



## [Classical Dahabya Adventure with Cairo](#)

### **Tour brief description**

Cruise from Edfu to Aswan aboard a brand new, eco friendly Dahabya. Off-The-Beaten track sightseeing & responsible tourism practices are always a great part of our sightseeing planning. This trip includes Cairo accommodation and sightseeing.

Check these links for more details on Included & Excluded services and our very special Covid-19 payment terms and prices.

### **Day 1, Luxor to Edfu**

Tour starts from Luxor at 07:30 am. This is the pick time when we will take you in an air conditioned vehicle and head towards Edfu where the Dahabya is waiting for us.

The drive is about two hours. Upon arrival, you will visit the Temple of Edfu. The Temple of Horus, the largest and most perfectly preserved of all the Nile temples. Horus was the falcon-headed god. After the guided tour you will check in for your private boat. Lunch will be served on the sundeck while sailing and enjoying the scenery along the Nile. Dinner on board.  
Meals included, Lunch & Dinner.

### **Day 2, Adventure & Gebel Silsila**

Breakfast on board.

This morning we will do an unconventional visit that is truly off the beaten track. We will have a walk in a typical Nile Village. Your guide today is a local villager who will take you through his village streets. You will visit his family home and the cultivated lands around his home. This is a perfect chance to know about local village life, customs & traditions of farmers along the Nile in upper Egypt.

Walk back to the boat and set sail to Gabal El Sisilah.

Your next visit this morning is to Gabal El Sisilah where the Ancient Egyptians cut the sandstone blocks used in building all the temples you see along the river in southern Egypt. The stone masons had built several tombs, shrines and temples in the area. We will visit the Horemheb Temple which has vibrant colors still preserved on its walls. The whole area of Gabal El Silsila is accessible by walking from the boat, no transportation is required. Gabal El Silsila is an off the beaten track site where large cruise ships do not visit. Only small boats can dock on the area.

Lunch will be served on board after this tour.

Walk back to the boat and sail out of Silsilah towards the town of Faris. A quite typical town of date palm farmers. As palm trees are the main crop of the area, a fascinating local industry is established in



the area. The date palm fronds are used to make furniture of all sizes. We will have the chance to walk through the palm orchards and meet the farmers and makers of date palm furniture. We might have the chance to use a Tuk-Tuk if you are not up for a walk.

Back to the boat & sail to an overnight location.

Tonight we dock on a small island with hardly any lights in the area. A great chance for star gazers to watch a clear night sky and probably see some shooting stars. Dinner and Overnight.

Meals included, Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner.

## Day 3, Adventure & Kom Ombo

Breakfast on board. Morning sailing towards Kom Ombo. This will be another relaxing morning of leisurely sailing along the Nile with many scenery to gaze at.

Lunch on board.

Morning visit to the Temple of Kom Ombo, a unique double temple dedicated to Sobek, the crocodile, and Horus the falcon. The temple stands at a bend in the Nile where, in ancient times, sacred crocodiles basked in the sun on the riverbank and the mummified crocodile and the preserved Nilometer. Kom Ombo temple was a famous healing center in Ancient Egypt. Here we will see the most clear depiction of medical tools used in the ancient times. The temple is within a walking distance from the dock.

Return to boat and Sail to Daraw where we will stop to visit a camel barn. The town of Daraw is the main trading center in upper Egypt for live camels. These camels are bred in Sudan and travel to Egypt on a 40 days journey through the desert. It is sold here to farmers and merchants who still use camels.

You will now have more details on this trading and uses of camels in this visit.

Back to the boat and overnight.

Meals included, Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner.

## Day 4, Aswan

Breakfast on board. Check out after Breakfast.

Sightseeing tour to Aswan city highlights; the High Dam, Granite Quarries for the unfinished obelisk & Philae temple with its magnificent location on an Island behind Aswan Reservoir.

Lunch in a local restaurant.

Afternoon tour to Botanical Garden Island and a leisurely felucca sail in Aswan.

Board the evening Sleeper Train to Cairo

Dinner will be served on board Sleeper Train.

Overnight Sleeper Train.

## Day 5, Cairo

Breakfast will be served on board the train before arriving in Cairo.

Your Egyptologist will meet you at the train station upon arrival.

You will visit Giza Pyramids, Sphinx, Memphis City - the ancient Capital of Egypt and Sakkara Pyramid where you visit the Step Pyramid of King Zoser.



During your visit to the Giza pyramids, you'll also be able to enter one of the pyramids, ride a camel. Then, stop at Sakkara, the graveyard of the pharaohs, followed by Memphis, the oldest capital of ancient Egypt where you can see the limestone statue of King Ramses II. Your private guide will be able to suggest lunch locations today. There are many options in the area. Meals included; Breakfast. Your guide will take you to your hotel at the completion of the tour. Overnight Steigenberger Hotel.

## **Day 6, Cairo**

Breakfast at the Hotel.

This morning your Egyptologist will take you on a tour through the heart of downtown Cairo. You will start with the Cairo Museum which is housing the golden treasure of Tut-Ankh-Amun, the child Pharaoh. Then you will move on to the Citadel of Saladin where you will visit the Alabaster Mosque of Mohamed Ali. then move on to the Khan El Khalili market for a close look at a typical historical Bazaar that dates back to the middle ages.

Your guide will be able to suggest a lunch venue today as there are so many in the vicinity.

At completion of the tour, your guide will take you back to the hotel for the final night on this itinerary.

Meals included; Breakfast.

Overnight Steigenberger.

## **Day 7, Cairo & Check out**

Breakfast is included today. You will check out by 12 PM.

No services included today.

## **Inclusions**

3 nights abroad Dahabya.

1 Night on Sleeper Train.

2 Nights at a 5 stars hotel in Cairo.

Private Egyptologist for the Dahabya group.

Small group travel, max 16 travelers.

Meals as indicated in the itinerary.

Tea, Coffee and water during meals on board Dahabya.

Entrance tickets to all sites mentioned in the itinerary.

Air conditioned transportation and local transportation methods for our adventures.

Price includes all taxes.

## **Exclusions**

Entry visa to Egypt.

International and domestic flights.



Travel medical insurance.  
Any expenses of personal nature; for example, laundry.  
Tipping to Dahabya crew, drivers & Egyptologist.

### **Covid-19 Special Payment Terms**

Down payment upon confirming your booking - 100 GBP.  
Full payment 7 days prior to trip start date.

### **Covid-19 Special Cancelation Terms**

Full refund if traveler submits proof of contracting Covid-19 or unable to travel due to country restrictions, with Egypt or origin destination.