

Living Kenya and Ancient Egypt - 16 Days



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 16 days of adventure, history and culture. And you meet everyday Kenyans whose initiative, perseverance and strength will inspire you.

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 Kenya and Overnight Accommodation

Meet, Greet and Transfers

Our representative will be on hand to facilitate your transit through Customs and Immigration. Our representative will ensure a smooth transition and booking process at the <u>Palacina Hotel</u>. Time to rest up after your flight in preparation for the start of your trip. **The first of 4 nights at the hotel**.



Day 2 - Today We Visit A Maasai Community

All safari companies show you the wildlife of Africa. But at **One Horizon**, you will also meet the **people** of Africa. Spend time with them, learn about their lives, and be transformed in ways you never imagined and in a profound way than would be possible on any other tour.

Your One Horizon host will pick you up and return you to the <u>Palacina Hotel</u>. **B L D Included**. The second of 4 nights at the hotel.



Day 3 - And Today, We Meet Some Incredible Grandmas

We offer so many ways to feel the magic of our Kenya villages and their welcoming people. Meet a Kikuyu **Granny** on her farm and discover the struggles and strength of Kenyan women. An opportunity to visit a local community to listen, learn, and laugh as you help prepare *chapatties* for a **Kenyan home-cooked meal**.

Your guide and One Horizon host will pick you up and return you to the <u>Palacina Hotel</u>. BLD Included The third of 4 nights at the hotel.





Day 4 - Helping at a Soup Kitchen Will Change You Forever

You'll know you're on a special journey when you find yourself lending a hand on helping out in the kitchen, and sharing your own stories of work, life, and laughter. Our cultural tours in Kenya are one-on-one experiences - stories really - that inspire joy and magic. On our tours, you get to make a difference in people's lives.

Your guide and One Horizon host will pick you up and return you to the <u>Palacina Hotel</u>. B L D Included. The fourth and final night at the hotel.



Day 5: The Incredible Maasai Mara and its Wildlife

This 4 days/3 night experience embraces all that is exciting about wildlife safaris in Kenya. Mid-morning, you will head off to Wilson Airport for the 45-minute flight to the Masai Mara and Entim Camp. Upon arrival you will be transfer to a 4-wheel drive vehicle for your trip to the camp. Entim Camp provides 5 star luxury.

Dinner and overnight at **Entim** Camp. The first of 3 nights at the camp



Day 6: Wildlife Viewing will Dominate Your Days

Early Morning and Evening Game Drives

The <u>Maasai Mara National Reserve</u> is an area of 1500 square kilometres of savannah wilderness in southwestern Kenya. 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 7: 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.

BLD and Overnight at **Entim** Camp. The third and last night at the camp.



Day 8: 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. Your transfers to the Olikiombo Airstrip and flight will be coordinated by our representative.

Transfers to hotel and next day transfer to JKIA for your Cairo flight. One night and dinner at Palacina All Suite Hotel Nairobi- 5 Stars



Day 9: Arrival into Cairo and Your Overnight Accommodation

Meet and Greet at Cairo Airport

Our representative who will assist you through Customs and Immigration. 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 the next stage of your trip.

Hotel check in - the first of 3 nights at the <u>Cairo Marriott (Nile River) 5 Star Hotel</u> Dinner at Own Expense





Day 10: The First of 2 Incredible Days in Cairo

You will visit: **Saqqara which** is the most researched archaeological site in Egypt with recent excavations undercovering new tombs previously unknown.

Pyramids of Giza and the 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 <u>Cairo</u> <u>Marriott (Nile River)</u> B L included - Dinner at Own Expense.



Day 11: Where History, Culture and Adventure Converge

We begin the day at the <u>National Museum of Egyptian Civilisation</u> for a great perspective of the influences that shaped Egypt. After lunch we venture into <u>Old Cairo</u>, combining places of historical interest in both Coptic (Christian) and Islamic Cairo. We explore the Hanging Church, the as well as the architectural masterpiece <u>Muhammad Ali Mosque</u>, the Citadel and the tomb of <u>Muhammad Ali</u>.

Transfer and overnight - the third of 3 nights at the <u>Cairo</u> <u>Marriott (Nile River)</u> BL 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 coves 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. 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.



Ancient Egypt's Incredible Achievements

Egypt is considered to have been one of the most, if not the most, advanced ancient civilizations. It developed thousands of years before many other cultures. The scope of the ancient Egyptians brilliance and innovation ranged from its well-known architectural accomplishments (the pyramids) which were based on the ground-breaking achievements it made in mathematics and engineering, to its advancement in the sciences of astronomy, medicine, medical surgery and the law.



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.





More Facts More Fun!

If you unwrapped the bandages from a mummy, the bandages could be as long as 1.6 km.

Egyptian women had equal rights.

One female Pharaoh, Hatshepsut, portrayed herself in statues with a male body. She also wore a fake beard!

Bread and beer were used as currency.



Day 12: Today You Fly to Aswan to Join Your Nile Cruise

Breakfast at the hotel - transfer to Airport

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

<u>Philae Temple Complex:</u> 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 vessel and overnight - the first of 3 nights. BLD included



Day 13: 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 as a double temple - dedicated to two deities, Sobek and Horus.

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





Day 14: 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 and obelisks dedicated to the pharaohs.

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



Day 15: A Spectacular Final Day

The Valley of the Kings and Workers: The Valley of the Kings is where, rock-cut tombs were excavated for pharaohs in the New Kingdom. The Valley of the Workers: This is the workmen's village which tomb artisans.

<u>The Temple of Hatshebut</u> Queen Hatshepsut's temple was ensure that Hatshepsut's life story was told and to assert her power.

B L included - Dinner at Own Expense **Transfers.** You will transfer to the airport for your flight to Cairo and overnight at the <u>Cairo Marriot Hotel</u>





Day 16: Transfers to Cairo International Airport

Breakfast at the Hotel

Enjoy Breakfast at the hotel prior to your departure. Your departure time from the hotel will have been organised with our representative

Perhaps Some Last Minute Shopping - Optional Tour

If you have a late evening departure time we can organise a shopping adventure at Khan El Khalili Bazaar. This is an amazing place where you can shop or sit in the coffee shops and have lunch or dinner.



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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
- 5 x Nights at the 5 Star Palacina Hotel in Nairobi
- 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.

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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The Pinoy Traveller: Muhammad Ali Mosque

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