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A World Apart

The story of travel involves more than a ticket and a passport. It should weave together discovery, education and humanity, the best elements of any compelling tale. Your personal travel story begins with our commitment to delivering authentic experiences with local people.

The incomparable value of your journey lies in the personalized care you receive from your Travel Director and Egyptologist, who call this area home.

By eliminating logistical worries, your multilingual Travel Director allows you to immerse yourself comfortably in your surroundings. This high-caliber professional makes you feel safe and important by creating a convivial, welcoming atmosphere.

The other important character in this story is your Egyptologist, who offers you a wealth of knowledge throughout your entire journey to create an incredibly enriching experience.

With these specialists at your side, become intimately engaged in the rhythm of the community, adding another memorable chapter to the rich story of your life.

what you are most curious about.

- ► Contemplate the **Great** Pyramid in Giza — the only remaining Wonder of the Ancient World before your eyes.
- ► Revel in the delightful hubbub of Cairo's old **bazaar**, where bartering is elevated to sport.
- ▶ Stand in awe in the **Egyptian Museum's** hushed halls, surrounded by towering monuments and dazzling treasures.
- ▶ Pass beneath the colossal seated statues of Ramses II as you enter his Great Temple in Abu Simbel.
- ► Delight in the **natural** beauty along the Nile's banks, a contrast of fertile green valleys and desert beyond.

Above: Giza



Dear William & Mary Alumni and Friends,

The ancient treasures of Egypt await your discovery and amazement on this spectacular Legends of the Nile program. From Cairo, the capital of Egypt, rich with antiquity, to the towns along the banks of the great Nile filled with awe-inspiring monuments, visit the wealth of sites that have inspired humanity's collective imagination for thousands of years.

During this 10-night experience, focused on the antiquities along the vibrant Nile River, we will present you the wonders of ancient Egypt and show you the optimistic spirit of its citizens today. This thoughtfully designed program will connect you to the people, places and culture of captivating Egypt.

An experienced Travel Director takes care of every detail during your journey, and a dedicated travel staff is committed to ensuring your trip creates many fond memories. Plus, an Egyptologist will lead you on fascinating excursions that offer an in-depth look at the local culture and history of this ancient land.

Space on this memorable journey is limited to 28 passengers, and the trip is sure to sell out quickly. Make your reservation today!

P.S. Enjoy a relaxed cancellation policy on this program for added security.

Sincerely,

Marilyn W. Midyette '75

Executive Director

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Physical Activity Rating Guide

We have developed these three categories to assist you in selecting a trip that will be at the appropriate pace for your physical abilities. Please note that all programs require physical independence and mobility. Travelers requiring assistance should be accompanied on their journey and should not anticipate wheelchair accessible facilities.

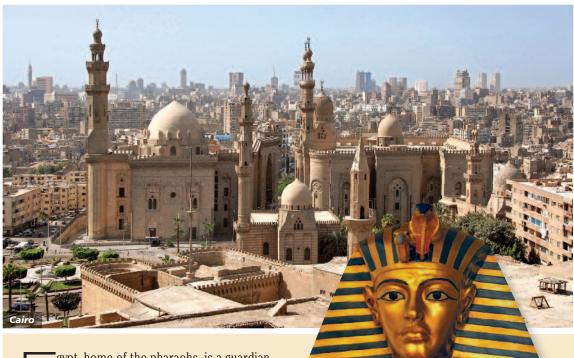


Moderate – Moderate pace, greater distances covered, uneven surfaces and some stair climbing.

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gypt, home of the pharaohs, is a guardian of eternal secrets. From the hidden hieroglyphic tombs in ancient Thebes to the powerful and serene atmosphere of Abu Simbel, this journey of a lifetime allows you to experience the splendid cultural heritage of Egypt and its wealth of historic treasures. The resplendent threads of three cultures — African, Mediterranean and European — have been intricately woven into an exotic tapestry that is today's Egypt. Discover its enduring allure on the bustling streets of Cairo and along the waters of the mighty Nile River. Create the epic moments of your travel memoir as you immerse yourself in the many layers of Egypt.

DAY ONE

IN TRANSIT

Depart your gateway city for Cairo, Egypt. *

DAY TWO

CAIRO, EGYPT

Upon arrival, transfer ★ and check in to the Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza.

DAY THREE

CAIRO

Excursion: *Egyptian Museum.* Tour one of the world's richest collections of ancient Egyptian artifacts in this renowned museum, a showcase for more than 100,000 remarkable items. Marvel at the treasures from the tomb of the "boy king," Tutankhamen, including his gold burial mask and sarcophagus. See the mummified remains of pharaohs and queens in an extraordinary exhibit.

This evening in the hotel, join your fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception.

DAY FOUR

BIL

CAIRO | GIZA | SAKKARA

Excursion: *The Pyramids of Giza.* Journey to Giza to view the Great Pyramid of Khufu, the only surviving monument among the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World and Egypt's largest pyramid. More than 2 million blocks of stone were used to construct it. Stand before the mystifying, iconic Sphinx that crouches nearby. In the Solar Boat Museum, see a boat thought to be over 4,500 years old, intended as transportation for a pharaoh in the afterlife. Visit the Papyrus Institute and learn about the process of making papyrus.

Local Flavor: Relax during lunch at a local restaurant.

Excursion: *Sakkara.* In Sakkara, one of the oldest burial sites in Egypt, visit the Tomb of Kagemni, the Pyramid Tomb of King Teti and the Step Pyramid of Djoser.







DAY FIVE

BIL

CAIRO

Excursion: Islamic and Coptic Cairo.

Discover the city's many mosques, churches and temples. Begin at the impressive Citadel with the Mosque of Mohammed Ali, and then visit the Rifai Mosque. Discover Coptic Cairo at the Hanging Church and the Church of St. Sergius, believed to be built on the spot where Mary, Joseph and Jesus once rested after fleeing to Egypt. Continue to the historic Ben Ezra Synagogue.

Local Flavor: Enjoy lunch in a local restaurant. **Independent Exploration:** Explore the colorful and exhilarating Khan el Khalili bazaar.

DAY SIX

BILID

CAIRO | LUXOR

This morning, check out of the hotel and fly to Luxor.

Excursion: *Luxor Museum.* Discover artifacts that embody the glory of ancient Thebes, including royal mummies and impressive statues. Continue to the Sonesta St. George Hotel Luxor and check in.

Excursion: *The Temple of Luxor.* Drift along the Nile under the graceful sails of a felucca boat

as you journey to Luxor Temple, impressively situated on the river's banks. Alongside a towering granite obelisk, two seated statues of Ramses II guard the entrance to this beautiful, expansive complex built by several pharaohs over many dynasties.

DAY SEVEN

BILID

LUXOR

After breakfast, check out of the hotel.

Excursion: Luxor's West Bank ~ The Valleys of the Kings and Queens. Visit this fascinating region where pharaohs and their families awaited immortality. Amazingly, the hieroglyphics adorning the walls still spring to life with vibrant color. Step inside several tombs, including that of the legendary King Tutankhamen. Explore the grand, terraced Temple of Hatshepsut, seemingly built into the mountainside, before continuing to an alabaster workshop. Visit the tomb of Amun-her-Khepeshef, the son of Ramses II, then view the impressive Colossi of Memnon.

Continue to the pier, embark the Sonesta St. George I and enjoy lunch onboard.

Excursion: The Epigraphic Survey, Oriental



CHICAGO HOUSE

In Luxor, enjoy special access to the Chicago House to see the Chicago House Method of documentation, preservation and conservation. Founded in 1924, the University of Chicago's Oriental Institute's Chicago House has completed epigraphic surveys of important archaeological sites in and around Luxor. The Chicago House Method consists of photographing a surface and printing the image on a coated paper that can be drawn on. After all the details have been sketched, the paper is immersed into an iodine bath that erases the photograph, but keeps the drawings, creating a detailed blueprint of the monument and its intricate carvings. Learn about this unique and fascinating process in an exclusive visit specially arranged for you.

Institute, University of Chicago (The Chicago House). Enjoy an exclusive visit to the Chicago House in Luxor, whose mission is the preservation of Egypt's ancient cultural heritage through documentation, conservation and restoration.

Enjoy a belly-dancing performance this evening.

DAY EIGHT B | L | D

KARNAK | CRUISING

Excursion: *The Temple of Karnak.* Visit the immense Karnak Temple, the burial place of the Egyptian royal family of the 18th dynasty, spread across 60 acres.

After lunch on the ship, sail through Esna Lock, then enjoy the rest of the day at leisure onboard.



This evening, attend the Captain's Welcome reception.

DAY NINE

BILID

EDFU | KOM OMBO

Relax on deck at leisure this morning, and watch the Nile scenery pass by on your way to Edfu.

Excursion: *The Temple of Horus at Edfu.* Go ashore to visit this well-preserved temple, recognized by archeologists for its unique roof,

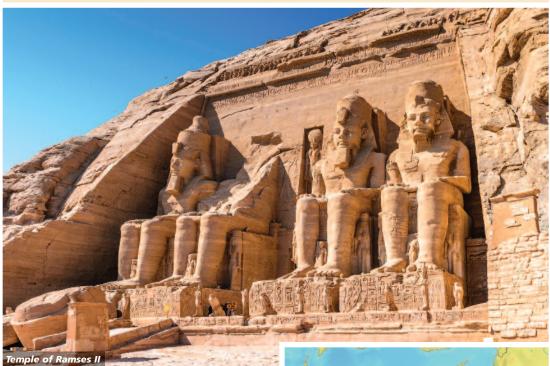
which was completely buried by desert sand

until its excavation in the mid-19th century. This afternoon, the ship sails to Kom Ombo. After lunch, enjoy an engaging discussion with an Egyptologist.

Excursion: Temple of Sobek and Haroeris.

In Kom Ombo, discover this unusual double temple complex. The building's symmetrical ground plan unifies two adjacent temples, one dedicated to the crocodile-headed Sobek, god of fertility, and the other to the falcon-headed Haroeris, god of the sky.

Tonight, enjoy a traditional Nubian show on the ship.



DAY TEN

BILID

ASWAN | ABU SIMBEL

This morning, the ship docks in Aswan for the day. After breakfast, fly to Abu Simbel.

Excursion: *Abu Simbel.* Visit the colossal Great Temple of Ramses II, a massive monument commemorating triumphs over the Nubians, Hittites and Syrians. Marvel at the temple's gargantuan size and the mammoth feat of engineering to reconstruct it on higher ground in its present location. Equally fascinating is the neighboring Temple of Hathor, which honors Queen Nefertari. Fly back to Aswan. The afternoon is at your leisure.

This evening, delight in a Farewell Reception and Dinner onboard the ship.

DAY ELEVEN

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ASWAN | CAIRO

This morning, disembark the ship.

Excursion: The Temple of Philae and the Aswan High Dam. Board a felucca and sail to the island temple complex of Philae, dedicated to the Goddess Isis. Continue to the High Dam, an engineering marvel built in the 1960s, which provides irrigation and electricity for all of Egypt.

Transfer to Aswan's airport for your flight to Cairo. Upon arrival, check in to the InterContinental Citystars Cairo.

The remainder of the day is at leisure.



DAY TWELVE IN TRANSIT

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Very early this morning, transfer ★ to the airport for the return flights to your gateway city.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Walking is required on many excursions, and surfaces may be uneven or unpaved.

★ Provided for AHI FlexAir participants.

BILID denotes included breakfasts, lunches and dinners.













Sonesta St. George I

Cruise the Nile River in style aboard the Sonesta St. George I. Comfort and elegance are the prevailing themes in the ship's common areas and accommodations. Sample international cuisine from lavish buffets for breakfast and lunch, and from à la carte menus for dinner. Stop by the Panoramic Lounge for refreshments and stellar Nile River views. The Lounge has a full-service bar and dance floor, while the Piano Bar offers a serene retreat. The ship also offers a swimming pool and sun deck with umbrella-shielded lounge chairs, a jewelry boutique, souvenir shop, fully equipped spa, fitness center and salon. After a long day of exploring Egypt's treasures, relax in your wellappointed stateroom, finished with wooden floors and soundproofed walls and boasting panoramic French windows and a seating area. The en-suite spa bathrooms are fitted with a steam shower, Jacuzzi and water massage. Wi-Fi is available.

| ACCOMMODATIONS |



FOUR SEASONS HOTEL CAIRO AT NILE PLAZA CAIRO



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February 15-25, 2017

Category-Deck	Full Price	Special Savings	Special Price*
C-Lower Deck	\$5,045	\$250	\$4,795*
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| UNESCO |

These UNESCO World Heritage sites are featured in this comprehensive program:

1. Ancient Thebes with its Necropolis

(Temples at Karnak and Luxor; the Valley of the Kings and the Valley of the Queens)

- 2. Historic Cairo
- Memphis and its Necropolis—the Pyramid Fields from Giza to Dahshur
- 4. Nubian
 Monuments from
 Abu Simbel to
 Philae







| INCLUDED FEATURES |

ACCOMMODATIONS

- Four nights at the deluxe Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza in Cairo, Egypt.
- One night at the deluxe Sonesta St. George Hotel Luxor in Luxor.
- Four nights aboard the deluxe Sonesta St. George I.
- One night at the deluxe InterContinental Citystars Cairo in Cairo.

TRANSPORTATION & PORTERAGE

 All flights, boat rides, cruises and deluxe motor coach transfers in the Land/Cruise Program itinerary and baggage handling on these transfers are included.

MEALS

- Enjoy an extensive meal program, including 10 breakfasts, seven lunches and five dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Sample authentic regional specialties during select meals at featured local restaurants.
- Take advantage of leisure time to try the local cuisine independently.
- Attend a Welcome Reception.
- Gather for a Farewell Reception and Farewell Dinner.

AHI TRAVEL EXPERTISE

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

Before you go:

- ► TRAVEL CONSULTANTS | These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, meals, accommodations and more as they guide you through the reservation process.
- ▶ PASSENGER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE | Once you have reserved your spot, enjoy personalized assistance from this specialist, your one point of contact who will help you with everything from arranging flights to booking elective activities to fulfilling special requests.
- ▶ **TRAVEL INFORMATION** | Receive extensive destination information and travel tips compiled by our travel-savvy team to fully prepare you for your journey.

Once you arrive.

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- ▶ **EGYPTOLOGIST** | We've meticulously selected the most gifted Egyptologists, extremely knowledgable and licensed professionals who understand the needs of our educated and curious travelers. Warm and genuine, they're ready to share their passion for their country with you and answer your questions. At every stop throughout your journey, your Egyptologist will open your eyes to the depth and breadth of the country's history and make Egypt come to life for you.

YOUR EXCITING TRAVEL PROGRAM

- **Informative educational programs,** presented by local experts, will enhance your insight into the region.
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All excursions:

- Stroll through the renowned Egyptian Museum.
- Witness the pyramids of Giza and the Sphinx.
- Visit Sakkara, home to the tomb of King Teti.
- Discover Cairo's Islamic and Coptic roots.
- Explore the antiquities of the Luxor Museum.
- Marvel at Luxor Temple.
- Journey into the Valleys of the Kings and Queens.
- Enjoy an exclusive look at the Chicago House.
- Cruise to Karnak and its impressive temple.
- Wander through the Temple of Horus.
- Explore the Temple of Sobek and Haroeris.
- Fly to Abu Simbel to explore the Great Temple of Ramses II.
- Sail to the temple complex at Philae.





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