

The Mosque-Madrassa of Sultan Hassan, Cairo

# EXPLORE CAIRO

#### CAIRO - 4 Days/3 Nights

### ITINERARY

## Day 1: Arrival in Cairo

Upon arrival at Cairo International Airport, you will be welcomed and assisted through the immigration process and airport customs & formalities. You will be then transferred to your hotel in modern air-conditioned coaches. Your representative will ensure a smooth hotel check-in. Overnight at the hotel in Cairo. (D)

#### Day 2: Half day Pyramids & Sphinx

After breakfast we start a guided tour to visit one of the Seven Wonders the great Pyramids of Giza (Cheops, Chephren and Mycerinus) were reckoned by the Greeks to be one of the Seven Wonders of the World. A single pyramid is built with 2.300.000 blocks, each weighing an average of two and a half tons. In the face of such immensity, one cannot help but feel the wonder and awe that so many writers and artists have sought to convey over the centuries. The Cheops Pyramid is more interesting, because its interior burial chambers are open for inspection by the

public. Not far from the Pyramids is the Great Sphinx of Giza, which dates from the time of Chephren (2620 BC). Hewn from natural yellowish limestone and standing 65 feet-high and 187 feet-long, this unforgettable statue combines the head of a Pharaon with a lion's body. A quick visit to a papyrus laboratory or a perfume shop can be arranged then. Lunch can be served at an oriental restaurant,

Afternoon at leisure or you may book an optional tour to explore ancient Egypt with a visit to Memphis, the museum with the famous statues of Ramses & Sakkara, which includes the step pyramid. Explore some of the mysteries with your knowledgeable Egyptologist.

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Evening optional tour to the spectacular sound & light show by the Sphinx.

Back to the hotel and overnight in Cairo.

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Day 3: Half Day National Museum & Bazaars

Breakfast at the hotel then start the tour to visit the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities.

Egyptian Museum; was established by the Egyptian government in 1835. The present museum building was built in 1900, in the new classical style by the French architect Marcel Dourgnon. The museum collections now exceed 120,000 artifacts, ranging from prehistoric era to the Greco Roman period. It has 107 halls, and the ground floor houses huge statues. The upper floor displays small statues, jewels, Tutankhamen treasures and the mummies. The museum also offers a photography section and a large library. A hall for the Royal Mummies was opened at the museum, housing eleven kings and queens.

Lunch can be served at an oriental restaurant. Afternoon at leisure or book an optional tour to visit the Citadel, the medieval fortress of Salah-El-Din and the Mosque of Mohammed Ali Your reward for buying the optional will be a





## **Pyramids of Giza**

complementary visit of Khan El Khalili bazaars; which is one of the most famous 

Meet & assist at Cairo Airport upon worldwide with its amazing narrow alleyways. The visitor can discover small restaurants and workaday cafes where Egyptians & non-Egyptians come to smoke water pipes and enjoy some of the traditional Egyptian drinks in the cafes scattered around the area (Few years ago, Naguib Mahfouz himself used to come and sit beneath the huge, ageing and discolored mirrors of the café). The Bazaars is always a fun part of the programs as the tourists find it an amusing experience, to bargain while buying some souvenirs. The bazaar is the domain of shopkeepers and tourists, Jewelers, items made from copper, parquetry boxes, semi-precious stones, rugs, blown glass dishes and other souvenirs. Drive back to your hotel. Evening optional tour to enjoy your dinner while cruising the Nile at night with spectacular panoramic view & folkloric shows.

Overnight in Cairo (B, L)

DAY 4: Kerkouane, Haouaria, Hammamet Breakfast in the hotel, and check out. Transfer to Cairo airport for your final flight back home. (B)

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- arrival & departure
- Round-trip airport to hotel transfers in a/c vehicles
- Private half day guided tour to the Pyramids & Sphinx area
- Private half day guided tour to the Egyptian Museum
- English speaking guide during tours.
- Entrance fees
- 03 nights' accommodation in Cairo based on BB bases.



The Great Sphinx



Amenhotep III and Queen Tiye, Cairo Museum

