

## Treasures of Egypt

with optional Post Tour Extension

### Highlights...

Cairo • Grand Egyptian Museum • Luxor • Temple of Karnak • Valley of the Kings • Deluxe 4-Night Nile River Cruise • Queen Hatshepsut Temple • Kom Ombo • Aswan • Philae Temple Sound & Light Show • Historic Cairo • Khan el-Khalili Bazaar • Giza • Pyramids • Sphinx • Choice on Tour



12 Days • 21 Meals: 10 Breakfasts • 4 Lunches • 7 Dinners

#### Collette experiences

- Dress up and join the fun at a traditional *galabeya* party.
- At dusk, experience a Sound and Light Show at the Philae Temple (UNESCO).
- Embark on a leisurely paced 4-night cruise and discover the secrets of the Nile, the world's longest river.

#### Must-see inclusions

- Explore the 4,000-year-old religious complex of the Karnak Temple.
- Visit the Pyramids of Giza, the last of the Seven Ancient Wonders of the world.
- Discover the Valley of the Kings, including a viewing of the tombs of the Kings Tutankhamun and Ramses VI.

#### Culinary inclusions

- Enjoy a special welcome dinner overlooking the banks of the Nile.
- Experience freshly prepared traditional local cuisine each night on your Nile cruise.
- Get a first-hand introduction into how Egyptian cuisine is prepared during a cooking demonstration.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Step back in time and explore thousands of years of history, legend, and lore as you walk amongst Egypt's timeless wonders.

#### Day 2: Cairo, Egypt - Tour Begins

Begin your journey in Cairo, an ancient city with an intriguing past.

#### Day 3: Cairo - Grand Egyptian Museum - Cairo

Get an intriguing glimpse into ancient Egypt's Pharaohs, power struggles, and dynasties before exploring the remarkable collections of the Grand Egyptian Museum\*. See the statues, reliefs, sarcophagi, and treasures from the tomb of Tutankhamun. This evening, gather for a welcome dinner overlooking the banks of the Nile. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 4: Cairo - Optional Excursion

The day is yours to experience the energy of Cairo's buzzing streets. Wander a maze of stalls at the market, relax at a local café, or maybe even spend time in one of the city's many museums. Perhaps you will join a full-day exploration of Alexandria, Egypt's second-largest city; you'll discover the city's Hellenic roots and Greco-Roman architecture, set in unique harmony with ultramodern facades like the Bibliotheca Alexandrina. Or you may choose to join a local guide for a tour of Sakkara and Djoser's Step Pyramid. *Today breakfast will be included.*

#### Day 5: Cairo - Luxor - Karnak Temple - Board Cruise Ship

Early this morning, fly to Luxor, site of Ancient Thebes (UNESCO) and home to the expansive Karnak Temple. Wander through this 4,000-year-old complex of pylons and obelisks, often of near-mythic proportions. This afternoon, board your cruise ship for a leisurely voyage on the Nile River. Relax aboard, taking in the views from the sundeck or perhaps joining an informative talk covering Egypt from past to present. Tonight you might opt to join an evening visit to Luxor temple, all lit up and boasting fascinating plays of light and shadow, ending your evening at a local café for a taste of mint tea. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 6: Luxor - Valley of the Kings - Luxor - Esna - Edfu

Start the morning by venturing thousands of years into the past. Cross over to the West Bank of the Nile for a day in ancient Thebes. Explore the Valley of the Kings, including the world-renowned tombs of Tutankhamun and Ramses VI. Visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut as well as the Colossi of Memnon before returning to the ship for lunch. Relax as you continue down the Nile towards Esna on your way to Edfu. Join a culinary demonstration and learn about the staples of Egyptian cuisine from your chef. This evening, dress up and join the fun during a traditional *galabeya* party. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 7: Edfu - Kom Ombo - Aswan

Step into another world at the well-preserved Temple of Horus at Edfu. Peruse the endless carvings of scenes depicting the power and grandeur of the pharaohs. After lunch, set sail for Kom Ombo and continue to Aswan, the Nubian City. Following dinner, enjoy a folklore show featuring a belly dancing performance. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 8: Aswan

Learn about Aswan's ancient trade of granite extraction and carving techniques during a visit to an unfinished obelisk. Board a felucca (wooden sailboat) and sail to the lush oasis of Kitchener Island where you embark on a short stroll through the botanical gardens. The afternoon is yours. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 9: Aswan - Disembark Cruise Ship - Philae Temple

Disembark the ship this morning in Aswan. Consider an optional tour to Abu Simbel\*\* and see the extraordinary temples of Ramses II relocated here during the construction of the

High Dam. At dusk, board a motorboat to discover the Philae Temple (UNESCO), an architectural wonder. As the stars dance in the sky, gaze in awe at the temple during a Sound and Light Show. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 10: Aswan - Cairo - Khan el-Khalili Bazaar

Early this morning, return to Cairo. Walk along el-Moez Street, admiring the elegant Islamic architecture of Historic Cairo (UNESCO). Enjoy some free time to shop in the world-famous souk of Khan el Khalili. Peruse colorful trinkets, hand-painted crafts, polished pendants, and more. *Today breakfast will be included.*

#### Day 11: Cairo - Giza - Cairo

Fulfill a lifelong dream and head to nearby Giza (UNESCO). Embark on an in-depth visit to the Pyramids of Giza, one of the 7 ancient wonders of the world. Marvel at the iconic Great Sphinx, one of the world's oldest and largest monuments. Then, **it's your choice!** Meet with a local archeologist to learn about the most recent findings in Egyptology and how they influence the active digs on the Giza plateau **-OR-** channel your inner explorer and venture inside the largest Pyramid of Giza via the Robber's Tunnel, winding through the inner chamber\*\*\*. Join your fellow travelers this evening for a farewell dinner. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 12: Cairo - Tour Ends

Your epic adventure comes to a close today. Return home with a new understanding of this mystical land. *Today breakfast will be included.*

### Experience It! Luxor

Home to a vast majority of Egypt's antiquities, Luxor is often referred to as the world's greatest open-air museum. This city, parted by the Nile, has been visited by travelers for centuries. Even the Greeks and Romans would travel to see the treasures that lie here. Its immense number of monuments is incredible. There's the famous Valley of the Kings which boasts 63 royal tombs, each more elaborate than the next. Enjoy exclusive entrance to the world-renowned tombs of Tutankhamun and Ramses VI, usually not included in the base visit for the Valley of the Kings. You'll also visit Karnak, a vast complex of temples and gigantic statues including the Temple of Amun, known to be one of the largest religious buildings ever constructed. Luxor will bring you back to ancient times while you are awed by the wealth of its leaders and the skill of its people.

### Your itinerary at a glance

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Kempinski Nile Hotel, Cairo
Days 5 – 8	<i>Movenpick Royal Lily</i>
Day 9	Movenpick Resort, Aswan
Days 10, 11	Intercontinental Citystars Hotel, Cairo
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.	

Private yachts to small ships, iconic rivers and fjords to open sea, **Cruising** offers a new perspective of the world. Local experts guide the way on land, introducing travelers to each new destination through included cultural experiences, iconic sights, and regional cuisine.

**Collette's Flagship:** Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.

### Please Note:

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

Due to cabin configuration, triple and child accommodations are not available.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing these* transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

\*Grand Egyptian Museum is projected to open Fall 2022. If opening is delayed, groups will visit the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities.

\*\*Due to flight schedules, the Abu Simbel option must be purchased at time of booking.

The Egyptian Government charges a camera and/or video fee of approximately 18 US Dollars for taking photos inside of the Valley of the Kings. There is an additional cost to enter special tombs and sites in the Valley of the Kings and at the Pyramids of Giza. We cover the entrance fee to many sites and to some special tombs/sites (King Tutankhamun and King Ramses VI tombs in the Valley of the Kings and to the Great Pyramid of Giza in Cairo) but other special tombs/sites will be at your expense. Rates are subject to change at any time based on governing authority. Your Tour Manager will collect these fees at the beginning of the tour day and pay the government accordingly.

\*\*\*Visiting the Great Pyramid of Pharaoh Cheops in Giza requires agility as you will have to climb up steep, narrow steps (approximately 1-1 ½ feet tall) on the side of the Pyramid without the help of handrails. To access the inner chamber, you will need to crouch and at times to crawl up the narrow shaft with minimal help of handrails. This activity is not suitable for people suffering from claustrophobia.

Museum visits and shopping may be affected by observance of religious or local holidays. If traveling during the month of Ramadan, please note that the order of some features may vary and that some meal experiences may be replaced with meals in the hotel instead of local restaurants/venues. Ramadan observances are from March 23-April 24, 2023.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.

Each guest is responsible for proper medical documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Please contact your local travel clinic or personal physician for specific details on the destinations you are traveling to and from.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Passport numbers are required in advance. Please provide yours at time of booking.

The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price of your tour. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us. Internal flights that are purchased will be ticketed and distributed on tour by your Tour Manager.

#### IDENTIFICATION

Passports and visas are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

**IMPORTANT:** We recommend that our guests traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

An Egyptian visa is required for this tour and costs approximately 25 US Dollars. You must obtain your own visa upon your arrival in Egypt. Visas can be obtained at the airport and payment should be made in cash. Rates are subject to change at any time based on governing authority.

**The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3.** This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. Our itineraries include many activities that require walking on uneven terrain and sand. Visiting the Tombs of the Valley of the Kings requires descending steep staircases and/or ramps with limited help from handrails. These visits may not be suitable for people suffering from claustrophobia. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motor coaches, especially in historic areas. For your comfort, we recommend bringing sturdy walking shoes. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. Temperatures can reach over 100° F (37° C), particularly in Luxor and Aswan. Be sure to bring adequate sun protection.

For inter-flights between Luxor and Aswan, you should expect early morning departures from your hotel due to early morning flight schedules. You should also expect early morning departures on the days the Valley of the Kings and Pyramids of Giza are featured.

Extend your vacation with...

Optional 4 Days 3-Night Jordan: Petra & the Dead Sea Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$1,399.00 per person, double, land & air inclusive

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5 Meals: 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 Dinner

**Day 12: Cairo - Amman, Jordan - Madaba - Mt. Nebo - Petra**

Fly to Amman\*, the capital of Jordan. Travel to Madaba, the "City of Mosaics." Visit the church of St. George to see the famous 6th-century Byzantine mosaic map of the region, one of the oldest in existence, and the museum where many other spectacular mosaic examples are on display. You will also visit Mt. Nebo, where Moses saw the Promised Land – present day Israel – and is believed to be laid to rest. Continue to the ancient city of Petra for a 2-night stay. This evening, experience the flavors of the region during dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

**Day 13: Petra**

Enjoy a full day tour of the remarkable stone-carved city of Petra (UNESCO), one of the new Wonders of the World. A treasure of the ancient world, Petra was "hidden" behind rugged mountains prior to its discovery in 1812 after being lost for over 500 years. Explore this breathtaking city, carved from sandstone by the Nabataeans, with an expert guide and learn about the importance of Petra to the ancient trade routes, the history of its prominence and decline, its rediscovery, and efforts at preservation. (B)

**Day 14: Petra - Wadi Rum - Dead Sea**

This morning depart for the immense desert of Wadi Rum, stunning in its natural beauty and home of the famous film, *Lawrence of Arabia*. Experience desert life and learn about the fascinating history of the Bedouin people who have lived for generations in the Wadi Rum's stark, fragile and unspoiled desert. Pause for lunch at a local campsite before relaxing on an afternoon-long transfer to the Jordanian shore of the Dead Sea. Arrive in the late afternoon and enjoy sunset overlooking the Promised Land. (B, L)

**Day 15: Dead Sea - Depart for Home**

Transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

Please Note:

The space on this extension is extremely limited and will be available on a first come first served basis. Applicable charges may apply at time of request.

**Fully-guided** extensions are a great way to explore a new destination. Enjoy sightseeing and local experiences led by a Tour Manager or local expert.

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We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

\*The internal flight between Cairo and Amman is not included in the land price of your extension. This flight needs to be arranged and purchased directly from us.

Due to tour scheduling, flights should arrive in Amman no later than 10:30 AM.

A Jordanian visa is required and can be purchased at the Amman Airport upon arrival at an approximate cost of \$57 USD, paid in local currency (40 Jordanian dinar). Money can be exchanged at the airport prior to arriving at the visa desk. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority.

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## Important reservation information:

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\***Airfare:** For your convenience, we offer airfare for purchase with all vacation packages. If you purchase an air inclusive program, your airfare will be quoted inclusive of all fuel, taxes and fees. Your rates are subject to change until paid in full. Preassigned seats are limited and may not be available on every flight or departure date.

**Checked Baggage Charges:** Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies.

**Cancellation Charges for this tour:** After your seat reduction date has passed, a non-refundable deposit will be retained. For Cancellation between 60-16 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 30% of total price. For cancellation between 15-1 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation on the day of departure and after: 100% of total price. For Ocean Cruises: For cancellation between 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 35% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: 60% of total price. 30 or fewer days prior to departure: 100% of total price. For River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China, 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 85% of total price. For cancellation 30 or fewer days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Galapagos and Antarctica: A cancellation fee of 60% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. Cancellation protection is highly recommended and must be purchased at time of deposit. Air rates are subject to change until tour is paid in full. If Travel Protection Plan has not been purchased and a reservation is cancelled for any reason prior to departure - Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full. Cancellation charges also apply to reservations made for "pre" and "post" night accommodations. Payment of a Per Person Travel Protection Plan Fee guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except the Travel Protection Plan Fee itself, made to Collette for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Travel Protection Plan Fee with Air only covers airline tickets you have purchased from Collette. Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, Part B of the Travel Protection Plan may provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes, or fees in the event of a cancellation for a covered reason (see Part B for more details). The Travel Protection Plan Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. However, the Part B travel insurance includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons as detailed in Part B. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the canceling client, the traveling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement. Cancellation waiver protects you from penalties in the event you have a need to cancel your entire inclusive tour package up to the day prior to departure. Cancellation waiver does not indemnify you from penalties if you chose to cancel partial tour components or air. If you chose to partially cancel your vacation, you will be responsible for a revision fee as well as any penalties that are incurred at the time of the cancellation. Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not canceled in violation of the terms and conditions above, you will be refunded 100%. Please see your sales agent for more information, or review our brochure for details.

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