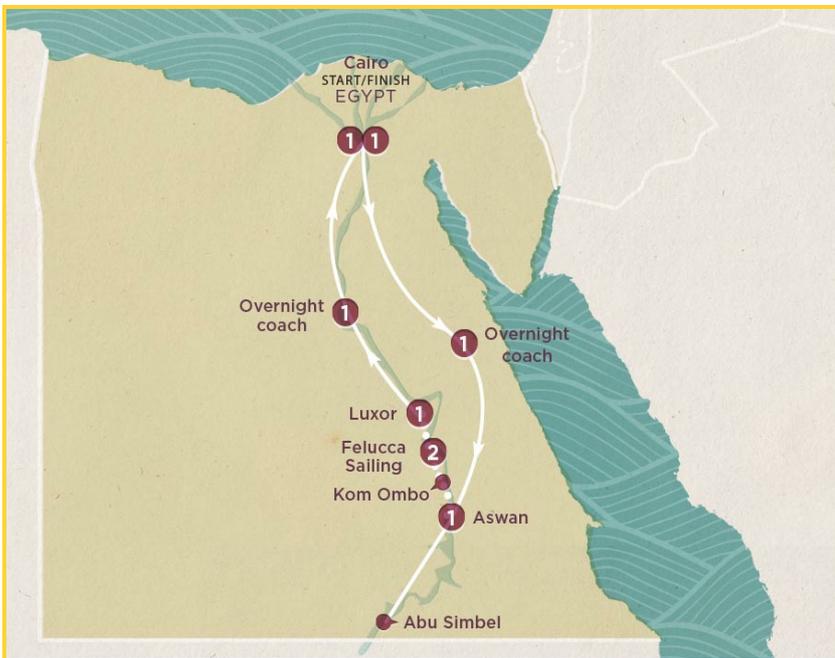


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EGYPT EXPRESS



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All aboard the Egypt Express! If you're looking for an awesome, affordable trip through Egypt that starts and ends in Cairo, you're in the right place. See the pyramids and sphinx in Giza, sail on the Nile in a traditional felucca boat, shop in Luxor's gold markets and tour the Valley of the Kings with a qualified Egyptologist. This is an Egypt experience you'll never forget. Seriously.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



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We really appreciate your decision to travel with us, and rest assured that the entire Topdeck team will be pulling out all the stops to make your trip an unforgettable one.

Now it's time to get excited and get ready for a fantastic holiday!

From all the crew at Topdeck Travel

ABOUT YOUR TRIP NOTES

These Trip Notes contain everything you need to know before your trip departs, including where to meet, what to bring and what you can expect on your trip of a lifetime! Also, you can easily download and print this document off so you can check off the lists or bring it with you when you travel.

Please do bear in mind though, some points should be taken as a guide only - after all, everyone's different! For example, daily spending money and clothing lists can vary greatly from one person to the next so don't be alarmed if you don't expect to spend (or even wear) so much! However, we're sure you'll find the information in general to be very useful.

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PLEASE NOTE: We strongly urge you to refresh this document as close to the time of your departure as possible to ensure you have the most up-to-date accommodation list and information available.

ON THE BUCKET LIST (INCLUDED)

- + Felucca sailing on the Nile
- + Egyptology tours at major sites (entrance fees not included)
- + See the Pyramids and Sphinx at Giza Plateau
- + Visit the Egyptian Museum
- + Visit the Temples of Abu Simbel and Kom Ombo
- + Visit the Valley of the Kings, the Temple of Hatshepsut and the Colossi of Memnon

MORE INCLUSIONS

- + Airport transfer
- + Visit Abu Simbel
- + Felucca sailing (sleeping bag required)
- + Visit Kom Ombo Temple
- + Visit the Valley of the Kings
- + Visit the Temple of Hatshepsut
- + Visit the Colossi of Memnon
- + Visit the Egyptian Museum
- + See the Pyramids and Sphinx at Giza Plateau
- + Visit the Saqqara Step Pyramid

YOUR TRIP WILL START

PICK UP:

Cairo
Middle East & North Africa

YOUR TRIP WILL FINISH

DROP OFF:

Cairo
Middle East & North Africa

Trip currencies

- + Egypt - EGP

Your Itinerary



**AWESOME TRIP
LEADER**



DRIVER

DAY 1 | CAIRO, EGYPT

Take 17,190 people per square kilometre, a whole heap of traffic jams and, of course, a pyramid or two, and you've officially arrived in Umm al-Dunya. After you've dropped your bags at the hotel, join the gang for a welcome meeting.



INCLUDED TODAY:

- + Airport transfer

DAY 2 | CAIRO

Rise and shine – it's time to take on Cairo! Not sure where to start? We've got two optional activities for you. Take a tour of the Islamic Quarter and check out Red Road, or head out on a day trip to the port city of Alexandria.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- + Guided tour of the Islamic Quarter
- + Alexandria day trip

DAY 3 | CAIRO TO ASWAN VIA OVERNIGHT COACH

Before we hit the road to Aswan on our overnight coach, there's plenty of time to do your own thing in Cairo. Optionals? We're glad you asked. Take a look around Coptic Cairo or get your barter on at Khan el-Khalili market.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- + Visit Coptic Cairo
- + Visit Khan el-Khalili market

DAY 4 | ASWAN

After this morning's visit to a traditional ahwa (that's 'coffee shop' to you and me) we've got optional activities a-gogo. Choose from a camel ride, a trip to the Insta-worthy Philae Temple or a visit to a Nubian village. Here, you can even opt in to chow down on a traditional dinner. Hungry?



MEALS:

- + Breakfast
- + Lunch



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- + Visit the Philae Temple
- + Visit a Nubian village
- + Camel ride
- + Nubian dinner

DAY 5 | ASWAN TO FELUCCA SAILING

After a temple-filled day at Abu Simbel, we'll climb aboard a traditional felucca sailboat and hit the Nile. Pull up a cushion – the adventure's just beginning!



MEALS:

- + Breakfast
- + Lunch
- + Dinner



INCLUDED TODAY:

- + Visit Abu Simbel
- + Felucca sailing (sleeping bag required)

DAY 6 | FELUCCA SAILING

Imagine: The sun on your back, the wind in your cotton sails and the best people you could ever hope to meet sharing stories, food and music in one cushion-strewn love-in.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast
- + Lunch
- + Dinner



INCLUDED TODAY:

- + Felucca sailing (sleeping bag required)

DAY 7 | FELUCCA SAILING TO LUXOR

Today it's bye-bye to the boat – we're stepping off in Luxor, aka the world's largest open-air museum. But first: a pit stop at Kom Ombo and an optional look at the Karnak and Luxor Temples.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast



INCLUDED TODAY:

- + Visit Kom Ombo Temple



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- + Visit Karnak and Luxor temples

DAY 8 | LUXOR TO CAIRO VIA OVERNIGHT COACH

Lose yourself in the Valley of the Kings, give a silent high five to Queen Hatshepsut (who ruled ancient Egypt for 20 years) and snap a selfie at the Colossi of Memnon before we hit the road back to Cairo.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast



INCLUDED TODAY:

- + Visit the Valley of the Kings
- + Visit the Temple of Hatshepsut
- + Visit the Colossi of Memnon

DAY 9 | CAIRO

See King Tutankhamun's treasures at the Egyptian Museum, get goosebumps at the ancient pyramids and play 'got your nose' with the Sphinx (never gets old). Then: check out the necropolis of Saqqara.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast



INCLUDED TODAY:

- + Visit the Egyptian Museum
- + See the Pyramids and Sphinx at Giza Plateau
- + Visit the Saqqara Step Pyramid

DAY 10 | CAIRO

Just getting into the groove of this 24-hour city? The adventure may be over after breakfast, but feel free to stick around!



MEALS:

+ Breakfast



INCLUDED TODAY:

+ Airport transfer

Meals

Breakfasts are included every day on most trips (except on the first morning). A typical breakfast may consist of cereals with milk or yoghurt, bread, croissants, cold meats, cheese and a range of spreads, with fruit juice, tea or coffee to drink. It is rare to get a hot breakfast, though on some occasions there may be some hot food available as well.

Included evening meals are in local restaurants or your place of accommodation. In most cases table water is provided with the meals, and if you wish to purchase additional drinks you can do so at your own expense.

If you have any dietary requirements we will make every effort to cater to your specific needs as long as you advise your travel agent or Topdeck Customer Service Consultant when you book. But please be aware that although we will do everything in our power to arrange it, we cannot guarantee that every restaurant we use will be able to cater to all dietary needs. We also cannot cater for tastes or dislikes, as most of our included evening meals feature a set menu.

Your included meals are detailed in the 'More Inclusions' section of this document.

Important note on Ramadan: As many Middle Eastern countries are of Islamic faith, it is important to remember that many restaurants and shops will either be closed or operating on reduced hours during this time. Some Optional and Included Activities may also be affected. Despite some of these restraints, Ramadan is an incredibly important and sacred month for Muslims. When equipped with some basic knowledge, you'll have the chance to immerse yourself in this special tradition and experience all its highlights.

Topdeck Travel App

Our travel app is **AVAILABLE TO DOWNLOAD BEFORE YOU TRAVEL**. With a range of cool features including a Currency Converter, Budget Planner, Check-In tool and Social Timeline (so your next #TravelEnvy post is never too far away) you can plan your trip like a pro.

Think of it like your very own Topdeck Trip Leader, always on call with the latest info, weather, maps and city guides to give you the trip of a lifetime, all in the palm of your hand.

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Passenger safety

One of the best parts of travelling is experiencing the nightlife and entertainment each city has to offer. However, amidst the fun and excitement, it's important to be aware of your surroundings and personal safety as well. Before you hit the road with us, be sure to familiarise yourself with the following safety information.

When you're on a night out, remember to avoid walking alone, particularly through deserted areas like beaches and back streets. Always stick together, take a registered taxi where possible, and keep a note of your accommodation details so you can find your way back to your fellow Topdeckers if you become separated. It's also a good idea to get your Topdeck trip mates' mobile numbers in case you need to get hold of them while out and about.

In some countries, alcoholic measures can be considerably larger than what you may be used to. Try to keep track of what you're drinking, and if you see one of your trip mates looking a little worse for wear, take them back to your accommodation. Never leave your drink unattended.

It's also important to be aware that what you might consider harmless flirting may be interpreted differently in some countries. Be yourself and have fun, but stay savvy – you don't want to find yourself in an uncomfortable situation.

OTHER INFORMATION



THAT'S IT!