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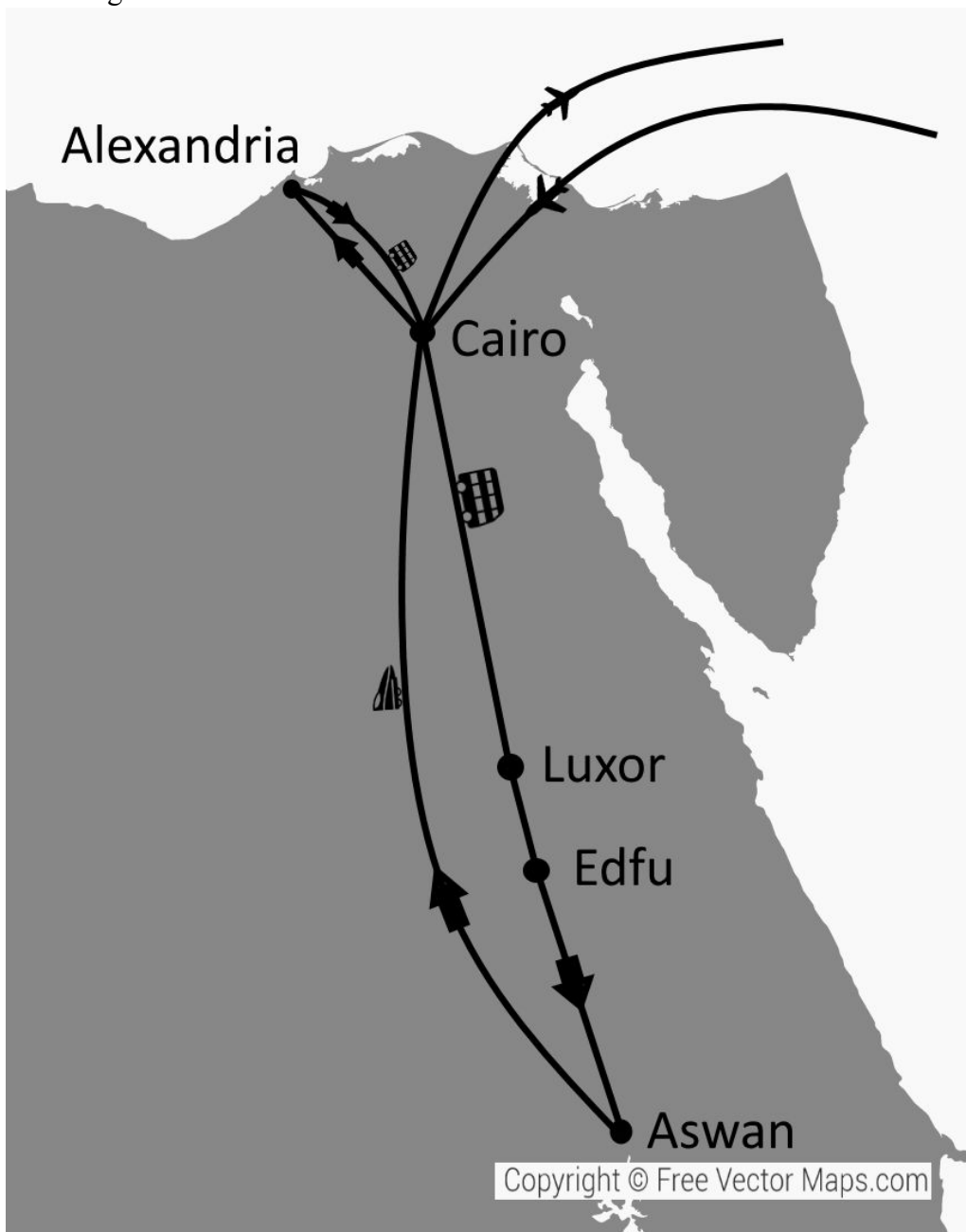
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15-DAY EGYPT ENCOMPASSED TOUR (Tour Code: ETT)

Egypt has a history of more than 7,000 years and it was home to one of the best documented civilizations of the world. Across the centuries and millennia there have been numerous cultures and peoples who have lived in Egypt and ruled it too. The result of that nowadays, are the leftover monuments and memoirs representing cultural diversity, human life and survival through it all. Our Egypt tour will get you a chance to experience and see 7,000 years of history and civilization of Egypt. Indulge yourself in the color and chaos of Cairo, delve into ancient history at the Egyptian Museum, experience sublime wonder at the Pyramids of Giza, cruise along the Nile in comfort, marvel at monumental temples at Abu Simbel, browse the New Library in Alexandria and wander the bustling Khan el-Khalili Bazaars in Cairo.



Day 01: AUSTRALIA – CAIRO

Depart on Singapore Airlines to Cairo, capital of Egypt in the afternoon.

Day 02: CAIRO

Arrive at Cairo International Airport in the morning. Upon your arrival you are met and assisted through the passport control. Then you are transferred to your hotel to check in and stay overnight in Cairo.

Accommodation: Pyramids Park Resort* or similar***

Day 03: CAIRO (MEMPHIS – SAQQARA – GREAT PYRAMIDS) (B.L.D)

Today we will visit Memphis and Saqqara areas. Memphis is considered the most ancient capital of Egypt established by King Narmer. Saqqara: the ancient site of Memphis city, hence it abounds in monuments, antiquities and tombs. Situated on a desert plateau crowned by Zoser step pyramid, the most important place to visit in Saqqara is the Pyramid of Djoser, which is considered as one of the earliest pyramids, then proceed to have lunch at local restaurant followed by a visit to the Great Pyramid of Giza, one of the "Seven Wonders of the Ancient World" and the only one which has remained largely intact. The Great Pyramid of Giza, built around 2580 BC in dedication to Pharaoh Khufu, it stands a monumental 449 feet high. You will participate in our private group tour of the Great Pyramid of Giza, and then the Great Sphinx of Giza. The Sphinx was carved from an outcrop of limestone as a recumbent lion with the face of the Pharaoh Khafra. Despite erosion and abuse, the Sphinx is still an inspirational sight to behold. And then we will visit the Egypt Papyrus Museum and the perfume factory. At the end of the day return back to the hotel and have dinner in hotel.

Accommodation: Pyramids Park Resort* or similar***

Day 04: CAIRO – LUXOR (By flight) (B.L.D)

Check out after breakfast then transfer to the airport to take a domestic flight to Luxor. Upon arrival our representative will meet and assist you to start your sightseeing tour to the west bank of the Nile. You will visit the Valley of the Kings, one of the most remarkable archaeological destinations in the world - the burial place of most of the Pharaohs of Egypt of the New Kingdom period, and then proceed to visit the famed Colossi of Memnon, the Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut at Deir el Bahari. After finishing the day tour, embark onto the cruise ship to start your Nile cruise.

Accommodation: MS Esadora Nile Cruise** or similar***

Day 05: LUXOR – ESNA LOCK – EDFU (B.L.D)

Today you will visit the east bank of the Nile including the Karnak Temple Complex, known as the "Temple of All Temples." See the obelisks, the Sacred Lake, the Great Hypostyle Hall and walk amongst the pillars of the colossal Temple of Amon Ra. After visiting Luxor Temple return to the Cruise and continue sailing to Esna, crossing Esna Lock, and then sail to Edfu. Eat dinner and spend overnight on board.

Accommodation: MS Esadora Nile Cruise** or similar***

Day 06: EDFU – KOM OMBO – ASWAN (B.L.D)

Enjoy breakfast, and then start your day upon arriving at Edfu by visiting the Temple of Edfu, the largest temple dedicated to the worship of Horus. This temple which has covered walls by the story of the fight between the God Horus and his uncle God Seth, you will visit this temple using the traditional way of transportation which is the carriage, after that back to the cruise to continue sailing to Kom Ombo, upon arrival you will visit the famous Ptolemaic-era Temple of Kom Ombo, which was built and dedicated primarily to two gods (Horus, Sobek). After that return back to the cruise and continue sailing to Aswan.

Accommodation: MS Esadora Nile Cruise** or similar***

Day 07: ASWAN (B.L.D)

Today we will take our A/C motor coach to visit the largest rock temples in the world, the Abu Simbel Rock Complex for the great Pharaoh Ramesses II and his wife- Queen Nefertari. On the way back,

you will sail on a felucca around Elephantine Island and catch a glimpse of Aga Khan Mausoleum. Afterwards return to the cruise ship.

Accommodation: MS Esadora Nile Cruise** or similar***

Day 08: ASWAN – CAIRO (B.L.D)

After breakfast, disembark from the cruise ship and visit the Unfinished Obelisk, which tells us the story of intelligence of the old Egyptians. This obelisk was meant to be the tallest Obelisk ever built however a crack appeared in the stone and the project was abandoned. Now it exists as an open air museum for visitors to learn about obelisk construction. Afterwards you will visit the Aswan High Dam and Old Aswan Dam. Afterwards you will be transferred to Aswan airport for your flight to Cairo. Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to hotel in Cairo.

Accommodation: Pyramids Park Resort** or similar***

Day 09: CAIRO (B.L.D)

Breakfast on board. After arriving at Giza Railway Station, our representative will meet and assist you, then visit the Old Cairo where you will visit many places of worship important to Cairo's diverse multi-faith community. You will first visit the Hanging Church, which was first built in the fourth century. A wood carving representing Jesus Christ entering Jerusalem, and then Saints Sergius and Bacchus Church (Abu Serga), allegedly built on top of the cave that Mary, Joseph and infant Jesus used as a shelter on their trip to Egypt to escape from King Herod. Also included are visits to the Church of the Virgin Mary, St Barbara Church, Church of St George, and the churches of Abu Seifein, Church of St Menas and Saint Mark's Coptic Orthodox Cathedral. Have our dinner at a local restaurant then proceed to the hotel and stay overnight in Cairo.

Accommodation: Pyramids Park Resort** or similar***

Day 10: CAIRO – ALEXANDRIA (NEW LIBRARY – CATACOMBS – POMPEY'S PILLAR) (B.L.D)

After breakfast, we will depart by air-conditioned motor coach to Alexandria, "the Pearl of Mediterranean". Upon arrival you will start your sightseeing there by visiting the Bibliotheca Alexandrina, a modern Library of Alexandria, which aims to be a recreation of that great center of learning for the arts and sciences. Then visit Pompey's Pillar- a huge granite pillar dating back to 297A.D. Afterwards continue to visit the Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa, After that you will visit the Citadel of Qaitbay. Lunch will be served during the day at a local restaurant, after that proceed to your hotel to check in. At night enjoy dinner at one of the best restaurants in Cairo, and then return to the hotel for the night.

Accommodation: Chery Maryski** or similar***

Day 11: ALEXANDRIA – CAIRO (B.L.D)

We will checkout after breakfast and start your day by visiting the Royal Gardens of Al-Montaza which was built for the abdicated Royal Family of Egypt. Visit Montaza Palace and afterwards you will proceed to have your lunch at local restaurant. After lunch, we will drive back to Cairo where we will check into your hotel for the night. You will be taken to a local restaurant for dinner. When dinner is finished you will return to the hotel for the night.

Accommodation: Pyramids Park Resort** or similar***

Day 12: CAIRO (B.L.D)

Today you will start with a visit to the Museum of Egyptian Antiquities. After that, you will go to the Citadel of Salah Ed-Din, which overlooks Cairo. You will proceed to lunch that will be served at an oriental local restaurant. After lunch you will visit the Khan el-Khalili Bazaars, one of the greatest markets in the Middle East, which contains many stores that exhibit wonderful collections of jewellery, wooden products engrafted with mother of pearl, embroidered dresses and attractive

hand-made products. All of these make a great selection of souvenirs for you. Return to the hotel and stay overnight in Cairo.

Accommodation: Pyramids Park Resort** or similar**

Day 13: CAIRO (B)

You have a free day to explore Cairo on your own.

Accommodation: Pyramids Park Resort** or similar**

Day 14: CAIRO – AUSTRALIA (B)

You are at leisure until transfer to Cairo International Airport for your flight homewards to Australia.

Day 15: AUSTRALIA

Arrive in Australia in the afternoon. Your unforgettable Egypt tour ends.

15-Day Egypt Encompassed Tour (Tour Code: EEK) Departure Dates and Tour Prices		
Departing Australia	Returning to Australia	Etihad Airways ex Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane.
06 Mar. 20	20 Mar. 20	\$4,930
10 Apr. 20	24 Apr. 20	\$5,030
08 May 20	22 May 20	\$4,930
05 Jun. 20	19 Jun. 20	\$4,930
03 Jul. 20	17 Jul. 20	\$5,030
07 Aug. 20	21 Aug. 20	\$4,930
04 Sep. 20	18 Sep. 20	\$4,930
11 Oct. 20	25 Oct. 20	\$5,030
06 Nov. 20	20 Nov. 20	\$4,930

The prices are in Australian dollar, per person twin or double share.

Land only price: \$2,930

Single supplement: \$1,280

Inclusions:

1. Return Etihad Airways international economy class airfare to Cairo, Egypt from Australia as indicated;
2. Airport tax and fuel surcharge (currently \$200, subject to change);
3. Twin-share accommodation at 4-star hotels as mentioned or similar in the itinerary;
4. Four-night accommodation on a five-star Nile cruise as stated or similar;
5. Meals as stated in the itinerary (Buffet breakfasts at hotels, local or Western lunches and dinners at local restaurants or in the hotels);
6. Entry fees to all the mentioned sites including Alexandria Library and Great Pyramid of Giza (outside only);
7. Abu Simbel day tour;
8. All tours and excursions as mentioned in the itinerary;
9. Transfers and transport throughout the trip by A/C vehicle;
10. Egypt Domestic flights with taxes: Cairo – Luxor//Aswan – Cairo;
11. Service of professional Egyptologist and English-speaking guide.

Exclusions:

;(Egypt entry visa fee (\$70, subject to change .1

;Travel Insurance .2

3. Personal expenses.
4. Entrance fee to visit inside of Pyramid, Mummies room in The Egyptian Museum and Tutankhamun treasure room;
5. Entry to Tutankhamun and Nefertari tomb at Valley of the Kings;
6. Any visits to sites with extra entry fees not mentioned and included in our itinerary;
7. Any sound and light shows;
8. Tip to guide and driver (US\$6 per person per day to your guide and driver to share).