

Your Tour Includes

The tour price includes all air and land travel costs involved in the itinerary, including return economy air fares via Singapore Airlines from Sydney/Melbourne/Brisbane/Adelaide/Perth to Cairo. Also included are all admission fees to sites visited as a group. First class, twin-share hotel accommodation is provided, with private bathroom. All breakfasts and dinners on the tour are included, as well as hotel tips, portage, visas and airport taxes while with the group. Cost of drinks (including bottled water), passports, travel insurance, all photographic expenses, (including camera tickets where applicable) and personal items are *not* included.

Extra Travel

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Our Travel Agent

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Prices from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth (all prices subject to modification before departure)

Egypt & Jordan Price

\$11,753* Single supplement **\$1,570**

Egypt only Price

\$7,472* Single supplement **\$900**

Jordan only Price

\$7,341* Single supplement **\$670**

NOTE: The current prices are correct as at 31/10/2008. At this time the Australian dollar is very weak against the US dollar. The price will be republished 30 June 2009 in the hope that the Australian dollar will be stronger enabling the price to decrease. The price will be republished on our website and also by letter to registered tour members. Please contact us to discuss this if you would like more information.

* **Includes international airfare**

Although our tour departs from Australia we welcome international travellers. Meet us in Cairo and join our tour for the experience of a lifetime. Contact us for further information.

Reserve Your Place Now!

Our tour groups are small and friendly. Since places on the tour are limited, you are advised to make your plans early and contact us as soon as possible. A deposit of \$150* is required with your application, along with a photocopy of the front page of your passport. Full payment is required ten weeks before departure. Please phone/write/email for more information. Our brochure containing tips about money, what to pack and travelling in the Middle East is available for anyone and is sent to all applicants. *Until 30/06/2009 the deposit is refundable less a \$20 admin fee. After this date the deposit is non-refundable.

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Egypt – 13 Days

Thursday October 1 – Tour Day 1

Depart 5.35 pm on Singapore Airlines flight SQ 234 from Sydney for Cairo via Singapore. Flights from Brisbane, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth at no extra cost. International travellers can join us in Cairo for the land price only. Price on application.

Friday October 2 – Tour Day 2

Depart from the airport and travel by a/c coach to visit the Pharaonic Village where ancient Egypt comes to life and see the replica of Tutankhamun's tomb. Then to the Dynasty 5 pyramids at Abusir. O/N Cairo

Saturday October 3 – Tour Day 3

FREE DAY IN CAIRO

Sunday October 4 – Tour Day 4

Morning flight to Luxor to see the huge temple of Karnak with its colossal statues. See the inscriptions and reliefs of Thutmosis III and Rameses II, and the obelisk of Hatshepsut. Then to the temple of Luxor with its beautiful avenue of sphinxes and impressive columns. O/N Luxor

Monday October 5 – Tour Day 5

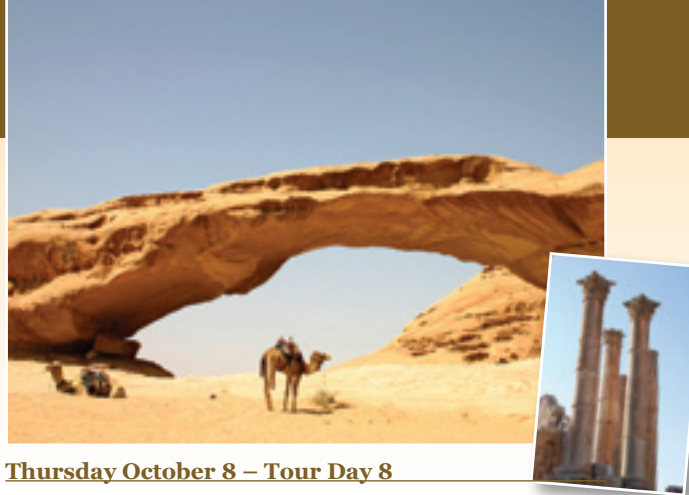
See the huge statues called the Colossi of Memnon, the workmen's village at Deir el Medina, the temple of Rameses and the tombs of the Nobles at Qurna. O/N Luxor

Tuesday October 6 – Tour Day 6

Explore the temple of Medinet Habu and the temple of Hatshepsut at Deir el Bahari. Visit an alabaster factory. See the magnificent tomb paintings in the royal tombs in the Valley of the Kings. Go inside the tomb of Tutankhamun and see the boy kings mummy on display. O/N Luxor

Wednesday October 7 – Tour Day 7

Day trip by a/c coach to the temple of Sethi I at Abydos with its historic "king list", the underground temple known as the Osireion and the temple of Seti's son, Rameses II. In the afternoon to the temple of Denderra to see the zodiac ceiling and the relief of Cleopatra. Drive through picturesque villages, and see farmers and their animals at work beside the Nile River. O/N Luxor



Thursday October 8 – Tour Day 8

By road from Luxor to Aswan. Visit the temple of Edfu with its huge statue of Horus. Then on to the crocodile temple of Kom Ombo with its deep cut hieroglyphic inscriptions and reliefs. At Aswan visit the Temple of Philae, the granite quarries, and the unfinished obelisk of Hatshepsut. O/N Aswan

Friday October 9 – Tour Day 9

By a/c coach to the Temple of Abu Simbel, cut out of the cliff face for Rameses II. Return to Cairo by Egypt Air. O/N Cairo

Saturday October 10 – Tour Day 10

FREE DAY IN CAIRO

Sunday October 11 – Tour Day 11

To the Sphinx, then the three great pyramids of Giza and the ancient re-assembled funeral boat of Khufu. See Memphis, the capital of Ancient Egypt, then the Step Pyramid of Saqqara. In the evening, see the impressive Sound and Light show at the Giza pyramids. O/N Cairo

Monday October 12 – Tour Day 12

Over the desert by a/c coach to the Faiyum, Egypt's largest oasis, then to the 12th dynasty pyramid of Hawarra, built with mud bricks and straw. On to Kahun, a 3,500 year old city where Israelite slaves were employed. Visit the pyramid of Meidum. O/N Cairo

Tuesday October 13 – Tour Day 13

In the morning, explore "Old Cairo" with its narrow streets, ancient synagogue, picturesque Coptic churches and the bazaar. Then tour the Citadel and Alabaster Mosque. In the afternoon, visit the Cairo Museum with its fabulous collection of treasures from tombs and temples, and see the mummies of the great Pharaohs of Egypt in the Royal Mummy room. O/N Cairo

Wednesday October 14 - Tour Day 14

Those group members not staying for Jordan will depart Cairo for the return journey to Australia via Singapore at 2.15pm

Jordan Option – 7 Days

Wednesday October 14 – Tour Day 14

Early flight from Cairo to Amman. Take a tour of the city of Amman and see the citadel Ummayed Palace, the Hercules Temple and the best archeological museum in Jordan. On to the Roman Theatre and then to the west part of Amman for a look at the new city. O/N Le Meridien Amman

Thursday October 15 – Tour Day 15

Drive along the King's Highway towards Petra. On the way, visit Madaba and see the mosaics and the Madaba map, a mosaic map of Palestine. On to Mount Nebo where Moses was shown the Promised Land. Visit the Crusader castle at Kerak then on to Petra. O/N Crowne Plaza Petra

Friday October 16 – Tour Day 16

Walk, or ride a horse to the Siq, through the clefts in the rock that lead into the rose red city of Petra. See El Gazneh, the temple cut out of the cliff face, the theatre, if energetic climb to the High Place or walk to the newly discovered temple. O/N Petra

Saturday October 17 – Tour Day 17

FREE DAY IN PETRA

Sunday October 18 – Tour Day 18

In our own a/c coach from Petra down to Wadi Rum. Once there, take a 2 hour jeep ride and explore the desert where Lawrence of Arabia made his headquarters. Continue on down to Aqaba on the shore of the Red Sea for a panoramic tour, then drive down to the Dead Sea, lowest point on earth. O/N Marriot Hotel, Dead Sea

Monday October 19 – Tour Day 19

Take a short drive from the Dead Sea to the Jordanian baptismal site where Jesus was thought to be baptised by John the Baptist then drive back to our hotel and take a swim in the Dead Sea where you can not sink. Return to Amman. O/N Le Meridien Amman

Tuesday October 20 – Tour Day 20

North by a/c coach to Jerash, one of the great cities of the Decapolis. Walk through the forum and cardo, see Hadrian's Arch and the Hippodrome, the North and South theatre's and the great temple of Artemis. Then continue to Ajlun and explore the castle there. Return to Amman. O/N Amman.

Wednesday October 21 – Tour Day 21

Depart Amman for Australia via Dubai and Singapore.

Our group tickets have a flexible return date. Rather than returning directly to Australia, you may prefer our travel agent to arrange a tour through Israel, Turkey or Europe. Please contact us for more information.

