

16 DAY UNDISCOVERED EGYPT

DESTINATIONS

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CAIRO
ALEXANDRIA
ABU SIMBEL
ASWAN
LUXOR
HURGHADA



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TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1

Destination	Cairo
Meals included	
Hotel	5 ★ Sonesta Hotel, Tower & Casino Cairo, or similar

Salaam Alaikum! Welcome to Egypt. On arrival at the airport, you will be met by a representative and taken to your hotel.

A buzzing metropolis, home to at least 19 million people, Cairo gives you a great feel for Egyptian streetlife. It's busy – almost frantic – and among the hustle and bustle, it's an exciting blend of old world and new. Arabs call this city Umm al-Dunya (the mother of the world). There are many beautiful mosques to visit, like the Mohammed Ali Mosque in the Citadel. Or head to the oldest part of Cairo, the Babylon Fortress, to see ancient ruins. For stunning panoramic views of the capital, go up the 187-metre-high Cairo Tower.

Try some street food – lamb shawarma, anyone? – or get a taste of Egyptian street life by visiting a cafe. Sit in an ahwa and sip traditional mint tea. The shisha pipe can be found in many ahwas and restaurants across Cairo.

DAY 2

Destination	Cairo 🚗 Alexandria
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	5 ★ Sheraton Montazah Hotel, or similar

This morning after breakfast we will visit the Egyptian Museum, home to one of the world's great collections of antiquities. Wander the treasure-filled halls of the museum, and make sure to check out the Royal Mummies Hall for a close encounter with some of the country's most important queens and pharaohs. The masses of gleaming artefacts recovered from the tomb of Tutankhamun are quite something.

Afterwards we depart Cairo and drive to the port city of Alexandria along what is known as the 'desert road'. Upon arrival in Alexandria, our experienced English speaking guide will take us on a scenic tour of the second largest city in Egypt, extending 32 km along the Mediterranean coast. Alexandria is known for its stunning broad beaches and seafront corniche dotted with sun loungers and cafes. Following this, prepare to delve into the captivating Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa. Heading underground, we'll get to view the largest known Roman burial site in Egypt, complete with burial chambers, labyrinth alleyways and entertaining rooms for families coming to visit the dead. The crypts are 20 metres below street level, and what probably began as a small family tomb grew into a coil of rooms that could accommodate more than 300 bodies. After this we will head to our hotel for check in, where you may spend the rest of the day at leisure or head out and explore the city.

DAY 3

Destination	Alexandria 🚗 El Alamein 🚗 Cairo
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Hotel	5 ★ Hyatt Regency Cairo West, or similar

This morning we depart Alexandria and drive towards the town of El Alamein where we will visit the Commonwealth War Cemetery and Memorial. It is here where two extended battles were fought during World War II. The first began on the 1st July 1942 and lasted for 27 days, ending as a stalemate. After 3 months of holding back the enemy, the allies launched a second attack which lasted for 13 days. The importance of El Alamein was highlighted by Winston Churchill, who said "Before Alamein we never had a victory." Following our visit here, we will drive back to Cairo and check into our beautiful hotel in view of the Pyramids of Giza.

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Destination	Cairo
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Hotel	5 ★ Hyatt Regency Cairo West, or similar

Today will be full of excitement as we head out to see some of the world's most iconic sights – the magnificent Pyramids of Giza and the Sphinx. Instantly familiar yet full of mystique, these incredible pharaonic tombs are an incredible sight and will fill you with awe. Here we'll explore these powerful structures that have stood tall and proud for 4,500 years. Afterwards, we'll head to the ancient site of Saqqara, the oldest complete stone complex known in history. Saqqara also served as the burial ground for Kings and High officials that lived in the ancient Egyptian Capital, Memphis. Here we'll view the legendary pyramids of Saqqara, including the famous Step Pyramid. Other small pyramids in the area are worth visiting, especially the King Unas Pyramids. The walls of his Pyramids are covered with texts or what can be called Magic spells to assist with the Pharaoh's journey in the afterlife. This concept continued to evolve to produce the so called 'Book of the Dead'. Many of the Book of the Dead texts can be seen in Valley of the Kings tombs in Luxor. As our tour here concludes, we'll head back to our hotel for an evening of leisure.

OPTIONAL TOUR - PYRAMIDS SOUND & LIGHT SHOW

Delight in an evening's entertainment as the Great Pyramid of Giza comes to life with lights and lasers under the night sky. The Sphinx "narrates" a condensed history of the ancient Egyptians while the projected effects give new perspective to the ancient structures.

Starts: approx: 6:00pm

Duration: approx. 2 ½ hours (show duration is 50 minutes)

Please note the start and duration times outlined are subject to change based on factors beyond our control such as traffic and weather conditions. Your Tour Guide will confirm operation times with you whilst on-tour and can answer any further questions you may have.

DAY 5

Destination	Cairo ✈️ via Aswan ✈️ Abu Simbel 🚢 Embark Lake Nasser Cruise
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	5 ★ Mövenpick MS Prince Abbas Nile cruise, or similar

Today we leave Cairo and fly to Abu Simbel (via Aswan). Often referred to as the Temples of Ramses II, the two enormous sandstone structures at Abu Simbel were built in 1255 BC by Ramses II to commemorate himself and his favorite wife Nefertari. The larger temple, dedicated to three major Egyptian deities, features four large statues of Ramses II on its facade, while the smaller temple is dedicated to the love goddess Hathor, with statues designed to embody Nefertari. Set on the banks of the artificial Lake Nasser, the structures were once in danger of being flooded with the construction of the Aswan High Dam but were saved via an extensive project to cut the temples into pieces and move them to higher ground, where they are seen today.

Following our tour of Abu Simbel we will board our Lake Nasser cruise.

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OPTIONAL TOUR - SOUND & LIGHT SHOW AT ABU SIMBEL TEMPLE


The Sound and Light show at Abu Simbel will transport you to the time of the pharaohs. Enchanting you with melodious music, and bringing the ancient world to life around you, the show includes projections onto the temples showing how they once looked. It is an experience not to be missed, one that will make your visit to Abu Simbel the memory of a lifetime.

Starts: approx: 6:30pm

Duration: approx. 40 minutes

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DAY 6

Destination	 Lake Nasser
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	5 ★ Mövenpick MS Prince Abbas Nile cruise, or similar

Our extraordinary Nile Cruise begins on beautiful Lake Nasser, one of the largest man-made lakes in the world. Today we will sail to Qasr Ibrim, originally a major city perched on a cliff above the Nile. After the flooding of Lake Nasser during the construction of the Aswan High Dam, Qasr Ibrim was transformed into an island with its outskirts underwater. Now an important archaeological site closed to the public, we will sail just close enough to view the fascinating ruins from the ship's sundeck and take some photographs. After this we will continue on to see the Temple of Amada, the oldest Egyptian temple in the region, constructed by Pharaoh Thutmose III of the 18th dynasty. Here we will also see the temple's sole tomb, the Tomb of Pennut. The rock-cut Temple of Derr can be seen here as well, built during the 19th Dynasty by Pharaoh Ramesses II.



Next we sail on to Wadi El Seboua, where our day today will end and our tour will begin tomorrow. The evening will be spent on board relaxing and mingling with fellow travellers, discussing the incredible sights we've encountered so far.

DAY 7

Destination	 Lake Nasser
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	5 ★ Mövenpick MS Prince Abbas Nile cruise, or similar

This morning we begin with a tour of Wadi El Seboua, where several important sites were relocated during the Aswan High Dam construction to save them from flooding. The government and groups involved in the relocation of the country's national treasures found it easier to relocate multiple sites together to a few carefully chosen spots. Wadi El Seboua was one of these chosen spots and as a result there are numerous magnificent things to see here. After touring the temples of Wadi El Seboua, we will sail back towards Aswan.

DAY 8

Destination	Disembark Lake Nasser Cruise  Aswan  Embark Nile Cruise
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	5 ★ MS Steigenberger Minerva Nile Cruise, or similar

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Early this morning we will be heading out for a visit to the Temple of Kalabsha. This Roman Period temple to the sun god Mandulis was entirely relocated in 1970 to protect it from Lake Nasser. It was built by Emperor Augustus and was the largest free-standing temple of Egyptian Nubia. During relocation, the temple was cut into 13,000 blocks. Later this morning we will disembark for a different Nile cruise as we leave Lake Nasser and sail up the river towards Luxor. Enroute we will make a stop at the fascinating Nubian Museum. The museum is considered to be a gateway to the history of Nubia that enables visitors to understand the complex history of this unique area. The stunning architecture of the museum itself is enough of a reason to visit. Before we continue on our journey to Luxor, you will have the opportunity to participate in another one of our bonus Inspiring Sights to enhance your experience.

Please note that since the sailing distance between Aswan and Luxor is approximately 200kms, that it is typical for all cruises operated along the Nile to be docked for majority of the time to conduct sightseeing, with the sailing to occur of an evening. The vessel will be docked either in Aswan or Luxor. Depending on the time of year and number of vessels operating at the same time, you will also find that all vessels are docked beside one another, which is beyond our control.

To ensure that our customers have appropriate expectations prior to their journey, it is important not to compare this experience to that of a European River Cruise, which tend to cover a greater distance and on larger vessels. Instead, you will experience a Deluxe stay on-board your vessel, offering a great chance to enjoy the beautiful scenery of the banks of the Nile while you sit back and relax. Your cruise schedule will be provided once on-board.



OPTIONAL TOUR - FELUCCA RIDE AROUND THE ISLANDS OF ASWAN

Enjoy this incredible sailing experience on a traditional felucca ride on the Nile around beautiful Elephantine Island. Witness the gorgeous scenery and bask in the fresh breeze.

Starts: approx: 6:00pm
Duration: approx. 2 hours

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DAY 9

Destination	 Nile Cruise - Kom Ombo  Edfu
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	5 ★ MS Steigenberger Minerva Nile Cruise, or similar


Today our journey ashore is to visit the Kom Ombo Temple. Set dramatically on the bank of the Nile, 168 kilometres south of Luxor, the soaring, chunky columns of the Great Temple of Kom Ombo are a magnificent sight as you arrive from the river. Dedicated to the gods Sobek and Haroeris, the temple's finely carved reliefs give a sense of this area's prominence as capital over the surrounding region during the Ptolemaic era. Today, Kom Ombo may be a sleepy agricultural backwater surrounded by sugar cane fields, but its prime position along the Nile once made it one of Upper Egypt's most important centres. Wander through the temple's colonnades, gazing up at scenes of kingly propaganda, and you'll capture a feel of this glorious history for yourself. We'll then return to the cruise boat where we'll continue travelling upriver, with free time relaxing on the sundeck and taking in the surrounding sights – desert hills forming a backdrop to lush riverbanks, fishermen casting their nets and farmers working their land.

Tonight we continue sailing towards Luxor, and arrive before midnight.

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DAY 10


Destination	 Luxor
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	5 ★ MS Steigenberger Minerva Nile Cruise, or similar

We swap our ship for a small boat this morning as we approach the open air museum of Luxor and the “Valley of the Kings”. Luxor is full of wonderfully preserved reminders of the Pharaohs. Today we will discover some of the many wonders of ancient Thebes.

Our first stop is the Colossi of Memnon, two 17 metre-high statues on Luxor's west bank. Carved from granite blocks, they represent the Pharaoh Amenhotep III and were once part of an impressive colonnade. From here we will continue on to the spectacular royal burial site of the Valley of the Kings. Buried under the arid hills here are over 60 tombs of pharaohs, many richly decorated with reliefs and paintings. We'll explore this sprawling and spectacular place, where the pharaohs of the New Kingdom (16th to 11th century BC) were secretly interred for all eternity, and where discoveries are still being made. Our guide will explain the history and legends of these remarkable people, their funerary rites, and the significance of the many paintings and hieroglyphics, still well preserved in the deepest tombs. We'll visit three of the most interesting royal tombs and then continue to the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, a stunning colonnaded building set against high cliffs that create a spectacular natural amphitheatre. One of Egypt's greatest Queens, she built this temple to prove her importance among the ancestors.

This evening we will enjoy our final night on board our cruise vessel before disembarking tomorrow morning.

DAY 11

Destination	Disembark Nile Cruise  Luxor
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	5 ★ Sonesta St. George Hotel, or similar

This morning we disembark our Nile cruise and set off to explore the magnificent Karnak Temple, which is perhaps the most impressive of all the ancient Pharaohs' monumental works. One of the world's most celebrated temple complexes, Karnak is a house of the gods built over a period of some 200 years. Our guided tour of this vast temple of impressive pylons, obelisks and chapels will reveal its finest sections, such as the Avenue of Sphinxes and the Great Temple of Amun.

Following this we will check into our hotel and then the rest of the day is free to relax, shop in the excellent bazaar or perhaps experience the atmosphere of a local teahouse.

DAY 12

Destination	Luxor
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	5 ★ Sonesta St. George Hotel, or similar

Today is a free day for you to explore Luxor on your own or with other travellers in your group. Sitting on the east bank of the Nile River, Luxor lies on the site of ancient Thebes, the pharaohs' capital at the height of their power, during the 16th–11th centuries B.C. While touring the city, perhaps you may choose to visit the graceful Luxor Temple, a large Ancient Egyptian temple complex constructed in 1400 BC. Be sure to ask your guide for some more recommendations as well.

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DAY 13

Destination	Luxor 🚗 Hurghada
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Hotel	5 ★ Marriott Hurghada Beach Resort, or similar

Today we say farewell to the Nile and drive east to the beachside town of Hurghada. The green Nile valley is soon left behind as we head out into the barren Eastern Desert. Passing through rocky hills, the glittering waters of the Red Sea soon come into view and the rugged bulk of the Sinai Peninsula looms through the haze on the opposite shore. A vibrant beach resort, Hurghada is by no means a typical 'adventure destination'. After checking in to our hotel, we'll take a walking tour with our guide to get our bearings and check out some of the local restaurants and eateries. In the afternoon, enjoy some free time.

DAY 14

Destination	Hurghada
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Hotel	5 ★ Marriott Hurghada Beach Resort, or similar

Today is a free day to relax and explore in this beautiful Red Sea beach side town.

OPTIONAL TOUR - RED SEA SNORKELLING IN HURGHADA

Experience Egypt's underwater splendours on this full-day Red Sea snorkelling trip by boat from Hurghada. Cruise out onto the sparkling Red Sea and drop anchor at three prime snorkelling locations. Don your own snorkelling gear or the provided equipment and enjoy ample time to float through the crystal waters past dazzling corals, exotic fish and perhaps even turtles and rays. Lunch is served onboard your boat.

Starts: approx: 8:30am

Duration: approx. 6-7 hours

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DAY 15

Destination	Hurghada ✈️ Cairo
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	5 ★ Sonesta Hotel, Tower & Casino Cairo, or similar

This morning after breakfast we leave Hurghada and make the short flight back to Cairo. On the return to Cairo we'll make our way to the colourful and energetic Khan El Khalili bazaar. Even if you are not looking to buy, taking a walk through the winding alleys of this labyrinthine district, you are sure to find something that will catch your eye. This may also be a great opportunity to pick up some last minute gifts or souvenirs. From here we arrive at our hotel for check in. The rest of your final day in Egypt is yours to spend as you wish. This evening enjoy an **Inspiring Taste**. Sit down for a

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home-cooked meal with a local family. During this experience, you'll get to visit a local family and learn about Middle Eastern traditions, Egyptian culture and tasty food but most importantly, enjoy a delicious and authentic home cooked meal.

DAY 16

Destination	Cairo
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Unfortunately, today marks the end of your incredible tour through Egypt.

We hope you've enjoyed this extraordinary journey.

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Inclusions

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Internal flights from Cairo to Abu Simbel and Hurghada to Cairo
- 9 nights in deluxe 5-star accommodation
- 3 night 5 star cruise on Lake Nasser on board the Movenpick MS Prince Abbas in a standard cabin
- 3 night 5 star cruise on the Nile on board the Steigenberger Minerva in a standard cabin
- Daily breakfast, 8 lunches and 7 dinners
- The services of a professional English-speaking Egyptologist guide throughout
- Arrival and departure airport transfers
- In-depth sightseeing & all entry fees as per the itinerary
- Dedicated private transportation throughout

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Cairo - View the world's most iconic sights, the Pyramids of Giza and the Sphinx
- Cairo - Explore the ancient site of Saqqara, the oldest complete stone complex known in history
- Cairo - Explore the colourful and energetic Khan El Khalili bazaar
- Alexandria - Delve into the captivating Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa
- El Alamein - Visit the Commonwealth War Cemetery & Memorial
- Abu Simbel - View the two enormous sandstone structures built in 1255 BC
- Lake Nasser - Begin your cruise on this beautiful lake, one of the largest man-made lakes in the world
- Lake Nasser - Marvel at Wadi El Seboua (aka Valley of the Lions) and Temple of Kalabsha
- Nile cruise - Set sail on this once in a lifetime cruise from Aswan to Luxor
- Kom Ombo - View the Kom Ombo Temple, a magnificent sight as you arrive from the river
- Luxor - Visit Karnak Temple, perhaps the most impressive of all the ancient Pharaoh's' monumental works
- Luxor - Explore the open-air museum of Luxor and the 'Valley of the Kings'
- Hurghada - Relax and explore this beautiful Red Sea beach side town

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INSPIRING FEATURES

Inspiring Stays

- Enjoy 2 enchanting cruises along 2 of Egypt's major waterways, Lake Nasser and the Nile River

Inspiring Sights

To enhance your journey, we're offering guests 1 bonus sightseeing experience out of a choice of 4 options (further details listed under 'Optional Tours').

- Pyramids Sound & Light Show in Cairo
- Sound & Light Show at Abu Simbel temple
- Felucca Ride Around the Islands of Aswan
- Red Sea Snorkeling Boat Trip

CRUISE DETAILS

- For further information on your Nile cruises:
- Movenpick MS Prince Abbas - click [HERE](#).
- MS Steigenberger Minerva - click [HERE](#).
- There is only one cabin type available - Standard.

Fine Print

BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE

Inspiring Vacations has been globally recognised and awarded for its handling of COVID-19 during the pandemic. The safety and wellbeing of our guests is our highest concern during this time of uncertainty, and we are continuously monitoring the evolving COVID-19 situation.

We have adopted the advice of the WHO to ensure all customers can travel with the knowledge of how to travel safely and with confidence.

Australian owned and operated with 100% Australian Customer Service support

We are proudly 100% Australian owned and operated, with our head office located in Melbourne, Victoria. When you make your booking, you will receive dedicated and ongoing support from our team of travel professionals throughout your booking, up until you are due to depart.

Flexible Date Change Option

Book now, change later with our Flexible Date Change option. You may select this \$99pp option at time of purchase, giving travellers the flexibility to change your date without penalty (subject to availability,

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less third party costs incurred, plus any applicable surcharges for the new date selected).

Date change must be requested prior to 90 days before your original selected departure date*. Once inside 90 days of departure, date changes are not permitted.

*some packages may have a varied period in which you can request a date change due to limitations with the third-party provider.

Please refer to our 'Book with Confidence' section for terms and conditions.

The Flexible Date Change option does not cover cost incurred for components not fulfilled by Inspiring Vacations or in the event extra services have been booked with Inspiring Vacations outside of the standard package, including but not limited to airfares, pre/post accommodation or insurance.

Cooling off period

If you change your mind within 7 days of making your booking online, you can request a refund of your initial deposit payment as part of our cooling off period.

Once your purchase date falls outside of the 7 day period, our standard terms and conditions will apply. Please ensure that any request to cancel your booking is received via email to support@inspiringvacations.com, including the reason for cancellation.

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HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Installment Payment Option:

- Secure your package with only a \$99 deposit per person.
- Pay a 2nd instalment of \$3775 per person within 28 days.
- You will then be invoiced for final payment 120 days prior to departure.

Full Payment Option:

- Pay in full to receive a 5% discount off your selected holiday.
- Please select this option at the payment page prior to finalising your booking.
- The 5% discount will then be deducted from your total balance.
- The 5% discount does not apply to extras including optional tours, pre/post accommodation, airfare (unless included as part of the package) or any special requests.
- Cannot be used in conjunction with any other discount or offer.
- Not available when using account credit to make payment.

Booking Process

- Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password)
- Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected
- Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests
- Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab
- Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment. You may also pay via BPAY (not available within 70 days of departure).
- Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking
- Your booking is confirmed once your Booking Form is submitted and you can begin the countdown to your Inspiring Vacation!

FLIGHT INFORMATION - OPTIONAL \$999 PER PERSON, LIMITED TIME OFFER

Limited Time Offer - Return Economy International Flights for \$999 per person

- **Flight offer is only valid from Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane**
- For flights departing outside of these cities, additional charges may apply at the time of ticketing

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- Full-service airline used which will include meals, luggage and entertainment. Flights will be based on the best available. Airlines used include China Southern, China Airlines, Singapore Airlines, Etihad, Qatar or similar. We are not limited to the airlines listed and will book the best available option.
- Flights may not be direct and may include a maximum of two connections.
- All tickets will include 20 kilos checked baggage per person, along with 7 kilos of hand luggage.
- Internal airfares (where applicable and included in the itinerary) will be using a local carrier and may include low-cost carriers without meals or entertainment. Checked baggage will still be included for each passenger. Any additional baggage required is payable at time of check-in.
- Despite any airline's baggage allowance, we recommend travelling with 20 kilos per person due to restrictions with internal flights (where applicable), as well as coach and train transportation.
- You will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters are not included. If travelling over the recommended amount, you will be liable for any excess baggage fees enforced by the airline, payable directly.
- Once ticketed, flights are non-refundable; any changes will be subject to the airline rules and change fees.
- Full names as per passport (including all middle names) are required at the time of submitting your traveller booking form. Any error in the names submitted will be subject to fees to amend with the airline or the ticket may be non-refundable with the purchase of a new ticket required.
- Depending on departure date and time of booking, the required booking class for airfare offer may be too far in advance to book with the appropriate airline. You will be contacted once your airfares are available to book.
- If the required booking class is unavailable at time of booking, surcharges may apply. Total cost is final only at time of ticketing. Once issued, air tickets are subject to amendment and cancellation fees or may be non-refundable
- Any airline schedule changes or cancellations are beyond our control and it is the responsibility of the customer to ensure they are familiar with the most up to date airline schedule prior to departure

For full terms and conditions, please [click here](#).

Premium Economy or Business Class Upgrades;

Please specify this in the "Special Request" field when completing your booking and you will be quoted for the additional fare at the time of

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booking your flights.

Extending Your Stay;

Some customers like to enhance their holiday by extending their stay pre- and/or post-tour or including a stopover in another destination. Please include this information in the "Special Request" field when booking. Surcharges may apply at time of booking. When extending your stay, any additional room nights' required must be booked independently.

OPTIONAL TOURS

To enhance your journey, we're offering one free sightseeing experiences out of a choice of 4 options, listed below. Guests can also purchase any of the remaining 3 sightseeing experiences:

- Pyramids Sound & Light Show (Day 4) - \$109 per person
- Sound & Light Show at Abu Simbel temple (Day 5) - \$76 per person
- Felucca Ride Around the Islands of Aswan (Day 8) - \$42 per person
- Red Sea Snorkeling Boat Trip Including Lunch (Day 14) - \$59 per person

Please note that you must select your Optional Tours no later than 65 days before departure, after which you will be required to purchase them on tour. Please keep in mind that anything purchased on-tour is subject to availability and prices may vary as you will be required to pay in USD. We appreciate your understanding.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Fitness Requirements

While the tour itinerary should give you some guidance and overview to the expected requirements, to determine if this tour is right for you we categorise each of our tours in terms of their intensity. These guidelines are to ensure that each tour group is conducted as expected and to ensure the overall satisfaction of all Inspiring Vacations customers.

As a general rule, portage is not included, therefore at all times you are expected to handle your own luggage where help may not be available.

This particular tour is categorised as a "3":

3 – Moderate Tour: A good level of fitness and mobility is required, as this tour includes a moderate level of physical activity and is considered

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a medium-fast paced tour. You should be able to walk up and down stairs, get on and off the coach and able to walk reasonable distances of approximately 2 kilometres per day or more with ease. Any physical ailments you may have must be disclosed at the time of booking to determine your suitability. If you have any form of walking aids, other than a walking stick or hiking poles, then this tour is not suitable.

Tipping

A friendly reminder that tipping is not included in your package. At the commencement of your tour you will be asked to provide tipping to your guide towards a 'kitty', which is then used towards the guide tipping for the services of helpers, hotel staff, restaurants and airport portage. We suggest USD\$5 (AUD\$7 approx) per person per day towards the kitty. Please note that this tipping is not for the guide, merely for the guide to tip the services of the driver and local workers during your tour. While not made compulsory, if you choose not to contribute to the kitty it means that the guide is tipping for these services out of their own pocket. Your cooperation in this instance is most appreciated.

Tipping for your guide will be collected at the conclusion of their services. To remove the uncertainty and stress of not knowing how much is appropriate to tip we recommend USD\$6-8 (AUD\$8-12 approx) per person per day. The amount you wish to contribute is dependent on the services received and at the complete discretion of the guest. Thank you for your understanding.

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences however any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

Single supplement is \$2,110 person in addition to the twin share price.

Triple Share

Not available.

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is required to protect yourself against the unexpected.

We have partnered with nib to offer our customers competitive rates for their travel insurance. You can book comprehensive or budget cover simply by clicking [HERE](#) to arrange your policy.

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Visa & Passport information

It is the travellers responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of 6 months from your intended date of return to Australia.

Australian passport holders will require a visa to enter Egypt.

You will be able to obtain your E-visa when you have all of your travel documents approximately 30-40 days prior to departure.

Visit <https://visa2egypt.gov.eg/> and create an account for yourself to then start the application process.

Information required:

- Visa type (tourist)
- Entry type (single)
- Arrival date and departure date (no specific flight details are required)
- Passport information
- You have to upload a JPEG (only supported file type) of your passport
- The name of the host/tour operator, phone number, email address and street address

Pay USD \$25pp by credit card

Wait for it to be approved and you will be notified via email within approximately 48 hours.

Once approved, please ensure that you travel with the following documentation as they are required to present to customs upon arrival into the country:

- Passport with 6 months validity
- E-visa printout
- Travel itinerary (provided 30 days before departure)
- Hotel list (provided 30 days before departure)

Please note that the information provided is subject to change at any time.

Please speak to your Dedicated Support Agent for more information.

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Tour Documentation

Final documentation including e-tickets and hotel details will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

Group Size

4 -16 people.

Trip Style - Small Group Tour

These tours are our proudest creations. They have been crafted for Inspiring Vacations travellers exclusively, with personal and unique experiences in mind. You will travel with only a maximum of 20 other guests. Enjoy choice features such as hand-picked accommodation, a sampling of the region's best culinary delights and a range of optional activities to choose from to best suit your travel style.

Children

Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are the same price as adults.

Tour Length

The total length of the tour in days includes time spent in flight and is subject to change depending on the flight schedule, please refer to the day by day itinerary for the time spent on land.

EXCLUSIONS

- International Airfares
- Visas
- Travel insurance (compulsory)
- Tipping
- Optional activities
- Personal expenses
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary