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2024 Departures



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# PRE-TOUR

## Nile Cruise

Starting at \$1,798\*

### Pre-Day 1 - Depart the USA

Begin your journey to the land of antiquities as you depart from the United States on an overnight transatlantic flight.

### Pre-Day 2 - Arrive in Cairo / Transfer to Hotel

Upon arrival in Cairo, you will be met and assisted through customs by our representatives. Transfer to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

### Pre-Day 3 – Luxor & Karnak

This morning, fly from Cairo to Luxor, ancient Thebes, which served as the Egyptian capital during the New Kingdom and the time of Moses. Visit the magnificent Temple of Luxor with its avenue of sphinx statues and mighty monumental columns. Continue to the Karnak Temple, which took over 2,000 years to build and is the largest religious building ever constructed. See the famed Hypostyle Hall, the Obelisks of Queen Hatshepsut and Tutmosis III, the temple of Amon, the Granite Scarabeus and the Sacred Lake. Board your Nile cruise ship and enjoy dinner.

### Pre-Day 4 – Valleys of the Kings & Queens & Esna

This morning, enjoy the sunrise over the Nile River before your visit to the Valley of the Kings. Tombs were constructed here for the kings and powerful nobles of Egypt for nearly 500 years. The valley stands on the west bank of the Nile, across from Thebes (modern Luxor), within the heart of the Theban Necropolis. See the Colossi of Memnon, made of sandstone brought from Gabal El Silselah. Each colossus, including the pedestal and the crown, is about 21 meters tall and represents King Amenhotep III. See the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, one of only a handful of female rulers in Ancient Egypt. Her reign was the longest of all the female pharaohs. Sail to Esna, enjoying afternoon tea before visiting the Temple of Khnum. Dinner & overnight onboard.

### Pre-Day 5 – Edfu & Kom Ombo

Visit the Edfu Temple on the west bank of the Nile. Dating to the Ptolemaic period, the temple was dedicated to the worship of the god Horus, represented as a falcon. It is one of the most beautiful Egyptian temples, distinguished by its huge splendid structure blending Pharaonic and Greek

architecture. Enjoy lunch onboard as you sail to Kom Ombo to visit the Kom Ombo Temple. Built on a hillside, this temple was constructed in the Ptolemaic Roman era for the worship of the gods Haroeris and Sobek. It is noted for the relief engravings on its walls, which show ancient surgical tools, bone saws, and dentistry tools. Nearby, view the three mummified crocodiles in Hathor's chapel.

### Pre-Day 6 – Aswan

Set sail on a smaller boat across the Nile to visit the temples at Philae, including the Temple of Isis, one of the greatest Temples in Egypt, occupying a quarter of the island. Next, visit the High Dam, one of the most outstanding architectural achievements of the twentieth century. It was constructed to replace the old Aswan Dam built in 1902. The 3600-meter-long dam was constructed to protect Egypt from floods and provide its citizens with irrigation and electricity. View the Unfinished Obelisk, made of red granite brought from the quarries of Aswan. After exploring Aswan, fly to Cairo to check into your hotel for dinner and overnight.

### Pre-Day 7 - Cairo

Enjoy a free day in Cairo or optionally travel to Alexandria and view the many Greco-Roman remains in this historic port city on the Mediterranean. Tomorrow, join your fellow travelers for Cairo sightseeing on Day 3 of the Basic Tour.



*Guests taking an extension may be on a different flight than their group and/or traveling companion.  
A minimum number of participants must be reached to operate extensions. Contact us for specifics.*

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# ITINERARY

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## Day 3 - Memphis and Giza

Your sightseeing begins with a visit to Memphis, the first capital of ancient Egypt, which was destroyed by Emperor Theodosius. The stones and blocks were used by the Islamic conquerors to build their mosques and palaces. Continue to the Step Pyramid of Saqqara, designed by the innovative architect Imhotep and the forerunner of the pyramids. The tomb of King Zoser is over 200 feet high and resembles a giant set of stairs. Continue to Giza and the Great Pyramids of Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure, guarded by the colossal Sphinx monument, which is symbolic of Egypt throughout the ages.

## Day 4 - Cairo

This morning, your guide will escort you on a tour of 7,000 years of Egyptian history with a visit to the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities, which includes the world-famous golden treasures from King Tutankhamun's tomb. Tour the Citadel of Saladin, built in 1183 AD, and visit the Hanging Church in old Cairo, which is named for its location above a gatehouse of Babylon Fortress, the Roman fortress in Coptic Cairo (Old Cairo). Later, enjoy a ride on the Nile aboard a traditional Egyptian Felucca.

## Day 5 - Jordan

This morning, transfer to the airport in Cairo and fly to Amman. Visit Mount Nebo, where Moses caught a glimpse of the Promised Land (Deut. 34). On a clear day, you can see all the way across the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea to the rooftops of Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Continue to Madaba, the City of Mosaics, to visit the Church of Saint George with its sixth-century, Byzantine mosaic map showing Jerusalem and other holy sites.

## Day 6 - Petra

Travel south for a visit to the city of Petra. Its entrance passes through a long, narrow gorge known as the Siq and can only be accessed by carriage, horseback or on foot. Once inside the city, marvel at the intricate detail of a city that was cut into the cliff sides of rose-colored rock.

## Day 7 - Israel

Explore Jerash, one of the best-preserved Roman cities in the world. Stroll through the oval piazza and wander along colonnaded streets etched by the wheels of ancient chariots. Stand in the grand theatre where an onstage whisper can be heard in the top row. Cross the Sheik Hussein border crossing into Israel. In Magdala, once home to Mary Magdalene, visit a recently discovered first-century synagogue.

## Day 8 - Galilee

Worship as you sail across the Sea of Galilee. Visit Capernaum, the center of Jesus' ministry in the Galilee, and visit the synagogue built on the site where Jesus taught (Matthew 4:13, 23). On the Mount of Beatitudes, contemplate the "Sermon on the Mount" (Matthew 5-7). Explore the Church of the Loaves and Fish at Tabgha, the traditional site of the feeding of the 5,000 (Luke 9:10-17). See the Chapel of the Primacy, where Peter professed his devotion three times to the risen Christ (John 21). Recall Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist at the Jordan River.

## Day 9 - Cana, Nazareth, Tel Megiddo & Caesarea

Visit the Franciscan Wedding Chapel in Cana, the site of Jesus' first miracle, before continuing on to Nazareth, Jesus' boyhood home (Matthew 2:23). Look out over Tel Megiddo (Armageddon) to view one of the most important archaeological sites in Israel. Today's last stop is Caesarea, a center of the early Christians where an angel visited Cornelius, the first Gentile believer (Acts 10), and where Paul was imprisoned for two years before appealing to Caesar.

## Day 10 - Bethlehem

In Bethlehem, visit the cave revered as Jesus' birthplace and see the Church of the Nativity constructed over the site (Matthew 1:18-25). Gaze out over Shepherds' Field before returning to Jerusalem. Explore the poignant exhibits of Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Memorial.

## Day 11 - Jerusalem

Begin your day with a group picture taken from the Mount of Olives, where Jesus ascended into heaven (Acts 1:9-12). Walk the Palm Sunday Road and pray in the Garden of Gethsemane, and envision the scenes of the night before Jesus' crucifixion (Matthew 26:36 - 44). Continue to Mount Zion to visit the House of the High Priest Caiaphas, where Jesus was questioned on the night of His betrayal (Matthew 26:57). Meditate on the events of the Last Supper as you visit the traditional location of the Upper Room (Mark 14:12-26).

## Day 12 - Jerusalem

Explore ancient Jerusalem at the Teaching Steps and the Western Wall. View the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus performed the Sabbath miracle (John 5:1-18). Sing a hymn in the Church of St. Anne and experience its rich acoustics. Visit Herod's Antonia Fortress, where Jesus appeared before Pontius Pilate (Luke 23:1), and follow in Christ's steps on the Via Dolorosa ("the Way of the Cross"). At the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, take time to reflect on His sacrificial love. Visit the Garden Tomb for a time of reflection and communion.

## Day 13 - Return to the USA

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 January 16. .... \$4,798\*  
 February 13. .... \$4,898\*  
 October 15 ..... \$5,098\*  
 December 3. .... \$4,998\*

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**YOUR ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Basic Tour & Guided Sightseeing
- Round-trip International Airfare from New York
- Additional baggage & optional fees may apply; see fine print for details
- Fuel Surcharges and Government Taxes
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- Daily Breakfast & Dinner, Deluxe Motorcoaches
- First-Class Hotels & much more!



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**New inclusion for 2024:**

One-year individual membership to Museum of the Bible!

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**Register Early & Save**

<b>\$150</b> 11 Months Prior to Departure	<b>\$125</b> 10 Months Prior to Departure
<b>\$100</b> 9 Months Prior to Departure	<b>\$75</b> 8 Months Prior to Departure
<b>\$50</b> 7 Months Prior to Departure	<b>\$25</b> 6 Months Prior to Departure

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**Travel Protection Plan - Premium Rates**

For a full description of the plan, go to: [www.tripmate.com/wp/f427E](http://www.tripmate.com/wp/f427E)

Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost
\$ 0 to \$1000	\$ 99	\$2501 to \$3000	\$299	\$4501 to \$5000	\$499	\$6501 to \$7000	\$699
\$1001 to \$1500	\$149	\$3001 to \$3500	\$349	\$5001 to \$5500	\$549	\$7001 to \$8000	\$799
\$1501 to \$2000	\$199	\$3501 to \$4000	\$399	\$5501 to \$6000	\$599	\$8001 to \$9000	\$899
\$2001 to \$2500	\$249	\$4001 to \$4500	\$449	\$6001 to \$6500	\$649	\$9001 to \$10,000	\$999

**Schedule of Coverages**

Part A *	Maximum Benefit	Part B	Maximum Benefit
Trip Cancellation	Trip Cost	Trip Interruption	Trip Cost
Trip Interruption	Trip Cost	Missed Connection	\$500
Travel Delay (Up to 10 days & up to \$200 Per Day)	\$2,000	Travel Delay (Up to 10 days & up to \$200 Per Day)	\$2,000
Medical Expense / Emergency Evacuation	\$25,000	Accidental Death & Dismemberment	\$25,000
Accident and Sickness Medical Expense	\$25,000	Baggage and Personal Effects	\$1,000
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation	\$50,000	Baggage Delay	\$200

Part A - Travel Arrangement Benefits are provided by Educational Opportunities Tours. Part B - Travel Protection Benefits are provided by United States Fire Insurance Co. For New York Residents Only: Part A Benefits are travel arrangement benefits underwritten by United States Insurance Company.

**Conditions and Limitations**

This is a brief description of the plan available for all Travel Protection sales for Trips departing January 1, 2013 and after. Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Certificate of Coverage. For example, coverage does not apply to: any Sickness or condition of you, a Traveling Companion or a Family Member traveling with you that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverages (The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived if payment for this plan is received by Educational Opportunities Tours, Inc. at or before the final payment due date for your Trip or 105 days before departure date, whichever occurs first), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war. Other Covered Reasons, as defined, includes the following events and their consequences: Cancellation or Interruption of your Trip due to: Inclement Weather, unannounced Strike, mechanical breakdown that causes complete cessation of services of your Common Carrier for at least 12 consecutive hours; a documented traffic accident while en route to departure; being hijacked or quarantined; jury duty; destruction of your home or destination by fire, flood, burglary or natural disaster; being called to the emergency service of government to provide aid or relief in the event of a natural disaster; a documented theft of passports or visas; a transfer of employment of 250 miles or more; or Revocation of military leave. For further information ask for the Certificate of Coverage which fully details the coverages, provisions, limitations and exclusions of the plan offered and is available to you, upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the plan. The Travel Protection Plan is only available for citizens or residents of the United States of America. This plan is underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company, Eatontown, NJ. Benefits are administered by: Trip Mate, Inc., 9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO, 64114, 1-800-888-7292 (\*in CA, dba Trip Mate Insurance Agency).

**PROGRAM CONDITIONS**

**INCLUDED IN PRICE:**  
 • Round-trip international airfare • Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in itinerary) • Breakfast & dinner daily • Hotel gratuities • Program fees • Administrative Fee • Fuel surcharges \$600  
 • Government Taxes \$98 (Increases in government tax and fees are subject to change)  
 • One-year membership to Museum of the Bible (see website for details)

**NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:**  
 • Optional Travel Protection Program (see premium schedule) • Extensions and optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure  
 • Miscellaneous fees such as individual transfers; passports, laundry, lunches, beverages at meals & baggage fees  
 • Voluntary "Love Offering" for guide and driver • \$100 Document fee for Non-US/Canadian residents • Visa for non-US citizens  
 • Required Vaccinations • Required medical testing before, during, and/or after travel

**ALSO NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE - will appear on your statement:**  
 Extension Border taxes, visas, tips and other fees: \$60 for Nile Cruise.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:**  
 Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While EOT will try to match roommates, EOT cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: \$1,298 during the basic tour; \$548 for Nile Cruise Pre-Tour.

**SAVINGS:**  
 Early registration discounts or other promotions are deducted from the balance of your bill. Hosts/Co-hosts are not eligible.

**PAYMENT INFORMATION:**  
 A 3.5% surcharge will be added to all credit card transactions.

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

Payment Amount	Payment Due Dates & Notes
<b>\$100*</b>	Registrations received by more than 10 months prior to departure. *Additional \$500 deposit will be due 6 months prior to departure.
<b>\$300**</b>	Registrations received 6-10 months prior to departure. **Additional \$300 deposit due 6 months prior to departure.
<b>\$600</b>	Registrations received between 6 months to 106 days prior to departure.
<b>\$1,200</b>	2nd Deposit Amount. All guests must have \$1,800 on their account 105 days prior to departure to be ticketed
<b>\$1,800</b>	Registrations received between 105-76 days prior to departure must pay the full deposit amount and may be subject to late registration fees.
<b>Full Payment</b>	Final Payment is due 75 days prior to departure. If paid after the due date, a late payment fee of \$100 will be assessed.
<b>Travel Protection Amount</b>	The Travel Protection Plan premium will be due no later than 105 days prior to departure to be in full effect. Travel protection premiums must be paid in addition to our deposits and in advance of the final payment for coverage to be in effect.

**REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED less than 105 days prior to departure:**  
 We welcome registrations after 105 days prior to departure. Registrations received between 104-90 days prior will incur a \$100 per person fee. Registrations received between 89-75 days prior will incur a \$200 per person fee. Registrations received between 74-60 days prior will incur a \$400 per person fee. Registrations received 59 days prior to departure or later will incur an additional fee based on air availability. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

**CANCELLATION FEES:**  
 100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 105 days prior to departure, you will be charged the \$100 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following per-person charges: 104-60 days = \$400; 59-45 days = \$600; 44-31 days = 40% of total cost; 30 days of departure = 100% of total cost. In addition, cancellation fees for Nile Cruise are: 59-31 days = 25% of extension cost; 30-0 days = 100%. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

**STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY**

EOT does not accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air schedules, hotel overbookings, other hotel related problems or causes, and/or travel supplier cancellations or postponements. Travel suppliers include all tour operators, cruise lines, airlines, hotels, bus companies, entertainment venues, and any other travel supplier used to operate the tour. All such losses or expenses will be the responsibility of the passenger. EOT reserves the right to make adjustments to the itinerary as deemed desirable by EOT, and EOT reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure if a tour is canceled beyond the control of EOT. EOT will provide a refund or a future travel credit to be used two years from the date of issuance for the value of all funds paid by the passenger less nonrefundable travel supplier prepaid deposits, travel supplier change fees, nonrefundable travel protection premiums, and a \$150 administration fee.

**FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:**  
 Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and other mobility devices are not accommodated. Those needing oxygen or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences. Persons using CPAP machines requiring distilled water will need to inform us ahead of time, so we can work with local operators to prepare as it is not always available. EOT reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in the sole judgment of EOT, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins are limited and subject to confirmation after receiving the passenger's written request. If you have questions, please see [eo.travel/fit-to-travel-statement](http://eo.travel/fit-to-travel-statement) or contact Educational Opportunities Tours Inc. for more details.

**PASSPORT INFORMATION:**  
 Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 105 days prior to your trip. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger.

**PRICE INCREASES:**  
 All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees.

**AIRLINE ROUTES AND TICKETS:**  
 In order to keep prices low, EOT does not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or traveling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact guest services for further details.

**FLIGHT TIMES AND SEATING:**  
 All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. EOT is not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties. There is no advance seat selection for groups on most airlines. Early check-in is necessary to secure seats with travel companions and those with special needs. Due to security measures taken at airports, it is advisable to arrive at the airport three hours prior to departure time. Seating is solely under the control of the airlines.

**ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:**  
 You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. Additionally, you may incur optional fees (food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.) as well. For more information, visit [eo.travel/travelinfo/airline-fees](http://eo.travel/travelinfo/airline-fees).

**ON OWN DEVIATIONS:**  
 On Own Deviations from the standard tour program must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees, if applicable. Transfers for passengers who deviate are not included.

**ITINERARY CHANGES:**  
 Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While EOT will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the itinerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour. Due to airline schedules, some participants may receive one or two extra leisure days at a nominal per day charge and some extensions may not be available on all departure dates. If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged \$125 per night; single rooms \$175 per night. Meals for extra nights are not included.

**VALIDITY DATE:**  
 This brochure is valid until 12/06/23. If validity date has passed, current brochures may be found at [www.eo.travel](http://www.eo.travel). Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

**RELEASE INFORMATION:**  
 Payment of deposit indicates permission for EOT or its agents to record the registrant's participation and appearance on video (audio tape, film, photograph, or any other medium and to use the registrant's name, likeness, voice, comments, submitted documentation, written papers, and/or biographical material without restrictions or limitation for any advertising, marketing, publicity, educational or promotional purpose which EOT or its agents deem appropriate, unless the registrant or guardian otherwise notifies EOT in writing prior to departure.

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EOT does not own or operate any of the suppliers of services to your tour. Similarly without limiting the foregoing, passenger agrees to hold EOT harmless for any defect in any vehicle, plane, boat, bus, car, van or other vehicle, act of war or insurrection, terrorist activity, revolt or other civil uprising, military action, strikes or labor unrest or any Act of God or for any other act of any third party. Florida law will be applicable to any dispute which arises out of or concerns this brochure or your tour. Any and all litigation must be brought only in and for courts in Polk County, Florida to the exclusion of litigation anywhere else in the world. Educational Opportunities Tours is the tour operator and is solely responsible for the travel program. Educational Opportunities Tours is registered with the State of Florida as a Seller of Travel. Registration No. ST24130. CST20227682-40.