

Egypt Nile Dahabiya Sailboat Itinerary

February 20 – March 2, 2025

Thursday Feb. 20, 2025- USA-Cairo, Egypt Flight.

We will take a flight from the USA to Cairo.

Friday Feb. 21, 2025 - USA – Cairo, Egypt

After arriving at Cairo airport, Discovery Expeditions Airport rep will meet and help you with Visa and immigration formalities and Luggage and then transfer you to your hotel.

Overnight: Cairo

Meals: In Flight Meals

Saturday Feb. 22, 2025 - Cairo City Tour

Today after breakfast we will have a full day visit of old Cairo. First visiting the historic National Museum. In this museum we will see the treasures of Egypt. Artifacts of all the ancient dynasties including the King Tut exhibit are on display. We will then continue to the Coptic area of old Cairo where we will visit all the ancient churches, Africa's first Mosque and the Ben Ezra Synagogue. We will visit the Papyrus Institute, where they will show us how the ancient Egyptians made the world's first paper. Then we will walk the narrow alleys and streets of the famous Khan El Khalili market.

Overnight: Cairo

Meals: B, Welcome Dinner

Sunday Feb. 23, 2025 - Cairo - The Pyramids, Sphinx, Sakkara, Memphis

After breakfast, we visit the other Pyramids of Giza, and the Sphinx. We will drive out to the desert for a panorama view of all the pyramids. We will then have an optional camel ride in the desert with the Great Pyramids as a backdrop. We will then travel south to the ancient pyramids of Sakkara. We will have the opportunity to explore some of the ancient tombs recently uncovered at Sakkara. Then we will drive to the ancient Capital of Egypt, Memphis. At Memphis we will see the colossal statue of Ramses II. We will then drive back to the hotel for an overnight.

Overnight: Cairo

Meals: B, D

Monday Feb. 24, 2025 – Luxor- Valley of the Kings

Early Morning flight to Luxor. After arriving in Luxor, we will transfer to our Dahabiya and have lunch.

In the afternoon, we will visit the Temple of Karnak and Luxor, also, tour Luxor local and tourist markets on Horse carriages and return to our Dahabiya for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Dahabiya - Luxor

Meals: B, D

Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2025 - Sailing the Nile

After breakfast, we will visit the Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut Temple, and Memnon. Also visit an Alabaster workshop return to board Dahabiya Sailboat for lunch and sail to Esna, dinner and overnight on board.

Overnight: Dahabiya – Adayma Island next to Esna

Meals: B, D

Wednesday Feb. 26, 2025 - Sailing the Nile

Sailing for about 4-5 hours to El Hegz Island, enjoy breakfast at your leisure while sailing, arrive and start walking tour in El Hegz Island.

Sail and Lunch on board while sailing to Edfu, then visit Edfu temple one of the largest and most intact monuments in Egypt. Two beautiful granite statues of the falcon god Horus are flanking the entrance to the Temple.

Return and continue sailing to El Ramadi Island for Dinner and overnight on board.

Overnight: Dahabiya – Ramadi Island

Meals: B, L, D

Thursday Feb. 27, 2025 - Sailing the Nile

We will then set off on a relaxing sailing while having breakfast to the Island and Village of Bisaw, where we visit Fields, a house of a peasant and see bread making, return and journey to the temple of Gabal El Silsila and Maniha Island to visit the Ancient Quarry of Sandstone and the Speos of King Horemheb. We tie up alongside Speos of Horemheb. Tonight, the dinner will be served in front of the illuminated temple or on the upper deck of the boat for a quite atmosphere, with some music to match the mood. (Or Sail to Besheer Island and enjoy live music and singing and dancing with a local singer if possible)

Overnight: Dahabiya – El Silsila

Meals: B, D

Friday Feb. 28, 2025 – Sailing the Nile

Take your breakfast at your leisure as we will sail on to Kom Ombo. Listen to the sound of the water buffalo as they wade in the shallow water or watch the donkeys. Admire the various birds' life on the river. Visit the Greco roman temple at Kom Ombo which was built symmetrically with two entrances, two halls and two sanctuaries dedicated to Horus and the Crocodile god Sobek. Return and sail to Sheikh Fadl Island while having lunch, until we stop at Sheikh Fadl Island, and step into the Sandy beach and walk, swim, enjoy the refreshing water of the Nile, then continue to Aswan where we will moor for the evening and enjoy dinner at an enchanting location near Aswan.

Overnight: Aswan- Dahabiya

Meals: B, D

Saturday Mar. 1, 2025 – Abu Simbel

We check out Dahabiya and take a morning flight to Abu Simbel. Upon arrival at the airport, we will board a bus to the Temple of Ramesses II. We will visit the site of the Temple of Ramses and the Temple of Nefertari. A World Heritage site which was rescued from the water of the High Dam in the 1960's.

Fly back to Aswan. Check into the Movenpick Elephantine Resort and rest, Late afternoon, we visit the Nubian Village and explore the Nubian lifestyle and traditions while visiting a Family home. Overnight Movenpick Hotel.

Overnight: Aswan

Meals: B, D

Sunday Mar. 2, 2025 - Aswan - Cairo

Check out and connect to Cairo. We will make visits to some of the highlights, such as Philae Temple, a place of Romance and legends.

Afternoon, we fly back to Cairo and have Farewell Dinner and return to the Airport for our flight back to the **US**.

Meals: B, Farewell Dinner

*****itinerary subject to changes***

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