# Presented by Altair Travel & Cruises with Special Guest Host, Heidi Glaus

# **Treasures of Egypt**

with Optional 3-Night Jordan: Petra & the Dead Sea Post Tour Extension December 28, 2023 – January 8, 2024



Heidi Glaus



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**Altair Travel & Cruises** 



12 Days • 22 Meals: 10 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 7 Dinners

**HIGHLIGHTS...** Cairo, Grand Egyptian Museum, Luxor, Temple of Karnak, Valley of the Kings, Deluxe 4-Night Nile River Cruise, Queen Hatshepsut Temple, Kom Ombo, Aswan, Philae Temple, Historic Cairo, Khan el-Khalili Bazaar, Giza, Pyramids, Sphinx, Choice on Tour

#### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Sheraton Cairo Hotel & Casino, Cairo
Days 5 – 8	Movenpick Royal Lily
Day 9	Movenpick Resort Aswan, Aswan
Days 10, 11	Intercontinental Citystars, Cairo
	On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



**Day 1: Thursday, December 28, 2023 Overnight Flight** Step back in time and explore thousands of years of history, legend, and lore as you walk amongst Egypt's timeless wonders.

**Day 2: Friday, December 29, 2023 Cairo, Egypt - Tour Begins** Begin your journey in Cairo, a modern megalopolis with an intriguing past.

**Day 3: Saturday, December 30, 2023 Cairo - Grand Egyptian Museum - Cairo** Get a glimpse into ancient Egypt's Pharaohs, power struggles, and dynasties during an introductory talk before navigating Cairo's famous traffic on your way to the remarkable collections of the Grand Egyptian Museum.\* See the statues, reliefs, sarcophagi, and treasures from the tomb of Tutankhamun. This evening, gather for a welcome dinner overlooking the banks of the Nile. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 4: Sunday, December 31, 2023 Cairo - Optional Excursion** The day is yours to experience the energy of Cairo's buzzing streets. Wander a maze of stalls at the market, relax at a local café, or maybe even spend time in one of the city's many museums. Perhaps you will join a full-day exploration of Alexandria, Egypt's second-largest city; you'll discover the city's Hellenic roots and Greco-Roman architecture, set in unique harmony with ultramodern facades like the Bibliotheca Alexandrina. Or you may choose to join a local guide for a tour of Sakkara and Djoser's Step Pyramid. (*B*)

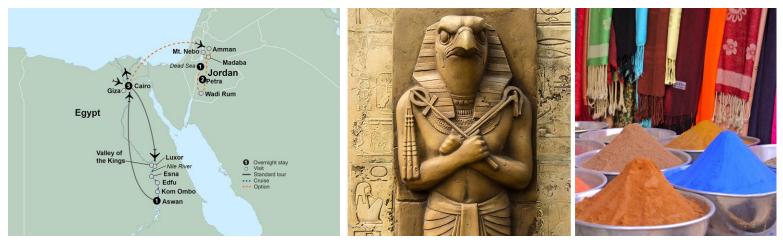
**Day 5: Monday, January 1, 2024 Cairo - Luxor - Karnak Temple - Board Cruise Ship** Early this morning, fly to Luxor, site of Ancient Thebes (UNESCO) and home to the expansive Karnak Temple. Wander through this 4,000-year-old complex of pylons and obelisks, often of near-mythic proportions. This afternoon, board your cruise ship for a voyage on the Nile River. Relax aboard, taking in the views from the sundeck or participate in an informative talk covering Egypt from past to present. Tonight you might opt to join an evening visit to Luxor temple, all lit up and boasting fascinating plays of light and shadow, ending your evening at a local café for a taste of mint tea. (*B*, *L*, *D*)

**Day 6: Tuesday, January 2, 2024 Luxor - Valley of the Kings -Esna - Edfu** Start the morning by venturing thousands of years into the past. Cross over to the West Bank of the Nile for a day in ancient Thebes. Explore the Valley of the Kings,\*\* including the worldrenowned tombs of Tutankhamun and Ramses VI. Visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut as well as the Colossi of Memnon before returning to the ship for lunch. Relax as you continue down the Nile towards Esna on your way to Edfu. Join a culinary demonstration and learn about the staples of Egyptian cuisine from your chef. This evening, dress up and join the fun during a traditional *galabeya* party. (*B*, *L*, *D*)

**Day 7: Wednesday, January 3, 2024 Edfu - Kom Ombo - Aswan** Step into another world at the well-preserved Temple of Horus at Edfu. Peruse the endless carvings of scenes depicting the power and grandeur of the pharaohs. After lunch, set sail for Kom Ombo and continue to Aswan, the Nubian City. Following dinner, enjoy a folklore show featuring a belly dancing performance. (*B, L, D*)

**Day 8: Thursday, January 4, 2024 Aswan - Unfinished Obelisk -Philae Temple** Board a motorboat towards the sanctuary island dedicated to the goddess Isis. Philae Temple (UNESCO) is among the architectural wonders rescued from the rising waters of the Nile during the construction of the High Dam. Then, learn about Aswan's ancient trade of granite extraction and carving techniques during a visit to an ancient quarry and its unfinished obelisk. The afternoon is yours to explore more of Aswan. Perhaps you'll visit the fascinating artifacts at the Nubian Archeological Museum. (*B, L, D*)

**Day 9: Friday, January 5, 2024 Aswan - Disembark Cruise Ship -Kitchener Island** Disembark the ship this morning and sail to the lush oasis of Kitchener Island where you embark on a stroll through the botanical gardens. Aboard a felucca (wooden sailboat), take in the



# Per Person Rates<sup>\*</sup>: Double \$5,649; Single \$6,449

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Lambert St Louis Intl, Inter-flights from Cairo, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$599 per person

## Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

Additional rate of: Business Class \$4,290

† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

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views of the tall sand dunes on the western shore of the Nile before arriving at your hotel for an afternoon at leisure. Perhaps you'll stroll along the Corniche, Aswan's waterfront promenade before regrouping for dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

**Day 10: Saturday, January 6, 2024 Aswan - Cairo - Khan el-Khalili Bazaar** Pre sunrise, consider an optional tour to Abu Simbel\*\*\* to visit the extraordinary temples of Ramses II relocated here during the construction of the High Dam. Early this morning, return to Cairo. Walk along el-Moez Street, admiring the elegant Islamic architecture of Historic Cairo (UNESCO) and enjoy some free time to shop in the world-famous souk of Khan el Khalili. Peruse colorful trinkets, hand-painted crafts, polished pendants, and more. *(B)* 

**Day 11: Sunday, January 7, 2024 Cairo - Giza - Cairo** Fulfill a lifelong dream and head to nearby Giza (UNESCO). Embark on an in-depth visit to the Pyramids of Giza, one of the 7 ancient wonders of the world. Marvel at the iconic Great Sphinx, one of the world's oldest and largest monuments. Then, it's your choice! Meet with a local archeologist to learn about the most recent findings in Egyptology and how they influence the active digs on the Giza plateau **-OR-** channel your inner explorer and venture inside the largest Pyramid of Giza via the Robber's Tunnel, winding through the inner chamber. \*\*\*\* Join your fellow travelers this evening for a farewell dinner. (*B*, *L*, *D*)

**Day 12: Monday, January 8, 2024 Cairo - Tour Ends** Your epic adventure comes to a close today. Return home with a new understanding of this mystical land. (*B*)

#### Experience It! Luxor

Home to a vast majority of Egypt's antiquities, Luxor is often referred to as the world's greatest open-air museum. This city, parted by the Nile, has been visited by travelers for centuries. Even the Greeks and Romans would travel to see the treasures that lie here. Its immense number of monuments is incredible. There's the famous Valley of the Kings which boasts 63 royal tombs, each more elaborate than the next. Enjoy exclusive entrance to the world-renowned tombs of Tutankhamun and Ramses VI, usually not included in the base visit for the Valley of the Kings. You'll also visit Karnak, a vast complex of temples and gigantic statues including the Temple of Amun, known to be one of the largest religious buildings ever constructed. Luxor will bring you back to ancient times while you are awed by the wealth of its leaders and the skill of its people.

# **EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH**

Optional 4 Days 3-Night Jordan: Petra & the Dead Sea Post Tour Extension Rate: \$1,599.00 USD per person, double, land & air inclusive

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1173248

#### PLEASE NOTE:

#### IDENTIFICATION

Passports and visas are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our guests traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

An Egyptian visa is required for this tour and costs approximately 25 US Dollars. You must obtain your own visa upon your arrival in Egypt. Visas can be obtained at the airport and payment should be made in cash. Rates are subject to change at any time based on governing authority.

Due to cabin configuration, triple and child accommodations are not available.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

\*Grand Egyptian Museum is projected to open Fall 2022. If opening is delayed, groups will visit the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities.

Museum visits and shopping may be affected by observance of religious or local holidays. If traveling during the month of Ramadan, please note that the order of some features may vary and that some meal experiences may be replaced with meals in the hotel instead of local restaurants/venues. Ramadan observances are from March 10-April 10, 2024.

\*\*Visiting the Valley of the Kings requires walking on sand and mostly unpaved paths. In addition, visiting the tombs requires navigating through multiple steep staircases and/or ramps with limited help from handrails.

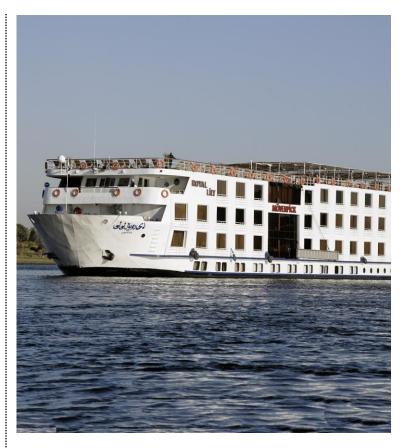
\*\*\*Due to flight schedules, the Abu Simbel option must be purchased at time of booking. While we do our utmost to schedule the option on the same day of your return to Cairo to reduce the number of early morning starts, please be aware that, the airline schedule is subject to change and the option may take place on the early-morning of disembarkation on select dates.

\*\*\*\*Visiting the Great Pyramid of Pharaoh Cheops in Giza requires agility as you will have to climb up steep, narrow steps (approximately 1-1 ½ feet tall) on the side of the Pyramid without the help of handrails. To access the inner chamber, you will need to crouch and at times to crawl up the narrow shaft with minimal help of handrails. This activity is not suitable for people suffering from claustrophobia.

The Egyptian Government charges a camera and/or video fee of approximately 18 US Dollars for taking photos inside of the Valley of the Kings. There is an additional cost to enter special tombs and sites in the Valley of the Kings and at the Pyramids of Giza. We cover the entrance fee to many sites and to some special tombs/sites (King Tutankhamun and King Ramses VI tombs in the Valley of the Kings and to the Great Pyramid of Giza in Cairo) but other special tombs/sites will be at your expense. Rates are subject to change at any time based on governing authority. Your Tour Manager will collect these fees at the beginning of the tour day and pay the government accordingly.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

Your itinerary includes many activities that require walking on uneven terrain and sand. Visiting tombs, temples and pyramids requires climbing and descending steep staircases and/or ramps with limited help from handrails. Some of these visits may not be suitable for people suffering from claustrophobia. Some of the most unique



sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motor coaches, especially in historic areas and archeological sites. For your comfort, we recommend bringing sturdy walking shoes. Temperatures can reach over 105° F (40.5° C), particularly in Luxor and Aswan. Be sure to bring adequate sun protection.

Your program includes many early-morning departures. While in Cairo and Aswan, you may depart sometime between 3:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. to transfer to the airport for your internal flights (including the option to Abu Simbel). On days visiting the Valley of the Kings, Kom Ombo, and Giza, expect early morning departures from your hotel between 5:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. to ensure you profit from the cooler hours of the day and reach the sites ahead of larger crowds. In addition, if you elect to join the optional tour to Alexandria, you will depart the hotel in Cairo around 7:00 a.m. and expected to return by 7:00 p.m. The drive to Alexandria is approximately 3.5 hours each way depending on traffic.

Each guest is responsible for proper medical documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Please contact your local travel clinic or personal physician for specific details on the destinations you are traveling to and from.

Passport numbers are required in advance. Please provide this information at time of booking.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

The internal flights on this program are included in the price of your tour. Internal flights that are purchased will be ticketed and distributed on tour by your Tour Manager.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$898 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of June 22, 2023 are based upon availability. Final payment due by August 30, 2023. Deposits are refundable up until June 29, 2023.

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> For important reservation information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1173248. You can also find this information on your tour documents.



If paying by credit card, please complete this form and return to Altair Travel & Cruises. We can only charge your credit card for the amount noted if the signature, address and phone number are listed below. Thank you!

## **CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM**

BOOKING NUMBER: 1173248 DEPARTURE DATE: December 28, 2023 TOUR: Treasures of Egypt GROUP NAME: The Big 550 KTRS Radio

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### BOOKING NUMBER: 1173248 DEPARTURE DATE: December 28, 2023

TOUR: Treasures of Egypt GROUP NAME: The Big 550 KTRS Radio

\$375

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#### **Available Options**

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

#### Abu Simbel



Abu Simbel Day

Visit the great sun temples of Abu Simbel, built by Ramses II at the height of his New Kingdom reign. In one of the world's greatest cooperative preservation efforts, these temples were dismantled and moved in 1968 to save them from the flooding of the Aswan Dam. The Temple of Ramses II was constructed so that the sun's rays would illuminate four statues of Egyptian deities within the sanctuary on his birthday and on the anniversary of his coronation, October 20 and February 20. The temple is fronted by four colossal figures of Ramses II seated with the gods and attended by his Queen and daughters. The smaller temple is dedicated to Queen Nefertari, who appears as Hathor, the goddess of love, joy and fertility. This option must be booked at least 65 days prior to departure and passport number is required at time of booking. This option is non-refundable within 45 days of departure. *Duration: Approximately 6 hours*. Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

#### Luxor

#### An Evening in Luxor

Begin your evening with a nighttime visit to Luxor Temple. After dusk, the temple is lit up, boasting fascinating plays of light and shadow off the reliefs and colonnades. Explore the inner chambers of the temple, including Amenhotep III's "birth room" – which depicts scenes of the Pharaoh's symbolic divine birth. Walk along the Avenue of Sphinxes, a 1 and half mile stretch once connecting Luxor Temple to Karnak Temple and lined with mysterious human-headed sphinxes. Then, delve deeper into the local culture with a visit to the historic Abu al-Haggag Mosque, perched atop the ruins of Luxor Temple. Cap your evening off with a visit to a local café for a taste of mint tea. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours*. Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

#### Cairo

#### Sakkara and Coptic Cairo with Lunch

Tour Sakkara, the sweeping necropolis and pyramid field of Memphis, Egypt's first Capital. This is where pyramid building first began, 47 centuries ago when chief architect Imhotep built the grand step pyramid in honor of King Djoser. In company of an expert Egyptologist, visit this expansive burial complex counting 11 pyramids and the impressive Serapeum, the burial site of the sacred Apis bulls. After lunch in a local restaurant, explore Cairo's Coptic and Jewish heritage with visits to the Hanging Church and the Ben Ezra synagogue. A maze of ancient and modern churches and monasteries, set within the walls of a Babylonian fortress, Coptic Cairo is a fascinating corner of Egypt's capital. This option operates at same time of "Alexandria & its Library Full Day with Lunch." Please select only one of these options. *Duration: Approximately 7 hours*. Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

#### Alexandria & its Library Full Day with Lunch

Join a full day excursion to Alexandria, Egypt's second-largest city. A 3-hour journey takes you to the shores of the Mediterranean Sea, where Alexander the Great founded the city during the Hellenistic period. Alexandria was home to a lighthouse ranking among the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World as well as a storied library. Today the library is reincarnated in the disc-shaped, ultramodern Bibliotheca Alexandrina, which you visit during your tour. The city also has Greco-Roman landmarks, old-world cafes and sandy beaches that you explore on a panoramic tour before enjoying lunch at a local restaurant. Return to Cairo in the evening. This option operates at same time of "Sakkara and Coptic Cairo with Lunch." Please select only one of these options. This option features two 3.5-hour bus drives. *Duration: Approximately 12 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

## \$65 USD

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# **AVAILABLE PREPAID OPTIONS**

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✓	Option	Price Per Person (USD)
	Abu Simbel Day	375.00
	This option must be booked at least 65 days prior to departure and passport number is required at time of booking. This option is non-refundable within 45 days of departure.	
	An Evening in Luxor	65.00
	Sakkara and Coptic Cairo with Lunch	140.00
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# Extend your vacation with

## Optional 4 Days 3-Night Jordan: Petra & the Dead Sea Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$1,599.00 USD per person, double, land & air inclusive

5 Meals: 3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner

## Day 12: Cairo - Amman, Jordan - Madaba - Mt. Nebo - Petra

Fly to Amman,\* the capital of Jordan. Travel to Madaba, the "City of Mosaics." Visit the church of St. George to see the famous 6th-century Byzantine mosaic map of the region, one of the oldest in existence, and the museum where many other spectacular mosaic examples are on display. You will also visit Mt. Nebo, where Moses saw the Promised Land – present day Israel – and is believed to be laid to rest. Continue to the ancient city of Petra for a 2-night stay. This evening, experience the flavors of the region during dinner at a local restaurant. *Today dinner will be included.* 

## Day 13: Petra

Enjoy a full day tour of the remarkable stone-carved city of Petra (UNESCO), one of the new Wonders of the World. A treasure of the ancient world, Petra was "hidden" behind rugged mountains prior to its discovery in 1812 after being lost for over 500 years. Explore this breathtaking city, carved from sandstone by the Nabataeans, with an expert guide and learn about the importance of Petra to the ancient trade routes, the history of its prominence and decline, its rediscovery, and efforts at preservation. *Today breakfast will be included.* 

### Day 14: Petra - Wadi Rum - Dead Sea

This morning depart for the immense desert of Wadi Rum, stunning in its natural beauty and home of the famous film, *Lawrence of Arabia*. Experience desert life and learn about the fascinating history of the Bedouin people who have lived for generations in the Wadi Rum's stark, fragile and unspoiled desert. Pause for lunch at a local campsite before relaxing on an afternoon-long transfer to the Jordanian shore of the Dead Sea. Arrive in the late afternoon and enjoy sunset overlooking the Promised Land. *Today breakfast and lunch will be included*.

## Day 15: Dead Sea - Depart for Home

Transfer to the airport for your flight home. Today breakfast will be included.

Please Note:

The space on this extension is extremely limited and will be available on a first come first served basis. Applicable charges may apply at time of request.

**Fully-guided** extensions are perfect for travelers who want the complete experience of a new destination and local experiences. Travelers will have a dedicated guide throughout this entire extension.

Museum visits and shopping may be affected by observance of religious or local holidays. If traveling during the month of Ramadan, please note that the order of some features may vary and that some meal experiences may be replaced with meals in the hotel instead of local restaurants/venues. Ramadan observances are from March 10-April 10, 2024.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

\*The internal flight between Cairo and Amman is not included in the land price of your extension. This flight needs to be arranged and purchased directly from us.

Due to tour scheduling, flights should arrive in Amman no later than 10:30 a.m.

A Jordanian visa is required and can be purchased at the Amman Airport upon arrival at an approximate cost of \$57 USD, paid in local currency (40 Jordanian dinar). Money can be exchanged at the airport prior to arriving at the visa desk. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority.

The overall activity level of this extension is a level 3. This means walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal for you. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. Walking four miles over a course of a day is very doable as is climbing 3 flights of stairs. You can handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time. This level is not a fit for travelers that require mobility assistance devices.