Optional: Sound & Light Show at Pyramids \$55**

**Day 4: Tuesday • Cairo**

After breakfast, we visit the **famous Pyramids of Giza**, built during the 3rd and 4th dynasties of the Old Kingdom. Enjoy an up-close view of the Great Pyramid, built for the Pharaoh Khufu, as well as the Pyramids of Khafre and Menkaure. We **ride camels** into the nearby desert for a different view. Not far from the Pyramids, we see the **Mythical Sphinx of Giza**, the legendary statue with the head of a human and the body of a lion, amazingly carved out of one huge piece of limestone. We have lunch at an authentic Egyptian food restaurant before continuing to **Sakkara and the Step Pyramid**. It is the first Pyramid and the oldest construction of stone in the whole world. We also observe wall carvings with daily life activities depicted on the Nobel Tombs. You may have the opportunity to explore the Pharaoh's Burial chamber. We return to our hotel for relaxing evening on our own **B,L**



Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut

**Day 5: Wednesday • Aswan/Nile Cruise**

After breakfast, we fly to Aswan. Upon arrival, we have the morning at leisure in this ancient frontier town or, join the *optional Abu Simbel tour*. A flight from Aswan transports you back in time to the mighty **Temple of Abu Simbel**, reclaimed from the floodwaters of the Aswan High Dam and totally reconstructed in the present location. The site is dominated by the looming twin temples of Ramses II and his wife Queen Nefertari. It is one of the most recognizable ancient sites of Egypt. We fly back to Aswan and transfer to our cruise ship, our home for the next three nights. After lunch, we have the opportunity for a rare glimpse into another world and even another time as we visit Nubian Village including a family house. We sail with a motorboat through the National Parks of Aswan, watching local & migrant birds, various plants while learning about the Nubians' origin, culture, ancient & modern history. We end our tour walking around the streets of the Nubian Village smelling the wonderful aromas of many herbs & spices **B,L,D**

**Optional: Abu Simbel Temples – Round Trip Flight from Aswan \$355**

**Day 6: Thursday • Nile Cruise**

After breakfast, take a tour to **Philae Temple** dedicated to the goddess Isis, and marvel at the temple's beautiful island location. While there, learn about the legend of Isis & Osiris before continuing to the **beautiful Botanical Garden of Aswan** to marvel over the tropical trees and flowers. In the afternoon, our Nile cruise sets sail for an unforgettable journey on the legendary Nile River. Our first stop is the **temple of Kom Ombo**, dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek and the sky god Horus. We continue sailing to Edfu where we dock for the evening. Tonight, enjoy an Egyptian Galabiya Night (Dress Party) with Egyptian food, music and dancing and fun. **B,L,D**

**Day 7: Friday • Nile Cruise**

This morning, enjoy a relaxing morning on the boat as we **sail via Esna to Luxor**, known in ancient Egyptian times as the city of Thebes. In the afternoon, we take a sightseeing tour of the **East Bank of Luxor**. We visit the magnificent **Temples of Karnak**, dating back over 3,000 years. Walking along the avenue of the Sphinxes, we marvel at the Hypostyle Hall with its 134 massive sandstone columns. Then we ride a **horse-carriage through the local and tourist market of Luxor** and drive by Luxor temple and riverside. Tonight, we enjoy Belly and Dervish Dancing shows along with live music and drumming. **B,L,D**

Temple of Karnak



**Day 8: Saturday • Hurghada**

Today, we view the magnificence of the **Luxor West Bank** with a visit to the UNESCO listed **Valley of the Kings**, the necropolis of Thebes and admire the tombs of ancient Egypt's rulers. Next, head to the **Temple of Hatshepsut**, a colonnaded structure surrounded by cliffs and learn about the life of Queen Hatshepsut, Egypt's first female ruler. We then visit the Alabaster house before concluding our tour at the Colossi of Memnon: two massive stone statues of the Pharaoh Amenhotep III. After enjoying lunch overlooking Luxor temple, we transfer to Hurghada Resort City on the Red Sea (4 hours' drive). **B,L**

**Day 9: Sunday • Hurghada**

After breakfast, we board a **Yacht** for a wonderful trip to **snorkel** and experience the crystal clear warm water of the **Red Sea**. This area is filled with beautiful coral and colored fish around the famous Islands of the Red Sea. After lunch served onboard, we visit the **Giftun Island** and enjoy its sandy beach. *(Certified divers may wish to partake in an optional dive for an extra fee of \$80).* The evening is at leisure to enjoy the facilities of the hotel and dine on your own in a restaurant of your choosing. **B,L**

**Day 10: Monday - Cairo**

This morning we enjoy an exploration visit to the **Egyptian desert** and the **Bedouins** to learn about their life and traditions. Enjoy a jeep ride, short camel ride (if you wish), tea or coffee. In the late afternoon, we transfer to Hurghada airport for your short flight to Cairo and check into our hotel. **B**

**Day 11: Tuesday • Depart home**

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight back home. **B**

**Abbreviations for Meals**  
**B**=Breakfast **L**=Lunch **D**=Dinner

**Tour Prices:**

| <i>Departure Date</i> | <i>Standard Price</i>        | <i>Special Offer</i> |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Mar. 6, 2021          | <del>\$5150 per person</del> | \$3249 per person    |
| May 8, 2021           | <del>\$4750 per person</del> | \$3069 per person    |
| Oct. 2, 2021          | <del>\$5250 per person</del> | \$3299 per person    |

*Special Offer\**

Additional dates available for groups of 8-40.

"Go Private" with a surcharge for a minimum of 2 passengers.

Single occupancy available: +\$750

**Your Tour Includes:**

- **Land transportation** via private, deluxe air conditioned vehicle
- Domestic flights within Egypt
- **Accommodations** (double-occupancy) in 4 and 5 star hotels
- **Meals** as indicated in itinerary
- English-speaking Egyptologist/tour manager throughout
- **Admission** to all activities as per itinerary
- Entry Visa at Cairo airport (Available upon arrival)
- **All taxes and tips including end of tour tips** for tour manager and coach driver.

**Your Tour Does Not Include:**

- International flights to/from Cairo. Booking assistance is available upon request. Estimated fares from ORD \$800 - \$1600 depending on dates, airline and routing.
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. *(Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.)*
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (This insurance is available and recommended.)

**Payment Schedule:**

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person is due with reservation. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure date. Invoice will be sent out prior to final payment. Early registration is encouraged.

**Currency:**

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, we reserve the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

**Refund/Cancellation Policy:**

All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable.

From time of deposit to 91 days, the cancellation fee is \$25.

From 90 - 31 days, fee is \$250

From 30 - 15 days, fee is \$850

From 14 - 8 days, fee is \$1,800

Less than 7 days, No refund

**COVID19**

Please note that anyone needing to cancel due to COVID restrictions may choose to receive full credit for future travel to Egypt. If cancelling 30 days or less prior to travel, there is a \$125 rebooking fee.

*Purchase of health, baggage and trip cancellation/interruption insurance is strongly encouraged.*

## Terms and Conditions

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Please register me for:

EHRS21 Departure \_\_\_\_\_

Single Supplement • \$750

Optional Tours:

Sound & Light Show at the Pyramids: \$55 per person

The Temples at Abu Simbel flight & tour: \$355 per person

Diving at Red Sea (must be a certified diver): \$80

## Passenger Information (1<sup>st</sup> Traveler)

Please record information **exactly as it appears on your passport**. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport. *Best practice is to include a copy of the photo page of your passport.*

Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name for name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Authority: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (required by airline):  Male  Female

Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

## Passenger Information (2<sup>nd</sup> Traveler)

Please record information **exactly as it appears on your passport**. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport. *Best practice is to include a copy of the photo page of your passport.*

Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name for name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Authority: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone/cell: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed (1 bed) Twin Beds (2 beds)

Roommate name: \_\_\_\_\_ OR Single supplement:  Yes  No

## Travel Insurance (please check one)

I wish to purchase Travel Guard insurance and have included the premium with my deposit.

I wish to decline the travel insurance offered. I understand I am solely responsible for any cancellation penalties and out of pocket expenses occurred should I have an emergency before or during the tour.

## Deposit Payment Information

Enclosed is my \$ \_\_\_\_\_ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable). **Make checks payable to Ed-Ventures, Inc.**

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable) to my Discover/MasterCard/Visa

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Card ID Code:\* \_\_\_\_\_ \*last 3 digits in signature box on the back of the card

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Signature of 1<sup>st</sup> traveler: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> traveler: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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