



Egypt: A Luxurious Nile Journey Through Timeless Treasures

DURATION | 9 Days

TRIP LEVEL | Active

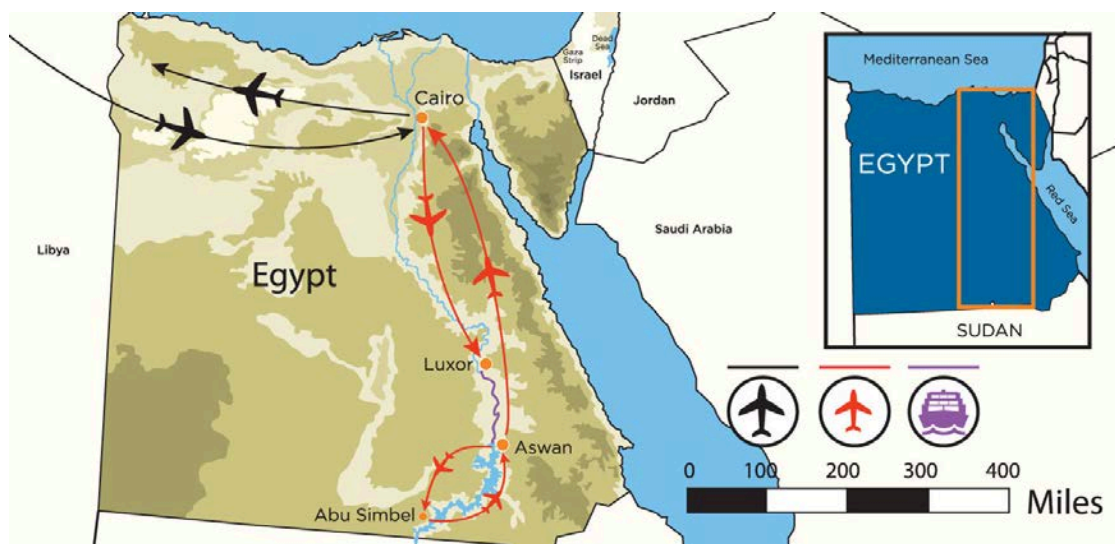
Trip Overview

Join AdventureWomen for an unforgettable all-women journey through Egypt, where you'll explore iconic landmarks like the Great Pyramids, the Sphinx, the Egyptian Museum, and temples of Luxor, Karnak, Abu Simbel, and Philae. Experience the luxury of the Oberoi Zahra Nile Cruise, with gourmet meals and exceptional comfort. This trip offers cultural immersion with visits to the Khan El Khalili market, a Nubian village, and an optional hot air balloon ride over Luxor. This adventure will both connect and empower women creating memories to cherish for a lifetime.

Trip Highlights

- Visit the Great Pyramids, Sphinx, Egyptian Museum, and temples of Luxor, Karnak, Abu Simbel, and Philae.
- Sail the Nile aboard the Oberoi Zahra, enjoying comfort, gourmet meals, and onboard entertainment.
- Gain insights from an experienced Egyptologist and explore local traditions with visits to Khan El Khalili market, a Nubian village, and an optional hot air balloon ride over Luxor.

Map View



Trip Itinerary



Day 1

Welcome to Cairo!

Arrive at Cairo International Airport (CAI) at any time today, where a local representative will assist you through airport formalities for a smooth entry into Egypt. Transfer to the historic Marriott Mena House, offering stunning pyramid views from its common areas. After checking in to your Deluxe Garden View room, enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure. Relax at the hotel, explore nearby surroundings, or savor dinner at your choice of local restaurants or the hotel's exquisite dining options.



The Marriott Mena House

The Marriott Mena House is one of the most unique hotels in Cairo, with its own rich and colorful history. Surrounded by 40 acres of verdant green gardens, this palatial hotel is in the shadows of the Great Pyramids of Giza in Cairo. Your accommodation is Deluxe Garden view.

Amenities: complimentary toiletries, hair dryer, minibar, electric kettle, coffee / tea maker, bottled water, safe, flatscreen TV, cable / satellite TV, Wi-Fi, air conditioning



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Day 2

Historic Cairo Exploration

Begin your day with breakfast at the hotel before meeting your personal Egyptologist at 11:00 AM for today's explorations. Visit the iconic Egyptian Museum of Antiquities or, if open, the Grand Egyptian Museum instead. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before touring the Citadel of Saladin, with its stunning Mohamed Ali Mosque and panoramic city views. Stroll through Khan El Khalili market and architectural wonders on Muizz Street. Conclude the day with a gourmet welcome dinner, connecting with fellow travelers and sharing stories of your excitement for your Egyptian adventures.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: The Marriott Mena House



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Day 3

Ancient Wonders of Egypt

After breakfast, begin your day with a visit to Sakkara, home to the Step Pyramid of Zoser, the world's oldest stone structure. Explore its fascinating tombs and learn about ancient burial practices. Next, head to Memphis, Egypt's ancient capital, to see its impressive ruins and statues. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before visiting the iconic Great Pyramids of Giza and the majestic Sphinx. Spend your evening at leisure, dining at your hotel or exploring Cairo's vibrant culinary scene.

Meals: breakfast, lunch | Overnight: The Marriott Mena House



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Day 4

Explore Luxor and Begin Nile Cruise

After breakfast, check out and take a short flight from Cairo to Luxor, the city of ancient wonders. Visit Karnak Temple, renowned for its colossal Hypostyle Hall and shrines. Next, explore Luxor Museum, showcasing remarkable artifacts from the Theban region. At 1:00 PM, check in aboard the luxurious Oberoi Zahra Nile Cruise and enjoy lunch with scenic Nile views. In the late afternoon, visit Luxor Temple, stunning at sunset. End the day with a gourmet dinner onboard before an overnight on the Nile.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: The Oberoi Zahra



The Oberoi Zahra

The Oberoi Zahra is a five-star luxury Nile cruise that offers an unparalleled experience of Egypt's ancient wonders. Sail through five thousand years of history as you visit magnificent temples with expert-guided tours. Onboard, enjoy captivating traditional dance and music performances, adding a rich cultural touch to your journey. Every detail is designed with your comfort in mind, with attentive, personalized service ensuring the finest Nile cruise experience.



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Day 5

Tomb Exploration and River Cruise

Start your day with an optional hot air balloon ride (additional fees) over the West Bank for stunning views of ancient tombs and temples. After breakfast onboard, visit the Valley of the Kings to explore richly decorated tombs, including King Tutankhamun's, and the magnificent Temple of Queen Hatshepsut. Stop by the Colossi of Memnon for a photo op, or optionally visit the elaborate tomb of Seti I. Enjoy lunch as the ship sails to Edfu, passing Esna Lock. Dinner and overnight onboard in Edfu.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: The Oberoi Zahra



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Day 6

Discover Ancient Temple

Start your day with a morning visit to the Temple of Horus at Edfu, reached by a memorable horse-drawn carriage ride. Explore this well-preserved temple dedicated to Horus, the falcon-headed god. After, sail to Kom Ombo, enjoying a 5-hour journey along the Nile with lunch onboard. Visit the unique Temple of Kom Ombo at 3:30 PM, famous for its carvings of ancient surgical instruments. Continue sailing to Aswan, arriving in the evening. Enjoy dinner and overnight onboard in Aswan.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: The Oberoi Zahra



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Day 7

Picturesque Experiences and Visit to Nubian Village

After breakfast, visit the serene Temple of Philae, dedicated to the goddess Isis and set on a picturesque Nile island. Enjoy lunch onboard, followed by a relaxing Felucca ride around Kitchener Island. Later, visit a traditional Nubian village to experience their vibrant culture and warm hospitality. End the day with dinner onboard and overnight in Aswan aboard the cruise

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Day 8

Relics of Abu Simbel

Enjoy your final breakfast onboard before checking out. Fly from Aswan to the iconic rock Abu Simbel Temples, built by Ramses II and relocated to avoid flooding, a marvel of ancient and modern engineering. After exploring this UNESCO site fly back to Aswan, then continue to Cairo, arriving in the late afternoon. Check-in at your hotel and enjoy a farewell dinner with your fellow travelers, reflecting on the unforgettable memories from your journey through Egypt.

Meals: breakfast, dinner | Overnight: Intercontinental Cairo Citystars



Intercontinental Cairo Citystars

The Intercontinental Citystars offers a convenient location in the busy center of Heliopolis, which is a tree lined suburb of Cairo that is home to Egypt's Diplomatic and Presidential offices.

Amenities: complimentary toiletries, minibar, safe, flatscreen TV, Wi-Fi, air conditioning

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Day 9

Farewell to Egypt

After breakfast, you'll check out of your hotel. Transfer to Cairo International Airport where you will receive assistance through the airport as you prepare for your departure, ensuring a smooth and comfortable end to your journey.

What's Included

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- Accommodations as per itinerary based on double occupancy
- All meals as listed in the itinerary
- All ground transportation
- Domestic airfare (priced separately from the main trip)
- One group transfer on arrival and departure
- Guided sightseeing and activities as indicated in the itinerary
- English-speaking Egyptologist guide in Egypt
- English-speaking guide(s) throughout the trip
- Entrance fees
- All gratuities except for the Egyptologist

Not Included

- International airfare
- Optional activities
- Meals not specified in the itinerary
- Alcoholic beverages (unless otherwise specified)
- Fees for passport, visas, immunizations, or travel insurance
- Cost of hospitalization or evacuation
- Items of a personal nature
- Gratuities for the Egyptologist

Please note: AdventureWomen will attempt to adhere to the itinerary as much as possible. However, certain conditions (political, climatic, environmental, and cultural) may necessitate changes in the itinerary. AdventureWomen reserves the right to alter any itinerary at any time if necessary. We will attempt to notify participants of changes as far in advance as possible. Costs incurred by such changes will be the responsibility of the participants.

