

Begin your Nile journey in Luxor

Ancient temples, royal tombs and your first days on the Nile.

1 Luxor East Bank

You will be collected from your hotel or Luxor International Airport and transferred privately to your Nile cruise ship. Check in and enjoy lunch before meeting your driver and Egyptologist guide to explore:



- **Karnak Temple Complex** - Explore the largest ancient religious complex in the world, renowned for its forest of 134 gigantic columns.
- **Luxor Temple** - Discover a masterpiece of ancient Egypt, with graceful columns, monumental statues and an atmospheric riverside setting.

Return to the cruise ship for dinner and enjoy the night's entertainment onboard.

DOMESTIC FLIGHTS

Flights from Cairo to Luxor can be included on request.

2 Luxor West Bank & Esna Lock

After breakfast, meet your private driver and Egyptologist guide for a private tour of Luxor's legendary West Bank:



- **Valley of the Kings** - Enter the royal burial ground of New Kingdom pharaohs, used from approximately 1550 to 1070 BC.
- **Queen Hatshepsut Temple** - Admire the dramatic terraced temple honouring one of Egypt's most powerful female pharaohs.
- **Colossi of Memnon** - Pause for photographs beside the two towering statues of Amenhotep III that have stood for more than 3,400 years.

Return to the cruise ship, enjoy lunch onboard and begin sailing south towards Edfu.

- **Esna Lock** - Relax on the sun deck as the ship passes through the lock and local vendors in small boats draw alongside to sell their products and haggle with guests.

Enjoy dinner and the night's entertainment onboard.

OPTIONAL HOT AIR BALLOON

Begin before sunrise and soar above Luxor's West Bank before returning for breakfast and the day's tour. Flights are subject to weather and availability and are offered at an additional cost.

Sail towards Aswan

Riverside temples, monumental Abu Simbel and a final morning in Aswan.

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Edfu & Kom Ombo

Enjoy breakfast onboard before meeting your Egyptologist guide for a private visit to:



- **Edfu Temple** - Discover the Temple of Horus, one of Egypt's best-preserved ancient sanctuaries. Return to the cruise ship for lunch and continue sailing south before stopping at Kom Ombo in the afternoon.
- **Kom Ombo Temple** - Explore this unique riverside double temple dedicated to the gods Sobek and Horus.

Return to the ship for dinner and enjoy the onboard entertainment.

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Abu Simbel

Depart at approximately 5:00 AM for the three to four-hour drive to Abu Simbel, one of the highlights of your Nile journey, and enjoy a private guided tour of:



- **Abu Simbel Temple** - Stand before the colossal rock-cut temple built by Ramses II.
- **Temple of Nefertari** - Visit the neighbouring Temple of Hathor, dedicated to Ramses II's beloved wife, Queen Nefertari.

Return to the cruise ship for lunch, relax during the afternoon and later enjoy dinner and the onboard entertainment.

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Aswan & Departure

Enjoy breakfast onboard before checking out from the cruise ship and meeting your Egyptologist guide for a private tour of:



- **Philae Temple** - Explore a beautiful island sanctuary dedicated to the goddess Isis.

After today's tour, take a private transfer to your hotel or Aswan International Airport. Flights from Aswan to Cairo can be included on request.

AN UNFORGETTABLE DAWN

RISE ABOVE LUXOR



OPTIONAL HOT AIR BALLOON EXPERIENCE

Begin before sunrise and float above Luxor's West Bank as the first light reveals ancient temples, fertile fields and desert mountains below.

● **PRE-DAWN PICKUP**

Timed around your Day 2 touring

● **RETURN BEFORE BREAKFAST**

Continue with the West Bank itinerary

● **WEATHER DEPENDENT**

Subject to availability and conditions

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