



The Ultimate Holiday - 13 Days - Amazing Egypt & Incredible Kenya



[Your Itinerary, maps and weather](#)



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An Amazing Holiday Awaits You

The holiday has been crafted to showcase the very best that Egypt and Kenya has to offer. Egypt stands alone in having the only remaining relic of the 7 Wonders of the World, the amazing pyramids at Giza. And the historical legacy that the ancient Egyptians left the world are showcased in this amazing holiday. And if that wasn't enough, then it's on to Kenya.

Kenya is the grand dam of wildlife safaris and the Masai Mara has gained a global reputation for the wildlife, its mass migration and the diversity of game within the park. And this holiday brings together 11 days of adventure, history and culture.

The Essentials of this Itinerary Are

5 Stars All The Way

- 5 Star Accommodation in the Maasai Mara
- 5 Star Hotels in Nairobi and Cairo
- 5 Star Luxury Class for your Nile Cruise

Concierge Service in both Nairobi and Cairo

- Your concierge will meet you as you disembark your flight and/or in the Customs Halls.
- You will be ushered with priority through Customs and Immigration - no more waiting in long queues.
- All transfers will be accompanied by our staff and in air-conditioned comfort.

An App Which Keeps You in Contact with Love Ones

- We can provide a personal Travel App for your phone, lap top or tablet that enables you to keep in direct contact with your friends and family and which gives you updates about any changes to your flights. The ultimate travelling companion!



Day 1: Arrival Into Cairo and Your Overnight Accommodation

Meet and Greet At Cairo Airport

Our representative will be on hand to facilitate your transit through Customs and Immigration.

Transfers and Free Time

Our representative will travel with you from the airport to your hotel to ensure a smooth transition and booking in process. Time to rest up in preparation for the start of your trip.



Day 2: The First of 2 Incredible Days in Cairo

[Saqqara](#) - The Saqqara area is the most researched archaeological site in Egypt with recent excavations uncovering new tombs previously unknown.

[Pyramids of Giza and Sphinx](#) - Khufu, Khafre and Menkaure are over 4500 years old and are a testament to ancient Egyptians skills . The **Sphinx** - much is still to be learnt about the building of the sphinx and what it represents.

Transfer and overnight - the second of 3 nights at the [Cairo Marriott \(Nile River\) 5 Star Hotel](#) B L included - Dinner at Own Expense.



Day 3: Where History, Culture and Adventure Converge

[National Museum of Egyptian Civilisation](#)- The museum showcases Egyptian civilisation.

[Coptic Cairo](#) is a part of Old Cairo. It is believed in Christian tradition that the Holy Family sought refuge at the site of Saints Sergius Church.

[The Muhammed Ali Mosque](#): This mosque with its animated silhouette and twin minarets, is the most visible mosque in Cairo.

Transfer and overnight - the third of 3 nights at the [Cairo Marriott \(Nile River\)](#) B L included - Dinner at Own Expense.





What You Can Expect From This Experience

The National Museum of Egyptian Civilisation ([NMEC](#)) was opened in 2017 and provides an introduction to Egyptian Society that gives both perspective and deep insight into this amazing society. The history of Egypt is presented in themes with the bottom floor built like a pharaohs tomb whilst the upper floors covers more recent periods. There over 20 mummies in the museum, each with a history of their times and achievements.



A World Class Museum Dedicated to Egyptian History

Since its opening in 2017, [NMEC](#) has gained an international reputation for excellence. It's themes include the **Dawn of Civilization, The Nile, Writing, State and Society, Material Culture, Beliefs and Thinking** and the **Gallery of Royal Mummies**.



For travellers to Egypt, it provides deep insight to the amazing society that the Egyptians built from prehistoric days to the present. The Museum is in Al Fustat, an area at the heart of Egyptian history.

Their Intellect Drove Innovation

The ancient Egyptians would come to invent **mathematics, geometry, surveying, metallurgy, astronomy, accounting, writing, paper, medicine, the ramp, the lever, the plough, and mills for grinding grain**. They also developed:

The first **police force**,

The first medical centres (**Houses of Life**) and even;

A **public health system** for pyramid workers.





We Now Venture into Old Cairo

We begin the day at the [National Museum of Egyptian Civilisation](#) for a great perspective of the influences that shaped Egypt.

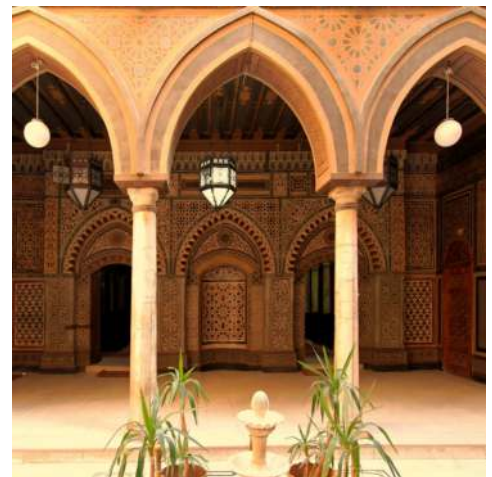
After lunch we venture into [Old Cairo](#), combining places of historical interest in both Coptic (Christian) and Islamic Cairo. We explore the Hanging Church, as well as the architectural masterpiece [Muhammad Ali Mosque](#), the Citadel and the tomb of Muhammad Ali.



Coptic Cairo - The Hanging Church

[Coptic Cairo](#) has a concentration of Christian churches that date from the centuries between the decline of the pharaonic religion and the arrival of Islam when Egypt had a Christian majority.

The name '[Hanging Church](#)' comes from the fact that it was built atop the walls of the 4th century BC Roman fortress. It is believed in Christian tradition that the Holy Family visited this area and stayed at the site of Saints Sergius and Bacchus Church.



Islamic Cairo - The Citadel

The [Citadel of Cairo](#) is a medieval Islamic-era fortification built by Salah ad-Din. It was the seat of government for nearly 700 years from the 13th century. It commands a strategic position [overlooking Cairo](#).

It was constructed from 1176–1183 and was among the most impressive military fortifications of its time. In the 20th century it was used as a military garrison by the British occupation and then by the Egyptian Army until 1983. In 1976, it was proclaimed by UNESCO as a part of the World Heritage Site





Islamic Cairo - The Muhammad Ali Mosque

Within the Citadel is the [The Muhammad Ali Mosque](#). The mosque is an active place of worship for Muslims. The mosque was built between 1828 and 1848 and is situated on the highest point of the Citadel.

The mosque was built by Muhammed Ali in memory of Tusun Pasha, his son, who died in 1816. However, it also represents Muhammad Ali's efforts to erase symbols of the previous rulers that he sought to replace.



Architectural Grandeur

The mosque is, to this day, a place of worship. It's also an [architectural masterpiece](#). And each day it hosts visitors from all over the world who come to observe the amazing architecture and interiors of the mosque.

It is a place of prayer and reflection and a peaceful refuge away from the frenetic pace of modern day Cairo. With amazing ceilings and stained glass the mosque has looked over the ever changing skyline of Cairo for centuries



Muhammad Ali's Tomb

Muhammad Ali, whom many consider the father of modern Egypt for his numerous, enduring, modern reforms is buried in a tomb in the courtyard of the mosque. This is a fitting tribute to a man who contributed significantly to the country.

You can visit the tomb when at the mosque and citadel. Its impressive architecture is a focal point on any excursion to the Citadel.





Day 4: Today You Fly to Aswan

Breakfast at the hotel - transfer to Airport for Aswan flight.

Aswan Dam and Elephantine Island: Today, you will embark on a 1 hour sail on a traditional Egyptian craft called a **felucca**.

Philae Temple Complex: According to the legend, Philae is the place where Isis found the heart of Osiris and then buried it on the Island.

Transfer to your cruise and overnight - the first of 3 nights. **BLD Included**



Day 5: Leisurely Cruising And Amazing Sites

Abu Simbel The pharaoh Ramses II built the temple in 1200 BC. It was relocated to its current site when the Aswan Dam was built.

Temple Kombo Ombo: Located on the banks of the Nile in a village of the same name, Kom *Ombo* is unique in Egypt.

Transfer to your cruise and overnight - the second of 3 nights. **BLD Included**



Day 6: Where the History Flows and Captivates

The Great **Temples of Karnak** and Luxor

Karnak is an ancient Egyptian temple precinct located on the east bank of the Nile River in Thebes (modern-day Luxor). It covers more than 100 hectares, and is an extraordinary complex of sanctuaries, kiosks, pylons and obelisks dedicated to the pharaohs.

Transfer to your cruise and overnight- the third and last night on the cruise vessel. **BLD Included**





Day 7: A Spectacular Day

The Valley of the Kings and Workers The Valley is where rock-cut tombs were excavated for pharaohs in the New Kingdom. **The Valley of the Workers** is where the artisans lived who worked on the tombs.

[The Temple of Hatshebut](#) Queen Hatshepsut's temple was built to tell Hatshepsut's life story and to assert her power.

B L included - Dinner at Own Expense. Transfers and Flights: You will transfer to the airport for your flight to Cairo and overnight at the [Cairo Marriott Hotel](#)



Day 8: And Perhaps Some Last Minute Shopping

Breakfast in the hotel

Checkout: Checkout times can be discussed with the hotel but are typically between 11 am and noon. Depending on your departure time, it may be that you would like to relax or have a shopping experience at the [Khan El Khalili Bazaar](#).

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Nairobi Kenya

Upon arrival into Nairobi you will also be met by our representatives who will assist you through Customs and Immigration. **Overnight at the [5 Star Palacina Hotel](#) in Nairobi**



Day 9: The Incredible Maasai Mara and its Wildlife

Your Wildlife Safari in the [Maasai Mara](#)

This 4 days/3 night experience embraces all that is exciting about wildlife safaris in Kenya. The Maasai Mara is the doyen of all Kenya's wildlife areas

Transfers from Your Hotel to Wilson Airport

Transfers from Nanuki Airport to Entim Camp

Dinner and overnight at [Entim](#) Camp. The first of 3 nights at the camp





Day 10: Wildlife Viewing will Dominate Your Days

Early Morning and Evening Game Drives

The [Maasai Mara National Reserve](#) is an area of 1500 square kilometres of savannah wilderness in southwestern Kenya, which runs along the Tanzanian border. Its wildlife includes lions, cheetahs, elephants, zebras,, giraffe and hippos and wildebeest.

B L D Included, Overnight at [Entim](#) Camp. The second of 3 nights at the camp.



Day 11: And Your Guides Will Ensure The Best Viewing

Your Guide Will Get You Up-close to The Wildlife

After breakfast you will have a guided nature walk around the camp by a resident guide and after lunch you will have an afternoon game drive. The game drive experiences will delight you as your guide will take you to the places that the wildlife frequent. And Entim Camp is a perfect base from which to head out.

B L D Included, and Overnight at [Entim](#) Camp. The third and last night at the camp.



Day 12: You Depart Entim Camp for Your Flight to Nairobi

Breakfast at the Camp Before You Depart

On Day 4 its up early for your last game drive before heading to the airport en-route to Nairobi. S

Transfer to the Airstrip From Entrim Camp

Your transfers to the Olkiombo Airstrip and flight will be coordinated by our representative.

Transfer to Palacina Hotel for Overnight

You will be met at the airport by our representative and transferred to the Palacina Hotel.





DAY 13: Departures to JKIA and End of Tour

Breakfast at the Hotel

Enjoy breakfast before being transferred to JKIA for your onward flight.

Transfers to JKIA

At a previously arranged time you will transfer to JKIA for your onward flight.

Last Minute Shopping

If you have a late evening departure we can organise some last minute shopping for you.



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Inclusions and Exclusions

Egypt

- 4 x nights' accommodation at Hotel Cairo with daily breakfast
- Return domestic flights Cairo /Aswan –Luxor /Cairo
- 3 x nights' accommodation at 5 Star Nile Cruise with daily full board meals
- 2 x full day tours of Cairo (as determined on the itinerary)
- Over day Abu Simple Temple excursion
- Camel or horse ride in the Giza Pyramids area
- All ground transfers in Cairo, Luxor and Aswan as per itinerary in private modern A/C coach
- All entrance fees, service charge, current taxes, and vat. A meet and assist by our local representative.
- Services of English-speaking guide

Kenya

- Airport Meet & Assist services in Nairobi.
- Return Flights - Wilson Airport – Masai Mara – Wilson Airport
- Park entrance fees in Masai Mara Game Reserve
- 3 x Nights full board 5-star camp accommodation
- Morning and afternoon shared game drives
Soft drinks, beers, house wine, selected spirits, and mineral water
- Local airstrip transfers - Olkiombo airstrip
- Transfers for cultural visits (excluding entry fees US\$ 40).
- 1 Guided nature walk within the camp.
- 2 x nights' accommodation at the 5 Star Palacina Hotel

Exclusions

- International Airfares
- Visa Fees
- Optional tours
- Personal expenditure of any kind
- Entrance to enter inside the pyramids.
- Tips
- Drinks, extra meals, and any personal expenses



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