

Joy Travel International and Bowers Museum Present

Egypt: The Royal Tour



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With private access to
Great Pyramid and Sphinx

March 5 - 18, 2019

Led by: Fadel Gad

This tour will take you beyond the beaten tourist path to visit hidden archeological sites not accessible to the general public. This will include a private and exclusive visit to the Great Pyramid interior and the Great Sphinx plus a private visit to the Temple of Luxor in Luxor City. Private access to these sites is essential as it will give you valuable knowledge of Egyptian Antiquities.

Your tour guide, Fadel Gad, is an Egyptologist who worked for the Egyptian Department of Antiquities and conducted excavations in Lower and Upper Egypt. Fadel Gad is the owner and President of Joy Travel International located in Santa Monica, California. Through his company, he has led many tours from numerous educational institutions nationwide.

We hope you join us in this unique opportunity to visit Egypt, one of the most fascinating destinations in the world.

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Tour Itinerary:

TUE MAR 5 DAY 1 - USA/CAIRO

Arrive Cairo and transfer to your hotel.
Le Meridien Airport (No meals)

WED MAR 6 DAY 2 - CAIRO/ASWAN

Flight to Aswan at 12:00 PM. Free day for shopping in the African Market or visit the Nubian Museum.

[Cataract Hotel Aswan](#). (B)

THU MAR 7 DAY 3 - ASWAN/NILE CRUISE

Morning visit to the temple of Isis on Philae Island. This temple is one of the key sights along the Nile as it was dedicated to the Mother Goddess Isis who gave birth to Horus on this island. Visit the Unfinished Obelisk & the granite quarries. Check into the Nile Cruise, our floating home for the next four nights. Sail by feluccas to the Elephantine Island, the home of God Khnum, one of the creator gods. Visit the excavations & the German Institute Open Air Museum.

[Esmeralda Nile Cruise](#) (B, L, D)

FRI MAR 8 DAY 4 - NILE CRUISE

Morning drive to Abu Simbel to visit the colossal rock-cut temple of Ramses II & the exquisite temple he built for his wife, Nefertari.

[Esmeralda Nile Cruise](#) (B, L, D)

SAT MAR 9 DAY 5 - NILE CRUISE

Early morning sail to Kom Ombo at 5:00 AM. After breakfast visit the temple of Kom Ombo dedicated to the gods, Sobek & Horus. Continue sailing to the city of Edfu. After lunch, horse buggies will roll you through the ancient city of Edfu to the temple of Horus & his consort Hathor. This temple was dedicated to the reunion of the gods & goddesses. Overnight in the city of Esna.

[Esmeralda Nile Cruise](#) (B, L, D)

SUN MAR 10 DAY 6 - NILE CRUISE

Early morning sail to the city of Luxor at 5:00 AM. Afternoon visit the temple of Karnak & the temple of Luxor, dedicated to god Amen & goddess Mut.

[Esmeralda Nile Cruise](#) (B, L, D)

MON MAR 11 DAY 7 - NILE CRUISE - LUXOR

Check out from Nile Cruise. Drive to the West Bank of Luxor City. Visit the Valley of the Kings, containing the exquisite tombs of the New Kingdom Pharaohs, the Valley of the Queens, & the Valley of the Nobles. By special permission from the Egyptian Antiquities Organization, visit several tombs that are not open to the general public. In the afternoon, lunch at the historic courtyard of the venerable Sheikh Ali Restaurant, watering hole of all renowned Egyptologists, including Howard Carter.

Following lunch, we visit the great mortuary temples of Hatshepsut, Ramses II, & Ramses III, as well as the ancient village of Dier el Medina with its extraordinary tombs of the ordinary workers who built the temples.

[Steigenberger Hotel](#) (B, L, D)

TUE MAR 12 DAY 8- LUXOR

Today we are going back to the west bank for a half-day tour to visit more tombs and temples. Afternoon free to enjoy this romantic city of Luxor or shopping.

[Steigenberger Hotel](#) (B, L)

WED MAR 13 DAY 9 -- LUXOR - ABYDOS

Morning drive through the exquisite lush green countryside to the majestic city of Abydos, located north of Luxor. On the way, visit the temple of Goddess Hathor, goddess of love, music and art. This temple has the early astrological signs carved on its ceiling. After lunch, visit the Temple of Osiris. This temple has the best wall colored reliefs. It was dedicated to god Osiris. Behind the temple there is a pre-historic mysterious small temple, believed to be the tomb of God Osiris.

[House of Life Hotel](#) (B, L, D)

THU MAR 14 DAY 10 - ABYDOS - CAIRO

Morning flight to Cairo. Visit Islamic Cairo, including Al Azhar Mosque. After lunch, visit Khan El Khalili Bazar (old market).

[Le Meridien Pyramids Hotel and Spa](#) (B, L, D)

FRI MAR 15 DAY 11 - GIZA

Spend the day on the Giza Plateau visiting the Great Pyramid, the Great Sphinx, and the Solar Boat. Afternoon free for shopping.

[Le Meridien Pyramids Hotel and Spa](#) (B, L, D)

SAT MAR 16 DAY 12 - GIZA

Drive into the countryside to visit the Pyramids of Dahshur: The Red Pyramid & the Bent Pyramid of Pharaoh Senefro, Khufu's father. After lunch, at Saqqara Palm Club, visit the Step Pyramid in Saqqara.

[Kempinski Nile](#) (B, L, D)

SUN MAR 17 - DAY 13 GIZA - USA

Morning visit to the Cairo Museum. View the collection of the Old Kingdom, Middle Kingdom, New Kingdom, & the famous collection of King Tutankhamen. Lunch in downtown Cairo. After lunch, visit the 16th century Street of the Tentmakers & the southern section of the 10th century Fatimid city with its medieval houses, inns, marketplaces, & Al-Azhar (the oldest continuously functioning university in the world). Visit Khan el-Khalili, the most famous Cairo market.

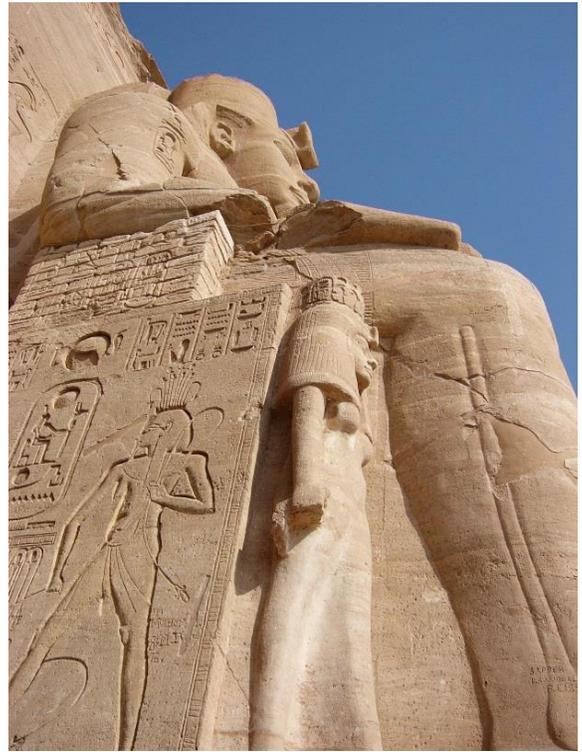
[Kempinski Nile](#) (B, L, D)

MON MAR 18 - DAY 14 USA

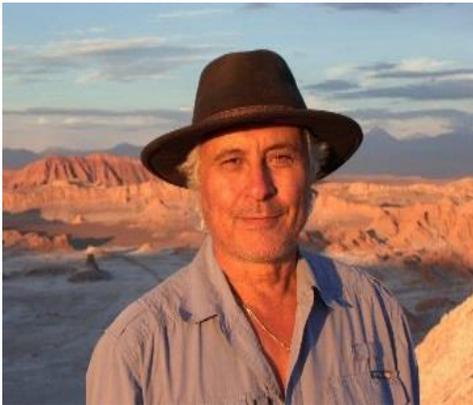
Morning flight to USA

Tour Includes:

- ❖ Deluxe Nile Cruise, all meals included
- ❖ Guest Lecturers and English speaking tour guide
- ❖ Deluxe accommodations in first class hotels
- ❖ Meals as specified in the itinerary
- ❖ Domestic flights in Egypt
- ❖ All transfers to and from Egypt airports
- ❖ All site fees
- ❖ Bottled water



Tour Leader: Fadel Gad



Fadel Gad, noted Egyptologist and President and Founder of Joy Travel International, has been leading educational tours to Egypt and other countries for more than 20 years. Originally from Memphis, the first capitol of Egypt, he received his Master's degree in Archaeology, Ancient Egyptology, and Islamic Art at the Cairo University. He served as an Archaeologist of Antiquities in Egypt for many years. His field experience includes excavations in Fostat, Saqqara, Cellia, and the Monastery of Abo Henes. His comprehensive knowledge of ancient Egypt has enabled him to fill lecture halls as well as participate in broadcast

programs where he speaks about a myriad of topics including Egyptian mythology and the ancient Egyptian concept of gods and goddesses. Fadel most recently served as Executive Producer for specials on Egyptian archaeology for public television.

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TITLE: _____ NAME: _____

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SMOKER: YES _____ NO _____

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EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____

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