



TRAVEL PACKAGE EXPERIENCE

# Christmas Holiday in Egypt 9 Days

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DURATION

**9**

GUESTS

**20**

RATING

**5 / 5**



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### Package Overview

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<b>Destinations</b>	Abu Simbel, Alexandria, Aswan, Cairo, Edfu, Kom Ombo, Luxor
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### Description

9-Day Christmas Holiday in Egypt. Tour Alexandria, Cairo, and cruise the Nile from Aswan to Luxor with Bastet Travel.



## Why You Will Love This Package

The timeless majesty, sacred architecture, and monumental archaeological wonders of the ancient world blend seamlessly with the magical spirit of the winter season on this signature **Christmas Holiday in Egypt** program. This expertly curated itinerary balances the Greco-Roman coastal grandeur of the Mediterranean with the colossal monumentality of Lower Egypt's Old Kingdom empires and a deep, focused winter voyage through Upper Egypt's imperial river capitals. This high-authority private tour represents the definitive holiday escape for discerning travelers, designed to turn typical cold seasonal nights into a sunny, unforgettable journey through 5,000 years of history. By combining privately guided overland heritage tours in Alexandria and Cairo with a luxury Nile cruise and classic desert sleeper trains, you transition flawlessly from Roman subterranean labyrinths to riding camels by the pyramids and toasting Christmas along the Nile. Every aspect of this complex, multi-regional winter itinerary is executed with absolute structural precision by **Bastet Travel**, utilizing premium air-conditioned transport, comfortable rail logistics, and highly specialized Egyptological curation to deliver an authentic, luxury holiday celebration.

- **The Mediterranean Roman Masterpiece:** Explore the historic **Roman Amphitheater (Kom El Dekka)** in Alexandria, the only remaining ancient Roman theater structure in Egypt, featuring striking marble columns and unique acoustic engineering.
- **The Monolithic Red Granite Sentinel:** Stand before **Pompey's Pillar**, the tallest ancient triumphal monument in the world carved from a single solid block of red Aswan granite, towering over the ruins of Alexandria's ancient Serapeum temple.
- **The Multi-Level Underworld Labyrinth:** Descend deep into the **Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa**, an extraordinary multi-tiered Roman burial complex that blends pharaonic, Greek, and Roman artistic styles and mythologies deep underground.
- **The Medieval Naval Stronghold:** Tour the impressive **Citadel of Qaitbay**, a 15th-century Mamluk defensive fortress built directly upon the direct foundations and stone ruins of the legendary ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.
- **The Last Standing Ancient Wonder:** Stand before the monumental mass of the **Great Pyramids of Giza**, the premier architectural marvels of antiquity, encompassing the timeless structures of Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure that represent the height of Old Kingdom structural engineering.
- **The Limestone Guardian of the Plateau:** Marvel at the legendary **Great Sphinx**, the mythical rock-cut sculpture combining a lion's body with a pharaoh's head, keeping watch over the Giza necropolis.
- **The Classical Archive of Pharaonic Treasures:** Explore the historic **Egyptian Museum in Tahrir Square**, the world's most iconic repository of pharaonic antiquities, housing an unparalleled collection of royal mummies, ancient papyri, and the legendary golden treasures and burial masks of King Tutankhamun.



- **The Riverine Traditional Sailing Experience:** Embark on a peaceful private cruise along the waters of the Nile in Cairo onboard a traditional **Felucca**, a classic wooden sailboat used since antiquity.
- **The Fortress Sanctuary of Coptic Cairo:** Discover the historic **Hanging Church (Al-Muallaqah)**, a famous basilica-style structure built directly over the massive stone towers of the ancient Roman Babylon Fortress.
- **The Historic Archive of Judaism:** Visit the ancient **Ben Ezra Synagogue**, the oldest Jewish house of worship in Egypt and the historic discovery site of the world-famous Geniza documents.
- **The Walled Medieval Bazaar:** Navigate the vibrant lanes of the **Khan El Khalili Bazaar**, the oldest open-air market and trading maze in the Middle East, perfect for acquiring authentic handcrafted souvenirs, traditional textiles, and heritage goods.
- **The Modern Hydraulic Megastructure:** Stand atop the massive **Aswan High Dam**, a monumental 20th-century engineering achievement that successfully tamed the annual Nile floods and created the expansive waters of Lake Nasser.
- **The Island Cult Sanctuary of Isis:** Take a traditional boat to the legendary **Philae Temple Complex**, a stunning island sanctuary dedicated to the goddess Isis, celebrated globally for its massive UNESCO-led rescue and relocation from flooded Philae Island to Agilkia Island.
- **The Granite Engineering Archive:** Visit the **Unfinished Obelisk** in Aswan's northern granite quarries, providing a rare look into ancient pharaonic stone-cutting techniques and structural engineering.
- **The Vibrant Southern Trading Lanes:** Explore the bustling **Aswan Spice Market**, a lively sensory trading lane famous for its exceptional selection of high-quality traditional spices, herbal teas, and Nubian crafts.
- **The Symmetrical Double Temple of the Nile:** Explore **Kom Ombo Temple**, a unique riverside double temple split symmetrically between the crocodile god Sobek and the falcon god Haroeris, featuring ancient medical reliefs and mummified crocodiles.
- **The Falcon God's Ptolemaic Masterpiece:** Ride a traditional horse-drawn carriage to visit the exceptionally preserved **Edfu Temple (Temple of Horus)**, the most structurally complete classical monument in Egypt, dedicated to the falcon god Horus.
- **The Riverine Engineering Landmark:** Experience sailing through the historic **Esna Lock**, a major hydraulic engineering facility that regulates the water levels of the Nile to allow safe passage for vessels cruising toward Luxor.
- **The Subterranean Royal Necropolis:** Explore the rugged mountain cliffs of the West Bank to enter the **Valley of the Kings**, descending into beautifully decorated rock-cut royal tombs to examine their vibrant pharaonic funerary art and hieroglyphic inscriptions.
- **The Terraced Mountain Sanctuary:** Tour the spectacular **Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut (Deir el-Bahari)**, a brilliant architectural masterpiece carved directly into the sheer limestone cliffs of the mountain.
- **The Monolithic Stone Sentinels:** Pause to admire the towering **Colossi of Memnon**, two massive twin sandstone statues representing Amenhotep III that historically guarded his long-



lost mortuary temple.

- **The Walled Religious Sanctuary of Thebes:** Tour the sprawling **Karnak Temple Complex**, the grandest historic place of worship in the ancient world, dedicated to the state deity Amun-Ra and famous for its soaring columned halls and sacred lake.
- **The Parallel Riverside Masterpiece:** Explore **Luxor Temple**, a majestic temple standing parallel to the Nile corniche, featuring grand courtyards and colonnades that illuminate beautifully at night.

## Christmas Holiday in Egypt: The Elite Structural Standard

Choosing this signature **Christmas Holiday in Egypt** travel experience offers a carefully balanced mix of **Expert Curated Access** to Egypt's foundational archaeological zones, combining private overland city tours with a festive river voyage and classic desert rail transit. This 9-day itinerary is structured to optimize your travel time, offering a comprehensive route that connects the Mediterranean coast with the deep southern border. By structuring city excursions in Alexandria, Cairo, Aswan, and Luxor as strictly private tours, guests enjoy personalized attention, high-speed Wi-Fi equipped private ground transportation, and elite flexibility. From special holiday-themed dinners and entertainment onboard your decorated 5-star cruise ship to private sunset sailing trips on traditional feluccas, this program offers an elevated, authoritative approach to festive travel. Backed by **Technical Expertise** and a comprehensive approach to logistics, this travel program ensures absolute comfort while preserving the historical depth of your journey.

Your private tour experience is fully supported from start to finish by the premium services of **Bastet Travel**. From the moment you land at Cairo International Airport, our staff provides professional meet-and-greet assistance, coordinates your airport transits, handles your luggage, and arranges all ground logistics in private, air-conditioned deluxe vehicles. The package covers all pre-paid entrance fees to the mentioned historical landmarks, provides high-quality local restaurant lunches during day tours, offers unlimited bottled water during all outings outside your hotel, and includes 3 nights in a Cairo hotel with daily breakfast, 3 nights onboard a 5-star Nile cruise ship on a full-board basis, and 2 nights onboard a first-class sleeper train on a half-board basis. Your entire journey is led by an expert, local English-speaking Egyptologist tour guide, delivering an educational and deeply authentic holiday experience.

## Landmark Focus: From Classical Marine Fortresses to Imperial Valley Vaults

- **The Greco-Roman Elements of the Mediterranean Coast** The initial phase of your **Christmas Holiday in Egypt** package provides an authoritative exploration of classical maritime history and defense strategy. By analyzing the underground layout of the Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa, studying Pompey's Pillar, and inspecting the coastal fortifications of Qaitbay Citadel, travelers trace how Greek, Roman, and medieval Islamic empires built upon earlier



pharaonic foundations to turn Alexandria into a grand trading crossroads of the ancient Mediterranean.

- **The Foundations of Imperial Power and Old Kingdom Architecture**As the tour moves into the capital, the historical focus returns to the monumental architecture and religious systems of the Old Kingdom. Exploring the Giza Pyramids and studying the Sphinx reveals the technical mastery behind pharaonic stone alignment and royal burial complexes. This is complemented by an expert-led tour of the Egyptian Museum, where the unparalleled gold collections of King Tutankhamun demonstrate the artistic heights of ancient royal treasury design.
- **The Riverine Cult Temples and Sacred Mountain Crypts**The final phase reaches the grand religious centers and hidden royal necropolises of Upper Egypt. Cruising between Aswan and Luxor allows travelers to explore unique structural systems, such as the island complex of Philae, the symmetrical double temples of Kom Ombo, and the exceptionally preserved chambers of Edfu. This culminates on Luxor's West Bank, where the hidden rock-cut tombs of the Valley of the Kings and the tiered terraces of Hatshepsut's Temple demonstrate how New Kingdom pharaohs left pyramids behind to secure their eternity inside the heart of the mountain.

## Everything Included in Your Experience

This private **Christmas Holiday in Egypt** holiday experience is fully inclusive of all essential logistical, hospitality, and guiding components, expertly managed by **Bastet Travel** to ensure an elite, stress-free operation. Your package includes deluxe hotel accommodations in Cairo for 3 nights with breakfast, luxury accommodations onboard a 5-star Nile cruise ship for 3 nights on a full-board basis, and 2 nights onboard a first-class sleeper train with breakfast and dinner included. All ground transportation is operated via private, air-conditioned modern vehicles with fuel included. The package features 2 airport transfers with professional meet, assist, and escorting services, alongside 4 train station transfers (including Cairo and Aswan). An expert, local English-speaking tour guide and Egyptologist leads all specified day tours. The program includes a comprehensive culinary plan featuring 8 breakfasts, 5 high-quality restaurant lunches, and 5 dinners. All necessary travel documents, government permissions, service charges, and applicable taxes are fully included in the price.

## Conclusion

Choosing **Bastet Travel** guarantees an uncompromised standard of execution for your **Christmas Holiday in Egypt**. By integrating premier hotel selections, an intimate 5-star Nile cruise voyage, and privately guided overland itineraries with seamless first-class sleeper rail logistics and deluxe ground transport, this package delivers the absolute pinnacle of cultural immersion and personal luxury. Every transit, ticket entrance, and historical narrative is handled by specialized experts, ensuring your journey through 5,000 years of Egyptian civilization leaves you with unforgettable memories. For any inquiries, adjustments, or direct communication during your booking process,



our team remains fully accessible and ready to assist you at any time via [WhatsApp](#).



## Included & Excluded

### Included

Everything included in this trip package.

Accommodation in Cairo at Hotel for 3 Nights Breakfast.

Accommodation on board of Nile Cruise for 3 Nights with Full-Board.

2 Nights on board of The 1st Class Sleeper Train with dinner and breakfast.

Transportation with Air-conditioned modern vehicles for all tours includes fuel.

2 Airport Transfers with meet, assist, and escorting.

4 Train Station Transfers (1 in Cairo - 1 Aswan).

English speaking tour guide "Egyptologist" during all-day tours.

8 Breakfasts - 5 Lunches - 5 Dinners.

All Travel documents and Government Permissions are needed.

Services Charges and Taxes.



## Excluded

Additional expenses not included in the package price.

Flight Tickets from Home.

Entry Visa to Egypt on arrival.

Entrance fees and tickets to all sites are mentioned in the above Itinerary.

drinks of any type.

Any meals not mentioned in the included items.

personal items (internet and phone calls ).

Tours and visits are not mentioned in the above Itinerary.

Tipping and Gratuities.



## Tour Itinerary

### **Day 1: Arrival in Cairo, VIP Meet-and-Assist, Private Coastal Drive & Mediterranean Alexandria Check-In**

Your grand winter holiday tour begins with a professional airport greeting at Cairo International Airport, carefully timed to match your international flight arrival. A dedicated representative from Bastet Travel will meet you inside the terminal with a personalized sign, providing professional assistance through entry visa formalities, passport control, and luggage retrieval. You will then be escorted to your private, air-conditioned deluxe vehicle to begin a scenic, comfortable drive north across the Delta to the historic coastal city of Alexandria. Upon arrival, check into your handpicked hotel overlooking the beautiful Mediterranean Sea. Spend a relaxing evening at your total leisure, unwinding from your travels, enjoying a traditional seafood dinner independently, and soaking in the cool, crisp winter atmosphere and coastal charm of the city. Overnight in Alexandria.

### **Day 2: Greco-Roman Heritage Exploration, Coastal Citadel Tour, Seaside Lunch & Return to Cairo**

Savor a fresh breakfast at your hotel before meeting your local English-speaking Egyptologist guide to begin a comprehensive tour of Alexandria's premier classical landmarks. Your morning begins underground at the Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa, a fascinating multi-level Roman burial labyrinth whose rock-cut reliefs uniquely blend pharaonic, Greek, and Roman artistic elements. Return to the surface to stand beneath Pompey's Pillar, a massive triumphal monument carved from a single block of red Aswan granite, and tour the nearby Roman Amphitheater at Kom El Dekka to admire its marble seating and historic galleries. Enjoy a high-quality lunch at a premium seaside restaurant with views of the Mediterranean before proceeding to the historic waterfront to tour the Citadel of Qaitbay. Walk along the defensive stone ramparts of this 15th-century Mamluk fortress, constructed directly upon the historic ruins of the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria. In the afternoon, board your private vehicle for a smooth return drive to Cairo for check-in at your premium hotel. Overnight in Cairo.

### **Day 3: The Old Kingdom Necropolis, Giza Pyramids & Sphinx Tour, Tutankhamun's Treasures at Tahrir Museum, Private Nile Felucca Sailing & Sleeper Train to Aswan**

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before setting out with your private guide for an iconic exploration of ancient Egypt's most famous monuments. Begin your morning at the Giza Plateau, standing before



the monumental mass of the Three Great Pyramids—Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure—to study the architectural engineering of the Old Kingdom. Walk down the historic stone causeway to view the monolithic Valley Temple and stand face-to-face with the legendary Great Sphinx, the mythical rock-cut guardian of the royal necropolis. After a high-quality lunch at a local restaurant, transfer to the heart of the capital to explore the historic Egyptian Museum in Tahrir Square. Your guide will lead you through its classical galleries, showcasing an unparalleled archive of pharaonic statues, royal treasures, and the spectacular solid gold masks and artifacts of King Tutankhamun. Conclude your day with a relaxing afternoon ride along the Nile onboard a traditional wooden Felucca sailboat. Following this memorable river experience, you will be escorted to the railway station to board a first-class Sleeper Train heading south to Aswan. Enjoy a hot dinner served directly in your private cabin. Dinner and overnight in a first-class sleeper cabin.

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#### **Day 4: Arrival in Aswan, High Dam Engineering, Philae Island Sanctuary, Unfinished Obelisk & Luxury Nile Cruise Boarding**

Awaken to the changing desert landscapes of Upper Egypt as your train arrives in the historic frontier city of Aswan. You will be met at the station by your driver and guide and transferred via private deluxe vehicle to begin an immersive tour of Aswan's foundational landmarks. Begin your morning at the massive Aswan High Dam, a modern 20th-century engineering marvel that controls the flow of the Nile and created Lake Nasser. Next, travel to the river's edge to board a traditional boat for a short, scenic cruise to Agilkia Island to explore the beautiful Philae Temple Complex, dedicated to the goddess Isis and successfully relocated block-by-block under a massive UNESCO rescue project. Conclude your morning at the northern granite quarries to examine the famous Unfinished Obelisk, the largest single stone monolith ever carved. In the afternoon, check into your luxury 5-star Nile cruise ship for a smooth check-in and lunch onboard. Spend your free afternoon exploring the vibrant colors and aromatic scents of the traditional Aswan Spice Market along the riverfront. Return to the cruise ship for dinner and a festive evening onboard. Overnight onboard in Aswan.

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#### **Day 5: Serene Nile Cruise Sailing, Festive Sun Deck Relaxation, Symmetrical Double Temple of Kom Ombo & Traditional Galabiya Celebration**

Savor a peaceful breakfast on the sun deck as your luxury cruise ship begins sailing north along the historic waters of the Nile. Spend a serene morning relaxing by the pool, soaking in the warm winter sunshine, and admiring the changing rural landscapes, traditional mud-brick villages, and palm trees lining the riverbanks. After a premium lunch onboard, your vessel moors directly at the edge of the riverbank, allowing you to step ashore to explore the unique Kom Ombo Temple. This architectural marvel was designed as two identical, symmetrical halves to honor both the crocodile god Sobek



and the falcon god Haroeris. Explore the temple's shared courtyards, sanctuaries, and ancient medical reliefs, then visit the adjacent Crocodile Museum to view an exceptional collection of mummified ancient crocodiles. Return to the vessel to enjoy a festive afternoon tea on the sun deck as you resume sailing toward Edfu. In the evening, gather in the ship's lounge for a lively, traditional Galabiya Party, dressed in classic Egyptian robes for an evening of music and holiday celebration. Dinner and overnight onboard.

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### **Day 6: Horse-Drawn Carriage to Edfu Temple, Navigation via Esna Lock, Luxor Arrival & Beautifully Illuminated Luxor Temple Tour**

Enjoy breakfast onboard before stepping ashore in Edfu, where you will board a traditional horse-drawn carriage for a short ride to visit the majestic Edfu Temple (Temple of Horus). As the most structurally complete Ptolemaic monument in Egypt, this temple features a soaring entrance pylon, towering statues of the falcon god, and beautifully intact chambers decorated with detailed mythological reliefs. Return to the cruise ship for a premium lunch on deck as the vessel resumes sailing north, navigating through the historic Esna Lock, which regulates the river levels for your continued journey toward Luxor. Upon arrival in the ancient imperial capital of Luxor in the late afternoon, your guide will escort you for an evening tour of the majestic Luxor Temple. Walk between its grand courtyards, towering obelisks, and colossal statues of Ramses II, all beautifully illuminated under the evening sky parallel to the Nile corniche. Return to your cruise ship for a festive dinner. Overnight onboard in Luxor.

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### **Day 7: Luxor West Bank Royal Necropolis, Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut Temple, Colossi of Memnon, Massive Karnak Temple Complex & Sleeper Train to Cairo**

Savor your final breakfast onboard before completing your cruise disembarkation procedures. Meet your private Egyptologist guide and cross the Nile to Luxor's West Bank to explore the spectacular royal necropolis of ancient Thebes. Enter the rugged limestone hills of the Valley of the Kings, descending into three beautifully decorated royal tombs to examine their vibrant pharaonic funerary art and hieroglyphic inscriptions. Continue your tour to the spectacular Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut (Deir el-Bahari), admiring its three rising terraced levels carved directly into the sheer mountain cliff face, and pause to photograph the towering twin sandstone statues of the Colossi of Memnon. After a high-quality lunch at a local restaurant, return to the East Bank to tour the sprawling Karnak Temple Complex, marveled as the grandest historic place of worship in the ancient world. Walk through the massive columned forest of the Great Hypostyle Hall, studying its towering pylons, giant obelisks, and sacred lake. In the evening, transfer to the Luxor railway station to board the first-class Sleeper Train for your journey back north to Cairo. Dinner and overnight in a first-class sleeper cabin.



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### **Day 8: Return to Cairo, Coptic Cairo Sanctuaries, Ancient Ben Ezra Synagogue, Lunch by the Nile & Khan El Khalili Bazaar Shopping**

Enjoy breakfast served directly in your private cabin before the sleeper train arrives in the morning back at the Cairo railway station. You will be met by a Bastet Travel representative and transferred via private, air-conditioned vehicle to begin an immersive tour of Cairo's multi-layered religious and living history. Discover the historic Coptic Cairo district, a quiet enclave enclosed by the ancient Roman Babylon Fortress, where you will tour the famous Hanging Church (Al-Muallaqah), built directly over the fortress towers, and the nearby Ben Ezra Synagogue, Egypt's oldest historic Jewish house of worship. After a premium lunch at a local restaurant with panoramic views of the Nile, spend your afternoon exploring the world-famous Khan El Khalili Bazaar. Walk through its historic, narrow lanes packed with artisans, coppersmiths, and spice merchants, enjoying a brilliant opportunity to purchase authentic handcrafted souvenirs, traditional textiles, and oriental perfumes. Transfer to your Cairo hotel for check-in and a relaxing final evening. Overnight in Cairo.

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### **Day 9: Leisurely Morning in Cairo, Private Deluxe Vehicle Transfer & International Airport Departure**

Enjoy a final breakfast at your hotel before completing your check-out procedures. Spend your morning taking last-minute photographs of the capital, picking up final souvenirs, or relaxing in the comfort of your hotel lounge. A private representative from Bastet Travel will meet you in the lobby to assist with your luggage and escort you via a private, air-conditioned deluxe vehicle directly to Cairo International Airport. Your manager will guide you smoothly through your final flight check-in, customs, and international departure formalities, bringing your unforgettable 9-day Christmas Holiday in Egypt expedition to a professional and highly successful conclusion.



## Group Pricing

### Standard Accommodations

#### From May to August:

Per Person in Single Room **\$2,090**

Per adult in a Double or Triple Room **Contact us**

#### From September to April:

Per Person in Single Room **\$2,459**

Per adult in a Double or Triple Room **Contact us**

### Deluxe Accommodations

#### From May to August:

Per Person in Single Room **\$2612.5**

Per adult in a Double or Triple Room **Contact us**

#### From September to April:

Per Person in Single Room **\$3073.75**

Per adult in a Double or Triple Room **Contact us**

### Ultra Deluxe Accommodations

#### From May to August:

Per Person in Single Room **\$3,762**

Per adult in a Double or Triple Room **Contact us**

#### From September to April:

Per Person in Single Room **\$4426.2**

Per adult in a Double or Triple Room **Contact us**



## Luxury Accommodations



**From May to August:**

Per Person in Single Room **\$4,180**

Per adult in a Double or Triple Room **Contact us**



**From September to April:**

Per Person in Single Room **\$4,918**

Per adult in a Double or Triple Room **Contact us**

