

EGYPT

FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE PHARAOHS

13TH – 21ST MAY 2025

Journey through the heart of ancient Egypt, where history and mystery intertwine. Feel the thrill as you explore the majestic pyramids of Giza, sail the timeless Nile, and unravel secrets to hidden tombs. Discover vibrant bazaars and immerse yourself in the culture of this ancient land. Join us on this optional trip extension off the back of our Petra Experience in Jordan and create travel memories of a lifetime.



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Itinerary

TUESDAY 13TH MAY

Cairo

Welcome to Egypt. After being met by our local operator inside immigration at the airport and assisted with all arrival formalities, you will have your first experience of Egypt as you are transferred to your hotel. Spend the evening soaking up the atmosphere of this ancient kingdom.

This afternoon refocus and gather your thoughts. You will meet your guide for a walking tour of Old Cairo. Start at Bab El Futouh and stroll through Al Moez Street visiting and viewing the magnificent

Islamic architectural heritage including mausoleums, mosques, Sabils, and medieval houses that date from the Fatimid and Mamluke Eras. Rest and reenergize with a refreshing drink at Fishawy Café (Optional) amidst Khan El Khalili bazaars. No visit to Cairo is complete without a stop at the Khan El-Khalili bazaar, where you will be transported back in time to an old Arab souk. After the tour return to you hotel.



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WEDNESDAY 14TH MAY

Cairo – Aswan (BLD)

Aswan, Egypt's sunniest southern city and ancient frontier town located about 100km south of Luxor, has a distinctively African atmosphere with the local Nubian population. Small enough to walk around and graced with the most beautiful setting on the Nile, the pace of life is slow and relaxing. In Aswan, the Nile is at its most beautiful, flowing through amber desert and granite rocks, round emerald islands covered in palm groves and tropical plants. Explore the souk, full of the scent and colour of spices, perfumes, scarves and baskets.

Upon arrival in Aswan take a felucca (traditional sailing boat) ride around the islands of Aswan before boarding your Nile Cruise Ship.

Starting operations in November 2015, the Blue Shadow has 54 deluxe cabins and 3 suites all of modern design along the line of hotels rooms. All guest cabins are on the Main or Middle Deck. Cabins feature A/C, minibar, satellite flat screen TV, panoramic windows & safe box. Facilities include on board entertainment, restaurant, lounge and pool bars, relaxing sauna and massage area and library.

Board your Nile cruise boat for the start of your journey along the life-giving waters that have transported Pharaohs, Royalty, and celebrities for eons. This afternoon visit the High Dam and the serene Temple of Philae. Dedicated to Isis, the island of Philae is said to be the resting place of her husband Osiris.



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THURSDAY 15TH MAY

Aswan - Kom Ombo – Edfu (BLD)

Savour breakfast on board your boat as you cruise to the Temple of Kom Ombo. This temple, though not as well-known as others in Egypt, is a favourite amongst those who visit. Bas reliefs and carvings show such technological advances as surgical instruments and a pre-Georgian calendar, helping to remind us of just how advanced the Ancient Egyptians were. It also features a fascinating collection of mummified crocodiles. Later that evening cruise to Edfu.

Note: *Cruise itinerary may be changed without prior notice due to navigational circumstances. The order of sightseeing may vary and is subject to change.*

FRIDAY 16TH MAY

Edfu - Esna – Luxor (BLD)

Today you will visit the Temple of Horus in Edfu and discover the remains of the Old Kingdom and the temple dedicated to the falcon God Horus, constructed during the Ptolemaic period between 237 and 57 BC. The walled descriptions describe its construction and also display important drawings, capturing the Greco-Roman era in ancient Egypt. Later sail across Esna Lock where floating peddlers will offer you their wares with some ingenious bartering from the waters of the Nile, before arriving in Luxor to visit the Temples of Karnak and Luxor. The Karnak Temple is remarked for the way it was continuously added to by a succession of Pharaohs over a period lasting more than a 1000 years – surely one of the longest running building projects in history.



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SATURDAY 17TH MAY

Luxor – Cairo (B)

Disembark your cruise this morning and cross the Nile to explore the West Bank. Today is full of highlights including the Necropolis of Thebes and the Valley of the Kings, where you'll find the tombs of the Theban rulers including Tutankhamun. The grandeur of Queens Hatshepsut's Temple and the haunting Colossi of Memnon, named for the Ethiopian king who marched to the aid of Troy, round out the exploration before transferring to the airport evening flight to Cairo. Transfer from the airport to your Pyramids hotel – catching your first glimpse of this Seven Wonders.

SUNDAY 18TH MAY

Cairo (B)

A day to remember!. Explore the sand strewn temples and tombs before of incomparable Pyramids of Giza and Sphinx. The largest and oldest pyramid was built by Pharaoh Khufu over 3,800 years ago. From the oldest buildings in Egypt to the newest. Today trip with your Egyptologist takes you to the massive and inspirational GEM Museum the largest archaeological museum in the world. This stunning new museum showcases the ancient discoveries of Pharaonic Egypt. Using the latest architecture and technology this museum brings to life and display the pharaonic civilisation like it has never been seen before.

GEM is scheduled to open in April 2023 – If it has not opened then this will be replaced by the Cairo Museum.

MONDAY 19TH MAY

Cairo (B)

Take one last moment to reflect on your discoveries as you transfer to the airport.



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TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- Full hosting throughout
- All flights
- VIP meet and assist and Visa and Welcome Pack
- Airport transfers
- Accommodation: 3 nights Cairo (2 nights Pyramids area, & 1 night Downtown), 3 night Nile cruise
- A/C transportation
- Daily breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners on board the Nile Cruise
- Flights Cairo/Aswan x Luxor/Cairo
- Private Egyptologist guide and sightseeing in Cairo
- Small group sightseeing on the Nile cruise
- Entrance fees

TOUR EXCLUSIONS:

- Optional tours and excursions
- Port Taxes and fuel surcharges
- Porterage
- Tipping/Gratuities (please refer to tour notes for a recommended guideline)
- Personal Expenses
- Departure taxes
- Hotel charges for minibar or any extra charges
- Any other services not clearly mentioned in the inclusions above



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Trip costs

TOTAL PACKAGE COST: NZD \$4,750

Single Supplement Cost NZD \$5,780

PAYMENT DATES

In order to meet the necessary arrangements and preparations with our travel partners and agents we request the following payment schedule:

Deposit Payment	NZD \$2,000	Upon Registration
Progress Payment	NZD \$1,500	Due 1st February 2025
Balance Payment	NZD \$1,250	Due 21st March 2025

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Bank Account details for payment are as follows:

Dream It NZ
02-0492-0136659-00

Invoices will be sent to you via email.

REQUIRED NEXT STEPS

Upon receipt of your deposit payment we will require the following to confirm your booking:

- Scanned copy of your Dream It Client Form.
This will be emailed to you.
- Scanned copy of your passport. Please ensure that your passport is valid at least 6 months from the start of your trip.
- Scanned copy of your travel insurance cover.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This package is based on the following terms and conditions.

1. Group departures are based on reaching the minimum number of 10 participants being reached. Maximum group size of 12.
2. Inclusions as specified.
3. All prices are subject to change until paid in full and prices are all subject to availability. Prices are for cash or bank transfer. There will be a 2.5% surcharge for Visa/Mastercard payments and a 3.5% surcharge for Amex/Diners. Your name on your electronic ticket must be exactly the same as on your passport and you must have at least 6 months validity on your passport upon your return to New Zealand. All prices are subject to currency fluctuation and are based on prevailing travel pricing conditions in May 2024.
4. Prices quoted are for Economy return airfare and twin share accommodation. Single supplement and flight upgrades are available on request.
5. Itinerary subject to change.



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NO REGRETS

For Dream It to succeed, so must you! Our ultimate goal is to give you an amazing and epic Dream It adventure in the best possible way—with no regrets. At Dream It, our no regrets policy is all about ensuring you get the most out of your adventure by being well prepared and well informed.

We are preparing a pre departure event for our Dream It family so we all get a chance to meet one another before we depart. We will also set up a closed facebook group specific to this trip for our clients to provide regular travel updates and information plus advice and guidance leading into our epic trip.

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