



Your passport to adventure

Country(ies): Egypt , Jordan

Tour type: Small Group

Transport: A/C car/minibus/coach, sleeper train, felucca sailboat, Bedouin jeeps

Group size: Min: 2 | Max: 18

Days: 16 days

Start Location: Cairo, Egypt

End Location: Amman, Jordan

Meals: Breakfasts - 15, Lunches - 5, Dinners - 6

Highlights:

Jordan's desert castles, Jerash Roman ruins, Ajloun & Shobak castles, Dead Sea swim, Dana Nature Reserve, Petra tour, Wadi Rum safari & camp, Pyramids & Sphinx, Philae temple, Felucca cruise, Valley of the Kings, Karnak, Red Sea.



Day 1: Once you arrive in Cairo, you'll be taken directly to your hotel

Upon arrival, our team will be waiting to welcome you at the airport and escort you to your hotel. They'll assist with check-in, familiarize you with the surroundings, and review the itinerary for tomorrow.

OVERNIGHT:

Cairo hotel

MEALS:

EXTRAS:

Day 2: Journey through Ancient Egypt: Pyramids, Saqqara, and Cairo

Prepare to be captivated by the wonders of ancient Egypt! Our journey begins at the Giza Plateau, home to the majestic Pyramids and the enigmatic Sphinx. We'll then travel back in time to Memphis, the ancient capital, where we'll encounter the imposing statue of Ramses II. Finally, we'll witness the architectural grandeur of the Step Pyramid at Sakkara.

OVERNIGHT:

Cairo hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Day 3: Touchdown in Luxor! West Bank Exploration & Temple Marvels Await

Prepare for an early morning flight to Luxor, where we'll kick off our West Bank adventure with a visit to the iconic Colossi of Memnon. Next, we'll delve into the ancient tombs of the Valley of the Kings, followed by exploring the magnificent Queen Hatshepsut's Temple and the vibrant

hieroglyphics of Medinat Habu. After a delicious lunch, relax on a 5-star Nile cruise or immerse yourself in the bustling Luxor markets. As the evening descends, we'll wander through Luxor Temple, bathed in the warm glow of the setting sun.

OVERNIGHT:

On board 5-star cruise boat

MEALS:

Breakfast,Lunch,Dinner

EXTRAS:

Day 4: Uncover the secrets of Karnak Temple before embarking on a relaxing Nile cruise to Edfu

Prepare to be amazed! This morning, you have the option to soar above the West Bank in a hot air balloon as the sun rises over the Nile (truly an unforgettable experience!). Back on solid ground, we'll delve into the wonders of the Karnak temple complex. With its colossal columns and myriad temples, it's easy to see why Luxor is known as the world's greatest open-air museum. This afternoon, we'll embark on a scenic Nile cruise, passing through the Esna lock as we journey towards Edfu, our destination for the night.

(Just a heads up: Nile cruise itineraries can change slightly while we're on the go.)

OVERNIGHT:

On board 5-star cruise boat

MEALS:

Breakfast,Lunch,Dinner

EXTRAS:

Day 5: Embark on a Nile adventure: Edfu, Kom Ombo, and Aswan await

Begin your day with a nourishing breakfast, then embark on a journey to Edfu Temple, dedicated to the revered Horus. Next, we'll ascend the river to Kom Ombo, where you can immerse yourself in the vibrant Egyptian life along the Nile. Consider a refreshing dip in the sundeck pool before exploring the temple, situated directly beside the river. Witness the remarkable mummified

crocodiles and other ancient wonders. Finally, we'll set sail for Aswan.

OVERNIGHT:

On board 5-star cruise boat

MEALS:

Breakfast,Lunch,Dinner

EXTRAS:

Day 6: Aswan: Abu Simbel or Philae Temple & Aswan Dam

This morning, we'll embark on an early morning adventure to witness the breathtaking sunrise over the magnificent temples of Ramses II at Abu Simbel, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Immerse yourself in the grandeur of these ancient monuments as the first rays of sunlight illuminate their majestic presence.

Our Aswan tour will take us on a scenic boat ride to the enchanting Philae Temple complex, a hidden gem nestled on an island in the Nile River. Relocated to preserve its beauty after the construction of the Aswan High Dam, this romantic spot offers a glimpse into Egypt's rich history and cultural heritage. We'll also marvel at the impressive Aswan High Dam, a testament to human ingenuity and engineering prowess.

OVERNIGHT:

On board 5-star cruise boat

MEALS:

Breakfast,Lunch,Dinner

EXTRAS:

Day 7: Fly to Cairo, visit the Egyptian Museum, and choose from some fantastic optional tours

Your journey continues this morning with a flight from Aswan to Cairo. Get ready to be amazed by the world-famous Egyptian Museum! Your expert guide will unveil the treasures and stories of each era of ancient Egypt. The afternoon offers a chance to relax or embark on further adventures. You could wander through the fascinating churches and synagogues of Coptic Cairo, discover the historic Citadel perched above the city, and experience the bustling atmosphere of the Khan-el-

Khalili bazaar. For a truly special evening, consider an optional dinner cruise along the Nile River.

OVERNIGHT:

Cairo hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Day 8: Fly to Amman and enjoy some free time to explore

Get ready for Amman! You'll be transferred to Cairo airport for your flight to Jordan's capital (flight not included). Our representatives will be waiting to welcome you and transfer you to your hotel. After you've had a chance to freshen up and get your bearings, we'll schedule your pick-up for tomorrow.

This evening is free for you to discover Amman at your own pace.

A note about your flight: We often find it's more economical to book the Cairo-Amman flight as part of your international travel arrangements. We're happy to assist with booking all your flights, just this leg, or none at all – whichever you prefer. Direct flights are available with Egypt Air and Royal Jordanian Airlines, and all your airport transfers in Cairo and Amman are included in the tour price.

OVERNIGHT:

Amman hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Day 9: Experience As-Salt, explore Amman City, and treat yourself to a delicious local food tasting

Embark on a journey to As-Salt, a historic hilltop town just 40 minutes from Amman. Once a thriving capital and vital trading hub, As-Salt boasts stunning Islamic architecture crafted from golden limestone. Explore its labyrinthine streets, lined with charming shops and stalls, and witness the harmonious coexistence of Muslim and Christian communities. Delve deeper into the town's rich history and Jordanian culture on a guided walk along the 'Harmony Trail'.

This afternoon, uncover the layers of Amman's captivating past. From Neolithic settlements to Hellenistic and Roman empires, and through the Arab Islamic Ages, Amman's archaeological treasures span millennia. Ascend the Citadel to marvel at the remnants of the Temple of Hercules, the Umayyad Palace, and the Byzantine Church. Then, descend into the grandeur of the 6000-seater Roman theatre, still a vibrant venue today.

Conclude your day with a culinary adventure in Downtown Amman. Delight in a delectable food tasting tour, savoring local specialties like Manakish (a flatbread with various toppings), falafel, and perhaps even Mansaf, Jordan's national dish of lamb cooked in a fermented dried yogurt sauce. Finally, treat yourself to a renowned dessert like Knafeh at a beloved local sweet shop.

OVERNIGHT:

Amman hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast, Dinner

EXTRAS:

Day 10: Hike through the Dana Biosphere Reserve, then drive to Aqaba

Journey into the heart of Jordan's natural wonders today, exploring the Dana Biosphere Reserve. Discover the hidden gems of this vast nature reserve, hiking through its scenic landscapes and marveling at the restored Dana village. Spring's arrival transforms the reserve into a vibrant tapestry of colors, with lush greenery and wildflowers blooming throughout. Enjoy a leisurely picnic lunch and a refreshing walk before continuing your adventure to Aqaba, a vibrant city on the Red Sea, where you'll have a free evening and a relaxed morning tomorrow.

OVERNIGHT:

Aqaba Resort

MEALS:

Breakfast, Lunch

EXTRAS:

Day 11: Enjoy a free morning in Aqaba, then spend the night in a Bedouin camp in Wadi Rum

Your morning in Aqaba is free for you to enjoy as you please. Unwind on the shores of the Red Sea, wander through the city's vibrant streets, or dive into the exciting array of watersports available. Aqaba boasts some of the Red Sea's most stunning diving sites, with crystal-clear waters and vibrant coral reefs teeming with life. If you prefer to stay closer to the surface, hop on a boat trip and explore the underwater world while snorkeling.

This afternoon, we'll be joined by fellow travelers arriving from Egypt, and then we'll set off for the breathtaking desert landscape of Wadi Rum. Upon arrival, you'll be warmly welcomed by our Bedouin hosts at their comfortable desert camp, nestled amidst towering rock formations. Settle in and savor a delicious traditional Jordanian feast, featuring 'Zarb' – a unique dish of lamb and chicken slow-cooked underground in true Bedouin style. As the sun dips below the horizon, consider embarking on a memorable camel ride or gazing at the stars through our telescopes.

OVERNIGHT:

Wadi Rum Bedouin Camp

MEALS:

Breakfast, Dinner

EXTRAS:

Day 12: Embark on a jeep safari and Bedouin culture in Wadi Rum, then journey to Petra

After a hearty breakfast at the camp, you'll embark on a jeep safari through the vast expanse of Wadi Rum, traversing its sandy terrain and encountering towering jebels. Pause to scale sand dunes and marvel at the captivating rock formations, including a remarkable natural rock bridge.

Immerse yourself in local Bedouin traditions by joining a shepherd and his flock as they journey to a traditional Bedouin tent.

Why not actively participate and learn about other traditional activities? You could try shearing sheep, milking goats, grinding grains, baking bread, and roasting coffee, all leading up to a delicious lunch. After experiencing the nomadic Bedouin lifestyle, you'll return to camp by jeep before heading to Petra for the evening.

Tonight, you have a unique opportunity to witness the magic of Petra by moonlight. Stroll through the Siq, illuminated by hundreds of candles, and marvel at the Treasury bathed in an ethereal glow.

OVERNIGHT:

Petra hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Day 13: Hike the reverse route to Petra, taking in the sights of Little Petra along the way

Embark on an unforgettable journey through the lost city of Petra, a once-thriving Nabatean metropolis that fell under Roman rule in 106 AD. Hidden within the rugged Jordanian landscape and rediscovered in 1812 by Swiss explorer Johann Ludwig Burckhardt, Petra's architectural wonders are carved directly into the vibrant sandstone cliffs.

Your adventure begins at Little Petra, a smaller but equally captivating Nabatean site. After exploring Siq al-Barid, you'll embark on a scenic jeep ride to the trailhead, where your hike to the Monastery and the heart of Petra begins. This less-traveled path offers breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys.

As you ascend the ancient steps and pathways, you'll be treated to panoramic vistas of the Holy Land. A small cafe along the route provides a welcome respite and a chance to capture stunning photographs. The trail eventually leads you to Ad-Deir, the Monastery, an imposing facade carved into the cliff face.

From there, you'll descend into Petra, passing elaborate tombs, the remnants of a Roman amphitheater, and colonnaded streets. The culmination of your journey is Al Khazneh, the Treasury, an iconic symbol of Petra's architectural prowess.

This hike, while rewarding, involves some challenging terrain with ascents, descents, and numerous steps. It's best suited for those who are comfortable hiking for 2-3 hours to the Monastery, followed by several more hours exploring the sandy terrain of Petra.

For those who prefer a less strenuous experience, horse-drawn carriages are available within Petra for approximately 20 JD (USD 28). However, we encourage you to embrace the adventure and explore this ancient wonder on foot.

OVERNIGHT:

Petra hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Day 14: Dead Sea road to Wadi Mujib - Siq Trail Hike. Dead Sea 'swim'

After a delightful breakfast in Petra, we'll journey north along the scenic Dead Sea road towards Wadi Mujib. Prepare to be captivated by breathtaking views of the shimmering salt flats as we make our way to the Wadi Mujib visitor center. Here, you'll have the opportunity to savor a delicious lunch (not included) before we begin our exhilarating water hike.

Between April and October, we'll venture into the heart of the Wadi Mujib Nature Reserve, following the captivating Siq Trail. This unique trail leads us through the cool, shallow waters of the gorge, where we'll encounter small waterfalls equipped with steps for easy climbing. The highlight of our hike awaits at the end of the gorge – a magnificent waterfall where you can unwind and soak in the tranquility of the surroundings. This roundtrip adventure typically takes 2 to 3 hours.

Important Notes:

- **Essential Gear:** We strongly recommend bringing a dry bag to protect your valuables and water shoes for comfortable trekking. If needed, dry bags and water shoes are available for rent and purchase at the visitor center.
- **Alternative Experience:** During the months of November to March, when the Siq Trail is inaccessible, we'll instead visit the Bethany Baptism site. This recently unearthed site is believed to be the biblical "Bethany-beyond-the-Jordan," where Jesus Christ was baptized by John the Baptist. Explore ancient churches, caves, and pools from the Roman and Byzantine eras, and discover a place of profound historical and religious significance.

As our day of exploration winds down, we'll head to our relaxing resort nestled on the shores of the Dead Sea. Enjoy free time to experience the unique sensation of floating effortlessly in the incredibly salty waters, or simply unwind by the pool. Don't forget to bring a newspaper or magazine to capture that iconic Dead Sea photo!

OVERNIGHT:

Dead Sea hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Day 15: Today you'll visit Madaba, Mount Nebo, and the Roman ruins of Jerash

Begin your day with a trip to Madaba, renowned for its exquisite Byzantine mosaics, including the famous 'Madaba Map' – the oldest surviving cartographic depiction of the Holy Land. Afterwards, journey to Mount Nebo, where Moses is said to have glimpsed the Promised Land before his passing. Enjoy breathtaking panoramic views that stretch towards Jericho and beyond (weather permitting, which is usually the case).

Next, step back in time at Jerash, one of the most remarkable and well-preserved Greco-Roman cities outside of Europe. Wander through the impressive Forum, stroll along ancient colonnaded streets, and marvel at the architectural wonders of the Nymphaeum and the Temple of Artemis, perched atop one of the city's highest points.

Conclude your day with a scenic drive back to Amman, where you'll spend your final night in Jordan.

OVERNIGHT:

Amman hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Day 16: Enjoy some free time in Amman today before your transfer to the airport for your departure

Today, you have the freedom to explore Amman at your leisure before your departure. We will arrange transportation from your hotel to the airport according to your flight schedule.

If your flight departs in the afternoon or evening, consider joining an additional sightseeing excursion. A popular choice is the Baptism Site at Bethany on the Jordan River, a significant historical and religious location.

For those interested in extending their journey, this itinerary seamlessly connects with several of our Egypt and Israel tours. We are happy to provide suggestions and assist with travel arrangements.

OVERNIGHT:

N/A

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Included:

- Enjoy 5 nights in handpicked 3- and 4-star hotels across Jordan, chosen for their comfort and local charm.
- Immerse yourself in Jordanian culture with a homestay in the authentic village of Rasoun.
- Spend an unforgettable night under the stars in a traditional Bedouin camp in Wadi Rum.
- Indulge in 6 nights of luxury at top-rated 5-star hotels in Egypt.
- Travel overnight in comfort aboard a sleeper train with your own private twin-berth cabin (flight or hotel upgrade available).
- Sail down the Nile River on a traditional felucca, accompanied by a support boat for your convenience (hotel upgrade available).
- Relax with included airport transfers upon arrival and departure.
- Travel with ease in private, air-conditioned vehicles throughout your journey, including Bedouin jeep excursions in Wadi Rum.
- Embark on comprehensive sightseeing tours, bringing the itinerary to life.
- Benefit from the expertise of an English-speaking tour leader and local guides in Jordan, and a specialist Egyptologist guide in Egypt.
- Savour delicious meals as described in the itinerary.

Excluded:

- **International Flights:** (Available upon request)
- **Flight from Amman to Cairo:** (Can be booked separately or included with your international flight)
- **Jordan Visa:** (Complimentary with your Jordan Pass - see tour notes for details)
- **Egypt Visa:** (US\$25 visa upon arrival for most nationalities)
- **Travel Insurance:** (Available for purchase upon request)
- **Meals:** (Any meals not specifically included in the itinerary are at your own expense)
- **Entrance Fees in Egypt:** (Approximately US\$81 in total)
- **Personal Expenses:** (Drinks, snacks, laundry, etc.)
- **Tipping in Egypt:** (We recommend a group tipping kitty of around US\$65, plus individual tips for your tour guide)
- **Tipping in Jordan:** (Tipping is at your discretion)
- **Special Dinner Events:** (Some hotels may host gala dinners, see Tour notes for details and potential costs)
- **Additional Costs:** (Any other expenses not listed above are the responsibility of the traveller)

Options

Our tours are designed to include all that you need to enjoy a really special time in the destination you're visiting. However, we do also offer some extra options to complement the tour and add some additional sightseeing or activities, or some extra time at either end of the tour.

Hot air balloon in Luxor



From \$130.00

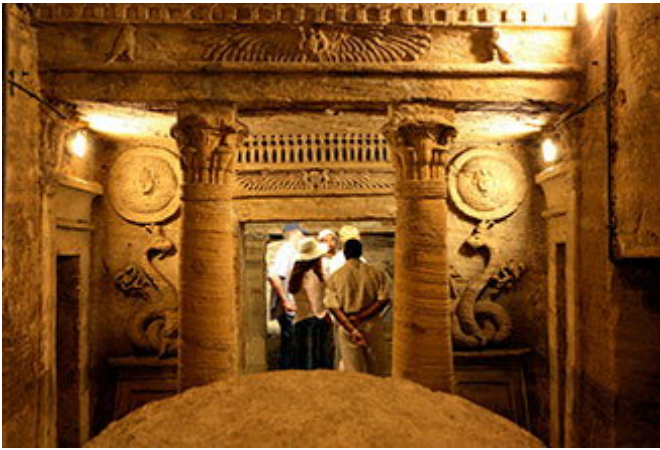
Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

An early morning departure is required for this popular optional tour, designed to capture the sunrise over the Valleys of the Kings & Queens, ancient temples, and desert scenery. We prioritize the earliest flights possible, as their timing aligns with the sunrise; therefore, departure times may fluctuate. This flight offers roughly one hour of aerial viewing.

The approximate cost is \$170.00, and booking is exclusively available locally through your tour guide, who will provide the most up-to-date pricing.

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Alexandria day trip



From \$125.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

Discover Alexandria, a 2.5-hour drive north of Cairo on Egypt's Mediterranean coast. This full-day tour showcases the city's highlights, including the Roman amphitheatre, the Catacombs of Kom al-Shoqafa, Pompey's Pillar, Fort Qaitbey (exterior view), and the modern Library of Alexandria. Depending on time, you may also visit Fort Qaitbey's interior and Montazah Palace gardens. A seafood lunch is provided. This tour requires either a late-night departure flight on your final day or an extra day added to your trip.

Pricing is based on a minimum of two travellers; solo supplements apply. Entrance fees (approximately USD 18) are not included.

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Cairo city tour



From \$75.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

This half-day guided tour of Cairo commences in the Islamic quarter, featuring the Citadel of Saladin, home to the renowned Alabaster Mosque of Mohammed Ali. We then proceed to the Coptic area of Cairo, where the Romans erected the fortress of Babylon. The Church of St. Mary, more commonly known as the Hanging Church, was built upon the remnants of two fortress towers. Our next stop is St. Sergius, believed to be the resting place of the Holy Family. The tour concludes at the bustling Khan el-Khalili bazaar. The entrance fee budget covers the Coptic Museum, the Citadel, and the Sultan Hassan Mosque. Please be aware that depending on the day's schedule, it may not be possible to visit all of these sites.

Entrance fees for visited sites are not included (budget approximately USD 17).

Prices quoted are based on a minimum of two persons travelling. Solo traveller supplements are applicable.

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Saqqara, Dashour & Memphis



From \$90.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

This half-day guided tour, venturing to the outskirts of Cairo, offers a fascinating insight into the history and evolution of pyramid building, and the wider narrative of Egyptian civilisation. Our explorations are centred on the area of ancient Memphis, a former capital of Egypt.

We begin with a visit to Saqqara, a vast desert necropolis constructed for the kings and nobles of the Old Kingdom. Here, we'll see Zoser's 'step' pyramid and the adjacent Imhotep Museum, where we can delve deeper into the history of Memphis and the surrounding region. Next, we journey to Dashur to witness one of the subsequent attempts at pyramid construction. Dashur's 'bent pyramid' – a testament to the ongoing learning process – is a captivating site, retaining much of its original limestone casing. We will then return you to your hotel.

Prices quoted are based on a minimum of two persons choosing this option. Entrance fees to the sites visited are not included (budget approximately USD 18). Solo traveller supplements are applicable.

Extra day in Cairo (5-star) - pre-tour



From \$105.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

This option allows you to begin your tour a day early, staying at your tour hotel (subject to availability). Your airport arrival transfer remains included. Prices are per person, based on two people sharing. Please note that single-room and peak-season supplements apply.

Wadi Rayan day trip (Valley of the Whales)



From \$110.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

This tour offers a striking contrast to the Pharaonic sites encountered on your main itinerary. Departing Cairo, we journey to the Fayoum region, where we'll explore the Wadi Rayan Protected Area. This area surrounds a freshwater lake, nestled amidst the desert, fed by surplus irrigation water from the Fayoum. You'll find several waterfalls here (a popular backdrop in Egyptian pop music videos), and a bird hide offering excellent views of the lake's avian population, particularly during the winter migration. We'll also visit the Springs Oasis area, a rare example of an uninhabited Saharan oasis, home to a diverse array of flora and fauna, including the Dorcas Gazelle, Ruppell's Sand Fox, and Fennec Fox.

Before lunch, we'll pause at the sand dunes around Wadi Rayan for a spot of sandboarding. Following a packed lunch, we'll venture into the dramatic desert and mountain landscapes of Wadi Hitan (Valley of the Whales). This World Heritage Site is globally recognised as a pivotal location for understanding whale evolution. We'll embark on a 2-3km walk to observe various fossilised whale specimens, exposed on the desert surface, alongside fossilised mangroves and the remnants of crab burrows.

This tour requires a full free day in Cairo, but can also be arranged directly after your return from Luxor/Aswan via the overnight sleeper train. Alternatively, it can be incorporated into any tour with the addition of extra days at the beginning or end. Prices are based on two or more persons travelling, with a supplementary charge for solo travellers.

The price includes lunch in Wadi Hitan and all entrance fees.

Abu Simbel overland



From \$140.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

The temples of Abu Simbel, built by Ramses II, are a true highlight of any trip to Egypt. Their impressive scale is matched only by the fascinating story of their relocation. When Lake Nasser was flooded, these magnificent temples were in danger of being submerged. In a remarkable feat of engineering, the entire complex was dismantled and rebuilt further up the hillside, where it stands today as a testament to both ancient Egyptian prowess and modern ingenuity.

To witness this marvel in the best possible light, we depart Aswan very early in the morning (around 3-4am), aiming to arrive at Abu Simbel as the sun rises. You'll then enjoy a guided tour with one of our expert Egyptologists, followed by free time to explore at your own pace, before we return to Aswan (approximately 3 1/2 hours drive each way, with around 2 hours at the temples). This tour is carefully designed to ensure you won't miss any other activities on your itinerary.

We choose the overland route to Abu Simbel as flight schedules are unreliable, leading to a more fragmented and less restful journey.

Furthermore, flying is significantly more expensive.

Please note that entrance fees to the site (approximately US\$17, with a 50% discount for children) are not included in the tour price and should be paid locally. A minimum of two people is required for this tour to operate.

Extra day in Amman - post-tour



From \$65.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

This option allows you to extend your tour by an extra day, staying in the same hotel as your main tour (subject to availability). Your airport departure transfer is included. Prices are per person and based on two people sharing.

Please note: This option is applicable to those who have booked the superior level of accommodation. If you have booked the standard accommodation package, please select the superior extra night option.

Please note: Single room and peak season supplements apply.

Single room supplement (JOSGAE18)



From \$1665.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

This group tour is based on twin-share accommodation. Solo travellers who wish to guarantee themselves a single room for the duration of the tour can add this option to their booking.

If you're happy to share a room, please let us know and we'll do our best to pair you with another solo traveller of the same sex. If a room share isn't possible when your final balance is due, 50% of the single room supplement fee will be payable. Should a room share become available after your balance has been paid, this payment will be refunded. Room shares are allocated in order of booking.

Please note: Single supplement prices may vary seasonally.

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Request a quote for Amman to Cairo flight



From \$0.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

This flight is a required part of the tour. It is left out of the set tour price as it is often more cost effective for you to include this flight as part of your main international flight ticket. We are happy to book all your flights, just the Amman-Cairo flight, or none of them at all, whichever works best for you. UK residents will need to book their own flights. Direct flights are available with both Egypt Air and Royal Jordanian Airlines. You can fly at anytime during the day - all transfers in Amman and Cairo are included. If you add this option to your booking, we will get back to you with a quotation for this flight.

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Camel Ride in Wadi Rum



From \$35.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

This option adds on a fun sunset or sunrise camel ride through the Wadi Rum desert.

Felucca to Hotel upgrade



From \$60.00

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

If you'd prefer a bit more comfort instead of sleeping on the felucca deck, this option offers an additional night in a hotel in Aswan. You'll rejoin the group after their felucca cruise. Your time in Aswan is free to relax or explore, with optional sightseeing tours available locally upon request.

Please note: Single room supplements apply.

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1. Accommodation

This tour offers a diverse range of accommodations, carefully chosen to enhance your comfort throughout your journey. In Jordan, you'll stay in handpicked 3 and 4-star hotels, while in Egypt, you'll indulge in the luxury of 5-star accommodations.

While local star ratings may differ from international standards, we prioritize your comfort and ensure the chosen hotels provide the best possible experience at their designated levels. All hotels offer twin or double rooms with en-suite bathrooms and air conditioning, guaranteeing a pleasant stay for couples and individuals alike.

As part of this unique experience, you'll spend a night in a welcoming local homestay in Rasoun village, Jordan. This authentic immersion will provide a glimpse into the daily life of rural Jordanian communities. Accommodation is in shared rooms for up to 4 people, with all necessary bedding provided. Bathrooms are shared and basic but clean and functional.

Your adventure continues with a night in a traditional Bedouin camp in the Wadi Rum Protected Area. Experience the magic of the desert while sleeping in authentic goat hair tents equipped with comfortable beds and bedding. Separate bathroom facilities are available, and for those seeking extra comfort, en-suite tents can be arranged locally (subject to availability). If you're feeling adventurous, you can even choose to sleep under the stars!

This tour also includes an unforgettable overnight felucca cruise on the Nile River and a journey on a sleeper train in Egypt (refer to the "Transport" section for details).

For solo travelers, we offer various room-sharing options and single room supplements, detailed in the "Single Room Supplement" section.

Finally, be aware that some hotels in Egypt and Jordan may host special gala dinners on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. While often optional on Christmas Eve, these dinners might be mandatory on New Year's Eve, with costs ranging from US\$50 to over US\$150 per person. We strive to select hotels with optional gala dinners whenever possible. These costs are not included in the tour price but will be added to your booking if required. Further details are available upon request.

2. Felucca Sailboat

Embark on a unique adventure with an overnight journey on a felucca, a traditional Egyptian sailboat. This offers a truly authentic and relaxing way to experience the Nile River. While the felucca provides basic accommodations with mattresses and blankets, it's recommended to bring your own sleeping sheet, blanket, or a light sleeping bag, especially during the cooler months from November to February.

Keep in mind that feluccas don't have toilet facilities onboard. However, a support boat with a toilet and warm showers will accompany you throughout the day and night. Mosquito nets are provided for sleeping, but it's advisable to bring mosquito repellent for the evenings and early mornings.

During your journey, you'll enjoy delicious meals cooked by your Nubian boat crew, who will also provide evening entertainment.

If you prefer a more comfortable option, you can choose to upgrade to an extra night at the hotel in Amman. This allows you to rejoin the group the following morning after their felucca experience and continue the journey to Luxor together.

3. Transport

To fully immerse you in the countries you'll be exploring, our trips utilize a variety of transportation methods, while also ensuring your comfort throughout the journey.

- **Jordan:** We utilize private, air-conditioned minivans or minibuses for all transfers and travel throughout the tour, with the vehicle size adjusted based on the group size. Please note that the jeeps used for the Wadi Rum desert safari are provided by our local Bedouin partners and, while appropriate for this experience, may not meet the same safety and quality standards as our other vehicles.
- **Egypt:** Travel in Egypt will be in air-conditioned minivans, minibuses, or coaches, many of which are equipped with speed limiters for added safety. All vehicles undergo daily inspections and checks.
- **Overnight Travel:** The overnight journey from Cairo to Aswan (approximately 12 hours) will be on a comfortable sleeper train. You'll have a private, lockable twin-berth cabin with spacious seating that converts into fold-down beds complete with sheets, pillows, and blankets. Cabins also include a washbasin and storage. An airline-style evening meal and breakfast are included. If you prefer, you can upgrade to an internal flight for this portion of the journey.

Flights

- **Amman to Cairo:** The connecting flight from Amman to Cairo is not included in the tour price. This allows for flexibility and potential cost savings, as it can sometimes be more economical to book this flight as part of your international travel arrangements. We are happy to assist with booking all your flights, just the Amman-Cairo flight, or none at all, depending on your preferences. Direct flights are available with both Egypt Air and Royal Jordanian Airlines. To facilitate group cohesion, we recommend Egypt Air flight MS720, which departs Amman between 9:30 AM and 10:30 AM. However, you have the option to fly at other times if needed, as all transfers in Amman and Cairo are included.

4. Group Size/Tour Leaders/Guides

We believe in the power of small group travel, offering a more intimate and enriching experience. With fewer fellow travelers, you'll have more opportunities to connect, engage with your guide, and truly immerse yourself in the destination. Unlike large group tours, we avoid overcrowded buses and prioritize unique accommodations and activities that wouldn't be feasible with larger numbers.

Our small group tours to Jordan and Egypt have a minimum of 2 participants. In Jordan, the maximum group size is 14, while in Egypt it's 18, allowing for potential collaboration with travelers on our Egypt-focused tours.

Throughout your journey, you'll be accompanied by expert local guides. In Jordan, an English-speaking tour leader/driver will be provided, along with specialist guides in Jerash, Amman, and Petra. Groups of 5 or more will have both a driver and a dedicated guide for the entire trip. In Egypt, a professional Egyptologist guide will lead you through Cairo and from Aswan to Luxor. We also have representatives in major towns and cities along the route to ensure smooth logistics and support.

At Egypt Uncovered, we exclusively employ local Jordanian and Egyptian guides and representatives, believing this provides the most authentic and insightful travel experience.

5. Activity level

To ensure your comfort and safety throughout this tour, appropriate footwear and a degree of mobility are essential. Here's what you need to know:

- **Jordan:** This portion of the tour involves several walks and hikes. While you don't need to be an athlete, sturdy and comfortable footwear is crucial.
 - In the Ajloun Forest Reserve, we'll enjoy a few hours of hiking through diverse terrain. The guide will tailor the route and duration based on the group's preferences and weather conditions.
 - We'll also have a short, easy walk amidst the scenic hills near Dana village. The trails here are typically dry and slightly rocky.

- Exploring Petra involves considerable walking. Expect to cover at least 8km, including the Siq, Treasury, Theatre, and Byzantine church. If you wish to hike to the Monastery or High Place of Sacrifice, anticipate an additional 2-3km, with some inclines and declines. You can set your own pace, but be prepared for a full day of walking. Comfortable shoes and a daypack are essential.
- **Egypt:** While there are no long walks in Egypt, you'll need to be reasonably agile to navigate the planks and steps used to board and disembark the feluccas.

6. Dates & Prices

This tour departs regularly throughout the year, with guaranteed departures every Saturday. To ensure a personalized experience, each group is limited to a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 18 travelers.

For a complete list of departure dates and prices, please visit our website or request our "Dates & Prices" sheet. Be sure to check our website for special offers and discounts on select departures.

7. Entrance Fees & Jordan Pass

The tour price does not include entry fees for the sites visited during the tour.

Jordan:

It is highly recommended to purchase a Jordan Pass before travelling to Jordan. This package, developed by the Jordanian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities, offers discounted entry fees for all the major sites included in this tour (and many more) and also provides downloadable digital brochures for each attraction. Additionally, it includes a free tourist visa for entering Jordan (normally JD40 when obtained on arrival). Having the Jordan Pass also helps us save time by avoiding ticket queues at the sites.

Some sites visited during our tours are not covered by the Jordan Pass, such as Mt. Nebo, St. George's Church in Madaba, and the Shawmari & Azraq Reserves. For simplicity, the entry fees for these sites are included in your tour price. If you choose to visit other attractions not covered by the Jordan Pass during your free time or additional excursions, you will need to pay those entry fees directly at the sites.

The Jordan Wanderer Pass, which is suitable for all our tours that include a single-day visit to Petra, costs JD70 (approximately US\$99). If your itinerary includes the Baptism Site at Bethany, you'll need to add a JD8 supplement (discounted from the JD12 payable at the site). You can obtain the pass online by completing a simple form, ensuring your passport details are accurate as they also serve as your visa application. The pass will be emailed to you as a PDF, which you should print and carry with you. Present this printed pass at the immigration desk upon arrival in Jordan to secure your free entry visa, and at each attraction where it will be scanned for access.

If you do not obtain the Jordan Pass prior to arrival, you will need to pay the entry fees at each site individually and also pay JD40 for your visa on entry to Jordan (or pre-arrange your visa).

Learn more about the Jordan Pass [[here](#)].

Egypt:

In Egypt, the tour price does not cover entrance fees to the sites listed in the itinerary. Please refer to the Exclusions section for a guide on how much to budget for this tour. Discounts of up to 50% may be available for minors or ISIC card holders, though this is not guaranteed and fees are subject to occasional changes.

For convenience, your guide will typically collect all entrance fees in cash at the beginning of the tour and manage payments at each site for you.

8. Passports and Visas - Egypt

Passports should be valid for at least six months after your departure from the country. Please do not bring an almost full or almost expired passport. Visa arrangements are the responsibility of the traveller, and requirements are subject to change by the local authorities.

December 2024 update: As of December 2024, we are required to provide a copy of your passport photo page to the Egyptian Authorities prior to your arrival. Our sales team will request this from you prior to your trip start date. It is not yet clear if this will be a temporary or permanent requirement.

We recommend that you contact your closest Egyptian consulate or embassy for current information for your nationality.

In general official advice is that all nationalities obtain their Egypt visas in advance, as we cannot guarantee that you can get them in the airport. An online e-visa is available through [visa2egypt](https://visa2egypt.com). Please do not use any other website as there are many scam sites offering Egypt e-visas.

In practice however, many nationalities (including British and European, Australian, New Zealand, USA) can and do obtain their visas on arrival in Cairo airport. The process is much quicker and simpler, the cost is currently **US\$25 p/p** and must be paid in hard currency (i.e. GBP, USD or EUR) - you'll be given change in local currency if necessary. There are no forms to fill in and you don't need to bring passport photos. Visas are issued at one of the bank desks in the immigration hall, before you get to passport control. If flying into Cairo International Airport our representative will have met you by this stage and will assist with the process.

Important Note: Due to recent changes in the visa regime for Canadians, a visa on arrival or e-visa will no longer be possible for Canadian Citizens entering Egypt after October 1st 2023. Until further notice Canadian passport holders must obtain a visa prior to arrival, from the nearest Egyptian Consulate.

All African & Indian nationals, and some others, will need to obtain their visas in advance.

For further information on your visa requirements, please either contact us or your local Egyptian embassy/consulate.

9. Transfers

Our Egypt tours include a 24-hour airport meet & assist service in Cairo airport, your arrival and departure airport-hotel transfers and all other transfers. Our representative will meet you in the immigration hall of Cairo airport before you get to passport control (if you are flying into Sphinx International Airport, our representative will be waiting outside, after you have passed through immigration and re-claimed your luggage). They will assist with visa formalities before helping you collect your luggage and taking you to your hotel.

Your airport transfers are only included on the first and last day of the set tour itinerary, plus on any additional days if you book your hotel room with us. If you make your own arrangements for additional accommodation at either the beginning or the end of the tour then you will need to arrange your own airport transfers on these days.

10. International Flights

We want to give you as much flexibility as possible when it comes to booking your holiday with us. So, to take account of people with varying travel plans, we don't normally include international flights in the main tour price. We are however very happy to suggest flights to go with the tour. Please contact us with your preferred dates and departure airport and we'll give you a selection of airlines, times and fares to choose from.

Your airport arrival & departure transfers are included on the first and last days of the tour. Nearly all our Egyptian tours start and finish in Cairo. You can fly into Cairo International Airport (CAI) or Sphinx International Airport (SPX).

We do also sometimes advertise flight inclusive packages from selected airports. Where these are shown on our website, prices are correct at the time of quoting, but are subject to continued availability of the fare used. Prices will be reconfirmed at the time of booking, and we will also provide the flight times and airline details before tickets are issued.

Travel Zoo / Groupon Flight Inclusive Packages

Encounters Travel occasionally offer flight inclusive packages - In this case, your international flights will be included as per the package you have purchased. Flight inclusive prices are based on the cheapest Economy ticket class available which is generally non-refundable and non-changeable. More flexible ticket options, as well as Premium Economy and Business Class tickets are available on request for an additional supplement. Any changes made to flight inclusive bookings will be subject to the airline rules on your ticket.

Flight CO2 Emissions:

Traveling by air is an amazing way to explore the world, but flights also contribute to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions that impact the environment. By considering the airline's CO2 emissions when you choose your flight, you can help minimize your travel footprint.

When selecting your international flights and airline, we do therefore recommend that you try and also take into account the flight CO2 emissions. Some airlines and flight search websites (eg. Google Flights, Skyscanner) do publish this information, so you can compare between your flight options and make an informed decision. Thankfully, many airlines are working towards sustainability efforts, and choosing a greener option allows you to contribute to positive change while still enjoying your incredible adventure.

11. Entrance Fees

Our Small Group tours do not include entrance fees to the tourist sites mentioned in the itinerary. We do however normally include these in prices for Tailor-Made and Escorted tours. Please check the Inclusions and Exclusions section below the tour itinerary for a details about your tour and the amount you may need to budget. This amount is subject to change and will be reconfirmed in Egypt at the start of your tour. A 50% discount for minors or ISIC card holders is often, but not always available.

Your guide will be happy to collect payment for all the entrance fees at the start of the tour, and pay them for you as you go along if you wish. This payment is normally collected in US Dollars cash together with payment for any Tipping Kitty used on the tour, though you may also pay with Egyptian Pounds or other currencies, converted to USD. Local exchange rates are set on a monthly basis and based on local bank rates so may not match the exact rates you may find online on the day.

Entrance Fee Increases:

Please note that whilst we make every effort to keep the amounts we advise for local entrance fees as up to date as possible, these amounts should be considered a guide only due to fluctuating exchange rates and local rate changes imposed by the Egyptian government. We are aware that the Egyptian Government will be updating their entrance fees in November 2024 and our website will be updated at that time to reflect the revised fees.

12. Tipping

Tipping is very much a part of Egyptian culture and customs. To make our prices more transparent and so it is easier for you to budget and less hassle while in Egypt, on our small group tours we organise a 'Tipping Kitty' which needs to be paid as a local payment and will be around US\$30-80 depending on the length of your trip. Payment is collected in US Dollars cash or can also be paid with Egyptian Pounds or other currencies converted to US Dollars at our local monthly exchange rate, or by credit card (3% fee). This kitty provides tips for a wide range of people you'll meet along the tour including hotel porters, housekeeping staff, train and station staff, drivers, site guards, local reps etc. Please check the Included/Excluded notes below the tour itinerary for more information on how much to budget for this kitty.

Your Egyptologist guide (and Bedouin guides in the desert) is not included in this kitty and you may tip them at the end of your tour subject to your satisfaction with and appreciation of the service they have provided. You should not feel obliged to tip any particular amount, and should consider your personal budget. We are often asked to provide a guide however, and can suggest that approx. USD 10-15 per person per day would be appropriate.

Children under the age of 12 do not need to pay this tipping kitty.

On private/tailor-made tours we can also arrange a tipping kitty if you wish, or you can tip people as you go along the tour. Your guide will be happy to help advise either way.

13. Voltage - Egypt

The sockets in this area are two-pronged and provide 220 volts. Universal adaptors can be found in most airport shops if you haven't already got one. Standard European adapters will also work, though they may fit a bit loosely in the sockets. Every hotel room comes equipped with electrical sockets for charging devices like cameras and phones. Hair dryers are typically available upon request at the hotel reception if not already provided in your room. If you're travelling with US appliances, you'll need both a voltage converter and a plug adapter.

14. Money - Egypt

The local currency in Egypt is the Egyptian Pound, often denoted 'LE'. The Egyptian Pound can vary significantly in value against the British Pound, but sticks fairly close to the value of the US Dollar. You do not need to arrange to bring any Egyptian Pounds with you to Egypt, as change facilities are available in all the hotels, airports and banks. You should try to obtain and keep hold of small denomination notes or coins on you during the tour as these are useful for toilets, tips and small purchases. ATMs are readily available in major towns and many local shops will accept VISA/Mastercard or Amex, but may charge fees of up to 10% - check before you pay. Travellers cheques are not recommended as they can not be changed in many places now, and can incur high fees.

While in Egypt you will need sufficient funds to cover meals not included in the itinerary, drinks, snacks, souvenirs and personal expenses such as laundry. These should generally all be paid for in Egyptian Pounds. You may also need to pay for the tour Tipping Kitty and site Entrance Fees while you are in Egypt. Payments for these may be made to your tour guide in hard currency (USD, GBP, EUR) at the start of your tour. Please see your tour Included/Excluded details for more information and guideline amounts for these.

It is difficult to recommend a level of personal spending money which will suit everyone as this can differ greatly, but as a guideline, we would suggest allowing USD 15-25 per person per day as a minimum. Allow more if you plan on doing lots of shopping, or buying many alcoholic drinks.

15. What to take

Luggage: Suitcases, rucksacks or fabric holdalls are all fine to bring with you to Egypt. You should also bring a small daypack/bag to take out during the day. Your main luggage will normally be left in the hotel during your sightseeing trips – you will not need to carry it far, and there are nearly always hotel porters to assist.

Luggage limits: There is no luggage limit for this tour. However, most airlines restrict you to between 20kg and 25kg for your hold luggage and between 5kg and 10kg for hand luggage. Please check with your airline before travelling to the airport.

Clothing: Most of your time in Egypt will be in a hot climate. However, at night, and especially in the deserts, the temperatures can drop quite dramatically. So you must pack for cool conditions. Formal dress (eg. suits & ties) is not required on the cruise boats or in 5-star hotel restaurants. Long sleeves are recommended to protect from mosquitoes if you are on the felucca. Modesty rates highly in Egypt, especially for women, so to respect the local

culture & people, please ensure all clothes are loose fitting and not revealing. Shorts (not hot-pants) are OK in tourist sites, as are T-shirts, but these should not show too much bare flesh (we suggest that your shoulders should remain covered). In the centre of Cairo, and when visiting any mosques, legs and arms should be covered.

Other items: If you will be travelling on a felucca then we recommend bringing a light sleeping sheet or sleeping bag liner all year round for comfort, and a light sleeping bag in the winter months (November to February). We also recommend you bring a sun hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, a basic first aid kit, toiletries, small towel, money belt, small torch, camera & charger.

16. Time

The time zones for Egypt, Jordan, Israel, and Lebanon are GMT +2, while the UAE operates on GMT +3. Daylight saving time has been implemented intermittently in the past. Currently, Egypt is expected to maintain a consistent time zone of GMT +2 from 2016 onwards, with no changes planned for daylight saving, though this could alter with little notice, affecting flight schedules and times. In Jordan and Israel, a one-hour daylight saving shift is typically observed from the end of March to the end of October, changing the time to GMT +3. The exact dates of this shift vary each year, and in some cases, the adjustments may not take place at all.

17. Health and Vaccinations

It's important to ensure you have full medical insurance coverage, including for emergency evacuation and repatriation.

Vaccination requirements and other health precautions depend on both your destination and where you are travelling from. We advise speaking to your GP, a healthcare provider, or a travel clinic to get the latest details on the necessary vaccinations for your trip. You should also make sure that you are up to date with any vaccines and boosters recommended for your general health at home, including those for occupational risks, lifestyle factors, and pre-existing conditions.

In addition, the following vaccinations are typically advised for travel to countries in this region:

- **Egypt:** Tetanus, Typhoid, Hepatitis A
- **Jordan:** Tetanus, Hepatitis A
- **Israel:** Hepatitis A, Poliomyelitis
- **Lebanon:** Diphtheria, Hepatitis A

Malaria is not commonly present unless contracted abroad, so malaria prophylaxis is generally not necessary.

For further details, refer to the following links: [Egypt](#), [Jordan](#), [Israel](#), [Lebanon](#)

Important Note: We are aware that some places in Egypt use 'black henna' instead of pure brown henna. Black henna contains a chemical dye called PPD (paraphenylenediamine), which can cause severe allergic reactions and scarring. To be on the safe side, we recommend avoiding henna tattoos in Egypt unless you are certain they are made with pure brown henna.

18. Passports and Visas - Jordan

Passports should be valid for at least six months after your departure from the country. Please do not bring an almost full or almost expired passport. Visa arrangements are the responsibility of the traveller, and requirements are subject to change by the local authorities.

To promote tourism to the country, the Jordanian government has designed the **Jordan Pass**. This provides adults of most nationalities with a free single entry Jordan visa (for stays of 3 nights or more), a discounted package of entrance fees, and free digital brochures for the various sites in Jordan. Please check the Jordan

Pass tour note for more information.

Please note that whilst the Jordan Pass is recommended for the vast majority of our Jordan Tours where entrance fees are not included, this is not recommended for our Petra & the Bedouin Trail tour as entrance fees to Petra and Wadi Rum are already included in the cost of this tour.

Double or multi entry visas for Jordan are no longer available and you will need to arrange two visas if you are doing a combination tour (eg. with Egypt and/or Israel) that visits Jordan more than once. Exceptions may occur if you are crossing to and from Israel via the King Hussein Bridge - please contact us for details.

If you wish to arrange your visa separately in advance, or if your stay will be shorter than four days/3 nights, then a visa fee of 40JD (approx. USD 57) will be due.

Families with children under 12 are recommended not to purchase the Jordan Pass for the children as entrance fees are not charged in Jordan for children under 12. Instead, the adults should purchase a Jordan Pass and we will arrange a free visa for the children which you will receive when we meet you on arrival into Amman airport.

Other nationalities may require a visa prior to arrival and to obtain this in advance, please contact your local Jordanian embassy or consulate or a visa agency for details. In addition, if you plan to enter Jordan via the southern Wadi Araba crossing (Eilat-Aqaba) or the Allenby Bridge/King Hussein border with Israel in the north, you will need to obtain your Jordan visa in advance as these are not available on arrival at the border.

19. Group Sizes/Tour Leaders/Guides

We are dedicated to offering small group tours, as we believe this provides the best opportunity for everyone to connect with fellow travellers and fully engage with their guide. There's little value in having exceptional guides if you're struggling to see or hear them over a crowd of 30-40 people! That's why we'll never place you on a 50-seater coach with 49 other passengers and a single guide. Instead, our Jordan group departures are limited to a maximum of 18 travellers.

In Jordan, all of our sightseeing tours are led by fully trained, local English-speaking guides. Additionally, our local representatives in each town and city along the route are available to assist, ensuring all practical arrangements are taken care of for the tour.

At Egypt Uncovered, we exclusively employ local Jordanian guides and representatives, as we believe this enhances your experience of both the country and the sights you are visiting. For more details and profiles of some of our most renowned local guides, please visit our website.

For groups of up to five, we provide an escort driver along with specialist local guides at Jerash and Petra. For groups of six or more, an escort guide will accompany the group throughout the tour.

20. Money - Jordan

The currency used in Jordan is the Jordanian Dinar (JD). There is no need to bring Jordanian Dinars with you as you can easily exchange currency at international airports, hotels, banks, and currency exchange offices in major cities. It is advisable to carry small denominations of notes or coins for things like using public restrooms, tipping, and small purchases. ATMs are widely available in large towns, and many local shops accept VISA, Mastercard, or Amex, although they may charge a fee of up to 10%, so it's wise to confirm this before making a payment. Traveller's cheques are no longer widely accepted and can come with high exchange fees.

During your time in Jordan, you will need to cover costs such as meals not included in the itinerary, drinks, snacks, souvenirs, and personal expenses like laundry. These are typically paid for in Jordanian Dinar, but tips for guides and drivers can be given in foreign currency such as GBP, USD, or EUR.

It's hard to give a precise figure for personal spending, as this depends on individual preferences, but as a rough guide, we recommend budgeting USD 15-25 per person per day. If you plan on shopping extensively or purchasing alcoholic drinks frequently, it's advisable to set aside more.

21. Voltage - Jordan

The sockets are two-pronged and provide 220 volts. Universal adapters can usually be found in most airport shops if you don't already have one. Standard European adapters will fit, though they may feel slightly loose in the sockets. All hotel rooms are equipped with electrical sockets, so you can charge cameras, phones, and other devices. Hairdryers are generally available upon request at hotel receptions, if they aren't already provided in your room. If you're bringing US appliances, you'll need both a voltage converter and a plug adapter.

22. Jordan info

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23. Airport Transfers

This tour includes a meet-and-greet service and airport transfer on the first day. Our representative will be waiting with an Egypt Uncovered signboard or your name clearly displayed for easy identification. If you are unable to locate our representative, emergency contact numbers will be provided on your tour confirmation voucher.

A transfer to the airport is also included at the end of the tour. Please review the tour itinerary and your flight times carefully. Most international flights departing from Khartoum are scheduled in the early hours of the morning. If you have upgraded to a 4 or 5-star hotel in Khartoum, only a day-use room is typically included for your final day. A full night's stay is provided at the standard 3-star hotel. If you require a full night's accommodation in an upgraded hotel, an additional charge may apply.

Refunds are not available for missed transfers or parts of your trip due to incorrect flight details or delayed arrivals. Any additional expenses incurred to join the group will be your responsibility.

If your flights are scheduled to arrive before the tour starts or depart after the tour ends, we can arrange extra accommodation and airport transfers. We will strive to book these at the same hotel as the main tour, subject to availability (upgraded hotels can also be arranged upon request). Please note that if you do not book additional accommodation through us, arrival and departure transfer services will not be included, and you will need to organise your own transport.

Arrival Procedure

Be prepared for potential delays at immigration, especially if you are obtaining a "visa on arrival" (refer to the Passports and Visas section). After passport control, proceed to baggage reclaim, where further waiting times are common. Once you collect your luggage, you will need to show your baggage receipts (typically attached to your boarding pass), and your bags may be manually inspected by airport staff. This is standard procedure to ensure no prohibited items, such as alcohol or inappropriate materials, are brought into Sudan. Be aware that some magazines with certain images might also be considered inappropriate and could be confiscated without return.

After completing these formalities, you will find our representative waiting just outside the glass doors with an Egypt Uncovered signboard or your name clearly displayed.

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Note: Please [download an up-to-date copy](#) of these tour notes shortly before you travel as itineraries and information does change from time to time.
