# 9 Days Egypt Itinerary Cairo and White desert

| Туре    | Run       | Duration        | Pick up  |
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| Private | Every day | 9 Days/8 nights | Any time |

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#### **Inclusions: Exclusions:** Pick-up and drop off services Tipping from/to your hotel Any extra not mentioned Travel by private air-conditioned vehicle • Tours by private Jeep 4X4 to the White and Black Desert • 5 nights accomodation in Cairo in Hotel with breakfast • 2 nights Camping in the white desert Full board • 1 night in eco-lodge Hotel in Baharyia oasis based on Full board English speaking tour guide in • Beduin English speaking Driver in the desert All camping equipment and tents • All meals (breakfast, lunch, and Beverages including mineral water and tea All taxes and service charges

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Hotels Plans:



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4 stars Hotel:

Pyramids Park Resort in Giza Ahmed Safari Camp Lodge in Baharyia

5 stars Hotel:

Hayat regen west or Hyatt Centric Cairo West in Giza Alyia ecoLodge in Baharyia

### **Days Table**

First Day: Day 1- Arrival in Cairo:

Marsa Alam Tours representative will meet & assist you at Cairo International Airport, Transfer to hotel by private air-conditioned vehicle. Depends on your arrival. If you have an early flight to Cairo you can contact us to make a tour suggestion Overnight in the Hotel.



**Second Day:** Day 2-Trip to Giza Pyramids and the Grand Egyptian Museum:

Our tour guide will pick you up from your hotel in <u>Giza</u> at 9:00 am and get ready for your Private day tour to the Pyramids of <u>Giza</u> with a Private tour guide First, you will visit the Great Pyramid of <u>Giza</u> (also known as the Pyramid of Khufu or the Pyramid of Cheops) is the oldest and largest of the pyramids in the <u>Giza</u> pyramid complex. It is the oldest of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, and the only one to remain largely intact.



The Pyramids of Cheops:

The Great Pyramid was built as a tomb for the Fourth Dynasty Egyptian pharaoh Khufu and it is estimated that it was built in the 26th century BC around 27 years.

Initially standing at 146.5 metres (491 feet), the Great Pyramid was the tallest man-made structure in the world for more than 3,900 years. Throughout history, the majority of the smooth white limestone casing was removed, which lowered the pyramid's height to the present 139.5 metres. What is seen today is the underlying core structure. The base was measured to be about 230.3 metres (755.6 ft) square, giving a volume of roughly 2.6 million cubic metres (92 million cubic feet), which includes an internal hillock

If you wish to visit the burial chamber of King Cheops. Then we will visit the Pyramid of Chephren or Khafre. This is the second-tallest and second-largest of the 3 Ancient Egyptian Pyramids of <u>Giza</u> and the tomb of the Fourth-Dynasty pharaoh Khafre (Chefren), who ruled c. 2559?2532 BC .Then we will the Pyramid



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of Mykerinus. Enjoy a Panoramic View of the 3 Pyramids of Giza

We go head to visit the Valley Temple of king Chephren. While doing that you can have a closer look at the Great <u>Sphinx</u> - the legendary guardian that stands by the huge funeral complex with its lion body and the head of king Chephren.

After witnessing the greatness of the pyramids you will be hungry. So let's take a break for a delicious Egyptian lunch where you will lose your mind because of the most tasty food you will eat

Tired?! Not now as it is the time of the fabulous Egyptian museum that contains many important pieces of ancient Egyptian history. It houses the world's largest collection of pharaonic antiquated Optional Tour to National Museum of Egyptian Civilization:

If you wish to visit the mummy's royal hall, where you will have the feeling of strolling down the <u>Valley of the Kings</u> where most of these mummies were originally resting then ask your Tripguide to take you to the <u>National Museum of Egyptian Civilization</u>.

Tour to the grand Egyptian museum

The Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM) is currently in its trial opening phase, which began in October 2024. Visitors can explore several key sections, including the Great Hall, the Grand Staircase, and 12 main galleries showcasing artifacts from various periods of Egyptian history. However, some sections, such as the <u>Tutankhamun</u> galleries, remain closed and will be accessible upon the museum's full official opening, which is expected at a later date???????

Now we reach the tour ends after about 9 hours you will be transferred to your hotel in Cairo.

Overnight in Cairo

**Third Day:** Day 3- Cairo to Alexandria:

Breakfast at hotel, drive by air-conditioned vehicle to Alexandria, enjoy a day trip in Alexandria Start your day Tour in Alexandria by Visiting The Roman Alexandria Learn about the catacombs here. Catacombs of Kom el Shogafa

The Catacombs Kom el Shoqafa:

Archaeologists believe that the Catacomb of Kom el Shoqafa was



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started in the 2nd century A.D. and was used to intern the dead for the next 200 years. This was a period in the history of the city of Alexandria when there was a great mixture of different cultures. Of course, there was the ancient history of the great Egyptian kingdoms which went back thousands of years

#### Pompey Pillar:

Has nothing to do with Pompey. The story behind the name refers to the possible burial ground of the Roman general when he fled to Egypt and was assassinated after losing a major battle in Greece against Caesar. The red granite column was probably built to honor Emperor Diocletian. Today it stands 25 meters high and is the tallest ancient monument in Alexandria

The Citadel of Sultan Qeitbay:

The Citadel was built in the 15th Century by the Mamlouk Sultan Qeitbay, To Guard the City against the threat of Crusaders, This wonderful Islamic Monument was built by the use of the ruins of the old Lighthouse that was constructed by Ptolemy 11 in the 3rd Century B.c. The Lighthouse was damaged during an Earthquake that Occurred in Egypt in 1303 A.c during the reign of the Mamlouk King Qeitbay

Lunch in Alexandria in Egyptian Restaurant, Fish Market-Vegetarian food available on request At the end of your tour check into your hotel in Cairo

Overnight in Cairo Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

4Th Day: Day 4- Cairo to the white desert:

At 06:00 am Pick up time from your hotel in Giza, drive to <u>Bahariya Oasis</u>, which is located about 350 km east of <u>Cairo</u>. This journey takes about 4 hours, in Past when people from Bahariya wished to go to the Nile valley, they often waited until a caravan was passing through, They traveled between the Nile and the oasis in three days (How lucky we are today!!!!!



You will see to the righthand side the railways that transport the iron ore deposits to the Steel mill at Helwan, So it is of no use for tourists- Baharyia oasis is the main source of Iron ore of Egypt. The Iron ore comes from the middle Eocene limestone and is located 4 places called Managim





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At 10:00 You will arrive at Baharyia oasis then you meet your Safari guide and you will take your 4x4 Jeep and Start your adventure.

Drive to the black desert This name stems from the fact that there is a layer of black powder covering its mountains, highlands, and sand. This powder covers the summits of some mountains 12:00 The Lunch will be served here in El Haize oasis which is located 37 k.m from <a href="Bawiti">Bawiti</a>, Some people refer to this oasis as a separate oasis, during the roman time area was very Prosperous, many of the current families were originally from Libya., Before lunch, you can immerse yourself in a hot water spring which will almost instantly reduce stress. The heat naturally coaxes tense muscles to loosen up which in turn promotes feelings of calm, wellbeing, and tranquility.

There is a museum here called the (water museum ) which is built to show the people the importance of the underground water for the people of the desert and the instruments which were used by the Egyptians to raise the water for irrigation

13:00 Then drive to the valley of Agabat

14:00 Visit Ain Khedra

14:30 Arrive at the Valley of Agabat is deep within the <u>white</u> <u>desert</u> You have to be there to feel the out-worldly beauty of the place. Millions of years ago, the place used to be under the sea. Over the years, unique rock formations of limestone, chalk (and maybe sand) developed.

16: 30 explore the <u>white desert</u> National Park the most well-known desert destination in Egypt.

There are hundreds of images here each one is reminiscent of an animal- Chicken- A sphinx, Camels, tents, Mushrooms 17:30 Make tents and Enjoy the sunset

19:30 As the sky turns pink then the deepest fiery orange, the rockshapes fade, and silence are all around. Sitting around a small fire and enjoying the simplest meal of chicken, rice, and vegetables, you will feel like nothing has ever tasted so good. Bedouin staff will arrange dinner and desert camping. (Vegetarian food is available)

Note: at night temperatures can drop suddenly in the White Desert a proper jacket would be necessary to spend the night comfortably- But don't worry we provide all camping equipment like sleeping bags, tents and mattresses



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5th Day: Day 5- Agabat to the Cave and Overnight in the white desert

At 06:00 See the Sunrise from the desert

At 07:00 you'll enjoy breakfast in the desert, at 08:00 Then drive to El Khor Mountain, which is 70 K.m off-road from the <u>valley of Agabat</u>, arrive at 10:00 .it is an amazing Area with sand dunes.

At 11:00 Am drive to Sahel Baraka and take the high way to <u>Djara</u> Cave which is 110 k.m from Sahel Baraka



#### Djara Cave:

The quiet and mystical desert, with its bedrock formations fighting the gravity, is interrupted by one of the most beautiful pre-historic sites in the western desert; <a href="Djara Cave">Djara Cave</a>. The cave contains the only rock-art depictions in a 250 km range, with perfectly preserved scenes of gazelles and other wild animals. The dripstone roof of the cave formed by the crystal depositions during millions of years, adds to the magical beauty of this place. El Farafra Oasis is a quiet and mystical desert, it is known as the White Desert

Drive to the Ain El-Serw Spring

The Magic Spring (also known as Ain El Serw, This Spring is probably the most famous spring in the White Desert National Park. Arabic: ??? ????? in Arabic El-Serw means secret: (Secret Spring) refers to the Secret of this magical water Spring. The water comes to a higher level when any human or animal approaches this water spring and stops when they leave away. Nobody knows exactly where the water comes from and How this happens

Lunch will be served at Ain El Serw

Then you will adventure the desert by discovering Qaraween sanddunes by Jeep 4x4 and Enjoy sandboarding -

then arrive at the white desert at 16:00

The surprising changes in the landscape, from the black desert to the white limestone mushroom-shaped formations known as the



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White Desert.

At 17:30 Enjoy sunset

At 19:00 Camping in the white desert with Dinner Bbq dinner

6th Day: Day 6- Discover Bahariya Oasis

At 06:00 am Enjoy sunrise

At 07:00 Am you'll enjoy breakfast in the desert, before driving to <a href="Bahariya">Bahariya</a> Oasis

At 09:00 On the way back, you will visit <u>Crystal Mountain</u>, <u>Crystal Mountain</u>, locally known as Gebel al-Izzaz. It's more of a crystal hill, seen on the right, which is often called the Jewel of the desert is formed by the quartzite crystals and looks amazing in the sun's rays. A few decades ago, that natural feature has been found by accident.

11:00 Drive to <u>Bahariya Oasis</u>, Soak in the heat at <u>Bir Sigam</u>, a hot spring that can help to relax. Located at 7 km east of Bahariya on the Cairo road, the spring is the best hot spring in temperature,

Lunch will be served in Loca restaurant in Bahariya, at 12:00

After lunch, you will discover <u>Bahariya Oasis</u>, The palm, and olives fields, Gebel Maghrafa. where the biggest Diansour( (Stromer's Tidal Giant) was ever discovered in 1914 at the base of Gebel Dist. Lake al-Marun which is the biggest salt lake in <u>Bahariya Oasis</u>, Enjoy the sunset from The summit of the English Mountain(Gebel Al Ingleez). the view from the top offers a panorama of the northern part of the oasis .drive to the hotel Alaya hotel for Check-in.



7th Day: Day 7- Historical Tour to Baharyia oasis

After breakfast, You will visit the tombs of <a href="Bannentiu and Djed-Ankh-Amun-luf">Bannentiu and Djed-Ankh-Amun-luf</a> (Zed-Amun) The tombs at Qasr Selim (26th Dynasty)In 1938 the Egyptian archaeologist Ahmed Fakhry (1905-1973) discovered four tombs at the ridge of Qarat Qasr Selim. Visit <a href="Bawiti">Bawiti</a> is the Capital of <a href="Bahariya Oasis">Bahariya Oasis</a>, Then Visit the Museum of the golden mummies and the temple of



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Ain El Muftella, <u>Bahariya Oasis</u>, You will have lunch in <u>Bahariya</u> <u>Oasis</u> before driving to Cairo



8th Day: Day 8- Day Trip the Pyamids of Sakkara and Dahshur

Egypt tour packages representative will pick you up from your hotel in Cairo or Giza to take you back 5000 thousand years ago, to unravel the mysteries of Memphis, Saggara and Dahshour

upon arrival don't miss the opportunity to ask the guide about all you need to know. Memphis is one of the most important political and religious centres in the first capital city of Egypt.

The open-air museum of Memphis including several important status will give you unique access to view the treasures of Egypt.

The next visit will be to Saqqara necropolis as it contains the stepped pyramids of Djoser which contains the oldest stone of the third dynasty.

Before driving to Dahshour you will stop to taste the local Egyptian food as it is time for Lunch

After charging energy come with us to continue visiting an exciting place Dashrour which is known for its Red and Bent pyramid. the land is a freak on Nature.

Finally, after an amazing trip, you will be picked up safely in an airconditioned and modern vehicle to your hotel

Overnight in Cairo



9th Day: Day 9- International departure

After an amazing trip, You will be picked up at Cairo airport for the international departure



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