

12D BEST OF EGYPT & RED SEA

(ECAI12)



HIGHLIGHTS

CAIRO: • Great Pyramids & Sphinx
• Corniche El-Nil Promenade • River Nile
• The Mosque of Muhammad Ali • The Citadel
• Egyptian Museum • Egyptian Perfumery
• Khan El Khalili Bazaar • Camel Ride
• Hanging Church • Church of St Sergius
• Ben Ezra Synagogue

SAQQARA: • Step Pyramid of Djoser

HURGHADA: • Red Sea • El-Dahar
• Glass Bottom Boat Tour • Hard Rock Cafe
• Sekalla High Shopping Street
• Hurghada Marina Boulevard

DAY 1

CHECK IN AT SINGAPORE CHANGI AIRPORT

Assemble at Singapore Changi Airport and fly to the Land of the Pharaohs - Egypt.

DAY 2

SINGAPORE → CAIRO - HURGHADA

- Meal on Board, Lunch, Dinner -

On arrival, meet and greet by a local representative. Begin the tour with a drive along **Corniche El-Nil**, the promenade by the **River Nile**, where Egyptian history began. Be enchanted by the splendid treasures recovered from the tomb of Tutankhamun at the famous **Egyptian Museum**. Thereafter, a journey to **Hurghada**, a beach resort by the **Red Sea**.

DAY 3

HURGHADA

- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner -

After breakfast, enjoy a **Glass Bottom Boat Tour** out into the **Red Sea** and admire the colourful fishes. Thereafter, drive pass Hurghada Marina Boulevard, home to over 100 shops, restaurants and pubs. Visit **Hard Rock Cafe Hurghada** and enjoy a delicious dinner. Recommended Optional Excursion: Quad Bike & Desert

LUXOR: • Avenue of Sphinxes • Luxor Temple
• Abu El-Haggag Mosque • Temple of Amun
• Karnak Temple • Completed Obelisk
• Sacred Lake • Valley of The Kings
• Queen Hatshepsut Temple
• Colossi of Memnon • Alabaster Factory

EDFU: • Temple of Horus
• Egyptian Horse Carriage

KOM OMBO: • Temple of Sobek
• Crocodile Museum

ASWAN: • Aswan High Dam • Lake Nasser
• Temple of Isis • Island of Philae
• Elephantine Island • Kitchener Island
• Aga Khan Mausoleum
• Aswan Botanical Garden • Felucca Ride

DAY 4

HURGHADA - LUXOR

- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner -

This morning, continue to **Luxor**. Enjoy 4 nights stay at the floating hotel cruising down the Nile River, seeing and exploring the life by its banks. Enter the famous **Luxor Temple**, an elegant example of Pharaonic temple architecture which provides an introduction to ancient Egypt. Be amazed by the thirteenth century **Abu El-Haggag Mosque** which is still standing high on the layers of silt accumulated over the years. Thereafter, stop at the massive **Temple of Amun**, the **Karnak Temple** with its vast Hypostyle Hall and the **Avenue of Sphinxes**. See the tallest completed **Egyptian Obelisk**. View the **Sacred Lake** where priests purify themselves before rituals.

Recommended Optional Excursion: Horse Carriage Night Excursion

Accommodation: Deluxe Cruise Liner

DAY 5

LUXOR 🚤 ESNA 🚤 EDFU

- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner -

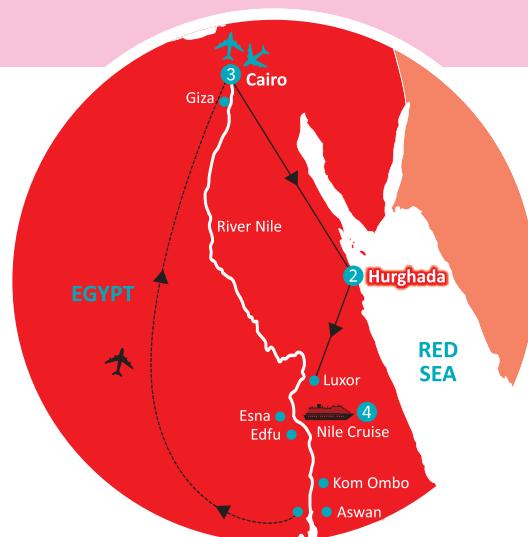
After breakfast, stopover at the west bank of the Nile and enter the **Valley of the Kings** - the burial site for many of the New Kingdom Pharaohs. Feast your eyes on the amazing **Queen Hatshepsut Temple** against its stark

MEALS

• 9 Breakfasts / 9 Lunches / 9 Dinners

ACCOMMODATION

• Stay 5N in 5★ Hotels
• 4N in 5★ Deluxe Cruise Liner



mountainous backdrop. Take in the wonder and splendour of the **Colossi of Memnon** (two gigantic sitting statues of the Pharaohs) at the Amon-Ofi III Temple. Visit an **Alabaster Factory** where you will see Egyptian crafts made from marble. In the evening, enjoy an Egyptian dinner and continue cruising south to Esna and Edfu.

Accommodation: Deluxe Cruise Liner

**DAY 6****EDFU 🚤 KOM OMBO****ASWAN***- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner -*

After breakfast, hitch a ride on the **Egyptian Horse Carriage** going through the old dusty street where you'll see people living in poverty before arriving at the **Temple of Horus** (Falcon God). Continue to the Kom Ombo Temple, also known as the **Temple of Sobek** (Crocodile God). Visit the **Crocodile Museum** to see the crocodile mummies. In the evening, celebrate in true Egyptian style at a **Galabeya Party** and Dinner.

Accommodation: Deluxe Cruise Liner

DAY 7**ASWAN***- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner -*

After breakfast, enjoy traditional '**felucca**' (wind boat) on the Nile. Enjoy the Nubians singing local folk songs. Simultaneously, you would be seeing **Elephantine Island, Kitchener Island, Agha Khan Mausoleum and Aswan Botanical Garden**. Free at leisure in the afternoon.

Recommended Optional Excursion: Abu Simbel (UNESCO World Heritage Site)

Accommodation: Deluxe Cruise Liner

DAY 8**ASWAN ✈ CAIRO***- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner -*

After breakfast, disembark from the cruise liner. Embark on a motorboat to an island in the Nile. Continue to visit **Aswan High Dam** to see scenic **Lake Nasser**. Hitch a ride on a motorboat across the Nile to **Philae Island**. Visit the **Temple of Isis** which rises from the waters of the Nile. Visit a **papyrus showroom** to learn how beautiful Egyptian papyrus drawings are handmade. End the day by transferring to airport and take domestic flight to Cairo.

Recommended Optional Excursion: Nubian Village & Culture

DAY 9**CAIRO***- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner -*

An exciting day awaits you at Cairo. Admire the **Step Pyramid of Djoser Ride on a camel** to see one of the Seven Wonders of the World, the **Great Pyramids of Giza**. See their guardian, the **Sphinx** (lion with a human head). Continue to the **Khan El Khalili Bazaar** where you can put your bargaining skills to the test. Then proceed to an **Egyptian Perfumery** and learn how perfume is made in Egyptian-style.

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After breakfast, explore the Coptic Cairo. Visit the famous **Hanging Church** (Suspended Church) which was built on top of the water gate of the old Roman fortress of Babylon. Thereafter, continue to the oldest **Church of St Sergius** where it is believed that the Holy Family was sheltered in a cave below the altar. Walk through the narrow streets before arriving at the oldest **Ben Ezra Synagogue**, a testament to the ancient and significant presence of Jews in this region. Visit **The Mosque of Muhammad Ali** which dominates medieval **Citadel** and was built on the summit of the citadel, the highest point in Cairo. At its lookout, enjoy a bird's eye view of the entire city including the Great Pyramids on clear days (subject to weather conditions).

DAY 11**CAIRO ✈ SINGAPORE***- Breakfast, Meal on Board -*

Free at own leisure until time to transfer to the airport for your flight back home. Bid farewell to Egypt. We hope you had a memorable vacation with ASA Holidays and thank you for your support!

DAY 12**ARRIVAL IN SINGAPORE****Note:**

- In the event of local religious festivals, unforeseen circumstances and/or bad weather conditions, the sequence of the itinerary may be changed or altered. Alternative attractions will be substituted without prior notice and/or at short notice in order to ensure a smoother journey and tour.
- All bookings will be subjected to terms and conditions as stipulated in this brochure.
- Admission and entrance ticket will be included when specified.
- Minimum group size of 16 passengers is required for a confirmed departure. Group size of 15 and below will solely be at the discretion of ASA Holidays and passengers need to accept the arrangement.
- Every group of 26 passengers will have a Singapore tour manager to accompany the tour throughout.
- Tour is conducted in English.
- All hotel ratings are based on local standards. In the event that accommodation in the stated hotel is unavailable, it will be replaced by another hotel of similar standards.
- During major events, accommodation may not be in the city mentioned
- ASA Holidays recommends you to buy travel insurance for your travel to ensure coverage.
- All flights are subject to change without prior notice
- In the event of discrepancies between English and Chinese itinerary, please refer to the English version.
- Room types are based on run of the house and allocated by respective hotels. ASA Holidays will not be responsible for the differences of the room allocated.
- Participation of optional tours will be at passengers' own choice and expenses.
- Participants need to be properly attired when visiting places of religious worship; ASA Holidays will not be responsible for refusal of entry. Should places of religious worship be closed to public due maintenance and/or by local authority and/or religious event, there will be no replacement.
- Domestic flight and train timings will be based on the local public train schedule/flight arrangement and may vary. The sequence of itinerary may be changed or altered.