

Egypt Pyramids, Temples & Nile Cultural Discovery

Magnificent Monuments, Mighty River & Luxury Hotels

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Unrivaled Expertise

MT Sobek started it all! Since our first Everest Base Camp trek in 1969, we've been leading award-winning adventures and building authentic connections in far-flung locations around the world. We were named Best Adventure Tour Company in 2022 by USA Today's 10 Best Readers' Choice Awards.

Unique Trip Design

Our adventures are perfectly paced, with incredible attention to detail — the right mix of fun, learning, and challenge that guarantees lifelong memories. Plan nothing, enjoy everything. We take care of all of the logistics so that you can have more time to do what's most important: relax, take in the experience, and enjoy!

Small Groups

We keep our groups intentionally small — usually fewer than 10 people. This allows you a more intimate experience with the people and wildlife you encounter. With a smaller group size, we can take advantage of many unexpected invitations and opportunities that would be impossible with larger groups.





Leading the Way

World-Class Local Guides

Our knowledgeable and passionate expert guides effortlessly create an immersive local experience for you. They are trained to the highest professional standards and are at the heart of everything we do. They make it possible to meet the challenges of adventure travel, and help create lasting memories and lifelong friendships... we can confidently say our guides are the best in the business.





Why take this trip with us?

REASON 1

This MT Sobek journey skillfully covers Egypt's key sites, iconic pyramids, archaeological ruins, and tombs in 12 days.

REASON 2

This thrilling trip features tours guided by knowledgeable Egyptologists, for deep insights into the ancient culture.

REASON 3

The itinerary includes three days of scenic sailing on the Nile on a private dahabiya, a traditional sailing boat.

At A Glance

ACTIVITIES

Tours of ancient archaeological sites and museums, a sailing trip on the Nile, a camel ride, and visits to traditional villages.



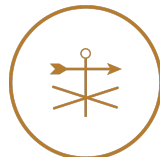
LODGING

A boutique palace hotel in Luxor, a private sailing boat on the Nile, and luxury city hotels in Cairo to bookend the trip in style.



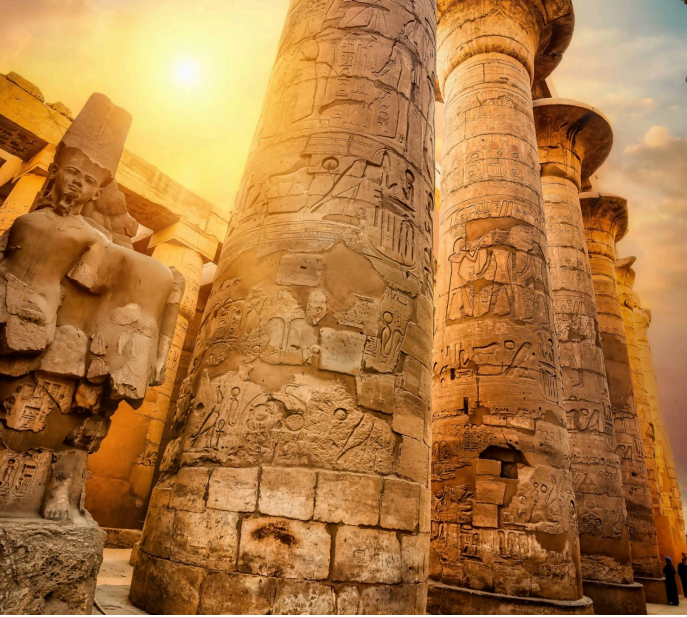
CLIMATE

Egypt's weather is moderate throughout the year with the heat peaking during the summer months only (June-August). Winters in Egypt are generally very mild with little rainfall. However, desert winters can be much colder than the rest of the country.



KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK

"What a total comfort to know that with MT Sobek, you're in the hands of professionals who have been doing it so long and so well. That was part of why we landed on them as our operators for our dream trip, and everything about the experience they gave us—from tailored expertise to unswerving professionalism—confirmed the company's emphasis on excellence." - Alex M.



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On this spellbinding adventure through Egypt, discover an age-old land of mysterious tombs, majestic temples, and iconic pyramids. Explore Cairo, one of the world's most fascinating capitals with world-class museums and historic monuments that have stood the test of time. Journey through mind-blowing deserts, ride a camel across the sands, and cruise the mighty Nile in a traditional sailboat for four days. Visit Luxor and the Valley of the Kings and Queens, and marvel at dazzling archaeological wonders expertly guided by an Egyptologist.

12 Days

Start: Cairo, Egypt

End: Cairo, Egypt

Departing: March, October, November, December

Activities: Multi-Adventure, Cultural Discovery

Lodging: Luxury Hotels, Luxury Small Ship

Group Size: 5-12 Guests

ACTIVITY:



Check [mtsobek.com](https://www.mtsobek.com) for date-specific pricing.

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“Great experience every time with some of the most knowledgeable guides in their fields. We always come home with wonderful memories of the people we meet and things we see.”

- Bob J.

The Itinerary

DAY
01

Arrive in Cairo, Egypt

Arrive in Cairo on a late flight and meet your MT Sobek representative at the airport for the transfer to your hotel.

DAY
02

Discover Cairo & the Great Pyramids of Giza

After a brief orientation, head out for a guided tour of the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities, to see golden treasures from King Tutankhamun's tomb. Have lunch at a local restaurant and set out to see the Great Pyramids of Giza. Enjoy a camel ride across the sands and visit the temple of the mysterious Sphinx. Enjoy a welcome dinner back at the hotel.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Cultural touring and camel ride

DAY
03

Tour the Pyramids of Dahshur & Sakkara

Today head out to visit the spectacular Dahshur Pyramids, an ancient royal necropolis approximately 25 miles south of Cairo. Take in the famed Bent Pyramid, unusual for its angled sides, and the Red Pyramid, the fourth highest pyramid ever built in Egypt, with almost 160 layers of stone. Have lunch at a local restaurant and drive on to the vast Sakkara complex, to see the step pyramid of King Zoser, the first freestanding stone structure in the world, and tour the ancient tombs with incredible wall art.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Cultural touring

DAY
04

Fly to Luxor & Explore the Temples of Karnak & Luxor

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight to Luxor. Upon arrival, head out for a guided tour of the Karnak Temple, built over more than a thousand years by generations of pharaohs. Marvel at its great Hypostyle Hall, an incredible forest of giant pillars. Transfer to your hotel and set out for a guided sunset visit of the temple of Luxor, a strikingly graceful spot dedicated to the god of Amun-Ra. This evening enjoy a delicious dinner at a restaurant in town.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 1-hour 10-minute flight transfer

ACTIVITY: Cultural touring



Discover the Ancient Sites of Dendera & Abydos

After breakfast, drive north of Luxor along the banks of the Nile to Dendera. Visit the ancient site of Abydos, the burial place for pre-dynastic kings and pharaohs. This center of a holy city dedicated to Osiris, King of the Underworld, has striking relief-covered walls. Enjoy a boxed lunch and move on to the Ptolemaic Temple of Hathor, goddess of pleasure and love, a wonderfully preserved complex complete with a massive stone roof, underground passages, and towering columns inscribed with hieroglyphs. Return to Luxor in the evening.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Cultural touring



Visit the Valleys of the Kings & Queens & Sail on the Nile

Early this morning, check out and take an (optional) balloon ride over the western bank (at additional cost) or relax over a leisurely breakfast. Together, head out to visit the Valley of the Kings, a remarkable necropolis with over 60 magnificent royal tombs carved into the desert rocks. Move on to the Valley of the Queens to marvel at the dazzling masterpiece of Egyptian ancient art, the Tomb of Nefertari, a shrine to the beauty of Ramses II pharaoh's favorite queen. In a restricted area not open to the public, enjoy an exclusive audience with Dr. Bahaa Gaber, Head of the West Bank Antiquities. Dr. Gaber will share his insight about the Royal Tombs, behind the scenes stories related to the latest digs and finds at The West Bank of Luxor, and exclusive updates on the most recent discoveries by the archeological missions. Transfer to your private dahabiya, a traditional sailing boat, for lunch and then set sail on the Nile.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 1.5-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: Cultural touring



Cruise the Nile to the Ancient Sites of El-Kab & Edfu

After breakfast on the boat, cruise to El-Kab, one of the oldest settlements of Upper Egypt, and visit the tombs of the governors and the ruins of the temple where Hathor and Horus used to meet. Enjoy lunch on board during the cruise down the Nile. Disembark to visit the majestic Temple of Edfu, dedicated to the falcon-headed god of Horus. This evening, enjoy a BBQ dinner on Fawaza Island.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Cultural Nile cruise



Visit El Ramadi & Djebel Silsila

Savor breakfast on the boat, then cruise to El Ramadi, an old fishing village on the Nile. Enjoy lunch while cruising to the ancient site of Djebel Silsila, where you'll visit a temple from the Horemheb era and a quarry where sandstone for the temples was extracted. Have dinner on board in front of the temple.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Cultural Nile cruise

DAY
09

Tour the Temple of Kom Ombo

Have breakfast on the boat and cruise the Nile. Visit the temple of Kom Ombo, an unusual double temple built during the Ptolemaic period, from 108 to 47 BC. This stunning place of worship is dedicated to two triads of deities. One set consists of Sobek (crocodile god of the Nile), Hathor, and their child Khonsu; the other consists of Haroeris, Tasetnofret, and their child Panebtawy. Return to the boat and enjoy lunch onboard along the way toward Aswan.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Cultural Nile cruise

DAY
10

Fly to Abu Simbel Temple & Back to Cairo

Disembark after the last breakfast on the boat and transfer to the Aswan airport for your flight to Abu Simbel. Upon arrival, drive on to the Great Temple of Ramses II on the banks of Lake Nasser. This complex of two temples is carved out of sandstone cliff and fronted by colossal statues. After witnessing this monumental site, board a flight from Abu Simbel to Cairo and meet your MT Sobek representative to transfer to the hotel.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 1-hour private van transfer and 1.5-hour flight

DAY
11

Discover Islamic & Coptic Cairo

After breakfast take a tour of Islamic Cairo, including the majestic Mohamed Ali Mosque and the medieval Citadel perched on a hill above the city. Also visit the mausoleum for the royal family of Egypt. Enjoy lunch at the famous Azhar Park restaurant with splendid views of old Cairo, then head out for a tour of Coptic Cairo, featuring the Babylon Fortress, the Hanging Church (supported by only one column), and the Ben Ezra Synagogue. Enjoy your farewell dinner at the hotel.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Cultural touring

DAY
12

Bid Farewell to Cairo

Enjoy your last buffet breakfast in Cairo, check out and transfer to the airport for your departing flight.

MEALS: Breakfast



Where You'll Stay

These accommodations may be subject to change depending on your date of travel.

Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at The First Residence

Among Cairo's most exclusive addresses, this five-star property is flanked by lush botanical gardens and the western bank of the Nile. Elegant rooms come with French-style furnishings, river views, and a full spectrum of amenities like Wi-Fi and plush robes. Lounge by the pool, savor delicious Lebanese food at Aura restaurant, and unwind with an aromatic massage.

Hotel Al Moudira

With ochre domes, ornate patios and gorgeous gardens, this boutique palace hideaway on the west bank of the Nile is a dreamy base for exploring Luxor and the Valley of the Kings. The high-ceilinged rooms showcase unique decor, with hand-painted murals and engravings. The swimming pool and Turkish bath make for a perfect spot to unwind; the Pavillion restaurant serves fusion fare.

Albatros Dahabiya Boat

This river cruise is an excellent way to experience the wonders of Egypt between Luxor and Aswan. Watching the sunset from the deck is a rare opportunity to enjoy exclusive access to the Nile River, onboard a fully equipped river cruiser. Amenities include air conditioning, full bath and shower setups, internet connection, and LCD flat screen TVs. All meals are included on board, and the local guides enjoy sharing anecdotes of ancient history on this culturally rich and exciting section of the Nile.



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The Nile Ritz-Carlton

Situated along the Nile River in a quiet and upscale district, the Nile Ritz-Carlton is right in the heart of Cairo's social and business scenes. From its rooftop, panoramic views encompass Tahrir Square and the Egyptian Museum. With a lavish spa, pool, 24/7 fitness center, and 9 different restaurants, guests can unwind after a long flight and see the adventure before them from their luxurious scenic rooms.

Departure Dates

This trip is available to run in: March, October, November, December

Book early for a greater choice of available dates.

Once you book, your price is GUARANTEED!

October 15-26, 2024

November 8-19, 2024

November 12-23, 2024

December 17-28, 2024

February 11-22, 2025

October 7-18, 2025

November 4-15, 2025

December 16-27, 2025

What's Included

PRICE INCLUDES

- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, almost all lunches and dinners as noted in the itinerary
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information
- Private guided tours at historic sites, museums, wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and portorage

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees
- Alcoholic beverages (MT Sobek provides wine at select events)
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel Protection Program
- Personal expenses



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