



TRAVEL EXPERIENCE

Cairo To Abu Simbel Tour Packages

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DURATION

8

GUESTS

20

RATING

5 / 5



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Trip Overview

Tour Type	Private Tours
Trip Type	package
Availability	Giza Plateau/Luxor West / East Banks/ Aswan/Abu Simbel Mountain Temples/ and optional Saqqara or Alexandria coastal sites.
Categories	Egypt Tour Packages
Destinations	Abu Simbel, Alexandria, Aswan, Cairo, Edfu, Kom Ombo, Luxor
Trip URL	https://bastettravel.com/package/cairo-to-abu-simbel-tour-packages/

Description

8-Day Cairo to Abu Simbel Tour Packages. Journey from Giza through Luxor and Aswan to the rock-cut temples of Ramses II with Bastet Travel.



Why You Will Love This Trip

The timeless majesty, sacred architecture, and monumental archaeological wonders of the ancient world come alive on these signature **Cairo to Abu Simbel Tour Packages** programs. This expertly curated itinerary balances the colossal engineering of Lower Egypt's Old Kingdom empires with a deep, focused exploration of Upper Egypt's imperial capitals and the legendary, rock-cut mountain sanctuaries of the deep south. This high-authority private voyage represents the definitive luxury expedition for discerning travelers, designed to deliver Egypt's absolute treasures across Cairo, Luxor, Aswan, and Abu Simbel in one beautifully integrated timeline. By combining privately guided overland heritage tours in the northern capital with scenic desert sleeper trains and specialized small-group excursions to the Nubian border, you transition flawlessly from towering stone pyramids to dramatic riverside island sanctuaries. Every aspect of this complex, multi-regional geography is executed with absolute structural precision by **Bastet Travel**, utilizing premium private air-conditioned transport and highly specialized Egyptological curation to ensure an authentic, unhurried immersion into five millennia of civilization.

- **The Last Standing Ancient Wonder:** Stand before the monumental mass of the **Great Pyramids of Giza**, the premier architectural marvel of antiquity and the heart of the Old Kingdom's royal necropolis, encompassing the timeless structures of Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure.
- **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 plateau.
- **Pharaonic Purification Sanctuaries:** Explore the massive stone blocks of the **Valley Temple**, the essential Old Kingdom structural site used historically for royal purification and mummification rituals.
- **The Next-Generation Cultural Megastructure:** Experience premium preview access to the expansive open areas, monumental royal statues, and the striking Grand Atrium at the ultra-modern **Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM)**, the world's largest cultural sanctuary dedicated to a single civilization and the showcase for pharaonic masterpieces.
- **The Subterranean Royal Necropolis:** Descend deep into the rugged mountain cliffs of the West Bank to explore the **Valley of the Kings**, with your package providing entry access into three beautifully decorated royal tombs of New Kingdom pharaohs.
- **The Terraced Mountain Sanctuary:** Tour the spectacular **Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut (Deir el-Bahari)**, a brilliant multi-level 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 established by Amenhotep III and expanded by Ramses II.
- **The Granite Engineering Archive:** Visit the **Unfinished Obelisk** in Aswan's northern quarries, the largest single stone monolith ever carved, providing a living look into ancient pharaonic stone-cutting and carving techniques.
- **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 Colossal Rock-Cut Mountain Legacy:** Journey deep south to the magnificent **Abu Simbel Temples**, twin architectural masterpieces carved directly into the core of the mountain on the shores of Lake Nasser.
- **The Facade of the Great Pharaoh:** Stand before the four towering, 20-meter-high seated statues of Ramses II guarding the entrance to the **Great Temple of Ramses II**, famous for its historic solar alignment phenomenon.
- **The Sanctuary of the Beloved Queen:** Explore the adjacent **Small Temple of Queen Nefertari**, dedicated to the pharaoh's beloved royal wife and the goddess Hathor, featuring standing facade statues of equal height.
- **The Legendary Global Engineering Rescue:** Learn the epic modern history of the international UNESCO-led rescue project, which dismantled and moved both Abu Simbel temples block-by-block to higher ground to save them from flooding after the construction of the High Dam.
- **The Cradle of Stone Architecture:** Choose an optional excursion to the **Saqqara Archaeological Zone** to view the **Step Pyramid of Djoser (Saqqara Step Pyramid)**, the oldest large-scale stone building in human history.
- **The Ruins of the First Capital:** Opt to tour the **Mit Rahina Open-Air Museum**, standing on the historical site of **Memphis**, the first unified capital of ancient Egypt, famous for its colossal fallen statue of Ramses II and the Alabaster Sphinx.
- **The Mediterranean Naval Stronghold:** Choose an optional day trip to Alexandria to tour the **Citadel of Qaitbay**, a 15th-century Mamluk fortress built directly on the foundations and ruins of the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria.
- **The World's Second Library:** Visit the striking **Bibliotheca Alexandrina (New Library of Alexandria)**, a modern global cultural center built to revive the spirit of antiquity's greatest library.
- **The Underground Roman Labyrinth:** Descend into the **Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa**, a fascinating multi-level Roman burial complex that blends pharaonic, Greek, and Roman architectural styles deep underground.



Cairo to Abu Simbel Tour Packages: The Elite Structural Standard

Choosing these signature **Cairo to Abu Simbel Tour Packages** offers a carefully balanced mix of **Expert Curated Access** to Egypt's foundational archaeological zones, combining private overland city tours with a classic desert transit experience. This 8-day itinerary is structured to optimize your travel time, offering an immersive route that connects Lower Egypt with the deep southern border. By structuring city excursions in Cairo, Luxor, and Aswan as strictly private tours, guests enjoy personalized attention and flexible pacing, while joining a specialized, secure air-conditioned group transfer for the desert expedition to Abu Simbel. This blend of private guidance and classic overland rail travel via comfortable first-class sleeper train cabins ensures an authentic, safe, and highly efficient exploration of the country's geographic and historical highlights. Backed by **Technical Expertise** and an authoritative 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 major day tours, offers unlimited bottled water during all outings outside your hotel, and includes 3 nights in Cairo, 1 night in Luxor, and 1 night in Aswan with daily breakfast, alongside 2 nights on a half-board first-class sleeper train. Your entire journey is led by an expert, local English-speaking tour guide, delivering an educational and deeply authentic holiday experience.

Landmark Focus: From Old Kingdom Megastructures to Nubian Mountain Vaults

- **The Foundations of Imperial Power and Modern Museology** The initial phase of your **Cairo to Abu Simbel Tour Packages** provides an authoritative exploration of pharaonic kingship and state engineering. By analyzing the massive stone architecture of the Giza Pyramids, studying the Sphinx, and touring the Grand Egyptian Museum, travelers trace the evolution of royal burial customs and religious architecture that defined the Old Kingdom power structure before transitioning south.
- **The Theban Capital and Riverine Cult Centers** As the tour moves into Upper Egypt, the historical narrative shifts to the military expansion and grand religious cults of the New Kingdom. Exploring the hidden rock-cut tombs of the Valley of the Kings, the multi-tiered mortuary temple of Hatshepsut, and the massive columned complexes of Karnak and Luxor demonstrates how later pharaohs abandoned pyramids in favor of hidden mountain crypts and vast, columned river temples to secure their eternity and display their divine authority.



- **The Granite Frontier and the Colossal Nubian Border Monuments** The final historical phase reaches the granite quarries of Aswan and the dramatic mountain facades of Abu Simbel. Visiting the Unfinished Obelisk and the island temple of Philae reveals the technical mastery behind pharaonic stone extraction and island architecture. This culminates at Abu Simbel, where the massive rock-cut temples of Ramses II and Nefertari stand as supreme political statements of pharaonic power carved into the landscape, preserved forever by one of the greatest global engineering rescue operations in modern human history.

Everything Included in Your Experience

This private **Cairo to Abu Simbel Tour Packages** 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 professional meet-and-greet services and airport pickup/drop-off by our representatives upon arrival and departure, alongside dedicated assistance from our guest relations personnel throughout your stay. All inter-city ground logistics and transfers are operated via a private, air-conditioned deluxe vehicle. Accommodations include 3 nights in Cairo with daily breakfast, 1 night in Luxor with breakfast, 1 night in Aswan with breakfast, and 2 nights onboard a first-class sleeper train on a half-board basis (breakfast and dinner included). Sightseeing tours across Cairo, Luxor, and Aswan are operated on a strictly private basis, while the overland day trip to Abu Simbel is conducted via a small shared group in a comfortable, air-conditioned vehicle. The tour includes an expert English-speaking guide, all pre-paid entrance fees to the landmarks specified in the itinerary, all meals indicated on the timeline, unlimited bottled water during outings outside of your hotel, professional portage when needed, and all service charges and taxes.

Conclusion

Choosing **Bastet Travel** guarantees an uncompromised standard of execution for your **Cairo to Abu Simbel Tour Packages**. By integrating premium hotel selections, classic desert sleeper train cabins, and privately guided overland itineraries with specialized small-group border excursions, 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

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Everything included in this trip package.

- All service charges and taxes
- Portage as needed
- Bottled water during outings outside of hotel or cruise ship
- All meals specified on itinerary
- Entrance fees to all sites specified on the itinerary
- English-speaking tour guide
- Sightseeing tour to Abu Simbel Sharing our group in air-conditioned vehicle
- Private sightseeing tours in Cairo, Luxor & Aswan
- Accommodation for 2 nights on sleeper train (half board basis)
- Accommodation for 1 night in Aswan, for including daily breakfast
- Accommodation for 1 night in Luxor, including daily breakfast
- Accommodation for 3 nights in Cairo, including daily breakfast
- All transfers via private air-conditioned vehicle
- Airport pickup/dropoff and assistance upon arrival and departure



Excluded

Additional expenses not included in the package price.

Tipping.

Personal spending.

Any optional tours.

Entry visa to Egypt.

International airfare.



Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in Cairo, VIP Airport Meet-and-Greet, Private Deluxe Vehicle Transfer & Itinerary Briefing

Your grand premium 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 warm welcome, providing professional VIP assistance through immigration, customs, baggage retrieval, and airport exit procedures. You will then be escorted to a private, luxury air-conditioned vehicle for a smooth and comfortable transfer to your premium hotel in Cairo. Upon arrival at the hotel, enjoy a complimentary welcome drink during a seamless check-in process. Once you are settled into your room, your personal tour manager will host an entry briefing to review your comprehensive 8-day itinerary, distribute your train vouchers, confirm all precise pickup timings for your upcoming overland excursions, and answer any logistical questions. Spend a relaxing evening resting and preparing for your historical journey. Overnight in Cairo.

Day 2: The Old Kingdom Necropolis - Giza Pyramids, The Great Sphinx, Valley Temple & Grand Egyptian Museum Expedition

Savor breakfast at your hotel before meeting your local English-speaking Egyptologist guide to begin an in-depth tour of the Giza Plateau, the ancient world's most famous royal necropolis. Stand before the monumental mass of the Three Great Pyramids—Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure—to study the precise engineering that has preserved these structures for over 4,500 years. Walk down the historic stone causeway to tour the megalithic Valley Temple, examining its monolithic blocks used historically for royal purification and mummification rituals, and stand face-to-face with the legendary Great Sphinx, the mythical rock-cut guardian of the royal plateau. After enjoying an authentic, high-quality lunch at a handpicked local restaurant, your expedition continues to the ultra-modern Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM). Here, you will explore the monumental Grand Atrium, colossal royal sculptures, and expansive galleries dedicated to displaying the unparalleled masterpieces of pharaonic civilization. In the evening, you will be transferred to the railway station to board a first-class Sleeper Train heading south toward Luxor. Enjoy a hot dinner served in your private cabin as you cruise through the desert night. Dinner and overnight in a first-class sleeper cabin.



Day 3: The Imperial Capital of Thebes - Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut Temple, Colossi of Memnon & The Great East Bank Temples

Awaken to the changing landscape of Upper Egypt as the train arrives in the ancient imperial capital of Luxor. You will be met at the station by your expert guide and transferred in a private, air-conditioned vehicle to begin a comprehensive, full-day exploration of the Theban kingdom. Cross to the West Bank of the Nile to 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, marveling at its towering pylons, sacred lake, and the massive columned forest of the Great Hypostyle Hall. Conclude your day at the majestic Luxor Temple, walking between its grand courtyards and columns established by Amenhotep III and completed by Ramses II. Transfer to your luxury Luxor hotel for check-in. Overnight in Luxor.

Day 4: Overland Private Transfer to Aswan - Granite Quarries, Unfinished Obelisk & The Island Sanctuary of Philae

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel followed by check-out, as you meet your driver for a private, 5-hour overland transfer south through traditional Upper Egyptian landscapes to the historic frontier city of Aswan. Upon arrival in Aswan, your private tour begins at the northern granite quarries to examine the famous Unfinished Obelisk, the largest single stone monolith ever carved, offering a rare, living look into the physical stone-cutting and engineering techniques utilized by ancient pharaonic craftsmen. 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, this island sanctuary is celebrated globally not only for its grand columned colonnades and birth houses but also for its massive, international UNESCO-led rescue project that successfully relocated the entire stone temple block-by-block from a flooded neighboring island. After your tour, transfer to your premium Aswan hotel for check-in and a relaxing evening along the Nile corniche. Overnight in Aswan.

Day 5: The Mountain Vaults of Abu Simbel - Temples of Ramses II and Nefertari, UNESCO History & Sleeper Train to Cairo

Your morning begins with an early departure (approximately 4:30 AM), collecting a specially prepared breakfast box from your hotel. You will join a secure, air-conditioned shared vehicle for the



overland expedition through the desert to the legendary Abu Simbel Temples, situated deep south on the shores of Lake Nasser near the Nubian border. Arriving at this spectacular site, you will stand in awe before the Great Temple of Ramses II, marveling at the four colossal, 20-meter-high seated statues of the pharaoh guarding its facade and learning about the precise solar alignment that illuminates the inner sanctuary twice a year. Explore the adjacent Small Temple of Queen Nefertari, dedicated to the pharaoh's beloved royal wife and the goddess Hathor, featuring standing facade statues carved directly into the living rock face. Your guide will share the dramatic history of the international UNESCO relocation project that saved these monuments from the rising waters of the Nile after the construction of the High Dam. In the afternoon, return to Aswan to board the first-class Sleeper Train for your journey back north to Cairo. Dinner and overnight in a first-class sleeper cabin.

Day 6: Return to Cairo, Free Leisure Morning & Optional Saqqara Step Pyramid and Ancient Memphis Excursion

Enjoy breakfast served 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 your premium Cairo hotel for check-in. Enjoy a free day at your leisure to rest, relax at the hotel pool, or shop independently. Alternatively, you may choose an optional full-day heritage excursion to the Saqqara Archaeological Zone to explore the legendary Saqqara Step Pyramid (Step Pyramid of Djoser), the oldest large-scale stone building in human history. This optional tour also includes a visit to the nearby Mit Rahina Open-Air Museum, standing on the historical site of Memphis, the first unified capital of ancient Egypt, where you can marvel at the massive fallen colossal statue of Ramses II and the beautifully carved Alabaster Sphinx before returning to your hotel. Overnight in Cairo.

Day 7: Free Day in the Capital or Optional Full-Day Mediterranean Tour to Historic Alexandria

Savor breakfast at your hotel and spend the day exploring Cairo independently, visiting historic Coptic and Islamic neighborhoods, or choose our highly recommended, optional full-day private excursion north to the Mediterranean city of Alexandria. Traveling in a private, air-conditioned vehicle, your optional tour of the bride of the Mediterranean begins at the impressive Citadel of Qaitbay, a 15th-century Mamluk naval fortress constructed directly upon the foundations and ruins of the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Next, explore the striking, ultra-modern Bibliotheca Alexandrina (New Library of Alexandria), a global architectural landmark built to honor the memory of antiquity's greatest library. Conclude your optional tour by descending into the Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa, a fascinating underground



Roman burial labyrinth whose carvings beautifully blend pharaonic, Greek, and Roman artistic styles. Return to your hotel in Cairo for your final evening. Overnight in Cairo.

Day 8: 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 city, 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 8-day Cairo to Abu Simbel Tour Packages expedition to a professional and highly successful conclusion.



Pricing

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