Ancient EGYPT & the Nile

DEPARTURE MONTHS
September, October, November, March & April
Check approachtours.com for departure dates.



DAYS 1 & 2 · GOODBYE CANADA, SALAM EGYPT!
Enjoy a private car ride to the airport. Fly to Cairo where you'll meet your Group Guru and fellow travellers. On arrival, our luxury coach takes you to your hotel to settle in before enjoying a non-alcoholic welcome cocktail and dinner. Overnight in Cairo. (L,D)

DAY 3 · TOUR THE GREAT PYRAMIDS
Today is all about the pyramids! After breakfast at the hotel, depart for Sakkara where you'll visit the Djoser Pyramid, the earliest colossal stone building in Egypt. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant while soaking in the historical courtyard surrounded by ceremonial structures and pyramids. After lunch, travel to Giza, home to some of the most impressive ancient monuments in the world. Enter the pyramid site to see the Great Sphinx and the Great Pyramid of Giza, tomb of the pharaoh Khufu. Venture inside one of the pyramids and explore its mysterious chambers. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight in Cairo. (B,L,D)

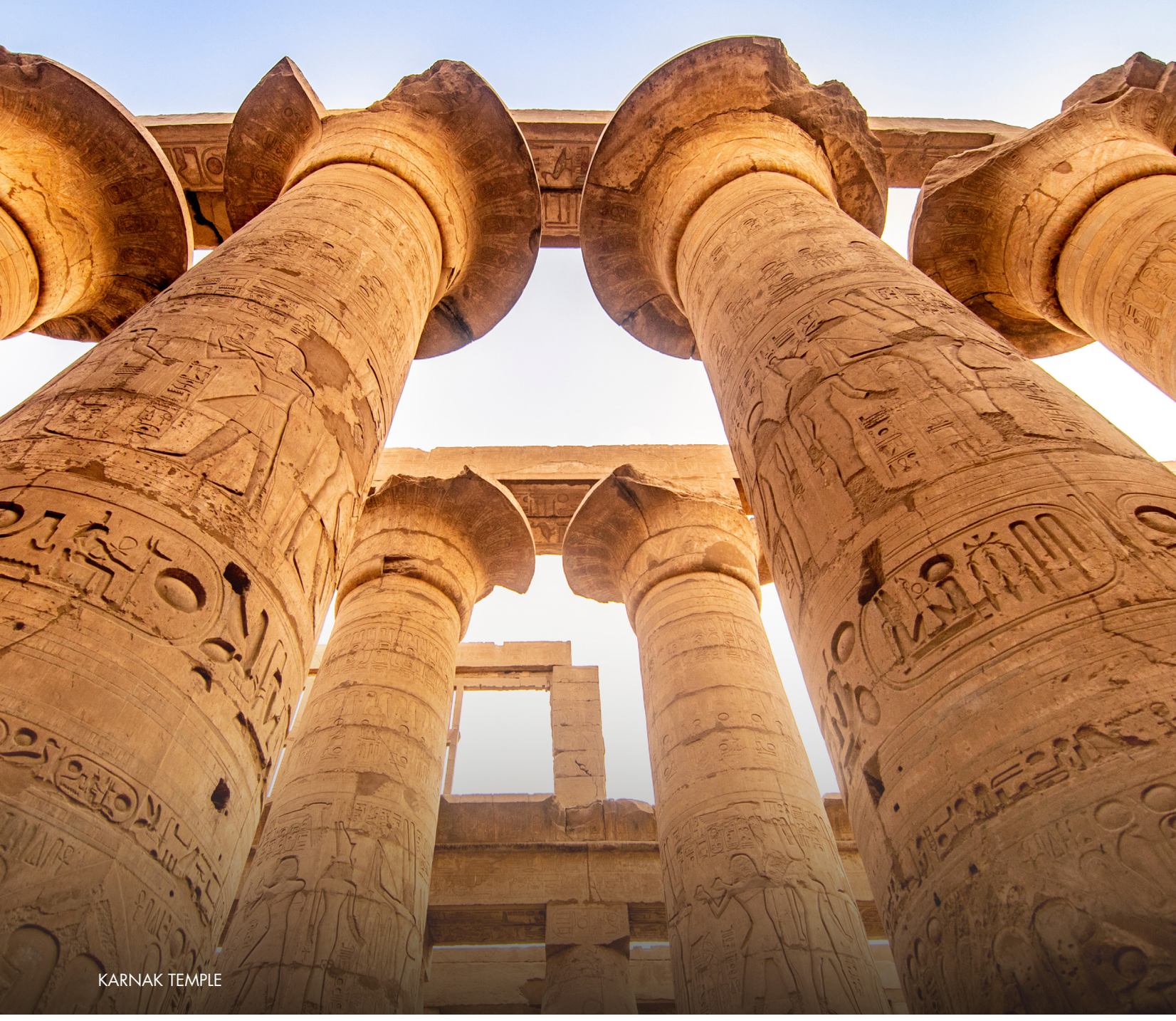
DAY 4 · DISCOVER CAIRO
Spend the day exploring the sprawling capital of Egypt, a political and cultural hub with intricate Islamic architecture around every corner. Navigate the winding alleys and market stalls of the world-famous Khan el Khalili Souk in the historic center of Cairo. In the afternoon, visit the Egyptian Museum of Cairo and the largest collection of Egyptian antiquities, most notably the golden mask of king Tutankhamun. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight in Cairo. (B,L,D)

DAY 5 · DAY TRIP TO ALEXANDRIA (227 KM)
Roadtrip this morning to Alexandria, historically known as the capital of knowledge and learning. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before visiting the famous Alexandria library, a striking building covered in carvings with four museums, four art galleries, a planetarium, and a reading room with 11 cascading floors. After filling your mind with knowledge, visit the Roman Theater and explore the catacombs of Kom el-Shoqafa, one of the seven wonders of the Middle Ages. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight in Cairo. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 · CAIRO: CROSSROAD OF CIVILIZATIONS
Our exploration of "The city of all cities" continues with a guided tour of Cairo. Begin with a visit to the Museum of Civilization before making your way to the magnificent church of Abu Serga, one of the oldest Coptic churches in Egypt, and the striking Amr Ibn al-As Mosque, the first mosque ever built in Egypt. Dinner at hotel. Overnight in Cairo. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 · ALL ABOARD OUR CRUISE OF THE NILE (FLIGHT)
Fly from Cairo to Luxor, one of the oldest inhabited cities in the world. Luxor is known as the 'greatest open-air museum', and you'll understand why once you see the monuments, temples and tombs that line the ancient avenues of this city. Board the ship which will be your home for the next seven nights as you embark on your cruise of the Nile. Lunch and dinner on board. (B,L,D)





KARNAK TEMPLE

DAY 8 · LUXOR & ESNA
Enjoy breakfast on board before departing for the Valley of the Queens and Valley of the Kings, the burial site of many pharaohs and their wives. 62 tombs are known to exist in the Valley of the Kings and you'll have the opportunity to visit three of them. Your guide will be sure to steer you clear of the long dark corridors that suddenly drop off, an old architectural trick to deter robbers. Afterwards, visit the Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut, one of the only female Pharaohs, and marvel at its masterful architecture. Lunch, dinner and overnight on board. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 · A DAY DEDICATED TO THE GODS
Begin your day in Esna, a thriving merchant town filled with beautiful textiles and exotic finds. Continue your cruise towards Edfu where you'll visit the Temple of Horus, named after the falcon-headed god of war and the sky. Enjoy lunch on board as you sail to Kom Ombo. Visit the temple of Kom Ombo, a unique temple with two alters dedicated to Sobek, the god of crocodiles, and to Haroeris, another god of the sky whose eyes were believed to be the sun and the moon. Dinner and overnight on board. (B,L,D)

DAY 10 · KOM OMBO TO ASWAN
Float down the Nile towards Aswan, home of the Aswan High Dam and the Philae Temple. Visit the enormous unfinished obelisk created under Hatshepsut's reign. With marks from the workers' tools still visible, this historical monument offers insight into ancient Egyptian stone working techniques. In the afternoon, embark on a traditional felucca ride around Elephantine Island to the colourful Nubian village. Lunch, dinner and overnight on board. (B,L,D)

DAY 11 · JOURNEY UP THE NILE & ABU SIMBEL (FLIGHT)
Today we turnaround and head back north up the Nile, passing by historic towns and temples on our way back to Kom Ombo. Enjoy some free time or fly to Abu Simbel for an optional visit to the magnificent Abu Simbel Temples (at no extra cost), built to honour Ramses II and Nefertari. Enjoy lunch in a local restaurant. Dinner and overnight on board. (B,L,D)

DAY 12 · KICK BACK & CRUISE UP THE NILE
Begin your day in Kom Ombo and gently cruise along the Nile until you reach Esna. Spend the day relaxing on board and soaking in the picturesque surroundings along the Nile. Lunch, dinner and overnight on board. (B,L,D)



HURGHADA

DAY 13 ▾ RETURN TO LUXOR
Enjoy breakfast on board as you travel along the Nile from Esna to Luxor. Once in Luxor, hop off the ship for a visit to the Temple of Karnak, a vast collection of decayed temples, pylons and chapels stretching over 2 square kilometres. Discover the Temple of Luxor, otherwise known as "the southern sanctuary". This temple was built to honour the "rejuvenation of kingship"and it's believed that most of the great pharaohs were coronated here. Overnight on board. (B,L,D)

DAY 14 ▾ EXPLORE HURGHADA (300 KM)
After breakfast on board, travel to the stunning beach town of Hurghada. This lively fishing village has just as much to see above ground as it does underwater. Stroll down winding roads with colourful buildings and pass by warm, coastal beaches that house rare fish and stunning coral reefs. Enjoy free time until dinner at the hotel. Overnight in Hurghada. (B,L,D)

DAY 15 ▾ BEACH DAY IN HURGHADA
Hurghada is known for its beautiful beaches with brilliant white sand and sparkling turquoise waters. Dip your toes in, or spend the day exploring the shops, restaurants and cafes along the coast. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner at hotel. Overnight in Hurghada. (B,L,D)

DAY 16 ▾ RELAX BY THE RED SEA
Spend your final full day in Egypt soaking up the sun by the Red Sea. Explore Hurghada at your own pace before joining the group for your farewell dinner. Overnight in Hurghada. (B,L,D)

DAY 17 & 18 ▾ HOME SWEET HOME
After breakfast make your way to the airport for your return flight to Cairo. Still in awe, say goodbye to your fellow travellers who opted out of our included group flights and embark on your return flights to Canada, arriving the next day. Your driver will meet you at the airport to help you with your luggage and drive you home. What a truly amazing experience! (B,L)


GIZA

18 DAYS
ALL-INCLUSIVE

$12,495

Per person in double occupancy
Single supplement: $2,500
Fall 2027: +$200
Spring 2028: +$400

Difficulty Rating: High (details)

EVERY APPROACH TOUR INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING PERKS:

Private car service to and from your home airport

International and domestic flights

Meals and excursions that are typically sold separately

Tips for all service providers

24/7 Group Guru (in addition to professional Egyptologist and local guides)

Extensive travel insurance with Manulife Financial

TOTAL VALUE OF PERKS
$3,251

THIS TOUR INCLUDES

TOUR ESSENTIALS

- International flights with Air Canada / Lufthansa
- 8 nights in first-class hotels, 7 nights on-board a Nile river cruise ship
- Dedicated English-speaking tour guide/ Egyptologist and local guides
- Carefully selected visits, including entrance fees, and entrance to one of the pyramids
- Luxury coach bus transfers and luggage porterage where available

FOOD & DRINK

- All 46 meals, including: 15 breakfasts, 16 lunches and 15 dinners
- Farewell dinner (included in meal count)
- Welcome cocktail
- Bottled water daily (2 x 500ml)

UNIQUE MOMENTS

- Venture inside the Pyramid of Khafre or the Pyramid of Menkaure and explore its mysterious chambers
- Soak in the picturesque scenery as you spend 7 days cruising down the Nile
- Fly to Abu Simbel and stand awe-struck in front of the four colossal statues of Ramses II at the Abu Simbel Temples
- Dip your toes in the Red Sea and lounge on brilliant white beaches in the coastal town of Hurghada

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