



## Khan El Khalili Bazaar - A Great Experience



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## An Amazing Cultural Experience

The market dates to the 14th century when Emir Dajaharks Al-Khalili built a large market complex on the site of the Za'afraan Tomb, which had been the burial place of the Fatimid rulers of Egypt. It was a massive necropolis for the Fatimid princes and sultans who once ruled Egypt.

Today, the Khan El-Khalili Bazaar continues to be a bustling, vibrant market that has been operating 24 hours a day for over 600 years. For travelers to Cairo, it's a must-see for visitors who want to experience the heartbeat of Egypt. Located in the heart of Islamic Cairo, the bazaar is filled with shops, restaurants and cafes selling everything from spices to jewelry to souvenirs. A common refrain from the shopkeepers is "I don't know what you are looking for, but I can certainly sell it to you".

Moez Street is the main thoroughfare that runs through Islamic Cairo and past the Khan el Khalili market. And this area is where you will find the historic mosques, palaces and monuments that really define Cairo.

### **And Lunch at El-Fishaway Cafe Is a Special Treat**

El-Fishawy café hosted many renowned figures like the French Military leader Napoléon Bonaparte, the famous German leader Romel, Jean-Paul Sartre, Simone de Beauvoir in addition to Arab princes and Empress Eugenie who visited Egypt during Suez Canal inauguration in 1869. The Café also hosted former president Gamal Abdul Nasser. So you will be in a cafe which many international famous (and infamous) people been before you.

El-Fishawy Café has unique antiques displayed all around the café like the African Crocodile hanging on the café's wall that was a gift from Sudanese Prime Minister and the glass curtains made of gemstones.

As in all Egypt, you are surrounded by history and the legacies that are part of all our lives. A great place to finish the day.



## The Most Amazing Cultural Experience in Old Cairo

The [Khan El Khahlili](#) Bazaar is open 24 hours a day and has been since the 1400's. And with the hundreds of store holders within its precincts, the windings alleys reveal something around each corner. It attracts a cross section of Egyptians and is a truly incredible cultural experience. It was once the precinct of the ruling classes in Egypt which your guide will explain.

And be warned, the allure of the bazaar and the friendliness of the locals will draw you back time and time again.



## Where you Can Literally Buy Anything

The [Khan El-Khalili](#) Bazaar in Cairo is a bustling, vibrant market and dates to the 14th century. Located in the heart of Islamic Cairo, this colourful bazaar is filled with shops, stalls, restaurants, and cafes selling everything from spices to jewellery to souvenirs.

It's your time to wander through the alleyways and engage with the humour of the store holders and comments like "I don't know what you are looking for, but I can sell it to you".



## And Where the Senses Come Alive

The spice market and throngs of people within [Khan El Khalili](#) heightens the senses as the aromas of herbs and people bargaining with the store holders is a great experience. It appears that time has stood still in the bazaar and you can appreciate why the bazaar has attracted people and merchants from all over the world. And it still does!





## Shop Till You Drop

The bazaar is where over 1500 store holders ply their trade. And whilst you can buy almost anything you want its also the humour and good will of the locals that will leave a smile on your face. Haggle well and with courtesy and you will have a great time of it.

And so, visiting the bazaar brings together all the great elements of an amazing time - great people and interesting stalls that will entice you to take home those last minute gifts.



## About Lunch

We enjoy taking our guess out for lunch because it's another way to experience Egyptian culture. We just want to make the following points. We only take our guests to the best restaurants. We place good hygiene and cleanliness as the number 1 priority. The restaurants offer both vegetarian and non-vegetarian options. If you choose to pass on lunch, we won't take it personally. But please be assured, your health and safety is our overriding priority.



## Lunch at El-Fishawy Café

We will wander through the narrow alleyways to El-Fishway Café. It is in this incredible café where we will have lunch.

This famous place started by Abdullah El-Fishawy became a café in 1771. It's guests have included Napoleon Bonaparte, the German Field Marshal Rommel as well as the Egyptian President Abdu Nasser. It has been the place to be seen by the rich and famous.





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## Inclusions

*This half day tour is combined with another tour for a full days activities. Please enquire at One Horizon for your options.*

- Your personal English speaking guide for Khan El Khalili bazaar
- Pick up 9.30 am from your hotel in air conditioned comfort
- Water
- Lunch at the famous El Fishwy restaurant
- All entrance fees, service charge, current taxes, and vat.
- Services of an English-speaking guide

## Exclusions

- Personal expenditure
- Tips
- Alcoholic, soda or fruit juice drinks