## Special 5-Day Tour in Cairo and Alexandria

**Price Starting From: \$450** 

5 Days and 4 Nights Egypt Egypt Egypt Cairo, Alexandria

Everyday

If you want to explore the two most beautiful archaeological and tourist cities in Egypt, which are Cairo and Alexandria, book the Best 5 Days Cairo and Alexandria Tour that will take you on an adventure to explore the most important tourist attractions in these two cities. You will enjoy the best Egypt tours offered by Cairo Top Tours that cover all the important Egyptian cities. You can check out the various options we provide for you when you check Egypt Travel Packages to have the most enjoyable vacation of your life.

We will take you to explore the most important archaeological sites in Cairo and Alexandria that are considered hidden gems, such as the Pyramids area, Memphis, Saqqara, the Egyptian Museum, and the most famous churches and mosques in Old Cairo. You will be able to visit Pompey's Pillar, Qaitbay Citadel, Kom El-Shoqafa Tombs, and the Alexandria Library. You will enjoy walking on the Alexandria Corniche to see the traditional boats and fishermen.

#### Overview

#### Inclusion

Cairo Top Tours tour leaders will assist you upon arrival and departure at Cairo International Airport.

You will spend 4 nights at the Cairo Pyramids Hotel or a similar hotel, including a bed & breakfast in Cairo.

All entrance fees to the historical sites are included.

You will enjoy local lunch meals at good local restaurants during our Egypt travel packages from Cairo to Alexandria.

You will be accompanied by certified and professional tour guides during all your sightseeing tours.

All your transfers will be organized by exclusive (non-smoking, air-conditioned) vehicles.

We will stop to buy some snacks for you upon request.

We will give you bottles of water and soft drinks during your Cairo and Alexandria tours.

You will enjoy shopping tours in Cairo or Alexandria. (If there is enough time).

All taxes and service charges are included in the price.

#### **Exclusion**

International airfares are not included.

You will pay \$25 upon arrival at Cairo International Airport to obtain the visa.

You will pay extra fees to enter the pyramid from inside.

Tipping for the staff is not included in the prices.

If you want to order any beverages during meals, you will pay for them.

**Itinerary** 

### Day 1: Arrival in Cairo:

Now it's time for you to arrive in the land of the Pharaohs to start your adventure with Cairo Top Tours. Our company representative will meet you upon your arrival at Cairo International Airport to welcome and help you with all the necessary procedures to facilitate your exit from the airport as soon as possible so that you can have some rest and relaxation at your hotel. The tour leader will transfer you to one of the most beautiful hotels in Cairo to spend your first night there.

The tour leader will help you check in to the hotel and inform you of the time when your tour will start the next day. If you have a long time to spend at the hotel this day, you can book one of the exciting optional tours, such as the Sound and Light Show at the Pyramids, the Cairo by Night Tour, the Nile Dinner Cruise, and many other tours.

## Day 2: Exciting tour of the Great Giza Pyramids, Memphis, and Saqqara:

At the beginning of the day, enjoy your delicious breakfast to start your exploration tour. One of the professional tour guides from the Cairo Top Tours team will come to meet you to start your tour of the most important archaeological sites in Giza.

You will visit the Giza Pyramids, which are still a mystery that baffles scientists. The Pyramids are characterized by a unique and attractive geometric shape; they are multifaceted and have a peak at the top. Each side of the pyramid, that is, each edge, base, and peak, forms a triangle. The shape of the pyramid allows the weight to be distributed evenly throughout the building to be resistant to erosion. The number of pyramids in Egypt is about 138 pyramids, but Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure are the three largest pyramids in Egypt, and the Pyramid of Khufu is the largest of these pyramids. The height of the Pyramid of Khufu is "149.4 meters," which is the same distance from the Earth to the Sun, which is 149.4 million kilometers.

You will also see the Sphinx, which for centuries remained the largest sculpture in the world. The ancient Egyptians called the Sphinx Horemakht or Horus of the period between 1570 and 1069. The Sphinx was associated with the great god Horus. You will visit the Famous Valley Temple of King Khafre. This temple is the only temple of the Old Kingdom that is still standing and complete to this day. It is a temple that the ancient Egyptians built on the banks of the Nile near the pyramids and is connected to it by a road called the procession road. The temple for the ancient Egyptians means earthly eternity and is the place where the deceased king is received to be washed in the ground hall and mummified on the roof of the temple. The last

mummification ritual is the opening of the mouth, in which the soul of the deceased is revived to be resurrected and travel to heaven. His mummy is prepared and transported in a large and magnificent procession to a temple directly next to the pyramid.

Then we will visit the Saqqara area, which is part of the Memphis Necropolis and includes many ancient Egyptian monuments, the most famous of which is the step pyramid of King Zoser, the oldest large stone building in history from the era of the Third Dynasty, the pyramids of many kings of the Fifth and Sixth Dynasties, the most important of which is the pyramid of King Unas, the first to engrave his burial chamber with the Pyramid texts and inscriptions, and the kings and senior officials of the First and Second Dynasties and a huge collection of tombs of important individuals from the Old Kingdom.

At the end of the day, you will visit the Memphis area, which is one of the most important archaeological sites that have been included in the UNESCO list. King Narmer built the city of Memphis in 3200 BC, and it was considered the capital of Egypt in ancient times during the reign of the Third Dynasty until the Sixth Dynasty. Rituals of worship to the god Ptah were held there. The city of Memphis includes a huge number of ancient Pharaonic monuments, and therefore it is called an open temple. The most important of these monuments are the limestone Sphinx, the huge statue of Ramses II, the Great Temple of Ptah, the Temple of Hathor, and many other valuable temples.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 3: Wonderful tour to explore the Egyptian Museum, Coptic and Islamic Cairo:

In the early morning, you will enjoy a fresh and delicious breakfast to start one of the most famous and best educational and cultural tours in Cairo. You will meet your private tour guide, who will welcome you warmly and take you on a new adventure.

You will start the day by visiting the amazing Egyptian Museum, one of the largest museums in the world, which is gaining great fame because, in addition to the huge amount of antiquities it contains, it is also a huge educational and research institution. It is of great importance as a center for study, research, and restoration because it contains a rare collection of Egyptian antiquities from different eras. This museum plays a major role in cultural exchange and helps us discover many secrets and mysteries about the different eras in ancient Egypt. You will see two of the most important and precious mummies in this museum, Yuya and Tuya, which are well-mummified mummies wearing masks made of cartonnage and covered with gold leaf. There are also many valuable statues, such as those of Khufu, Khafre, Kaaber, Amenhotep III, and Queen Tiye.

You will also visit the Citadel of Salah El Din, which is one of the most important landmarks of Islamic Cairo and one of the most luxurious military castles built in the Middle Ages. Its strategic location on top of the Mokattam Mountain provided a wonderful view of all the historical landmarks of Cairo, and the fortified walls around the capitals of Islamic Egypt with the Citadel provided further protection against sieges. The Citadel is full of valuable monuments dating back to different and varied Islamic eras, transforming it from a mere fortified castle into a complete city containing mosques, fountains, palaces, offices, military factories, a workshop for covering the Kaaba, huge military and civil schools, and other facilities.

You should not miss visiting the Mosque of Muhammad Ali. The most important thing that distinguishes this unique mosque from all the historical mosques in Cairo, in addition to its charming architectural design, is the use of a type of marble known as alabaster to cover its interior and exterior walls alike, which is why it is sometimes known as the Alabaster Mosque. It is also distinguished by two famous minarets, the highest in Egypt.

Then we will move on to visit the old Cairo area, which includes a collection of the most famous holy churches in the world. We will start with the Church of Abu Serga, which is one of the most important churches where the Holy Family resided during their escape to Egypt. It is considered the only church that combines Coptic arts and some touches of Islamic architecture because, during the Fatimid era, the church was restored in imitation of the Islamic style. The church also includes 4 columns; each column is decorated 3 of them with granite and precious stones, and the fourth is left without a crown and without granite to symbolize Judas the traitor.

You will also visit the Hanging Church, which was called in the Middle Ages "the Church of the Stairs" because there are 23 steps leading to it. It was also known as the "Church of the Column," and this name was given at the time of the famous miracle of moving the Mokattam Mountain during the reign of the Fatimid Caliph Al-Mu'izz li-Din Allah when the Virgin Mary appeared to Anba Abraham on a column inside the Hanging Church to guide him.

You will also visit the Ben Ezra Synagogue, a temple with an area of ??about 3500 with facades devoid of decorations. This temple contains many valuable books related to the customs and traditions of the Jews and their social life in Egypt, in addition to the "Geniza" of the Jews in Egypt. Now it is time for lunch; you will be able to choose from a collection of delicious Egyptian dishes, and then we will pass by the Islamic Cairo area to see some of the most famous mosques in Cairo, which are evidence of the progress of the art of construction and architecture in the Islamic era. You will visit the Khan El Khalili Bazaar, which includes a huge collection of professional handicrafts and many old souvenirs. We will return you to your hotel to enjoy a quiet and comfortable night.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 4: Enjoyable tour to the bride of the Mediterranean—Alexandria:

You will enjoy your delicious breakfast at your hotel, and then the tour guide will come to take you to enjoy exploring the most beautiful coastal city in the Mediterranean, which is Alexandria. Your tour today is a unique experience because, in addition to the many amazing archaeological and historical sites that you will visit today, you will enjoy the picturesque natural scenery and fresh air in Alexandria.

Alexander the Great founded and built the city of Alexandria and named it after himself on April 7, 331 BC, on the ruins of an ancient Egyptian city called Ra Qadet or Raqouda. After Alexander died in Babylon in 323 BC, his army leaders fought to control parts of his large empire. Egypt was the share of the commander Ptolemy I Soter, and Alexandria became the capital of Ptolemaic rule and became the most important and largest city in the eastern Mediterranean.

Today we will start by visiting Pompey's Pillar, which is considered one of the oldest memorial columns in the world, the highest memorial, and one of the most famous archaeological landmarks. The government is always keen to hold special archaeological celebrations in Pompey's pillar area. Pompey's Pillar is also the last remaining monument of the famous Serapeum Temple, "the temple of the god Serapis," which was founded by King Ptolemy III during the third century BC. This temple was the largest and most important temple in Alexandria in the Greek and Roman eras.

You will visit a group of the most important archaeological tombs in the Kom El Shoqafa area, and the area was named after a large amount of pottery remains that used to accumulate in this place in ancient times. These tombs are architectural and engineering masterpieces by all standards and are considered the best ancient tombs and archaeological cemeteries due to their architectural creativity and ingenious elements in

the construction and engineering description of the tomb, starting from the top floor to the third floor underground. These tombs are over 122 years old, having been officially discovered in 1900.

You will visit one of the most famous castles in Egypt, the Qaitbay Citadel, which was built in 1477 AD by order of the famous Sultan Qaitbay. It was built on the ruins of the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria to be one of the most important defensive fortresses in Egypt, with its towering walls reaching four meters in height to protect the city from any external threats. The Citadel is considered one of the most famous tourist attractions in Alexandria, as it has stood for more than 500 years as a testament to the greatness of Islamic civilization and an embodiment of Islamic architecture in Egypt.

You will also be amazed by visiting the Library of Alexandria, which is one of the largest libraries in the world because it contains more than 2 million and 153 books and references in different languages. The library includes 7 libraries specialized in various fields and specializations in addition to 3 famous and important museums, which are the Manuscript Museum, the Antiquities Museum, and the Sadat Museum.

You will enjoy the most delicious seafood meal you will ever have in your life in the famous restaurants of Alexandria. After enjoying your delicious meal, we will return to Cairo to take you back to your hotel to have some rest after a long day full of fun.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

### Day 5: End of your vacation in Egypt

Early in the morning, you will have your last breakfast at your hotel in Cairo. Then your tour leader will come to help you check out of the hotel, and then he will take you to Cairo International Airport to take your plane back to your country, carrying countless unforgettable memories and exciting adventures that you enjoyed in Egypt with the Cairo Top Tours team.

Meal: Breakfast