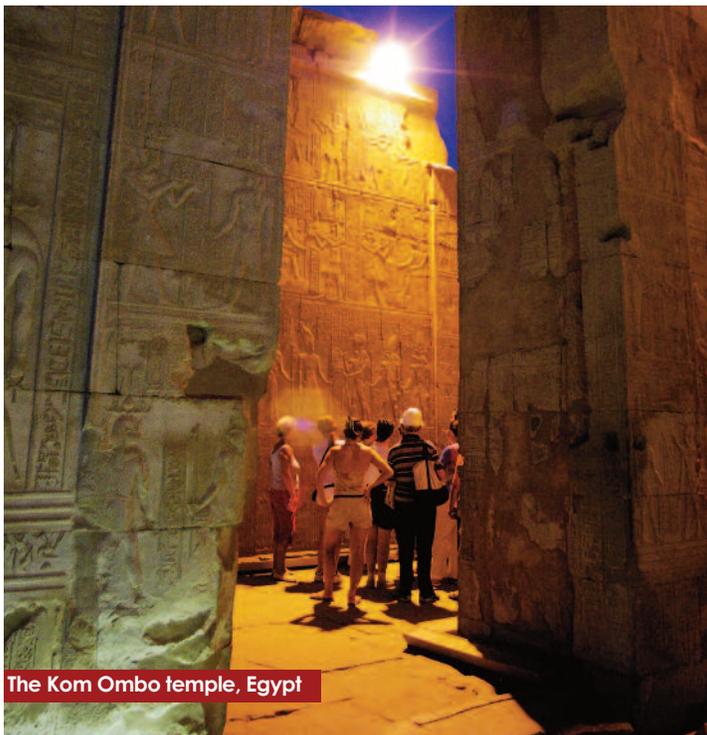




Egypt & Dubai

11 Days/10 nights

(2) Cairo • (3) Nile River Cruise • (1) Cairo • (4) Dubai



The Kom Ombo temple, Egypt

INCLUDED FEATURES

- Hotel accommodation for 7 nights
- 3 nights on board a Nile River cruise ship
- 20 included meals consisting of:
 - 10 buffet breakfasts
 - 6 lunches
 - 4 dinners
- Professional English speaking assistance upon arrival at the airport
- Private deluxe motor coach at disposal for included services throughout
- Sightseeing, including local guide and all entrance fees, as follows:
 - Cairo tour including: Pyramids, Sphinx, Egyptian Museum, Old Cairo and Khan El Khalili Bazaar
 - Nile Cruise sightseeing including: Aswan, Kom Ombo, Edfu, Esna and Luxor
 - Dubai sightseeing including: Dubai, Sharjah, Abu Dhabi, and desert safari with barbeque dinner
- Hotel taxes and service charges
- Hotel City taxes
- Document holder and luggage tags

Day 1 | Cairo Arrive in the Land of the Pharaohs. Upon completion of immigration and customs formalities at Cairo International Airport, you will be met at the exit by our representative and escorted to your hotel.

Day 2 | Cairo Visit the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities to see the world's largest collection of Pharaonic artifacts and the treasures of Tutankhamen's tomb. Then drive to Old Cairo to visit Al Moallaka Church (Hanging Church) and Ben Ezra Synagogue. In the afternoon, visit the Great Pyramids of Giza and the enigmatic Sphinx, then proceed to Khan El Khalili, the world's largest 13th century covered oriental bazaar. (B,L)

Day 3 | Cairo | Aswan | Kom Ombo | Edfu Transfer from your hotel to Cairo International Airport for your morning flight to Aswan. Upon arrival you will be escorted to your Nile cruise ship. Accommodations on board consist of outside cabins with private facilities. You will visit the High Dam, the Granite Alexandria Quarries with the Unfinished Obelisk, and the Temple of Isis at Philae. Sail on board a felucca, a traditional Egyptian sailboat and view Kitchner's Island Botanical Garden and the Agha Khan Mausoleum. After lunch, sail to Kom Ombo, where you will visit the Ptolemaic Temple of Sobek and Haroeries before arriving to Edfu. (B,L,D)

Day 4 | Edfu | Luxor Travel by horse-drawn carriage to the Temple of Horus, the falcon god. Dating from 237 B.C., it is considered the best preserved temple in Egypt and the second largest after the Temple of Karnak. Sail to Esna, passing through the Esna Lock, and continue sailing towards Luxor. (B,L,D)

Day 5 | Luxor Visit the West Bank necropolis including the Valley of the Kings, the Funerary Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir El Bahari and the Colossi of Memnon. Enjoy an optional sound and light show at Karnak Temple this evening. (B,L,D)

Day 6 | Luxor | Cairo After breakfast, visit Karnak and Luxor temples, a centuries old city of pylons, hypostyle halls, colossal statues, shrines and obelisks. Disembark and transfer to the airport for your afternoon flight to Cairo. Upon arrival in Cairo you will be met and escorted to your hotel. This evening enjoy an optional sound and light show at the Pyramid. (B)

Day 7 | Cairo | Dubai After breakfast, transfer to Cairo International Airport for your departure flight to Dubai. Arrive at Dubai International Airport. After clearing customs, you will be met at the exit by our representative and transferred to your hotel for check-in. (B)

Day 8 | Dubai After breakfast you will start your tour of Dubai, the Gulf's most enchanting and cosmopolitan city. Start with a visit of the magnificent twin minaret mosque, the Jumeirah Mosque, a spectacular example of modern Islamic architecture. Pass by the Palastquater "Zabeel" and Skyline at the Dubai Creek and continue towards Bastakiya, the wind towered houses of old merchants. After a visit of the Dubai Museum, housed in the 180 year old Al Fahidi Fort, you will cross the Dubai Creek with an "Abra" (water taxi) to reach the other side for a visit of the Spice Souk and Gold Souk. Return to Dubai for lunch at a local restaurant and a visit to the Burj Khalifa Tower. (B,L)

Day 9 | Dubai | Sharjah | Dubai Today take a half day tour to Sharjah, the "Pearl of the Gulf". Our tour starts at the monumental Culture roundabout before heading off to the Natural History Museum in the desert. Returning to the city, we head for the Corniche, with the golden Al Majara Souk and into the heart of the heritage district, where the Al Naboodah House and the Al Arsa souk provide a glimpse of how life used to be lived. The tour ends at the fabulous Central Souk, with its typical Arab architecture and if you're looking for souvenirs, then the vast selection of carpets, antiques and curios will surely satisfy the most determined shopper. In the afternoon Land Cruisers (6 person to a Vehicle) will pick you up for an Xhilaration Drive through the fantastic high sand dunes. Take unique pictures from the Arabian Sunset in the desert. After the sun disappears behind the golden sand dunes, we drive to our Desert Safari Camp. The smell of fresh grilled kebabs and lamb, the campfires, the scent of the traditional water pipes and the relaxing sounds of the Arabian music invite you for an unforgettable evening. After you have strengthened yourself at our sumptuous meal, the dancer will demonstrate the ancient art of belly dancing, sand boarding and henna painting also included. Return back to Dubai. (B,D)



Day 10 | Dubai | Abu Dhabi | Dubai After breakfast, we will proceed for a full day tour of Abu Dhabi. The excursion takes you two hours from Dubai, passing the Jebel Ali Port, the largest man-made seaport in the world, to the capital of the UAE. Stopover for pictures at Jazirra Residence, ex-residence of Shaikh Zayed. Admire the third biggest mosque in the world-Sheikh Zayed Mosque and the grave of Shaikh Zayed, the previous president of UAE and the father of the nation. Drive on Al Maqta Bridge and pass by one of the richest areas in Abu Dhabi-Ministries Area with the impressive villas. Further proceed to the most beautiful street-Corniche Road, which is compared to Manhattan in New York. Stop for pictures at Emirates Palace Hotel. The hotel has its own marina and helipad. According to the New York Times, the Emirates Palace is reputed to be the most expensive hotel ever built. The tour continues to Al Bateen Area, where are the palaces of the Royal Family. Have a shopping break in one of the biggest centers - Marina Mall. Enjoy lunch in a local restaurant during the tour. Return back to Dubai. (B,L)

Day 11 | Dubai to USA After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your return flight back home. (B)

(B) - Breakfast, (L) - Lunch, (D) - Dinner

Hotel and Itinerary are subject to change.



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