



## Optional Extension : Cairo and Nile Cruise • April 10-17, 2019

**Wednesday, April 10:** Flight from Tel Aviv via Athens. Arrival Cairo international airport. meet and assist through visa and customs procedures. Drive to hotel. Check-in. dinner and overnight.

**Thursday, April 11: Cairo.** After breakfast we travel to the Giza Plateau to visit the Great Pyramids and the Sphinx. Our visit will include entrance to the Great Pyramids and a camel ride. In the afternoon visit the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities which includes the world's largest collection of Pharaonic artifacts and the treasures of Tutankhamen's tomb. Proceed to Khan El Khalili, the world's largest 13th century covered oriental bazaar. Dinner and overnight in Cairo.

**Friday, April 12: Luxor.** In the morning we will take a short flight to Luxor. Upon arrival transfer to our cruise ship for a 5 day/4-night cruise. We will visit the East Bank with its Temples of Karnak and Luxor (centuries-old city of pylons, hypostyle halls, colossal statues and obelisks). We will also visit the Valleys of the Kings and Queens, the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut and the Colossi of Memnon. We will enjoy the dinner and the Galabia party (traditional Egyptian show). Dinner and overnight in Luxor.

**Saturday, April 13: Edfu.** Early morning sailing to Edfu via Esna. Dinner and overnight in Edfu.

**Sunday, April 14: More Temples.** We will travel today to the Temple of Horus, the falcon-god, considered the best-preserved ancient temple in Egypt and the second largest after the Temple of Karnak. Sail to KomOmbo where we will visit the Ptolemaic Temple of Sobek and Haroeris, the local crocodile god and the falcon-headed sky-god, respectively. Our cruise continues to Aswan for overnight.

**Monday, April 15: Aswan.** Morning arrival to Aswan. We start the day by touring the Philae Temple, the unfinished Obelisk and the High Dam. Sail on board a felucca, a typical Egyptian sailboat and visit Kitchner's Island Botanical garden and the Agha Khan Mausoleum. Overnight in Aswan. Optional Sound and Light show in the evening.

**Tuesday, April 16: Cairo.** After breakfast, disembark and transfer to the airport for our flight to Cairo. Arrival in Cairo and transfer to the hotel. Afternoon, visit to Old Cairo where early Judaism and Christianity flourished and visit Al Moallaka Church (Hanging Church), the site where Mary, Joseph and Jesus took refuge. Visit also Ben Ezra Synagogue. Dinner and overnight in the hotel.

**Wednesday, April 17:** Flight back home. Early morning transfer to the airport for our outbound flight the USA. Arrival on same day.

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**Cost: \$1750.00** (based on minimum of 5-double occupancy)

### Tour Includes:

- Flights from Tel Aviv
- Meet and assist upon arrival
- Transfers between airports and hotels.
- 4 star hotels.
- Breakfast + dinner daily. Full board on Nile Cruise ship.
- Domestic flights in Egypt.

- All tours and excursions as per program
- Luggage handling.

### Not included:

- Recommended tips of \$9 pp per day
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Drinks with meals.

U.S. citizens must have a visa to enter Egypt. Aviatours will arrange this for you.

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**You must be registered for the Israel trip before booking the extension.**