

# Best of Egypt

07 - 16 August

**Alitalia**

10 days from €193 (Lm 83) per day

Prices quoted are per person in Euro and may vary without notice. Conditions apply

This feature packed tour utilises different modes of transport to maximise your time in Egypt. Your Nile cruise, with its ever changing scenery and frequent stops at ancient monuments, provides a wonderful opportunity to settle back and indulge yourself. The overnight train to Aswan has a club lounge carriage and air-conditioned sleeping cars - it's a great local experience and ensures this tour is great value for money. Highlights include the Great Pyramids of Giza and the awesome temple complex of Karnak.

Experience the pyramids of Giza



**Day 1 – Malta - Cairo.** Meet the tour leader at Malta International Airport where we check in for our Alitalia flight to Cairo.

**Day 2 – Cairo.** Upon arrival we are transferred to our hotel. Welcome to Egypt, a country rich in wonders and mysteries - many are revealed on this tour. Relax and settle in **Hotel: Marriott.**

**Day 3 – Cairo Sightseeing.** Begin your Cairo sightseeing with a drive to Memphis, capital of the Old Kingdom, to see the statue of Rameses II and the Alabaster Sphinx. Continue to Sakkara to view the Step Pyramid of Zoser I, which is the oldest in the world. Marvel at one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient world when you visit the Great Pyramids at Giza, and their guardian, the Sphinx. **(BB)**

**Day 4 – Cairo – Overnight Train.** Visit the Egyptian Museum to see the treasure recovered from the tomb of Tutankhamun. Now enjoy fine views over the city from the citadel of Salah El Din before visiting the alabaster Mosque of Mohammed Ali. Spend a leisurely afternoon in Cairo before boarding your overnight sleeper train to Aswan. **(BB,D)**

**Day 5 – Aswan Sightseeing.** Begin your Aswan sightseeing with a visit to the modern High Dam. Continue by motorboat to the well preserved temple of Philae, rising from the waters of the Nile. Now view the unfinished obelisk in the granite quarries, before continuing to your hotel set on Elephantine Island in the middle of the Nile. Enjoy high tea in the garden of your hotel as the sun begins to set. **Hotel: Movenpick. (BB)**

**Day 6 – Cruising Aswan.** This morning is free. Maybe take an optional air excursion to see the Temples of Rameses II at Abu Simbel? See details on page 158. Later, board your comfortable Nile cruiser. Ship: MS Medea/MS Sapphire **(BB,L,D)**

**Day 7 – Cruising Edfu.** Sail around Aswan's Botanical Gardens in a traditional Nile felucca before cruising to Kom Ombo. Here, on the banks of the Nile, visit the Temple of Sobek. Sit back and enjoy the ever changing scenery as you cruise towards Edfu. **(BB,L,D)**

**Day 8 – Cruising Luxor.** Visit the the beautifully preserved Temple of Horus, the Falcon God. Then continue cruising through Esna Lock to Luxor where you visit Luxor Temple. Spend the evening enjoying a fun-filled Egyptian dinner and Galabea party. **(BB,L,HD)**

**Day 9 – Luxor – Cairo.** Cross to the West Bank of the Nile to see the Colossi of Memnon, and visit the reconstructed Temple of Hatshepsut. Continue to the Valley of the Kings - final resting place of many of Egypt's ancient rulers. After visiting several of the Pharaohs' tombs, return to Luxor. Your final highlight is the enormous Temple complex of Karnak. Among its many splendours is the Hypostyle Hall, with its colossal columns 70 feet high. Transfer to the airport for your flight back to Cairo. **Hotel: Marriott. (BB)**

**Day 10 – Cairo - Malta.** The tour comes to an end with a transfer to the airport for your flight to Malta.

## VISITING CAIRO, ASWAN, LUXOR



## Enjoy Your Included Tour Features

### Premium Highlights

A motorboat to the temples on Philae Island  
See Tutankhamun's treasure in the Egyptian Museum  
Visit Hatshepsut's temple and the Valley of the Kings

### Additional Excursions & Sights

See the Rameses II statue & Alabaster Sphinx in Memphis  
See the ancient step pyramid of Zoser  
See the Pyramids of Giza & the Sphinx  
Views over Cairo from the Citadel & visit to Mohammed Ali Mosque  
Sail on a 'felucca', visit the Aswan High Dam & see the unfinished obelisk  
Enjoy high tea at sunset in Aswan  
Visit the Temples of Horus & Sobek  
Tour the temples of Luxor & Karnak  
See the Colossi of Memnon

### Cairo & Nile Cruise

Professional multi-lingual Egyptologist/  
Tour Director to escort you

Sightseeing by air-conditioned coach  
First Class and Deluxe hotels with service charges, taxes & portage  
3 Night Nile cruise on MS Medea or Sapphire (or similar) including all cruise boat gratuities  
Traveller document wallet, map book journal and information pack  
Scheduled air travel Luxor to Cairo  
Cairo to Aswan by overnight train with twin berth cabins  
Airline Taxes, Fuel Surcharge and Service Charge  
Airport arrival & departure transfers  
Services of Resident Manager

### More Included Meals

Egyptian Galabea Party with entertainment  
7 buffet breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners, or buffets, (plus bottled water or tea or coffee while cruising)

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| Twin   | € 1929 | Lm 828  |
| Single | € 2449 | Lm 1051 |

Visa required



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