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Egypt and the Ancient Nile River

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A Spirited 11-Day Journey Through Antiquity



Dear Alumni and Friends of Cal,

Discover why the marvels of ancient Egypt have drawn visitors for millennia on this dynamic 11-day expedition to its most important sites, featuring a cruise down the Nile River and stays at five-star luxury accommodations.

Like past adventurers, traverse the Nile Valley and behold treasures of a fabled land of pharaohs and kings, including colossal pyramids and the Great Sphinx, iconic temples, and legendary tombs. You'll gain in-depth knowledge of Egypt and its antiquities from expert guides and retire each evening to some of the region's most renowned and opulent hotels, like the Sofitel Legend Cataract in Aswan. Follow in the footsteps of royals and dignitaries who have been guests of this magnificent property on the banks of the world's longest river.

This program also features an exclusive three-night cruise on the Nile River aboard a private dahabiya—a traditional Egyptian sailing vessel. This fully updated 14-guest boat features modern comforts and offers the opportunity to see life on the Nile differently. Enjoy a tranquil and intimate travel experience while avoiding the cruise ship crowds, and cherish awe-inspiring moments of rare stillness inside Egypt's most celebrated monuments.

Go Bears!

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Expand your horizons.

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What to expect: These trips feature long touring days with travel via motor coach, ship, zodiac, all-terrain vehicle, or train. Travelers are required to board transportation without assistance as well as stand and walk over uneven terrain for extended periods of time. Some tours may include optional higher-intensity activities and travel at higher altitudes with steep ascents and descents. Outings last four to six hours most days.

Suitable for: Travelers who are able to comfortably walk four to six miles, or 6,900–9,200 steps, each day.

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Your 11-Day Itinerary (subject to change)

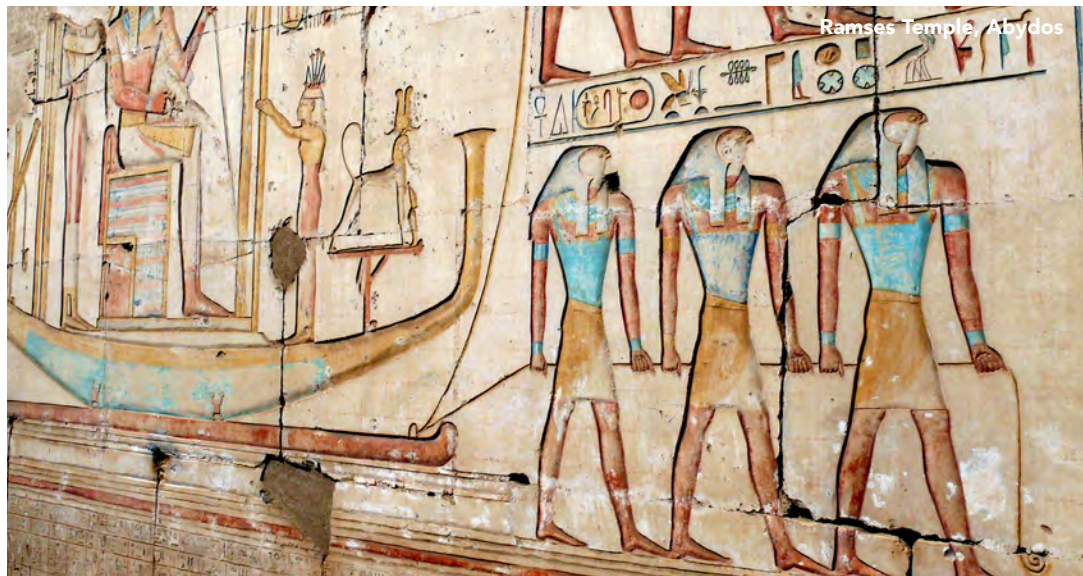
- Day 1:** En Route from U.S.
- Day 2:** Arrive in Cairo, Egypt
Evening at leisure
Overnight: Marriott Mena House
- Day 3:** Cairo / Giza (B,L,D)
Great Pyramids and Sphinx, Egyptian Museum of Antiquities, welcome dinner
Overnight: Marriott Mena House
- Day 4:** Cairo / Flight to Luxor (B,L)
Karnak Temple Complex, Luxor Temple
Overnight: Sofitel Winter Palace Luxor
- Day 5:** Luxor / Esna – Embarkation (B,L,D)
Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut Temple
Overnight: Dahabiya
- Day 6:** Nile River / Edfu (B,L,D)
Temple of Horus, leisurely sailing
Overnight: Dahabiya
- Day 7:** Kom Ombo / Nile / Aswan (B,L,D)
Temple of Kom Ombo, gala dinner
Overnight: Dahabiya
- Day 8:** Aswan – Disembarkation (B,L)
Philae Temples, Nubian Guest House lunch, Aswan evening market tour
Overnight: Sofitel Legend Cataract
- Day 9:** Aswan (B,L,R)
Elephantine Island, afternoon at leisure, farewell reception
Overnight: Sofitel Legend Cataract
- Day 10:** Aswan / Flight to Cairo / Post-Tour Departs (B)
Morning at leisure then flight to Cairo, post-tour guests take flight to Abu Simbel *(see panel at right)*
Overnight: Le Méridien Cairo Airport
- Day 11:** Cairo / Depart for U.S.

Program Highlights

- Enjoy a full day exploring Cairo, including the awe-inspiring Pyramids of Giza and the Great Sphinx, as well as the Grand Egyptian Museum.
- In Luxor, view the Karnak Temple Complex—one of the largest religious buildings in the world, which includes contributions from approximately 30 pharaohs over thousands of years.
- On the west bank of Luxor, descend into the elaborately decorated tombs of former rulers in the Valley of the Kings, then visit the Mortuary Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, one of the few female pharaohs.
- Embark in Esna aboard a private dahabiya—a traditional Egyptian sailing vessel—for three nights on the Nile River.
- Observe the layers of thousands of years of history at Elephantine Island, the only ongoing archaeological excavation site open to tourists.
- Stay in luxurious accommodations at Egypt's most renowned heritage properties, including the Marriott Mena House in Cairo, the Sofitel Winter Palace in Luxor, and the Sofitel Legend Cataract in Aswan.
- **What's included:** 6 nights luxury hotel accommodations plus 3 nights aboard a stately dahabiya; 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches, and 4 dinners; all excursions listed on the 11-day itinerary including admission to sites and venues; excursion transportation; internal airfare between Cairo, Luxor, and Aswan gratuities to hotels, drivers, dahabiya staff, porters, and guides; and group airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times.

Activity Level: Activities are generally not very strenuous, however, we expect that guests can enjoy two hours or more of walking, are sure-footed on uneven surfaces, and can walk up and down stairs without assistance.

(R = Reception, B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

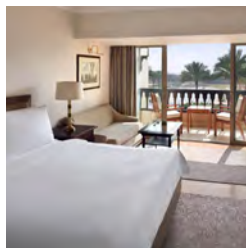


Ramses Temple, Abydos

Hotel Accommodations (subject to change)

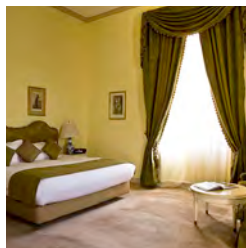
MARRIOTT MENA HOUSE – CAIRO

While touring bustling Cairo, spend leisure time and evenings amidst the luxurious and modern comforts of Marriott Mena House, located just 45 minutes outside of the city. The property offers glorious panoramic views of the pyramids, 40 acres of lavish gardens, four restaurants and lounges, outdoor pool, heated indoor pool, health club, and full service spa (additional fees for services).



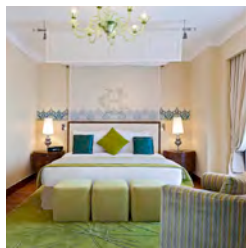
SOFITEL WINTER PALACE LUXOR

Perched peacefully on the bank of the Nile River, Winter Palace's 5-star accommodations provide an alluring atmosphere for a regal respite. During leisure time, roam the manicured gardens, take a dip in the welcoming pool, or simply reflect on your time in Egypt while embracing the spectacular sights from your room.



SOFITEL LEGEND CATARACT – ASWAN

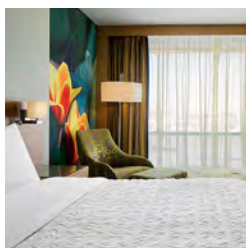
Step back to the time of the pharaohs, surrounded by grandeur and opulence of this 5-star property—with the sights of the Nubian Desert and Elephantine Island at your fingertips. Walk the ravishing grounds, and feel a part of royalty that once frequented the hotel—where King Fouad once entertained Agatha Christie.



LE MÉRIDIEN CAIRO AIRPORT

For your final evening in Egypt, enjoy the stylish accommodations of Le Méridien. This fully soundproofed luxury hotel is conveniently linked to Terminal 3 of Cairo International Airport by a pedestrian bridge.

The property features an impressive sports bar, three restaurants serving Chinese, Lebanese or Mediterranean cuisine, a fitness center, and a heated outdoor pool.



Deluxe Accommodations: Room upgrades are available at Marriott Mena House (upgrade to Pyramid View Room), Sofitel Winter Palace Luxor (upgrade to Luxury Garden View Room), and Sofitel Legend Cataract (upgrade to Luxury Nile View Room). Upgrade availability is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis.



Onboard Accommodations

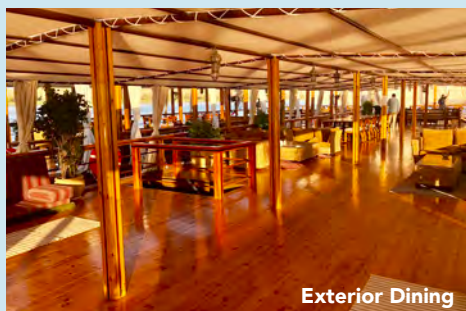
With a capacity of just 14 guests per boat, our two 155-foot dahabiyas are designed to provide the ultimate in comfort and adventure while sailing the Nile River. Each stateroom provides spacious, fully air-conditioned accommodations with en suite facilities.

Guests can savor healthy, fresh, and delicious international and Egyptian cuisine at every meal. Enjoy the large sun deck, dining and lounge areas, and the services of an enthusiastic crew who are committed to your comfort.

STATEROOM CATEGORIES

Standard: Features one queen or two twin beds, view window, and private en suite bathroom. Approx. 205 sq.ft.

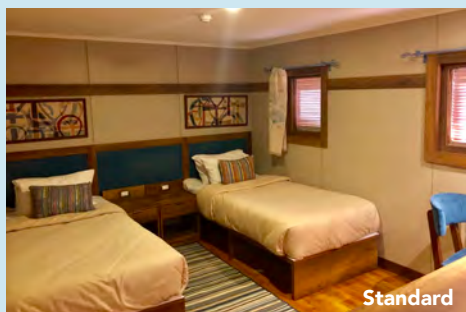
Suite: Features one queen bed, private balcony, view windows, and private en suite bathroom. Approx. 250 sq.ft.



Exterior Dining



Dining



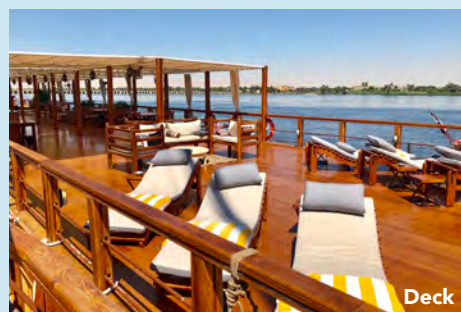
Standard



Suite



Lounge



Deck

Optional Pre-Tour Jordan



Step back in time to the ancient world of the Middle East, where overwhelming historic architecture towers over the present day. Embrace the endless layers of spiritual and religious icons dotting this Holy Land.

Pre-Tour Itinerary *(subject to change)*

Day +1: En Route from U.S.

Day +2: Arrive in Amman, Jordan
Overnight: InterContinental Jordan Hotel

Day +3: Amman / Jerash / Amman (B,L,D)
Roman city ruins, Citadel
Overnight: InterContinental Jordan Hotel

Day +4: Amman / Mabada / Mount Nebo /
Petra (B,L,D)
Orthodox Church of Saint George, Byzantine
mosaics, Memorial Church of Moses, Jordan Valley
Overnight: Mövenpick Resort Petra

Day +5: Petra (B,L,D)
UNESCO World Heritage Site, guided city tour
Overnight: Mövenpick Resort Petra

Day +6: Petra / Transfer to Amman / Flight to
Cairo / Main Program Begins (B,L)



What's Included

- 4 nights luxury accommodations
- 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 3 dinners
- Admission to all sites listed in the 6-day itinerary
- Internal airfare from Amman to Cairo
- Touring by an English-speaking guide
- All gratuities and portorage
- Airport transfers for guests arriving during the suggested times

Optional Post-Tour Abu Simbel



Widen the “wow” of your Egypt experience with this opportunity to discover more of the land’s rich past and compelling present with a visit to Abu Simbel and additional time in Aswan. Tour the magnificent temples of Ramses II and his queen Nefertari at Abu Simbel—widely regarded as a must see for their awe-inspiring colossal beauty and illustration of engineering might.

Post-Tour Itinerary *(subject to change)*

Day 10: Aswan / Flight to Abu Simbel /
Flight to Aswan (L)
Guided temples tour, evening at leisure
to enjoy the hotel’s amenities or explore
Aswan
Overnight: Sofitel Legend Cataract Aswan

Day 11: Aswan (B)
Full day at leisure
Overnight: Sofitel Legend Cataract Aswan

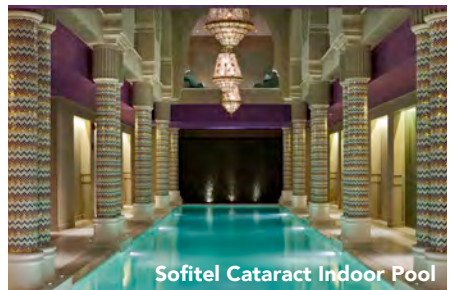
Day 12: Aswan / Flight to Cairo (B)
Morning at leisure, return to Cairo, access
to day room until departing flights
Day Room: Le Meridien Cairo Airport

Day 13: Cairo / Depart for U.S.



What’s Included

- Round-trip internal airfare between Aswan and Abu Simbel
- Internal airfare from Aswan to Cairo
- 2 nights luxury accommodations plus a day room on departure day
- 2 breakfasts and 1 lunch
- Admission to all sites listed in the 4-day itinerary
- Touring by an English-speaking guide
- All gratuities and portage
- Airport transfers for guests departing during the suggested times



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Jordan Pre-Tour: November 3-8, 2024

Abu Simbel Post-Tour: November 16-19, 2024

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GUEST INFORMATION:

I prefer single accommodations (limited availability).

Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation): _____

Name (as preferred on badge): _____ Cal Class Yr: _____

Email: _____ D.O.B.: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation): _____

Name (as preferred on badge): _____ Cal Class Yr: _____

Email: _____ D.O.B.: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

DEPOSIT PAYMENT:

Check ACH (Automated Clearing House) MasterCard/Visa American Express

To reserve this tour using the reservation form, please return as instructed above.

For deposits to be paid using a credit card, Cal Discoveries will forward your reservation form to Orbridge for a member of their Guest Services team to contact you to collect your card information.

CATEGORY SELECTION & DEPOSIT:

Category Preference: 1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____

Deluxe Upgrade: Double Occupancy (\$1,395/person) Single Occupancy (\$1,695/person)

_____ guests joining pre-tour (\$500/person) +

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I/we have read, understand, and agree to the full Terms & Conditions at terms.orbridge.com; and I/we agree that Orbridge, LLC is authorized to charge my credit card above and/or take my/our deposit for this program.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Reservations, Deposits and Final Payment. To secure your reservation, deposits are due upon placing a reservation as follows: \$850 per person per program and \$500 per person for any pre/post-tour. Orbridge accepts payment by check, ACH, wire or major credit card. Final payment is due 90 days prior to the departure date. Reservations made after the final payment due date are due at the time of registration. If final payment is not received by Orbridge by the final payment due date, Orbridge may cancel your reservation in its sole discretion with no right of refund. CST#2098750-40 WST#602828994

Reservation Grace Period. Reservations made 121+ days prior to the departure date may be cancelled within 30 days from the reservation date ("Grace Period") for a full refund. Notice of cancellation must be received in writing during the Grace Period. The date of receipt will be used for the effective date.

Reservation Cancellations and Refunds. Notice of cancellation must be submitted to Orbridge and Cal Discoveries Travel in writing. The date of receipt will be used for the effective date. If the cancellation notice is received after the Grace Period (if applicable): (a) 91+ days prior to the departure date, all monies paid will be refunded less an administrative fee of \$350 per person for the main program and \$200 per person for a pre/post-tour; (b) 90-76 days prior to the departure date, a 25% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (c) 75-61 days prior to the departure date, a 50% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (d) 60-46 days prior to the departure date, a 75% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (e) within 45 days prior to the departure date, a 100% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program. A 100% cancellation fee applies to all non-refundable airfare. Refunds, if any, will be processed within 30 days of our receipt of your written notice.

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Classic	\$6,499	\$5,995
Suite	\$8,099	\$7,595
Single Classic	\$9,999	\$9,495
Single Suite	\$11,499	\$10,995
DELUXE UPGRADE ADD'L: \$1,495 \$1,995 Single		
Jordan Pre-Tour		
Category	Standard Rate	Special Rate*
Standard	\$4,699	\$4,495
Single	\$6,599	\$6,395
Abu Simbel Post-Tour		
Category	Standard Rate	Special Rate*
Standard	\$1,899	\$1,695
Deluxe	\$2,099	\$1,895
Single Standard	\$3,199	\$2,995
Single Deluxe	\$4,499	\$10,995

Final payment is due August 9, 2024.



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