

smarTours®

SPLENDORS OF EGYPT

April 26th - May 5th, 2024

Prepared for Cherie Hamilton



Itinerary at a Glance

- International Flight
- 2 nights in Cairo
- 1 night in Aswan
- 3-night Nile Cruise
- 2 nights in Luxor
- 1 night in Cairo

Tour Highlights

- Great Pyramids of Giza
- Sphinx of Giza
- Nubian Village to meet with family
- Philae's Temple of Isis
- Ptolemaic Temple for Horus and Sobek
- Temples of Karnak & Luxor
- Valley of the Kings
- Valley of the Queens and Temple of Queen Hatshepsut
- Alabaster Workshop Visit
- Egyptian Museum of Antiquities or Grand Egyptian Museum*
- Khan El Khalili Bazaar District

Tour features and inclusions

- Round-trip airfare from NYC airport with internal flights included
- Airfare taxes, fees & fuel surcharges
- Accommodations at deluxe hotels and cruise ship
- 18 meals: 9 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 5 dinners
- Comprehensive sightseeing tours and entry fees
- Experienced English-speaking Tour Director throughout
- Transportation in an air-conditioned bus

Exclusions

- Optional Travel Insurance
- Gratuities and personal expenses
- Excursions and meals not included in the program

Pricing: **Please note that this preliminary quote will be valid for **15 days**.*

Pricing Range:	15-30 +1
Double Occupancy:	\$3,999 pp
Single Supplement:	\$699 pp

*We are currently holding **18 twin-bedded rooms** and will request **30 air seats** for these dates.*

Accommodations



Cairo: Cairo Marriott Hotel

Originally constructed as a visitor's palace, Cairo Marriott Hotel & Omar Khayyam Casino has provided guests with royal treatment for decades. Modern guest rooms offer luxury bedding, free Wi-Fi, and 24-hour room service. Enjoy on-site amenities including a 24-hour gym, outdoor lap pool, a spa, and an elegant casino. Several of our 14 dining options are set in our lush gardens. Appreciate the hotel's proximity to some of the world's most famous sites, including the Pyramids, Sphinx, and Cairo Tower. Be transported to the Egypt of 1869 when you step into the lobby of this 5-star luxury hotel in downtown Cairo.



Aswan: Movenpick Aswan

Pleasing its guests with a spectacular view over the river Nile from its 404 elegant rooms, suites, and villas, the Movenpick Resort Aswan offers a unique location on Elephantine island. It lies within walking distance of the historical Island, touristic sites, central station, and other cultural sites. The hotel is easily reached only 20 minutes from Aswan Airport and 5 minutes from Aswan railway station. With its unique 360 degrees view from its Panorama Restaurant & Bar overlooking the Nile from its highest point, serving international and local cuisine at Orangerie Restaurant and spacious swimming pool, the hotel offers a perfect balance between business and leisure.



Nile Cruise: Movenpick Royal Lily (Tuesday Arrival)

Travel in style on this flagship cruiser, which features 56 spacious cabins. The MS Royal Lily also features a spa, restaurant on the Main Deck and the Salon Deck, where you can enjoy expansive views with afternoon tea.



Luxor: Sonesta St. George Luxor

Welcome to five-star splendor on the banks of the Nile in a city of ancient pharaonic treasures, the Sonesta St. George Hotel Luxor redefines magnificent contemporary style. Come and enjoy a sweeping terrace with majestic views of the Nile, a grand entrance of polished marble and handsomely appointed furnishings with exquisite detail, an array of fine dining choices, and every amenity to please the most discerning traveler. With the mystical Nile, just a whisper away, and the temples of Luxor and Karnak preserved in time, experience a city of fascinating antiquity and indulge in the rich splendor of the Sonesta St. George Hotel Luxor.

Itinerary

Flight: April 25, 2024



US/Cairo

Passengers who purchase flights will depart 1 day before the tour starts and return on the same day as the tour ends.

Day 1: April 26, 2024



Arrive in Cairo

Welcome to Egypt's capital and largest city. Upon arriving at Cairo International Airport, you will be met and assisted through customs and formalities before transferring to your hotel. After checking in, enjoy some free time to relax. Later, you'll meet the rest of the group for a welcome dinner

Meals: Dinner (D)

Day 2: April 27, 2024



Pyramids of Giza

Our destination today: is the wondrous Pyramids of Giza. Built during the Third and Fourth Dynasties, these monuments stand as testimony to the skill and strength of their builders. We'll get up close to study the Great Pyramid, as well as see the Pyramids of Chephren and Mycerinus in the distance. Nearby, we'll gaze at the mythical Sphinx of Giza, which famously combines a reclining lion with the head of an Egyptian king. After these amazing sights, we'll lunch as the Egyptians do at a local Cairo restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast & Lunch (B, L)

Day 3: April 28, 2024



Cairo/Aswan

Today you'll be picked up at your hotel and we'll fly from Cairo to Aswan. Upon arrival, you can either hop on another short flight for an optional tour to the Abu Simbel Temples or head to the hotel and start exploring Aswan at your leisure. Later we will all join together to sail on the Nile by motorboat to the Nubian Village that is located on the West Bank of the River Nile. This fantastic tour to the Nubian Village lets you meet a Nubian family, have a drink in their home while learning about their lifestyle, culture, and traditions.

Meals: Breakfast (B)

Day 4: April 29, 2024



Aswan/Nile Cruise

In the morning, visit a modern-day architectural wonder, the Aswan High Dam, as well as Philae's Temple of Isis, which was nearly lost to rising water in the 1960s until the dam was built. Afterward, you'll board your Nile cruise ship to depart on a three-night journey from Upper to Lower Egypt.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner (B, L, D)

Day 5: April 30, 2024



Nile Cruise/Kom Ombo/Edfu/Luxor

We'll cruise to Kom Ombo to visit an unusual double temple, built in the Ptolemaic period and dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek and the falcon-headed god Horus. After exploring Kom Ombo, we'll sail on to Edfu, an Egyptian city on the west bank of the Nile River. Our day continues with a tour of the immense, well-preserved Temple of Edfu, built between 237 and 57 B.C. and also dedicated to Horus. Legend says that this was the site where Horus avenged his father's murder by his uncle, the god Seth. Back onboard the Royal Lily, we'll sail past Esna to Luxor.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner (B, L, D)

Day 6: May 1, 2024



Nile Cruise/Luxor

Often considered the most extraordinary open-air museum in the world, Luxor boasts an imposing array of ruins and monuments. The modern name for Thebes (the "city of palaces"), Luxor is also the inspiration for the word luxury, and we'll see quite a bit of architectural extravagance today. The graceful Temple of Luxor was built over several centuries by Amenhopis III, Tutankhamun, Ramses II and Alexander the Great and features an avenue of sphinxes. We'll also tour the ancient temple complex of Karnak. The immense wealth of Thebes was spent embellishing and building temples in honor of Amun-Ra, the most important and powerful of ancient Egyptian gods. The balance of the day is at your leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner (B, L, D)

Day 7: May 2, 2024



Luxor

After breakfast, we'll say farewell to our ship and continue our exploration of Luxor and the Nile's west bank. We'll visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, Egypt's second confirmed female Pharaoh and regarded as one of its most successful rulers, as well as royal tombs in the Valley of the Kings and the Valley of the Queens. The afternoon is free to relax or investigate exhibits at the Luxor Museum.

Meals: Breakfast (B)

Day 8: May 3, 2024



Luxor

Enjoy this free day at leisure in Luxor to explore further or relax by the pool.

Meals: Breakfast (B)

Day 9: May 4, 2024



Luxor/Cairo

A morning flight takes us back to Cairo and our last hotel. Today, we'll explore the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities, which houses the world's largest collection of artifacts from the era of the pharaohs, including some belonging to King Tut. Afterward, we'll wander through the bustling, colorful Khan El Khalili Bazaar. We'll end the day by sharing memories of our amazing travels through Egypt at a farewell dinner.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner (B, D)

Day 10: May 5, 2024



Cairo/ USA

Take a last look at Egypt before your airport transfer and flight back to the US.

Meals: Breakfast (B)

Optional Tours



Half-Day Memphis & Sakkara Tour:

Travel to Sakkara (or Saqqara), the necropolis for Memphis, the ancient capital of Egypt, and the site of Egypt's first pyramid. The Sakkara Step Pyramid, constructed 4,700 years ago, is said to be the oldest monumental masonry structure in the world. Tour includes round-trip flights to and from Sakkara.

From approx \$44 USD per person - AVAILABLE TO PRE-BOOK!



Abu Simbel By Air:

Be amazed by the magnificent UNESCO-listed Abu-Simbel Temples. Threatened by the waters of Lake Nasser, these gigantic landmarks were famously saved, dismantled and relocated in the 1960s. The larger temple is dedicated to Ramses II, while the smaller was built for his favorite wife, Nefertiti.

Please note: Due to concerns regarding availability, **you must sign up for this optional tour in advance of your final payment due date. This excursion must be paid in full at that time. If you do not sign up in advance, you will not be able to participate in this excursion.*

From approx. \$335 USD per person, including flight



Luxor Museum Visit:

This wonderful little museum is located on the Corniche about halfway between the Luxor and Karnak Temples, and is home to a small but well-chosen collection of relics from the Theban temples and necropolis. Displays of pottery, jewelry, furniture and statues were created by the Brooklyn Museum of New York.

From approx. \$36 USD pp - Available to Pre-Book!



Luxor Hot Air Balloon Ride:

Just before sunrise, you cross the Nile to the West Bank where you lift off from in front of Hatshepsut temple. As you rise up over the mountains of the Necropolis you will have a spectacular view over the many tombs, temples, fields, and villages. Your flight will last approximately 45 minutes and will have you back to your hotel in time for breakfast.

From approx. \$160 USD pp - Available to Pre-Book!



Felucca Ride:

On this optional tour, enjoy sailing on the Nile River past beautiful scenery and the communities that reside along the banks.

From approx. \$24 USD per person - Available to Pre-Book!

Payments and Cancellations:

Initial Tour Deposit: - has been waived

Deposit: \$300 per person in USD is due at the time of your reservation for any new reservation. The deposit is non-refundable.

Full Payment: Due 90 days before departure. Failure to make final payment on time may result in automatic cancellation of reservation and loss of deposit.

Changes: Changes to the original group reservation will result in a \$199 change fee per person per change unless such fees are waived by smarTours. No changes are allowed within 90 days of departure.

Cancellations: If you cancel your Tour for any reason, the credit you receive will be reduced by the applicable cancellation charges below, based upon the timing of your cancellation, unless such charges are waived by smarTours:

Final Names List: Due 90 days before departure.

Up to 95 days before departure: \$300 per person

60-89 days before departure: 50% of the cost per person

30-59 days before departure: 80% of the cost per person

29 days or fewer before departure: No refund is available

All cancellations must be received in writing. If you book your Tour using credit, you will not be eligible to receive any refund amount in cash after a cancellation.

Terms & Conditions:

General Terms & Conditions Applicable to Private Group Tours

All reservations for tours (“**Tours**”) booked through smarTours, LLC (“**smarTours**”) are conditioned upon your acceptance without modification of all the terms, conditions, and notices set forth below (these “**Terms**”). Please read these Terms carefully. By booking your Tour reservation through smarTours and paying your initial non-refundable deposit payment, you agree that these Terms shall apply. smarTours reserves the right to modify, revise, add or remove portions of these Terms, including any pricing, deposit, payment and cancellation terms, at any time by providing notice to the Tour group leader (the “**Group Leader**”) and Tour participants. Any such revisions will apply to Tours confirmed after the revised Terms are made available to the Group Leader.

Pricing and Payments: Non-refundable deposit payments are required to secure your reservation for your Tour unless waived by smarTours. To qualify for the discounted Tour pricing quoted in your group Tour offer, payment of the deposit payments and final payment must be made by eCheck or select credit card in U.S. dollars. Failure to submit final payment on time may result in the cancellation of your reservation.

The cost of your Tour is contingent upon the Tour being booked by the minimum number of participants specified by smarTours in the group Tour offer. The Tour price will increase if the minimum number of participants is not met or if the number of participants drops below the required minimum before the time of final payment due to cancellations. smarTours reserves the right to cancel a Tour, or make amendments to a Tour itinerary, due to low participation or enrollment.

In the event of any Extraordinary Circumstance, as defined below, your Tour costs may change without prior notice. “**Extraordinary Circumstances**” are any mechanical, technical, operational, climatic, sociopolitical or any other conditions beyond the control of smarTours or its Providers (as defined below), which necessitate any change in the Tour itinerary, including, but not limited to, any change in vendor, location, transportation or schedule. Extraordinary Circumstances may include, without limitation, acts of God, strikes, national or international political or social events or occurrences (including acts of war or terrorism), or the material worsening or escalation thereof, earthquakes, hurricanes, tornados, or other

natural disasters, or infectious diseases, epidemics or pandemics and related quarantines. Tour rates include only those items specifically identified in the Tour itinerary or Tour inclusions section and may not include: passport and visa fees, excess baggage charges, baggage and personal insurance, gratuities, optional tours, optional upgrades, beverages, other personal items and expenses. Certain foreign taxes and fees are not pre-collected and must be paid overseas by the customer.

Promotional Codes/Discounts: Promotional codes are not valid for private group Tour bookings and cannot be applied to reduce private group Tour prices.

Passports and Visas: For United States passport holders, to be eligible to participate in any international Tour, you must be in possession of a United States passport valid for at least 6 months after the date of travel and hold a valid visa wherever required. It is your responsibility to check with the appropriate consulates as to the visa requirements and obtain proper travel documents before the trip. Visa fees are not included in the quoted Tour price. If you do not hold a passport from the United States, you are responsible for consulting with the appropriate authorities from your passport country of origin to check passport validity requirements and any applicable visa requirements for your Tour.

Air Transportation: Round-trip economy class airfare, from designated airports in the United States only, is included in the Tour price where indicated. Air schedules are subject to change by the applicable Provider without advance notice. smarTours is not responsible for any Liabilities of any kind caused by any such changes or resulting delays. On some Tours, add-on airfare from select cities in the United States may be offered for an additional fee. smarTours cannot guarantee the choice of domestic airline or the most direct routing. In the event that you must purchase a domestic flight to the airport from which the airfare for the Tour originates, you should allow at least a 3.5-hour layover to connect. Tour participants who do not allow sufficient time are responsible for arranging their own flights if the scheduled international flight is missed due to insufficient layover time. You will be responsible for booking and payment for any necessary accommodations in the event an overnight is required in the United States before departing for a Tour, or upon return from a Tour. smarTours is not involved in, or responsible for, crediting frequent flier miles. To receive frequent flier miles or other credit for the Tour, you must follow the rules of the applicable Provider and deal with them directly.

Meals: Meals will only be provided and included in the Tour price as specifically indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch D=Dinner). Beverages are not included unless the Tour itinerary expressly indicates otherwise.

Tour Itinerary and Domestic Transportation: Arrangements for the Tour itineraries, domestic transportation, and flights are solely at the discretion of the local smarTours Provider and are subject to change without notice.

Use of content: All content, images, logos, photos, and descriptions on smarTours' website and other materials are the sole property of smarTours, and any use of such content without smarTours' advanced written consent is prohibited. smarTours shall have the absolute and irrevocable right and permission to use, any photograph and/or video that is taken of any Tour participant, or in which any Tour participant may be included with others, to copyright the same in the name of smarTours or otherwise, to use, re-use, publish, and republish the same in whole or in part, individually or in conjunction with other photographs and video, and in conjunction with any printed matter, in any and all media now or hereafter known, and for any purpose whatsoever.

smarTours Accessibility Statement: smarTours' policy is to provide our clients with disabilities with an opportunity equal to that of our non-disabled clients to use the services and accommodations that we provide in the United States in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA").

You are encouraged to report any special needs or other health concerns requiring special attention, including the use of any special equipment, to smarTours at the time your reservation is made. smarTours

will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of clients. Clients and prospective clients should be aware, however, that the ADA is inapplicable outside of the United States, and services, accommodations, and facilities outside the United States for disabled individuals are limited.

Wheelchair or motorized scooter assistance or accessibility in international destinations cannot be guaranteed, and many Tours may not be wheelchair or motorized scooter accessible. If your trip is wheelchair-accessible and you require a wheelchair, you must provide your own small, collapsible wheelchair. We cannot accommodate service animals on most international trips. If you have a condition that requires any other special equipment or treatment, you must bring, and be responsible for, all necessary items related to your condition.

If you are unable to travel without assistance, you must be accompanied by an able companion who is capable of and is completely responsible for providing any needed assistance throughout the Tour. Neither smarTours personnel nor the personnel of any smarTours Provider may physically lift or assist participants into or out of transportation vehicles. If a traveler thinks he or she might need assistance during a trip, he or she should call us to determine what assistance may reasonably be given. smarTours cannot provide special individual assistance with walking, dining, or other routine activities or personal services to participants with special needs.

If you have any medical or other disabling condition, then you travel at your own risk. smarTours is not liable for any injury or damages you may suffer relating to any such condition, including as a result of any loss of medical equipment, lack of assistance with, or accommodation of, special needs and limited availability, or complete lack of availability of necessary medical assistance or treatment.

Consumer Disclosure and Responsibility: smarTours is not an agent of any for the companies it represents, including, but not limited to, any travel agent, tour sponsor, tour operator, tour guide, transportation provider, land operator, airline, cruise line, railroad, common carrier, hotel, resort, restaurant or any other provider of transportation, lodging or services on any Tour (each, a “**Provider**”). You understand and acknowledge that the Tour and related travel to and around each destination involves inherent risks and dangers including risks related to exposure to contagious diseases, serious bodily injury, including temporary or permanent disability, paralysis and death, and property damage. By utilizing the services of smarTours and its Providers, you agree that smarTours shall not be responsible for any damages (including without limitation illness, bodily injury or death), losses, claims, demands, rights, actions, costs (including attorneys’ fees and court costs) and liabilities, of whatever kind or nature (collectively, “**Liabilities**”), attributable to (a) any Extraordinary Circumstances and any related travel restrictions, (b) any equipment failure or defect or (c) any fault or default of any Provider. smarTours shall not be liable for any damage resulting directly or indirectly from delays, cancellations, or changes in flights. In the event that it becomes necessary or advisable, for the comfort or wellbeing of Tour participants, or for any reason whatsoever, to alter any Tour itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made without penalty to smarTours or the applicable Providers, and any additional expenses shall be borne by the participants. You will not be eligible for any refund or credit based on any voluntary or involuntary absence from any part of a Tour. smarTours and each Provider reserves the right, in its absolute discretion, for any reason or no reason, to refuse to allow any person to participate in any part of any Tour at any time and shall have no obligation to any such person for any liability related to the exercise of such right. No transportation Provider shall be responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time participants are not aboard their aircraft and/or vessels. The passage contract in use by such Provider, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the Provider and the participants. Air transportation Providers shall not be liable for any Liabilities that may result by reason of a defect or through the act or omissions of any person or company performing or rendering services other than carriage by air, as described in the Tour brochure. The services described in the Tour brochure, other than carriage by the identified air transportation Providers, are furnished by independent contractors who are not servants of or joint venture or partners with the air transportation Providers concerned.

smarTours reserves the right to cancel, suspend or reschedule any Tour, for any reason, including low participation or enrollment, prior to departure and shall not be held responsible for any Liabilities resulting

from said cancellation, suspension or rescheduling. In the case of any Tour cancellation by smarTours, Tour participants may, in smarTour's discretion, be booked on a regular smarTours Tour departing around the same time as the canceled group Tour or may be offered a refund of the amount paid to smarTours through the date of such cancellation, unavoidable Provider fees and penalties, including, but not limited to, hotel and airline cancellation fees, **provided that smarTours may, in its sole discretion, provide credit towards a future smarTours Tour in lieu of any cash refund.** In the case of any Tour suspension or rescheduling by smarTours, Tour participants will be offered a credit in the amount paid to smarTours through the date of such suspension, less any unavoidable Provider fees and penalties, including, but not limited to, hotel and airline cancellation fees. smarTours shall not be responsible for any Liabilities arising as a result of any cancellation, suspension or rescheduling other than the applicable cash or credit refund. smarTours reserves the right to prohibit any person from traveling on any Tour.

Credits: Tour Credits must be redeemed within the time period specified by smarTours at the time of the issuance of the original credit. Unless otherwise specified, credits may not be transferred to any other person. Cash refunds are not available for any Tour booked using a credit. Instead, if you cancel a Tour booked using a credit then you will receive another credit in an amount, if any, equal to the previous credit balance less the applicable cancellation fee. Furthermore, any remaining credit balance must be used within the specified time period of the original credit. For example, if your credit must be redeemed by December 31, 2022, and you use it to book a new Tour scheduled for July 2022 and then you cancel the July 2021 Tour, your refund credit will be for the amount of the original credit reduced by the applicable cancellation fees and must be redeemed before December 31, 2022. Any Tour booked using credit will be subject to the terms and conditions applicable at the time the credit is used, which may differ from these Terms or the terms and conditions applicable at the time of your original Tour confirmation.

If you received a credit on account of a Tour that was suspended or canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic (a "COVID-19 Credit"), the Credit Memo that you received details the terms applicable to the redemption and use of your COVID-19 Credit. In the event of any ambiguity or conflict arising between these Terms and the terms set forth in your Credit Memo, to the extent of any such ambiguity or conflict, the terms set forth in your Credit Memo shall prevail.

Dispute Resolution: Any dispute arising from any Tour, itinerary, product or service provided by smarTours as well as any dispute arising under these terms and conditions will be governed by the laws of the State of New York, without regard to conflicts of laws principles, and will be resolved by binding arbitration, rather than in court, except that you may assert claims in small claims court if your claims qualify. The arbitration will be conducted by a mutually agreed-upon mediator under the applicable rules of the American Arbitration Association. Any dispute resolution proceedings will be conducted only on an individual basis and not in a class, consolidated or representative action. If for any reason a claim proceeds in court rather than in arbitration, then such claim shall be brought before the state or federal court located in New York, New York, and each of smarTours and you waive any right to a jury by trial.

If any of these Terms are deemed invalid, void or unenforceable for any reason, the unenforceable portions of the revised provision shall be severable and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provision.

Group Leader: Any incentives offered for the Group Leader are assumed to be on a sharing basis and are contingent upon the Tour being booked by the minimum number of participants specified by smarTours in the group Tour offer. If the Tour is not booked by the minimum number of participants specified by smarTours in the group Tour offer, then the free Tour spot for the Group Leader and any other Group Leader incentives will be forfeited. If a single room is required for the Group Leader, the single room supplement is not waived and must be paid for. If smarTours cancels a Tour due to low participation or enrollment, any goodwill deposit paid by the Group Leader may be forfeited, at smarTours' sole discretion.

I affirm I have carefully reviewed all previous pages of this offer including, but not limited to, the offer inclusions, general terms, and conditions, and payment schedule.

I understand any changes made to this offer may impact pricing. I also understand that making more than three changes to the offer as described in this document may result in an additional service fee.

By signing below I accept any and all conditions as set forth in this offer.

**Name: Jorge Martinez Jr.
Senior Manager - Private Groups**

Signature:

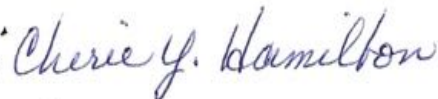


Date:

7/25/2023

**Name: Cherie Hamilton
University of Minnesota Retiree Assoc. (UMRA)**

Signature:



Date:

July 25, 2023

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