

OPTIONAL OPCIONALES II

Programme: selección de diferentes excursiones opcionales a elección del cliente



"En Travel Center no creamos destinos, creamos memorias y momentos que permanecen en el corazón..."

la forma en que Egipto se recuerda."



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WELCOME. MESSAGE FROM THE TRAVEL CENTER TEAM

At TRAVEL CENTER we believe that travelling is not simply about moving from place to place, but about **living experiences that leave a mark.**

We founded this company in 2023 after years of experience in the international tourism sector, working across **Egypt, Brazil, Spain and Latin America.** That experience allowed us to understand not only the destination, but also the expectations of travellers and the real needs of our partners.

TRAVEL CENTER was born with a clear idea: to offer a **DMC service in Egypt based on excellence, trust and genuine personalisation.** We do not design standard trips; we create experiences carefully tailored to each client and each agency we work with.

Our philosophy is based on three fundamental pillars: quality in every detail, operational reliability and the creation of authentic experiences that connect with the essence of the destination. To achieve this, we work exclusively with a network of selected local partners who share our same standards of excellence.

At the same time, we are committed to **innovation and transparency,** incorporating tools that facilitate daily communication and management with our commercial partners. We know that in the B2B segment, agility and trust are essential.

Our **guides and representatives are carefully selected** from a wide group of professionals, according to criteria of excellence, experience and in-depth knowledge of the

destination. Beyond their training, they stand out for their ability to anticipate travellers' needs and for providing a close, discreet and highly professional service, ensuring a smooth, enriching and fully personalised experience at every moment of the trip. Our **multilingual team is available 24/7** to support every operation, providing continuous assistance and ensuring that each trip runs smoothly, safely and with precision.

Transfers are carried out in **modern vehicles,** either brand new or no more than one year old, designed to guarantee maximum comfort during transfers. Fully equipped and meeting the highest safety standards, these vehicles allow every journey to be enjoyed with peace of mind, turning each transfer into an integral part of a travel experience cared for down to the last detail.

But above all, **our greatest commitment is human:** ensuring that every traveller discovers Egypt in a truly memorable way, caring for every detail as a unique experience. At Travel Center we understand every trip as something **close and personal;** we are like a family and we want our clients to feel as comfortable as at home while they discover the country. For this reason, our entire team (**management, Egyptologist guides, representatives, and administrative staff**) remains entirely at your disposal, ensuring excellence and satisfaction throughout the entire experience.

For us, every collaboration is a long-term relationship based on **trust, professionalism and a passion for creating exceptional experiences.**

At Travel Center, our greatest joy is seeing our clients fully satisfied, enjoying an experience they will remember forever.

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SUMMARY OF OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

From Travel Center we present you with a **carefully curated selection of optional excursions designed to further enrich your experience in Egypt** and offer a deeper, more exclusive and personal vision of this unique destination.

Each proposal has been selected with special attention to detail, **combining history, culture and authenticity**, always with the highest level of comfort and service. These experiences allow you to extend the journey beyond the main itinerary, accessing **exceptional enclaves, local traditions and landscapes that reveal new dimensions** of the pharaonic legacy and contemporary life in Egypt.

From visits to iconic monuments to unique cultural experiences and moments of authentic immersion, these optional excursions are designed for those who wish to experience the journey in a more complete, flexible and enriching way.

Every stage of the journey has been designed to guarantee comfort, fluidity and a personalised service, offering an unforgettable experience at the heart of ancient and contemporary Egypt

FROM CAIRO

- MEIDUM
- CITY OF AMARNA: NORTH, SOUTH AND ROYAL TOMBS AND BOUNDARY STELE
- TUNA EL-GEBEL
- BENI HASSAN AND SPEOS ARTEMIDOS
- MOSQUE OF IBN TULUN
- GAYER-ANDERSON MUSEUM

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MEIDUM

- The **pyramid of Meidum** is one of the most evocative visits for those wishing to understand the **evolution of Egyptian funerary architecture**. Located in **Beni Suef, far from the crowds of Giza**, its silhouette appears in the landscape like an ancient tower surrounded by a large mound of debris, the result of an architectural transformation that makes it a key piece in the transition from the stepped pyramid to the smooth-sided pyramid. **Attributed to the reign of Snefru**, Meidum allows us to contemplate a moment of extraordinary experimentation in the history of the Old Kingdom.

*The excursion combines the **excitement of exploring a less-visited site with a technical and symbolic reading of the birth of the great pyramids**. The traveller discovers how the Egyptian builders perfected the methods, proportions and structural solutions that would culminate in Dahshur and Giza. The atmosphere is sober, almost cinematic: open horizon, bare stone and a monumentality that needs no ornament. On a private trip, Meidum is enjoyed at a leisurely pace, ideally as an extension from Cairo or as part of a specialist archaeological route through Middle Egypt. It is a proposal for curious clients, lovers of singular places and the stories that explain how a civilisation learned to build for eternity.*



CITY OF AMARNA: NORTH, SOUTH AND ROYAL TOMBS AND BOUNDARY STELE

- **Amarna** is an exceptional excursion for travellers seeking one of the **most daring and enigmatic chapters of Egyptian history**. **Fundada por Akenatón como Akhetatón**, the city was conceived as a **sacred capital dedicated to the god Aten**, a religious, artistic and political revolution that for a few years transformed the image of the pharaoh and of divinity. The tour of Amarna allows you to explore a wide and silent landscape, where the desert preserves the traces of palaces, temples, administrative quarters and necropoles carved into the rock.

*The full visit includes the **North and South Tombs**, decorated for high officials and courtiers, with scenes showing the unique style of the Amarna period: elongated figures, family scenes and omnipresent sunlight. The **Royal Tomb**, located in a secluded wadi, adds an intimate and solemn dimension to the story of Akhenaten and his family. The **Boundary Stele**, carved into the cliffs, helps to understand how the pharaoh symbolically delineated his new city. Due to its extent and complexity, Amarna is best enjoyed in private format, with careful logistics and specialist explanations. It is an excursion that is **profound, intellectual and exciting**, ideal for those who wish to discover the Egypt that dared to reinvent itself.*



TUNA EL-GEBEL

- **Tuna el-Gebel, in the Minya region**, is one of those places where Egypt reveals its most poetic and mysterious side. On the edge of the desert, this necropolis was linked to **ancient Hermopolis and the cult of Thoth, god of wisdom, writing and knowledge**. The excursion allows you to discover catacombs, monumental tombs and funerary spaces where pharaonic, Greek and Roman traditions merge, creating a unique atmosphere within Egyptian heritage.

*Among its most evocative points are the **galleries associated with sacred animals, especially ibises and baboons linked to Thoth, as well as decorated tombs that demonstrate the continuity of Egyptian beliefs during later periods**. The visit is completed with stories about priests, scribes, pilgrims and families who chose this desert landscape as a place of memory. In a luxury programme, **Tuna el-Gebel becomes an out-of-the-ordinary experience**: peaceful, profound and far from mass itineraries. It is perfect to combine with Amarna and Beni Hassan, forming a route through Middle Egypt of great archaeological value. The traveller leaves with the feeling of having accessed a secret Egypt, where the elegance of the tombs and the silence of the desert invite unforgettable contemplation.*



BENI HASSAN AND SPEOS ARTEMIDOS

- The excursion to **Beni Hassan and Speos Artemidos** opens a **privileged window onto Middle Egypt**, an essential region for understanding **life in the provinces during the Middle Kingdom**. The **tombs of Beni Hassan**, carved into the eastern slope of the Nile, belonged to **governors and high local officials**. Their funerary chapels preserve scenes of great vitality: wrestlers, craftsmen, processions, animals, navigation and episodes of daily life that allow us to approach a complex, refined and surprisingly human society.

The route continues towards **Speos Artemidos**, a **rock sanctuary associated with Queen Hatshepsut and dedicated to the goddess Pakhet, identified by the Greeks with Artemis**. This enclave, carved in the rock, adds a monumental and sacred dimension to the day, showing the relationship between royal power, natural landscape and local cult. The combination of both sites is particularly attractive for travellers who wish to step off the classic routes and explore monuments of great historical value with little visitor traffic. In private format, the excursion allows you to linger over the paintings, interpret scenes and enjoy magnificent views over the valley. Beni Hassan and Speos Artemidos offer a cultured, serene and very exclusive experience, ideal for those seeking a more intimate, narrative and nuanced Egypt.



MOSQUE OF IBN TULUN

- The **Mosque of Ibn Tulun** is one of the **most elegant jewels of Islamic Cairo**. Built in the 9th century by Ahmad Ibn Tulun, it retains an **extraordinary architectural purity and a monumental scale that conveys serenity from the very first moment**. Su gran patio abierto, sus arcadas de ladrillo, sus decoraciones de estuco y su célebre minarete de inspiración abbasí crean un conjunto sobrio, majestuoso y profundamente armonioso.

*La visita permite comprender un momento clave de la historia de Egipto, cuando la ciudad de al-Qata'i se convirtió en centro político y administrativo bajo la dinastía tuluní. A diferencia de otros monumentos caiota más ornamentados, Ibn Tulun seduce por el **space, light and proportion**. **Climbing the minaret**, when visiting conditions allow, offers **one of the most evocative views over the rooftops of historic Cairo**. On a luxury programme, the excursion is ideally combined with the Gayer-Anderson Museum and other enclaves of Islamic Cairo, with private transfers and a specialist architectural reading. It is an essential visit for those wishing to discover a refined, spiritual and less-travelled Cairo, where beauty is expressed through austerity, silence and geometry.*



GAYER-ANDERSON MUSEUM

- The **Gayer-Anderson Museum** is one of the **most charming spaces in historic Cairo**, located **next to the Mosque of Ibn Tulun and housed in two carefully preserved traditional houses**. Its visit allows you to enter a world of **courtyards, mashrabiyya screens, private rooms, passageways and terraces that reveal the elegance of Cairene domestic architecture**. The museum takes its name from the British Major R. G. Gayer-Anderson, collector and resident of the house in the 1930s, who gathered an extraordinary selection of furniture, carpets, ceramics, Islamic objects and pieces from various artistic traditions.

*More than a museum, this **is an atmospheric experience**: each room seems to tell a story of travel, collecting and urban life. The visit allows you to understand how a well-to-do house was organised, from the reception spaces to the most intimate areas, with details designed for ventilation, privacy and contemplation. On a luxury trip, the Gayer-Anderson Museum is perfect for clients who are sensitive to **design, architecture and the decorative arts**. Combined with Ibn Tulun, it offers a sophisticated morning or afternoon in Islamic Cairo, away from the noise of the more conventional routes. It is an intimate, aesthetic and memorable visit, ideal for closing the trip on a note of oriental refinement.*



GRANITE QUARRIES

- **In Aswan**, where the Nile becomes more serene and the desert light caresses the pink stone, the **ancient granite quarries reveal one of the great secrets of pharaonic architecture**. This visit invites you to discover the place from which obelisks, colossi and monumental blocks destined for temples and sanctuaries across Egypt were extracted. Among the traces of the quarrymen, the extraction marks and the still-intact rock profiles, the traveller understands the extraordinary technical precision that made some of the most admired works of Antiquity possible.

*The **great protagonist is the Unfinished Obelisk**, a colossal piece that remains attached to its granite bed as if time had stopped in the middle of a working day. Its presence allows you to imagine the effort of thousands of craftsmen, the organisation of the royal workshops and the ambition of the pharaohs to raise monuments towards the sky. In a private experience, the visit is enriched by unhurried explanations, time to observe the details and privileged perspectives for photography. It is a brief, intense and deeply evocative excursion, ideal for those who wish to go beyond the temples and get closer to the material heart of Egyptian civilisation.*



ELEPHANTINE ISLAND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE

- **Opposite the elegant cornice of Aswan, Elephantine Island preserves the memory of a historical border between Egypt and Nubia.** Walking through its archaeological site is to enter a strategic, commercial and spiritual place, where for millennia garrisons, temples, dwellings, warehouses and sanctuaries linked to the control of the southern routes coexisted. The island, wrapped in the calm waters of the Nile, offers an atmosphere unlike that of the great monuments: here history is perceived in layers, in ancient walls, narrow streets and remains that speak of a sophisticated daily life.

*The visit allows you to understand the **importance of Aswan as a gateway to Africa and a meeting point between cultures.** Among the vestiges of temples dedicated to local deities, administrative structures and settlement remains, the traveller discovers a less ceremonial but equally fascinating Egypt. The experience is particularly enjoyed with an expert guide, capable of reconstructing the ancient landscape and explaining how the island articulated commerce, defence and religion. As a luxury travel experience, Elephantine becomes an intimate, peaceful and highly photogenic excursion, perfect for those wishing to combine archaeology, a short boat trip and a deeper insight into southern Egypt.*



SMALL TEMPLE OF ISIS

- The **Small Temple of Isis** offers a delicate and serene approach to the sacred universe of one of **the most venerated goddesses of Egypt**. Far from the imposing scale of the great complexes, this space invites you to pause on the details: reliefs, proportions, symbols and silences that evoke the devotion dedicated to Isis, protector, divine mother and essential figure in Egyptian spirituality. The visit is designed for travellers who appreciate intimate places, where beauty depends not on size but on the intensity of the experience.

*During the tour, the guide contextualises **the cult of Isis and its extraordinary continuity over the centuries**, especially in the area of Aswan and Nubia. The temple allows us to speak of pilgrimages, rituals, sacred water and the symbolic relationship between **the Nile and fertility**. On a private trip, the excursion becomes a moment of contemplation: time to observe the iconography, listen to the mythological stories and understand why the figure of Isis transcended borders to become one of the most influential deities of the ancient Mediterranean. It is an ideal visit to complement Philae, Elephantine or the quarries, adding an intimate, elegant and spiritual note to the programme in Aswan.*



NUBIAN MUSEUM

- The **Nubian Museum of Aswan** is an essential stop to understand the **cultural depth of southern Egypt**. Its architecture, elegantly integrated into the landscape of granite and gardens, prepares visitors for a journey that unites archaeology, ethnography, art and memory. More than a conventional museum, it is a refined introduction to Nubia: its kingdoms, its languages, its traditions, its ties to the Nile and its essential role in Egyptian and African history.

*The visit allows you to admire **carefully selected pieces, from prehistoric and pharaonic objects to Christian and Islamic testimonies, as well as recreations of traditional Nubian life**. The museum also helps to understand the impact of the great archaeological rescue projects carried out during the construction of the Aswan High Dam, when numerous temples and communities were relocated to preserve an exceptional heritage. In a luxury programme, the Nubian Museum is enjoyed at a leisurely pace, with an aesthetic and historical reading of each room, avoiding haste and encouraging conversation. It is a perfect excursion for those wishing to enrich their cruise or stay in Aswan with a human, sophisticated and multicultural vision of the territory that links Egypt with Africa.*



3-DAY CRUISE ABU SIMBEL / ASWAN

- A **three-day cruise on Lake Nasser** allows you to discover some of the most special **temples of ancient Nubia**, in a peaceful, monumental and very exclusive setting. During the navigation, the traveller contemplates **landscapes of blue water and golden desert**, while approaching pharaonic sanctuaries that were rescued and relocated after the construction of the Aswan High Dam.

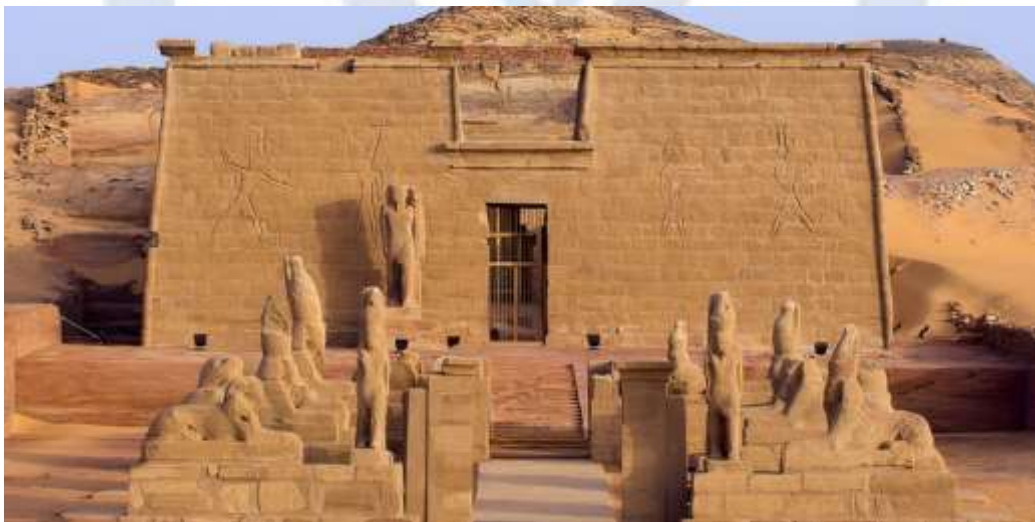
*The great jewel of the route is **Abu Simbel**, the impressive temple of **Ramesses II**, with its four colossi carved in the rock, and the delicate temple of **Nefertari**, dedicated to the goddess **Hathor**. The visit offers one of the most memorable moments of the trip, due to the architectural power of the complex and its spectacular location overlooking the lake.*



*The itinerary also allows you to discover **several Nubian temples of enormous historical interest, each with its own personality**. Among them stands out **Amada**, considered one of the oldest temples preserved in Nubia. Its interior surprises with the delicacy of its reliefs and the traces of colour still visible in some scenes, an exceptional opportunity to imagine what these sanctuaries looked like in antiquity. It is an intimate, elegant temple, greatly appreciated by lovers of pharaonic art. También se visita la **tomb of Pennut**, un pequeño hipogeo nubio perteneciente a un alto funcionario de época ramésida. Sus relieves funerarios, con escenas de ofrendas y divinidades, aportan una visión íntima de la vida noble en la antigua Nubia.*

Another notable visit is the **Temple of Derr**, partially carved into the rock and linked to the reign of Ramesses II. Its structure is reminiscent of other great rock-cut monuments of Nubia and allows us to understand the symbolic power that the pharaoh wished to project in this border region. Its reliefs show religious and ceremonial scenes, reflecting royal power and the sovereign's relationship with the gods.

The route continues, according to the programme, towards **Wadi el-Sebua**, known as the "**Valle de los Leones**" for the avenue of sphinxes that led to the temple. This complex, also associated with Ramesses II, impresses with its monumental character and its location in the heart of the desert landscape. Arriving at the temple offers one of the most evocative images of the cruise: stone, sand and silence surrounding a sanctuary that for centuries marked the Egyptian presence in Nubia.



Además, incluye los **temples of Dakka and Maharraqa**, related to later periods and the Graeco-Roman influence in the area. **Dakka** destaca por su pylon y por su importancia como centro de culto, mientras que **Maharraqa** retains a very special atmosphere thanks to its open structures and its location beside the lake. Also visitable is **Kalabsha**, one of the most important temples of Graeco-Roman Nubia, dedicated to the **god Mandulis** and famous for its large dimensions and magnificent location near Aswan.

Together, these temples demonstrate the **spiritual, artistic and strategic wealth of Nubia**, a key region between Egypt and inner Africa. Each stop on the cruise reveals a different stage of history: from the pharaohs of the New Kingdom to the Ptolemaic and Roman periods, always framed by the serene and majestic landscape of Lake Nasser.

- This voyage is ideal for those who wish to **enjoy Egypt at leisure, away from the most crowded routes, combining navigation, history and unique temples** in a landscape of great beauty.

ABYDOS AND THE TEMPLE OF SETI I

- **Abydos** is one of the **great sacred destinations of ancient Egypt, a place associated with the cult of Osiris and the idea of rebirth.** Its atmosphere combines solemnity, artistic beauty and a historical depth difficult to match. **The Temple of Seti I, the absolute jewel of the site,** stands out for the extraordinary quality of its reliefs, considered among the finest in pharaonic art. Its chapels, corridors and ritual scenes convey a sense of balance, spirituality and formal perfection that captivates even the most experienced traveller.

*The visit allows you to admire the **famous Abydos King List**, a sequence of pharaoh names that connects Seti I with the Egyptian dynastic tradition. Also explored are the **spaces linked to Osiris**, where architecture and myth intertwine to express the promise of eternal life. On a luxury trip, Abydos is enjoyed as a special day out from Luxor or as part of a route through Upper Egypt, with comfortable transport, an expert guide and sufficient time to contemplate the reliefs without haste. It is an essential excursion for lovers of Egyptian art, religion and iconography. Abydos is not merely visited: it is experienced as a sanctuary of memory, elegance and transcendence.*



DENDERA

- **Dendera is one of the most rewarding excursions from Luxor**, especially for those seeking a **magnificently preserved and detail-rich temple**. The complex is dedicated primarily to **Hathor, goddess of love, music, joy and motherhood**, y su arquitectura refleja una combinación fascinante de tradición egipcia y periodos ptolemaico-romanos. Al entrar en la gran sala hipóstila, el visitante queda envuelto por columnas monumentales, capiteles hathóricos y techos decorados con escenas astronómicas que evocan el cielo sagrado de los antiguos egipcios.

*The visit allows you to walk through **crypts, chapels, terraces and ritual spaces** where the light changes constantly, revealing reliefs of great delicacy. Dendera is also famous for its **zodiacal representations** and for the **chromatic intensity** recovered in restored areas, which helps to imagine what the temples looked like in Antiquity. In private format, the excursion is enjoyed with particular calm, ideally at carefully planned times to avoid the hottest hours. Its proximity to Abydos allows both temples to be combined in an exceptional day. Dendera seduces with its harmony, its state of conservation and its luminous atmosphere: an elegant, sensory and profoundly aesthetic experience within any luxury itinerary through Upper Egypt.*



CARTER'S HOUSE

- The **Howard Carter House**, on the **west bank of Luxor**, offers an **intimate and evocative pause within the Theban archaeological universe**. Built in adobe at the beginning of the 20th century, it was the **residence and working base of the British archaeologist who discovered the tomb of Tutankhamun in 1922** together with his team and under the patronage of Lord Carnarvon. Unlike the great temples and royal tombs, this place allows you to approach the human side of archaeology: desks, rooms, photographs and objects that evoke the daily life of a historic expedition.

*The visit is particularly attractive for those who wish to **connect the splendour of the Valley of the Kings with the modern history of its discovery**. From this house, Carter organised campaigns, studied finds and maintained a direct relationship with the Theban landscape that would change Egyptology forever. In a private experience, the tour is conceived as a **perfect complement to the tomb of Tutankhamun, the Valley of the Kings or Deir el-Medina**. Its charm lies in the domestic scale, in the feeling of entering the study of a man who dedicated his life to deciphering the past. It is a brief, refined and emotionally charged excursion, ideal for travellers interested in the history of great excavations.*



DEIR EL-MEDINA

- **Deir el-Medina** is one of the **most revealing visits in Luxor**, because it allows you to **discover not only the pharaohs, but the men and women who made the greatness of their tombs possible**. This **village housed the craftsmen responsible for excavating and decorating the royal tombs of the Valley of the Kings and the Valley of the Queens**. Its houses, streets, chapels and private tombs reveal a specialised, educated and organised community, with an exceptionally well-documented daily life.

*The excursion allows you to walk through the **layout of the village and understand how painters, scribes, stonemasons and workers in the service of the pharaoh lived**. The tombs of some craftsmen, richly decorated, surprise with their colours and the quality of their religious scenes, often more intimate and personal than those of the great royal hypogea. Deir el-Medina also **opens the door to fascinating stories about wages, strikes, families, devotion and social relations in New Kingdom Egypt**. On a luxury itinerary, the visit is enjoyed with detailed explanations and an unhurried pace, as a perfect counterpoint to the monumental temples. It is a close, human and deeply moving experience: the Egypt of those who worked for eternity and left, without seeking it, one of the most complete portraits of ancient life.*





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PRACTICAL INFORMATION FOR THE TRAVELLER

Arrival and assistance at destination

On arrival at Cairo International Airport, travellers will be **received by our team, who will provide personalised assistance with entry procedures**, including visa management when necessary. Subsequently, a **private transfer to the hotel or cruise** will be arranged, guaranteeing a comfortable, smooth and uncomplicated arrival. Throughout the stay, **our clients will have 24-hour assistance and attention** for any need or unforeseen circumstance

Visa

Entry into Egypt **requires a visa**, which can be obtained simply on arrival at **Cairo International Airport or, depending on the traveller's nationality, arranged in advance before the trip**. Our team offers assistance and guidance throughout the process to ensure a smooth and uncomplicated arrival.

Holders of an ordinary Spanish passport must travel with a **passport with a minimum validity of six months** from the expected end date of their stay in Egypt.

Other nationalities should consult their embassy or consulate before travelling.

No visa is required for passengers travelling exclusively to Sharm El Sheikh.

Currency

The official currency is the **Egyptian pound (EGP)**. El cambio es aproximadamente 60 libras un euro. Nuestra recomendación es pagar con **tarjeta de**

credit card wherever possible and to withdraw money directly in Egyptian pounds from ATMs in the cities. We recommend consulting your bank about the **commission for withdrawing money** in foreign currency. If you carry **euros** and prefer to exchange money, you can do so at the airport, exchange offices, banks, hotels... Most souvenir shops accept euros without any problem. Optional excursions, visas and tips (if not included) must be paid in euros and in cash, so it is advisable to travel with plenty of coins or small notes.

Connectivity & Wi-Fi

We recommend **purchasing a local SIM card or international eSIM** to ensure connectivity during the trip, as the wifi service may be limited or chargeable in some hotels, ships or remote areas of the itinerary. Our team will be able to advise you on the most suitable purchase points upon arrival.

Health

No special recommendations. Egypt is a safe destination from a health perspective, with no compulsory vaccination requirements. It is recommended to always drink bottled water and avoid consuming ice in drinks. It is advisable to carry a **pequeño botiquín personal** with analgesics, anti-inflammatories, digestive medicines and any regular treatment. The use of sun cream and adequate hydration are essential throughout the trip.

Time Zone

GMT+2 in summer and GMT+3 in winter. This means **one hour ahead of Spain** throughout the year.

Shopping

You will be able to purchase **traditional products** throughout the various days of the trip, reflecting the rich local craftsmanship. If you have any special interest, our guides will be delighted to assist you and recommend the best places to make your purchases safely and authentically.

Climate

Egypt enjoys a predominantly **dry and sunny climate throughout the year**. Las temperaturas can be high during the day, especially in summer, while nights tend to be cooler, especially in desert areas and when sailing on the Nile. It is recommended to wear **light clothing, use sun protection and stay well hydrated** during visits.

Tipping culture

Tips, known locally as "*baksheesh*", **form part of everyday culture in Egypt** and are a common practice in the tourism sector. They are not strictly obligatory, but are widely used as a token of appreciation for services received.

It is recommended to consider them as part of the trip, as they directly contribute to the well-being of

guides, drivers and support staff who accompany the traveller throughout the experience.

Dress code

We recommend **comfortable, light and breathable clothing** for daytime visits, preferably cotton or linen. For visits to religious sites such as mosques, **respectful clothing** covering shoulders and knees is requested. The use of **comfortable footwear** for walking is also advised, along with sunglasses, a cap or hat, especially during outdoor visits.

On-Trip Assistance & Daily Support

Throughout the trip you will have the **assistance of our Spanish-speaking guides or representatives**, who will be available to provide support for any need and to ensure the smooth running of the experience. In addition, throughout all days the possibility of **purchasing beverages** without alcohol will be offered to ensure adequate hydration, as well as courtesy stops at facilities during the tours, always seeking the maximum comfort of travellers.


WHAT TO PACK FOR MY TRIP

1. Documentation and money

- Pasaporte (con al menos 6 meses de validez)
- Visado (impreso o digital si lo gestionas antes)
- Billetes de avión / reservas (hotel, excursiones)
- Seguro de viaje
- Tarjetas bancarias (avisa a tu banco del viaje)
- Algo de efectivo en euros o libras egipcias (EGP)
- Copias digitales y físicas de documentos importantes

2. Clothing (adapted to climate and culture)

- Camisetas ligeras y transpirables
- Camisas de manga larga (protección solar + respeto cultural)
- Pantalones largos ligeros / tipo lino
- Algún pantalón corto (solo para hotel o zonas turísticas)
- Ropa interior para cada día
- Pijama ligero
- Chaqueta fina o sudadera (para noches o aire acondicionado)
- Bañador (si hay piscina o crucero por el Nilo)

 Importante: ropa fresca pero que cubra hombros y rodillas en visitas a templos o zonas religiosas.

3. Footwear

- Zapatillas cómodas para caminar (imprescindible)
- Sandalias cómodas
- (Opcional) chanclas para piscina/ducha

4. Personal hygiene

- Cepillo y pasta de dientes
- Desodorante
- Gel/champú (formato viaje)
- Toallitas húmedas / pañuelos
- Crema hidratante (el clima puede ser seco)
- Protector solar ALTO (muy importante)
- After sun o aloe vera
- Medicación personal (con receta si aplica)

5. Health & Basic First Aid Kit

- Analgésicos (paracetamol/ibuprofeno)
- Medicación para estómago (muy recomendable en Egipto)
- Antidiarreico
- Tiritas / apósitos
- Suero oral
- Repelente de mosquitos

6. Technology

- Móvil + cargador
- Power bank
- Adaptador de enchufe (tipo C / F en Egipto, como en España pero mejor uno universal)
- Auriculares
- Cámara (si no usas el móvil)
- Tarjeta de memoria extra (si haces muchas fotos)

7. Sun Protection & Climate

- Gafas de sol (imprescindible)
- Sombrero o gorra
- Bufanda ligera / pañuelo (protección sol + visitas culturales)
- Protector solar de repuesto si el viaje es activo

8. Day backpack

- Mochila pequeña para excursiones
- Botella de agua reutilizable
- Snacks (frutos secos, barritas)
- Documentos del día (copias, entradas)
- Pañuelos / gel hidroalcohólico

9. Useful extras (highly recommended)

- Bolsa para ropa sucia
- Candado pequeño para maleta
- Libro o Kindle
- Bolígrafo (para formularios o aduanas)
- Bolsa estanca si haces excursiones en barco o desierto



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