

# THE JEWEL OF THE NILE

10 days/9 Nights

April 30 - May 10, 2024

# **Land & Airfare**

per person in shared occupancy

\$5,120

fuel surcharges may apply

**Single Supplement** \$1,499

Tuesday April 30, 2024

USA TO CAIRO Depart IAD on your overnight flight to Cairo, Egypt.

Wednesday May 1, 2024

CAIRO Arrive in the Land of the Pharaohs. Upon completion of immigration and customs formalities at Cairo International Airport, you will be met at the exit by our representative and escorted to your hotel.

Thursday May 2, 2024

CAIRO After enjoying your breakfast, you will visit the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities to see the world's largest collection of Pharaonic artifacts. Next, it's on to the Saladin Citadel of Cairo, a medieval fortification located on Mokattam where you will enjoy a fresh breeze and grand views of the city. Today, it is a preserved historic site with mosques and museums. Then you will have your lunch at Local restaurant and continue your exploration, visiting Al Moallaka Church (Hanging Church), and Khan El Khalili bazaar. (B, L)

Friday May 3, 2024

**CAIRO** After breakfast, enjoy a day at leisure.

Saturday May 4, 2024

CAIRO I LUXOR Transfer from your hotel to Cairo Airport for your morning flight to Luxor. Upon arrival you will be escorted to your Nile cruise ship. Savor lunch on board before heading out with your guide to visit the impressive Karnak Temple and the Luxor Temple. The Temple of Karnak, located on the East bank of the Nile, was built by several great kings of Egypt including King Ramses II, King Tutmosis III, and Queen Hatshepsut. It was dedicated to the triad of Thebes: god Amun Ra, goddess Mut, and god Khonsu. Luxor Temple was dedicated to the god Amun and contains structures from many periods, the earliest dating back to the 12th Dynasty. Back on board, enjoy afternoon tea and dinner. (B, L, D)

Sunday May 5, 2024

LUXOR I ESNA Rise and shine with breakfast on board followed by a visit to the West Bank necropolis including the Valley of the Kings & Queens where magnificent tombs were carved into the desert rocks, decorated richly, and filled with treasures for the afterlife by generations of Pharaohs. Then visit the Funerary Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir El Bahari who ruled Egypt for almost 20 years. She chose a very well protected location as it is surrounded by the mountains. Enjoy lunch on board, a sailing to Esna, and afternoon tea before the Captain's welcome cocktail party followed by dinner on board. (B, L, D)

Monday May 6, 2024

ESNA I EDFU I KOM OMBO Sail to Edfu and have breakfast on board this morning. Today you will visit Edfu Temple. Totally submerged under the desert except for the very top of the pylon entrance, it is ancient Egypt's most complete and best preserved temple. A small amount of stone had been removed from the exposed part, but when excavated it was

found to be in near perfect condition. Enjoy lunch on board and afternoon tea before visiting the temple of Kom Ombo, uniquely dedicated to two gods. The southern half of the temple was dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek, while the northern part of the temple was dedicated to the falcon god Haroeris. Later, join in the Galabeya party and dinner on board. (B, L, D)

Tuesday May 7, 2024

KOM OMBO I ASWAN Sail to Aswan and enjoy breakfast on board followed by a visit to the world famous High Dam, an engineering miracle when it was built in the 1960s. The dam was completed in 1971 and the huge reservoir behind it, named for President Nasser, was finished filling in 1979. The High Dam provided about half of the electricity production in Egypt, bringing power to most of Egypt's villages for the first time. By regulating the flow of the river, the dam also increased the cultivatable land in Egypt by around 30 percent and allowed development in new areas that were previously inundated annually when the river flooded. Later, visit the Granite Ouarries and see the unfinished obelisk; discover Philae Temple that rose to prominence during the Ptolomaic Dynasty as the center of the cult of the goddess Isis. Have lunch on board, followed by a sailing along the Nile by felucca around Kitchener's Island and Agha Khan Mausoleum. Sip on afternoon tea, and then enjoy the Nubian Folkloric show followed by dinner on board. N.B: - Nile Cruise itinerary may change in sequence but not in visits. (B, L, D)

Wednesday May 8 2024

ASWAN I CAIRO Delight in breakfast on board then transfer from your Nile Cruiser to Aswan Airport for your morning flight to Cairo. Upon arrival you will be escorted to your Cairo Hotel. The entire day is free for you to enjoy this wonderful city on your own or relax in the comfort of your hotel. (B)

Thursday May 9, 2024

CAIRO After breakfast, visit the Pyramids of Giza, the main part of a complex setting of buildings that included two mortuary temples in honor of Khufu, three smaller pyramids for Khufu's wives, an even smaller "satellite" pyramid, a raised causeway connecting the two temples, and small Mastaba tombs surrounding the pyramid for nobles. One of the small pyramids contains the tomb of queen Hetepheres, sister and wife of Snefru and the mother of Khufu. Visit the Solar Boat Museum at the base of the Pyramid of Cheops. See the Sphinx, with the head of a man and the body of a lion. Enjoy lunch at a Local restaurant and continue to Sakkara, you will see the famous Step Pyramid. At the site of Memphis, you will see the ancient capital that once stood as a flourishing metropolis during the time of the Pharaohs. (B, L)



Friday May 10, 2024

CAIRO TO USA (OR EXTEND YOUR STAY) After breakfast, transfer from the hotel to Cairo International airport for your return home. (B)



### Tour Features

- International flights from IAD to Cairo
- All transfers in Cairo, Luxor & Aswan
- 5-nights' accommodation at the Conrad Cairo hotel or similar based on bed & breakfast basis
- 4-niahts' accommodation on board of the H/S Nebu or similar based on full board basis starting with lunch and ending with breakfast
- Full Day Pyramids, Sphinx, Memphis, Sakkara including lunch while touring in a local restaurant.
- Full Day Museum, Citadel, Old Cairo including lunch while touring in a local restaurant
- Domestic Flights within Egypt (Cairo-Luxor / Aswan-Cairo)
- Excursion on board of the boat
  - The High Dam, Obelisk & Philae Temple
  - Felucca around Kitchener islands
  - Kom Ombo Edfu
  - Karnak & Luxor Temple
  - West Bank: Velley of Kings, Hatshepsut & the colossi of Memnon
- Throughout English-speaking Guide
- Tips (Gratuities)
- Visa Entry for US Passport Holders



## **Hotel List**

**Cairo** Conrad Cairo 05/01 - 05/04/2024 Cruise H/S NEBU (LXR/ASW) 05/04 - 05/08/2024 Cairo Conrad Cairo 05/08 - 05/10/2024

# 🚇 Deposit Info

\$500 deposit due via cash, check, Zelle at time of registration. Future payments may be made via cash, check, Zelle or Credit Card. Final payment is due February 15, 2024.

### Notes

Optional travel protection is highly recommended.

### **Terms & Conditions**

**Please Note:** Though rare, it may be necessary to substitute hotels and adjust itineraries at guide's discretion due to local conditions.

**Conditions:** Price is per person based on double occupancy. Pricing subject to change and based upon availability.

### **Cancellation Policy**

\$300 per person cancellation fee.

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