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15 day tour to Egypt, Jordan and Israel Preliminary Itinerary

Just \$4,095!!! per person based on a double room
(single supplement is additional)

Departs March 11, 2024

Returns March 25, 2024

Airfare will be arranged – cost is not known yet

Day 1

Mon 11-Mar-2024 **Depart for Cairo**

Day 2

Tue 12-Mar-2024 **Arrival - Cairo**

Transfer via: Flight, arranged by Fitzgerald Tours (TBA)

Accommodations: Steigenberger Hotel El Tahrir (4 star), Superior Room

Upon arrival in Cairo, you will be met at Immigration & Passport Control Area by our representative who will facilitate the visa process (excluded) and escort you through customs and immigration. Continue to the baggage claim hall and finally to the passenger pick-up area, you will be introduced to your driver for a one-hour private transfer to your accommodation. Check in and relax for the rest of the day.

Note:

* Strict dress code for visiting mosques and churches. Men must wear long pants and shirts with sleeves and no tank tops. If you're wearing sandals or flip-flops you must wear socks (no bare feet). Similarly, women must be modestly dressed (no see-through clothes, bare shoulders, etc).

* Observant Muslims do not drink alcohol or smoke. There might not be alcohol served in hotels or local restaurants. If alcohol is not offered, it is better not to ask for it.

Day 3

Wed 13-Mar-2024 **Cairo**

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: Steigenberger Hotel El Tahrir (4 star), Superior Room

This morning, meet your private guide and driver for a full-day tour of ancient Memphis, Saqqara, and the pyramids at Giza. Drive south to Memphis first to visit this ancient capital of Egypt during the Old Kingdom. Then, move on to the Step Pyramid of Saqqara. Finish with the most iconic and largest pyramids at Giza and the mysterious Sphinx, a colossal lion with a pharaoh's head.

[Pyramid of Unas](#) [Stepped Pyramid of Djoser](#) [Pyramids of Giza](#) [Sphinx](#)

Note:

Entering the Great Pyramid is possible with on-site payment. Be aware that a limited number of people are allowed into the pyramid, based on a first come first serve basis.

Day 4

Thur 14-Mar-2024 **Cairo**

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: Steigenberger Hotel El Tahrir (4 star), Superior Room

After breakfast, start off to explore the Egyptian Museum, which houses a magnificent collection of Pharaonic antiquities. Later, proceed to Old Cairo to visit the Citadel of Salah El Din, and the Mohammed Ali Mosque situated high above the city. Finish the trip at the Khan El Khalili Bazaar to browse and shop.

Day 5

Fri 15-Mar-2024 **Cairo - Aswan - Nile River Cruise**

Transfer via: Flight, Economy Class, arranged by our tour company (Duration: 1.5 hours)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch on ship, Dinner on ship

Accommodations: M/S Blue Shadow II (4 star), Deluxe Cabin

After breakfast, be met and transferred to the airport for the flight to Aswan.

Upon arriving, transfer to embark on your Nile River cruise. After settling into your cabin, disembark for a guided trip to the High Dam and the Temple of Philae. The latter is a special site, a shrine to Isis: your guide will explain how UNESCO took steps to relocate and save it from flooding. Later in the afternoon, take an Egyptian Felucca to sail on the Nile, passing by the Elephantine Island, and step ashore at the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener Island.

[High Dam](#) [Botanical Gardens](#) [Philae Temple](#)

Note:

* Felucca is completely driven by natural wind; when there is not enough wind, you will take a motor boat instead.

* The itinerary for shore excursions is subject to change without prior notice due to navigational and security restrictions. The change will be only in the sequence of the itinerary and the visit will be the same.

* Wifi service is available onboard at an additional cost; however, due to poor construction of base stations, wifi is not stable during the cruise. If internet service is essential, it might be better to consult your mobile operator for data service before departing for the trip.

Day 6

Sat 16-Mar-2024 **Nile River Cruise**

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodations: M/S Blue Shadow II (4 star), Deluxe Cabin

Early in the morning, you will set sail to Kom Ombo to visit the Greco-Roman Sobek Temple, the temple is unusual in that it is a double temple, with one side dedicated to the god Haroësis and the other side to Sobek. The cruise will continue to sail to Edfu to visit the Temple of Horus (also known as the Temple of Edfu), which is considered the best-preserved cult temple in Egypt. This is partly because it was built later than most: in the Ptolemaic era from 237 to 57 BC. Despite its later date, it reflects the traditional pharaonic architecture and so provides an excellent idea of how all the temples once looked. Edfu is also very large: the second largest in Egypt after Karnak Temple.

[Temple of Kom Ombo \(Temple of Sobek and Horus\)](#) [Temple of Edfu \(Temple of Horus\)](#)

Day 7

Sun 17-Mar-2024 **Nile River Cruise**

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodations: M/S Blue Shadow II (4 star), Deluxe Cabin

Early morning sail to Luxor. After breakfast on board, explore some of the most incredible sites in the country. You will visit the Valley of the Kings where you will have the chance to explore three tombs

of the ancient Pharaohs. You will then visit the recently renovated mortuary temple of Queen Hatshepsut. Hatshepsut was the female pharaoh in Egypt. The tour also includes a visit to the huge Colossi of Memnon which are all that remains of the mortuary temple of Amenhotep III.

[West Bank \(Thebes\)](#) [Valley of the Kings](#) [Funerary Temple of Hatshepsut](#) [Colossi of Memnon](#)

Note:

Your entrance ticket to the Valley of Kings allows you to visit three out of the eight tombs open to the public, if you want to see more than three tombs, you will have to purchase additional tickets.

KV9 Tomb of Ramesses V & VI 100 EGP/person

KV17 Tomb of Seti I 1,000 EGP/person

KV62 Tomb of Tutankhamum 300 EGP/person

Day 8

Mon 18-Mar-2024 **Luxor - Cairo**

Transfer via: Flight, Economy Class, included (Duration: 1 hour)

Meals: Breakfast on ship

Accommodations: Novotel Cairo Airport (4 star), Superior Room

After breakfast on board, you will start your day with a visit to the Temples of Karnak. Continue to Luxor Temple which was once joined to the Temples of Karnak by a two-kilometer-long Avenue of Sphinx, a portion of which marks the entrance to the temple. Your private guide will offer interpretation and guide you through the most important parts of the temples.

After the tour, transfer to the airport to catch your flight back to Cairo. On your arrival, our representative will meet you and arrange a private transfer to your hotel.

[Karnak Temple](#) [Luxor Temple](#)

Note:

We suggest staying at an airport hotel in Cairo for an early morning flight the following day.

Day 9

Tue 19-Mar-2024 **Cairo - Amman - Jerash - Amman**

Transfer via: Cairo - Amman, Flight, Economy Class, included

Amman - Jerash,

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Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: Ayass Hotel (4 star), Premium Room

Meet your driver at the lobby of your hotel, then head to the airport for the morning flight to Amman. Upon arrival in Amman, the tour company representative will meet you and help facilitate all the formalities. After collecting your luggage, he will take you to meet your English-speaking chauffeur-guide, then drive north to explore the Roman ruins of Jerash with a local guide. You will visit the spectacular forum, Roman colonnaded street, the Nymphaeum, the Temple of Artemis, and South Theater. Afterward, return to Amman to visit the Citadel on the highest hill, the Roman Theater, and Archeological & Folklore Museums.

[Nymphaeum](#) [Roman Forum](#) [Temple of Artemis](#) [Roman Colonnaded Street](#)

Note:

For the Jordan portion, we use one driver who can speak English, the driver will not play a role as a guide. While you're visiting Jerash and Petra, we will arrange a private English-speaking guide locally. A throughout private English-speaking guide is available on request at an additional charge.

Day 10

Wed 20-Mar-2024 **Amman - Petra**

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: Petra Moon Hotel (4 star), Standard Room

After breakfast, drive to Mt. Nebo for the overlook view of the Holy Land if weather permits. In the remains of the Moses Memorial Church, constructed in the 4th century, you'll see beautiful mosaics. Proceed to Madaba, known for its Byzantine and Umayyad mosaic art. Here, you can see the popular

6th-century map of Palestine in the Greek Orthodox St. George's Church. En route, stop at one of the Jordanian handicraft shops where you can look over the shoulders of Mosaic art workers creating unique and traditional styles with Byzantine influence.

After the tour, drive to your hotel in Petra for the night.

[The Moses Memorial Church](#) [Madaba](#) [St. George Church & Mosaic Map](#)

Note:

During high season, hotels in Petra are easily filled out, thus we will suggest driving to Aqaba for the night. Aqaba is the only coastal city in Jordan and the largest and most populous city on the Gulf of Aqaba.

Day 11

Thur 21-Mar-2024 **Petra - Dead Sea**

Transfer via: Private vehicle, included

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: Holiday Inn Resort Dead Sea (4 star), Standard Room

Today you will enjoy a full-day tour of Petra. For the first two hours, you'll have a private guide with you to show you the city's main highlights and tell you all about the ancient city's history and the lives of those who made it their home, after which you have some time to explore further on your own.

After the tour, drive to the Dead Sea (Jordanian side). Relax on the shore of the Dead Sea and experience floating over the water. Stay overnight in the Dead Sea region.

Note:

* There is a comfortable walking distance of 2km from Petra Visitor Center to the Treasury in the Petra Valley, and electric cars are available for those who do not want to walk, the extra cost of US\$40 per person (round-trips).

* Your local English-speaking guide will be with you for about two hours, you might explore further on your own afterward.

Day 12

Fri 22-Mar-2024 **Dead Sea - Allenby Bridge - Allenby Bridge (Israel) - Jerusalem**

Transfer via: Dead Sea - Allenby Bridge,
Allenby Bridge (Israel) - Jerusalem,

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: Arthur Hotel Jerusalem - an Atlas Boutique Hotel (4 star), Standard Room

Enjoy the morning at leisure. Later, your driver will take you to Allenby Bridge Border.

Through the Allenby Bridge Border, which covers a large area instead of a physical fence/wall/bridge, there is a distance of 5km between the Jordan Terminal and the Israeli Terminal, and only shuttle buses or authorized vehicles travel between the two terminals. You will make your way to take the shuttle bus to pass the border of Jordan to Israel, then meet your Israel English-speaking driver (no tour guide service) at the parking lot in front of the exit of Israel Terminal and head to your hotel in Jerusalem with the driver via a private vehicle.

Note:

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* After passing the border, please call your Israeli driver right away since usually the border doesn't allow tour agencies to hold any signs there.

Day 13

Sat 23-Mar-2024 **Jerusalem**

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: Arthur Hotel Jerusalem - an Atlas Boutique Hotel (4 star), Standard Room

No trip to Israel is completed without exploring the Old City. Start the full-day exploration from the Mount of Olives, which is the location of many biblical events, and enjoy a panorama view of the Holy City from the top. From there, you descend to visit the Church of All Nations and the Garden of Gethsemane. Enter the Muslim Quarter from the eastern Lion's Gate. Follow the stops of Via

Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, identified as the place both of the crucifixion and the tomb of Jesus and one of the major pilgrimage centers for Christians all around the world. Wind your way through the alleys of the bazaar, and you will reach the Western Wall in the Jewish Quarter, also known as the Wailing Wall, one of the last remaining walls of the Second Temple. Proceed to Mount Zion to visit the Cenacle - the Last Supper Room, and King David's Tomb.

Day 14

Sun 24-Mar-2024 **Jerusalem - Bethlehem - Jerusalem**

Transfer via: Jerusalem - Bethlehem,
Bethlehem - Jerusalem,

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: Arthur Hotel Jerusalem - an Atlas Boutique Hotel (4 star), Standard Room
After breakfast, your guide will pick you up from the hotel. Drive south to Bethlehem and see with your own eyes the silver star marking the place where Jesus was born, explore the multitude of Churches and Chapels in the Church of the Nativity compound, enjoy the bustle of Manger Square, and visit the Shepherds Field. Afterward, return to Jerusalem to explore the New City. Visit Israel Museum holds artifacts relevant to Judaism, Christianity, and Islam alike. There are two important exhibits in the museum: the model of the city from the time of the Second Temple and the Dead Sea Scrolls uncovered in Qumran. Later, you will visit the Holocaust Memorial of Yad Vashem and stroll around the Machane Yehuda Market.

Note:

None of the regular guides are allowed to explain in Yad Vashem. You can explore at your own pace or pay for an audio guide at an additional cost.

Day 15

Mon 25-Mar-2024 **Jerusalem - Tel Aviv – Flight home**

Transfer via: Jerusalem - Tel Aviv,

Meals: Breakfast

Relax at leisure until being picked up by your private driver and transferred to Ben Gurion Airport for your homebound flight. Say goodbye to Israel!

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Additional penalties may include unrecoverable airline costs. Once issued, airline tickets are not refundable

Final Payment is due approximately November 11, 2023, an invoice will be sent via email

Baggage: Passengers are allowed one piece of checked luggage and one small carry on. Your tour hosts are not responsible for theft, damage or loss of personal belongings.

Identification: All passengers are required to have a valid passport, good for 6 months past return date. You will be denied boarding without correct id.

Valuables: Major credit cards are accepted in most places. Passengers are advised to carry currency in small amounts. Keep valuables with you.

Air arrangements: Your tour hosts are not responsible for changes in airline schedules

Responsibility: Your tour hosts will not be held liable for any loss, damage or expense caused by the tour operator.

INSURANCE IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!!!

Insurance must be **purchased within 14 days of initial deposit to cover pre-existing medical conditions.** We recommend Travel Insured International Worldwide Trip Protector. Available by calling 1-800-243-3174 or online at <http://www.travelinsured.com/> Please use the group number **46032**.

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Egypt, Jordan & Israel~~March 11 –25, 2024

Name (as it appears on your passport): _____ Birthdate: _____

Name Passenger 2 (as it appears on your passport): _____ Birthdate: _____

Address _____

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