

BEST OF EGYPT & JORDAN

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11 Days from \$1525 - SEAT IN A COACH

This incredible tour of Egypt & Jordan is an exquisite cultural expedition that is unlike any other. You will be overwhelmed by the myriad of sights we have meticulously selected for the discriminating traveler with limited time. The weekly departures are guaranteed to operate from May 2 to September 19, 2010. Call TODAY!

Day 1, Sunday, Arrive Amman: Meet & Assist. Transfer to the 4* Imperial Palace or similar.

Day 2, Monday, Madaba/Mount Nebo/Kerak/Petra: After breakfast, we drive to **Madaba** to see the sixth century Byzantine mosaic map of Palestine, possibly the oldest map of the Holyland in existence. We then proceed to the historic **Mount Nebo**, which offer a remarkable view of the Jordan Valley, the Dead Sea and the spires of Jerusalem at a distance. Visit the Byzantine Church and Baptismal site. Continue to **Kerak** on our way to Petra. Check-in at the 4* **Beit Zaman** or similar. Get ready to visit the awesome **Rose Red City by night**, lit with candles. Return to your hotel for overnight. (B)

Day 3, Tuesday, Majestic Petra: Visit **Petra**, Jordan's most exciting site and one of the 7 wonders of the new world. It was carved out of the craggy rock mountains south of the Dead Sea by the Nabataean traders more than 2000 years ago. A short horseback ride followed by a walk through the Siq, is the only access to this city. The sudden view of the spectacular Treasury is dramatic. See the gigantic Monastery, the High Place and the Roman-styled Palace Tomb. (B)

Day 4, Wednesday, Petra/Wadi Rum/Amman: After breakfast, we depart to the valley of the moon, known as "Lawrence of Arabia's Land". **Wadi Rum** is a land of mesmerizing beauty and contrast: the haunting wilderness, ever changing, and remote desert canyons, immense and still. A 4x4 jeep ride takes us deep inside the valley. Afterwards we drive back to Amman. (B)

Day 5, Thursday, Amman/Cairo - Depart: Transfer to Amman airport for your flight to Cairo. Upon arrival meet and transfer to your 5* **Sheraton Dreamland**. Remainder of the day at leisure. (B)

Day 6, Friday, Cairo/Aswan/Abu Simbel*/Aswan - Nile Cruise: Morning flight to Aswan. On arrival transfer to the 5* **Sonesta Sun Goddess**, your floating hotel for the next 4 days as you cruise down the Nile. After lunch **sail around Elephantine Island**. *Passengers who purchased the \$235 "Optional" Abu Simbel excursion will fly round-trip from Aswan to this dramatic site. (BLD)

Day 7, Saturday, Aswan/Kom Ombo/Edfu - Nile Cruise: Sightseeing includes Aswan's **High Dam** and the **Temple of Philae**. Sail to Kom Ombo to visit the **Temple of Sobek**. Sail to Edfu and overnight. (BLD)

Day 8, Sunday, Edfu/Luxor - Nile Cruise: See the **Temple of Horus**, the Falcon God. Sail to Luxor. Visit **Luxor and Karnak Temples**. (BLD)



Day 9, Monday, Luxor/Cairo: Disembark after breakfast. Visit the New Kingdom city of "**Thebes**". Sightseeing includes the **Valley of the Kings and Queens**. Flight back to Cairo where you will be met and transferred to your 5* **Sheraton Dreamland**. (B)

Day 10, Tuesday, Cairo: Today's sightseeing takes you to the fabulous **Egyptian Museum** regarded as one of the most prominent in the world. We proceed to **Cheop's Pyramid** - one of the Seven Ancient Wonders of the World - and the **Sphinx**, the great god-lion sentinel, built over 35 centuries ago. Your tour also includes the bazaars featuring a wondrous variety of items and bargains galore! (B)

Day 11, Wednesday Cairo Departure: Transfer to airport for departure. (B)

WEEKLY ARRIVALS - 2010:

May/September... \$1605 per person - \$427 Single Suppl.
June/July/August... \$1525 per person - \$415 Single Suppl.
* **Abu Simbel Excursion by Air \$285**

The price per person includes:

- Y class, Cairo/Aswan - Luxor/Cairo.
- Private transfers between airports, hotels and quays.
- Accommodations at listed hotels incl. all taxes & service charges.
- Outside Cabins onboard the 5* Deluxe Sonesta Sun Goddess.
- Meals as indicated. B = Buffet Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner.
- Shore excursions and sightseeing includes entrance fees to sites.
- The services of an English speaking Tour Guide throughout.
- The services of a professional Tour Host.
- Horse ride in Petra and two hours Jeep ride in Wadi Rum.
- Baggage handling and portage.
- The services of a professional Tour Host.
- Welcome kit including maps and brochures.

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