

## CAIRO AND THE NILE CRUISE



**Duration:** 8 days / 7 nights

**The price refers to:** person

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### **Day 1 January 01 Italy - Cairo**

Meeting of participants at Milan Malpensa airport. Meeting with tour leader and departure by scheduled flights to Cairo. Upon arrival, clear customs and transfer to hotel. Accommodation in reserved rooms , dinner and overnight stay.

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## Day 2 January 02 Cairo

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning devoted to visiting the necropolis of Saqqara and Memphis, capital of Egypt in the Old Kingdom. Lunch at a restaurant during the visit. In the afternoon Visit the Pyramids of Giza and the Sphinx. At the end of the visits return to the hotel, dinner and overnight stay. At Saqqara, necropolis of the ancient capital Memphis, stands an extraordinary funerary complex, designed by the architect Imhotep, later deified, which is the earliest example of stone architecture and contains within it the prototype of the pyramids, Pharaoh Zoser's Step Pyramid. You will also visit some 5th Dynasty tombs, called Mastabas, richly decorated with beautiful painted reliefs. Of the ancient capital Memphis, called Men-nefer (beautiful and stable) by the Egyptians, few remnants remain, largely buried under the present village of Mit-Rahina. The Pyramids of Giza were considered by the ancients to be one of the seven wonders of the world, and they still amaze and fascinate with their mighty bulk. The enigmatic face of the great Sphinx and the elegant and harmonious Valley Temple of Pyramid of Chephren will conclude the visiting program.

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## Day 3 January 03 Cairo

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning dedicated to visiting the Egyptian Museum in Cairo. Lunch at a restaurant during the visit. In the afternoon, continue to visit the citadel and Khan El Khalili Market. At the end of the visits return to the hotel, dinner and overnight stay. The Egyptian Museum in Cairo is the first and most important in the world. Spread over two levels, it contains countless fine examples of Egyptian art from all eras, from the Predynastic to the Greco-Roman period. Afternoon visits will provide an opportunity to learn about some of the most significant examples of Islamic art: the mosques, with their distinctive minarets and richly decorated rooms.

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## Day 4 January 04 Cairo - Aswan

Early morning transfer to the airport and departure by scheduled Egyptair flight to Aswan. Upon arrival transfer to hotel and buffet breakfast. In the morning departure by coach to Abu Simbel to visit the Abu Simbel Temple. Lunch during the visit. Return to Aswan in the evening, dinner and overnight at the hotel.

## Day 5 January 05 Luxor - Esna - Edfu

Breakfast at the hotel. Continue the trip with a visit to the Temple of Philea and the Aswan High Dam by boarding the motorboat. Lunch on board. The beauty of the place and the harmoniousness of the buildings have inspired writers and artists and given File the nickname "Pearl of the Nile." To save them from the waters of the Nile that would entirely submerge them after the construction of the Great Aswan Dam, all the File monuments were dismantled and rebuilt on a nearby island by an Italian firm. Threatened by the waters of Lake Nasser, the temples, thanks to a campaign sponsored by UNESCO, were dismantled and rebuilt 60 meters higher.

## Day 6 January 06 Edfu - Kom Ombo - Aswan

Buffet breakfast on board the motor vessel. Start sailing to Kom Ombo, lunch on board. Upon arrival in Kom-Ombo visit the Temple of the Two Deities Sobek & Horus. At the end of the visit, return to the motorboat to continue sailing to Edfu. Dinner and overnight stay on board.

## Day 7 January 07 Aswan

Breakfast on board the motor vessel. In the morning, visit the Temple of Edfu. Return to the motorboat, lunch on board and sail to Luxor. In the afternoon, visit the Karnak Monumental Complex and Luxor. Dinner and overnight stay on board.

## Day 8 January 08 Aswan - Cairo - Italy

Breakfast on board the motor vessel. In the morning visit the Valley of the Kings on the west bank of the Nile. Continue to the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut and on the way back, a final stop at the Colossi of Memnon, the two very famous statues placed at the entrance to the temple of Amenhotep II. Upon completion transfer to Luxor airport and departure for Cairo with onward flight to Milan.

### Il tour include:

Scheduled Egyptair flights from Milan Malpensa Airport taxes 3 nights in Cairo at Hotel Pyramids Park 5\* or similar 1 night in Aswan Hotel Isis Islande 4\* or similar 3 nights on Cruise Motorboat Royal Esadora 5\* or similar

Full board throughout the trip excluding drinks Tour of the Egyptian Museum visit to the citadel and the Mosques and Khan el Khalili Visit Menfi Sakkara the pyramids and the Sphinx All visits during the cruise Excursion to Abu Simbel by coach Egypt entry visa Medical baggage and cancellation insurance Clio Travel Companion

**Nel tour non è compreso:**

Tips Drinks with meals Personal extras and anything not expressed under the heading the fee includes

**FAQ**

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Cruise the Nile, a trip par excellence!  
Discover a thousand-year history of majestic temples, pharaohs and queens.  
Cruise gently on the waters of the Nile while admiring an enchanting and unique landscape.

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