

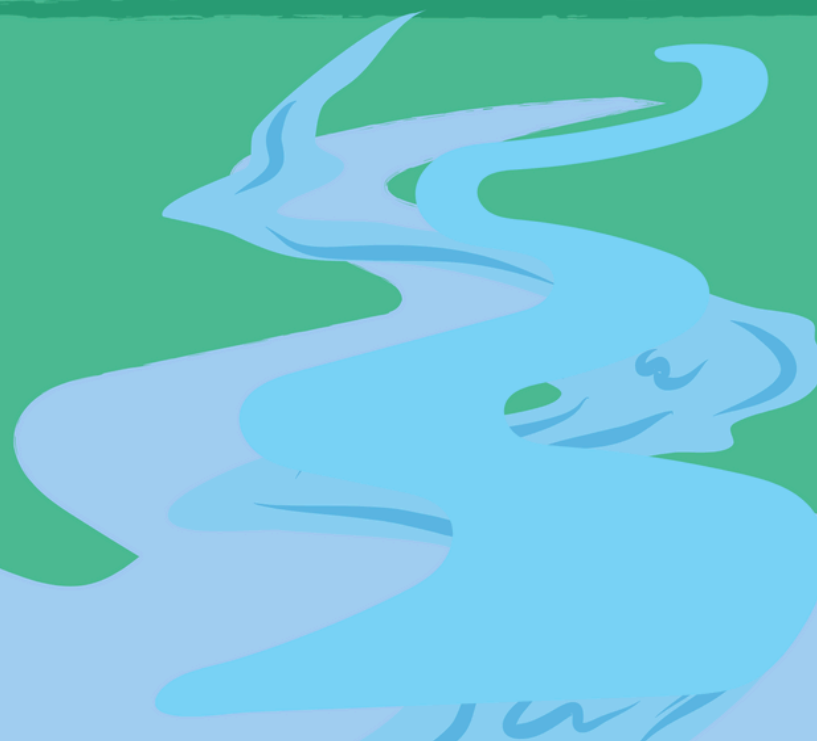


Sopdet

Ibis



Sunrise



Annual Flood (Osiris)



Annual appearance of IBIS (Thoth) with the appearance of (Sopdet) Star in conjunction with sunrise at the peak of the annual flood (Osiris)



A fourth great event coincided with the three events that the Egyptians considered the basis for the annual calendar (The Appearance of Sopdet star - Sunrise - Peak of the flood)



This event was the annual emergence of IBIS bird, with the peck of the flood, that considered as a sign of the beginning of the new year, and a symbol of the calendar and calculation in general, and they called it "Thoth", from which the name of the first month in the Egyptian year named after it.



Every year, in the same time, (Thoth) back to carry out his sacred duty to search and excavate insects that harm agricultural land (Isis) with his beak that resembling a sickle and defend it against her enemies who threaten the opportunity for a new cultivation (birth), so, it was a symbol of healing and protecting Isis and her son Horus (the King).



Because of his love for calm and solitude, he was nicknamed the hermit bird and was a symbol of wisdom and knowledge.

By the end of the month (Thoth), Summer season ends & temperatures fall, so they said, "Thoth says to heat: die!".

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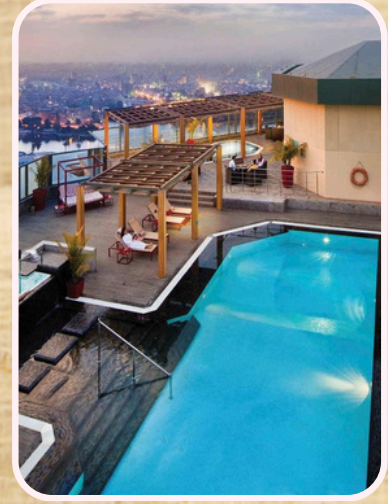


SEPTEMBER 5: ARRIVAL

Welcome to Egypt! You will be greeted by your driver that will be waiting for you there to escort you to the Fairmont Hotel with the rest of the group. Everyone will be arriving at different times, so this day will be to settle in and relax from your flight.

You can use the day to chill by the rooftop pool at the hotel or explore the Downtown of Cairo till we meet at night for dinner at one of the best homemade food restaurant in downtown.

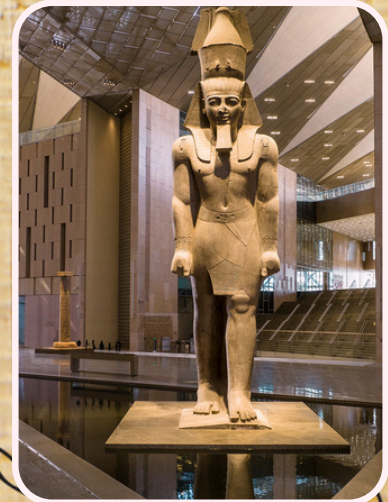
Hotel: [Fairmont Hotel](#)
Meals included: None



SEPTEMBER 6: JOURNEY TO THE LAST WONDERS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD, THE GIZA PYRAMIDS THEN VISIT GEM

- There's no better way to start our trip to Egypt than by visiting the country's most iconic sites- the Pyramids of Giza and the Great Sphinx (extra ticket, approximately \$30).
- After the Pyramids we will visit the Grand Egyptian Museum, the largest archaeological museum in the world with more than 100000 Pieces exhibited.
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- ****I don't recommend riding Camels or any animals at the Giza Pyramids as they're malnourished and treated badly!**

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Meals included: Breakfast and Lunch



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SEPTEMBER 7: DAHSHUR AND SAQQARA & THE BLUE LOTUS GARDEN

- Pyramids older than the Giza ones, and the first pyramid ever built in history!
- We will start by Dahshur where the Red and Bent pyramids are, a city so lush and known for its palms groves. After that we will venture to Saqqara, the oldest necropolis of ancient Egypt where tombs are getting excavated as we speak!
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- We will spend most of our days in Saqqara exploring and seeing different archeological sites, then head to Neferka, a beautiful farm where the sacred Blue Lotus is growing and we will have an open-buffet lunch of amazing authentic Egyptian food.

Hotel: [Fairmont Hotel](#)

Meals included: Breakfast and Lunch

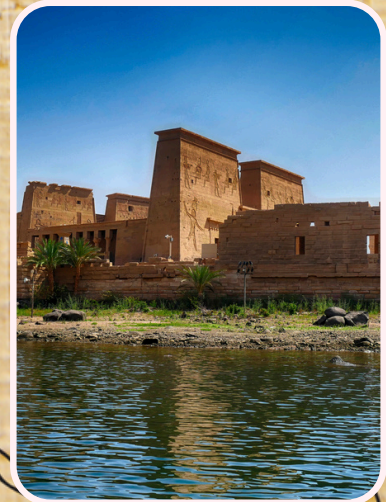


SEPTEMBER 8: ASWAN

- We will take an early morning flight to Aswan and visit Philae temple and the Unfinished Obelisk. Later on we will check in our Private Dahabiya Yacht for our 5 nights magical Nile Cruise. you can enjoy the amazing view of the Nile from the Dahabiya.
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- A must do in the evening is the Philae Temple sound and light show where the narration brings the temple's history to life with stories told from the perspective of gods and goddesses, witnessing the temple under the starry night sky is breathtaking.

Hotel: [La Rose Dahabiya Yacht](#)

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



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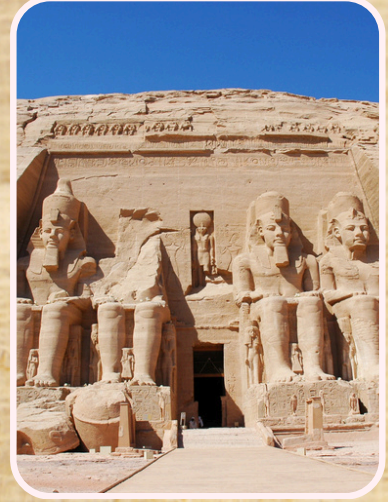


SEPTEMBER 9: ABU SIMBEL

- Departure to Abu Simbel very early in the morning at 4:00 am by a Private Vehicle to see its iconic rock-cut temples and HUGE Statues.
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- We then return to Aswan to begin our magical Nile Cruise on the Dahabiya.

Hotel: [La Rose Dahabiya Yacht](#)

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



SEPTEMBER 10: CRUISING THE NILE

- Time to relax! We will be sailing across the Nile seeing lush lands and agricultural fields on both sides of the Nile, farmers herding animals and people having picnics by the Nile shores. You can enjoy the views while soaking in the Jacuzzi, doing Yoga or just chilling reading a book or nothing at all haha.
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- We will stop at the Kom-ombo Temple to visit, a unique double temple honoring two gods. One half of the temple is dedicated to Sobek, the crocodile god of fertility, and the other half is dedicated to Horus, the falcon god of kingship and the sky.
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- And here comes the Egyptian's New Year's Eve!! YES no time for sleep, we will welcome the New Year properly with celebration and festivity.

Hotel: [La Rose Dahabiya Yacht](#)

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SEPTEMBER 11: SAILING INTO THE EGYPTIAN NEW YEAR

- Today marks the first day of the year on the Ancient Egyptian calendar.
- We will continue sailing north and stop at Gebel el Silsilla, known in Pharaonic times as Khenu (Place of Rowing), that was an important centre for the cult of the Nile. Every year at the beginning of the inundation season, sacrifices were made here to ensure the fertility of the land. The Nile at its height flowing through the narrow gorge must have been a particularly impressive sight, and noisy, which no doubt explains why the location was chosen as a cult centre.
- Then we visit Edfu Temple, a must-see on the journey between Aswan and Luxor. This imposing structure is one of the best-preserved temples in Egypt and the largest dedicated to Horus.
- And CHILL again sun bathing on the Dahabiya, you know the drill by now.



Hotel: [La Rose Dahabiya Yacht](#)
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

SEPTEMBER 12: ARRIVAL TO ESNA

- In the Medieval period, under Arab rule, Esna became a stop on the caravan routes that linked the Red Sea to the Western Desert oases. Today, it is renowned for the Esna locks on the Nile, where cruise boats patiently queue up to navigate this essential waterway.
- Visiting the marvelous Khnum temple where they discovered the Ancient Egyptian Zodiac, the hypostyle hall of the temple has been exceptionally preserved.
- Then we will take a stroll in the Qīsāriyya market, also known as the bazaar, which replaced the ceremonial path of old. Tourists must walk through it on foot between the ship and the temple.



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SEPTEMBER 13: ARRIVING TO LUXOR

- Arriving to Luxor and visit the Karnak temple, the biggest religious complex in Egypt it's like walking into an ancient city.
- We will have lunch and relax from the Karnak long tour then visit the Luxor Temple which is best visited at night where its lit up in the dark.

Hotel: [La Rose Dahabiya Yacht](#)

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



SEPTEMBER 14: LUXOR WEST BANK- HURGHADA

- Taking a sunrise hot air balloon floating above Luxor (you will LOVE IT!) having our last breakfast at the Dahabyia.
- We then visit the west bank including valley of the kings, the Colossi of Memnon, and Hatshepsut's Temple.
- Later we head to Hurghada and spend the night in a hotel there ready to tomorrow's adventure.

Hotel: Hurghada Marriott Beach Resort

Meals included: Breakfast



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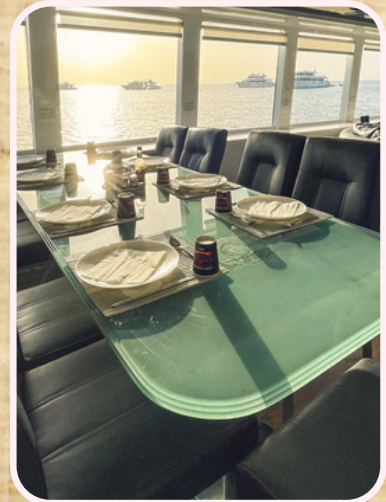
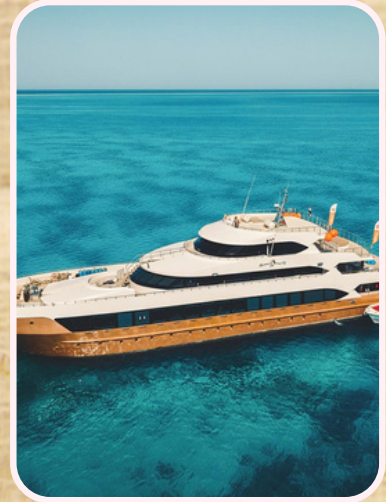


SEPTEMBER 15: ISLANDS HOPPING

- A mesmerizing 3 nights experience awaits us on one of the most luxurious floating resort Yacht (HammerHead II).
- Arrival to Hurghada Marina, check-in, enjoy breakfast onboard, and get ready for an amazing day ahead.
- Ice-breaking session with the crew, safety tips, and overview of the day's plans.
- Start sailing northwards from Hurghada and enjoy breathtaking coastal views.
- Dive into water games and lunch onboard upon reaching Qaysum Island.
- Kick off your shoes and feel the sand between your toes! Relax on the sandy shores until sunset.
- Indulge in a gourmet dinner onboard as night falls.
- After a day of excitement, retreat to comfortable cabins for a peaceful night's sleep.

Hotel: [HammerHead II](#)

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

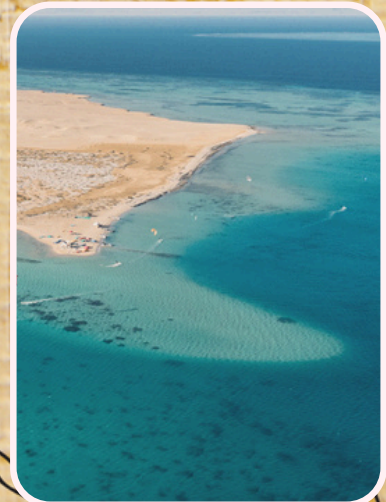


SEPTEMBER 16: ISLANDS HOPPING MADNESS CONT...

- Enjoy a delicious breakfast before setting sail for Jubal Island.
- Dive into the wonders of the Red Sea with snorkeling, exploring vibrant coral reefs and sea creatures.
- Take a break for lunch before heading to the island's sandy beach.
- Enjoy a sunset swim and prepare for a BBQ dinner on the island.
- Return to the yacht for a comfortable night's rest onboard.

Hotel: [HammerHead II](#)

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



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SEPTEMBER 17: ISLANDS HOPPING MADNESS CONT..

- Enjoy a delightful breakfast before heading south to the **Dolphin House** near El Gouna.
- Experience the magic of meeting dolphins in their natural habitat, a truly magical experience.
- Indulge in lunch onboard while soaking in the beauty of the surroundings.
- Relax and enjoy a sunset swim before dinner.
- Delight in a scrumptious dinner onboard as you unwind for the night.

Hotel: [HammerHead II](#)

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

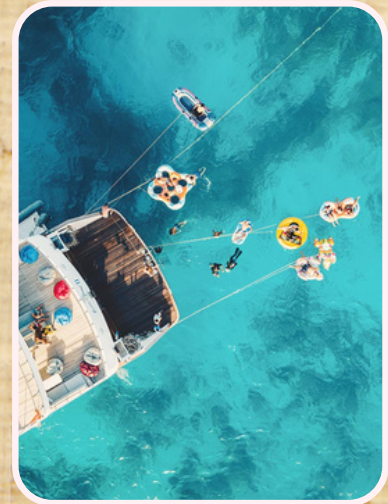


SEPTEMBER 18: BYE-BYE HURGHADA-WELCOME BACK CAIRO

- Indulge in a final breakfast onboard as you savor the last moments of your journey.
- Check out early in the morning, concluding our unforgettable adventure and head to the airport to take our flight to Cairo.
- Check in our hotel then start our Cairo welcome tour, visiting the Coptic and Islamic parts of Cairo.
- Have lunch, then having a walk in the infamous Cairo bazar- Khan el Khalili.

Hotel: [Cairo Marriott Hotel & Omar Khayyam Casino](#)

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch



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SEPTEMBER 19: FINALLY THE MUSEUMS...MUMMIES TIME

Today will be dictated to visit the Cairo Museums, the original 19th Century Egyptian Museum in Tahrir square, and the The National Museum of Egyptian Civilization, where the Mummies found their last way home. We will have lunch in between the two museums for a needed break after too much history information! Jesus IT'S A LOT!!

An optional open buffet dinner on a Nile boat with a bellydancingggg show will...just kidding nothing is optional here you're not leaving Egypt with seeing a bellydance performance.

Hotel: [Cairo Marriott Hotel & Omar Khayyam Casino](#)
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch



SEPTEMBER 20: DEPARTURE

The end of our loooong tour ends here :(, If you're leaving Egypt this day you will be escorted from the hotel to the Cairo airport, to which our driver will assist your departure.

Hotel: [Cairo Marriott Hotel & Omar Khayyam Casino](#)
Meals included: Breakfast



LA ROSE DAHABIYA



1 Suite with balcony

Featuring King-Size bed, Wardrobe, Safe, bathroom, and a cozy balcony overlooking the Nile.

COSTS: \$8800 PER PERSON FOR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY (\$2840 PLUS FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY)



2 Deluxe Cabin

Featuring a queen-size bed, wardrobe, safe, bathroom and an incredible panoramic view of the Nile.

COSTS: \$8520 PER PERSON FOR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY (\$2560 PLUS FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY)



3 Twin Cabin

Featuring two twin beds, wardrobe, safe, bathroom and double windows overlooking the Nile.

COSTS: \$8240 PER PERSON FOR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY (\$2280 PLUS FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY)

Includes: Accommodation for 14 nights, all meals and drinks, Private Egyptologist tour guide for all of our site visits, Privately chartered Dahabyia boat for our Nile Cruise, Private Yacht for islands hopping, 2 domestic flights, all tips and gratuities, and all tickets to enter tourist sites.

Excludes: International airfare to/from Egypt, \$25 entry visa fee to Egypt, 4 dinners, personal expenses, optional hot air balloon ride (\$100), optional ticket to enter the Great Pyramid (around \$30), optional camel ride at the Pyramids (around \$20), alcoholic beverages, optional tips for hotel cleaning staff.