Middle East

Road to The Pyramids
3 Countries: United Arab Emirates, Jordan & Egypt

Cities and Sites Covered: Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Amman, Madaba, Mt. Nebo, Dead Sea, Petra, Cairo, Luxor, Nile Cruise, Esna, Edfu, Kom-Ombo, Aswan & Abu Simbel

Tour Package Includes

★ International Flight from Honolulu
★ Deluxe Hotel Accommodations (based on double occupancy)
★ 39 Meals & Admission as Stated
★ 5* Deluxe Nile Cruise with shore excursions
★ 6 UNESCO World Heritage Sites
  • The City of Petra
  • Temple of Luxor
  • Deir el-Bahari
  • Temple of Karnak
  • Historic Cairo
  • Abu Simbel Temple
★ The Third Largest mosque in the world - Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque
★ The World’s Tallest building - Burj Khalifa
★ Desert safari in Dubai
★ Horseback ride in Petra
★ Great Pyramid of Khufu (Cheops) – One of The Seven Wonders of the Ancient World
★ Show & Dinner
  • Barbecue Dinner with performance by belly dancers
  • Dinner Cruise with a Belly Dancing and Oriental Show in Egypt
★ Entrance to the Mummy Room in Egyptian Museum
★ Sound & Light show in Karnak Temple
★ Jordan Visa and Egypt Visa fees
★ Gratuity for Tour Guides & Drivers
★ Deluxe Nile Cruise with shore excursions

Traveling Dates:
Nov 11 – 30, 2018
(20 Days)

Price per person:
$ 6,388
Incl: Tax & Fuel Charge
Single Supp: $1,800
Once a small fishing village, Dubai has become the pearl of the Middle East. Dubai is where historic Arabic culture, modern skyscrapers, exotic markets and beautiful beaches form the crossroads for an unbeatable holiday. As a moment to treasure, a lunar landscape to explore, and a twinkling night, Jordan has delighted visitors for centuries with its World Heritage Sites, friendly towns and inspiring desert landscapes. With sand-covered tombs, austere pyramids and towering Pharaonic temples, Egypt brings out the explorer in all of us. Travel through history on the Luxor Aswan Nile Cruises in the magical Blue Nile River in Upper Egypt. Enjoy a once in a life time tour of the Middle East.

Day 1** Nov 11
Honolulu – Los Angeles
We start our vacation by boarding a domestic flight to Los Angeles and staying there overnight.

Hotel Accommodation: Holiday Inn Los Angeles International Airport or similar

Day 2** Nov 12
Los Angeles – Dubai
Today we will fly from Los Angeles to Dubai, the capital of The Emirate of Dubai, one of the seven emirates of the United Arab Emirates. Overnight onboard.

Day 3** Nov 13
Dubai
Besides being a global city and business hub of the Middle East, Dubai is also a major transportation hub. It is the largest and most populous city in the United Arab Emirates. The Emirate’s Western-style model of business drives its economy with the main revenues now coming from tourism, aviation, real estate, and financial services. Upon arrival at Dubai International Airport, proceed to immigration and customs. An Air & Sea Travel representative will greet us and transfer us to hotel.

Hotel Accommodation: Hyatt Regency Dubai or similar 5*

Day 4** Nov 14
Dubai – Abu Dhabi – Dubai (B, L, D)
After breakfast, we will transfer to Abu Dhabi, the second most populous city, capital of the United Arab Emirates, and also capital of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, the largest of the UAE's seven emirates. Upon arrival in Abu Dhabi, we will visit Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, the third largest mosque in the world and the key place of worship for Friday gatherings and Eid prayers. Heritage Village in Abu Dhabi, is a reconstructed Emirati village which displays the Bedouin lifestyle and heritage, providing an insight into the pre-oil era in the United Arab Emirates—a life that is still in evidence today in many parts of the Arabian Peninsula. After that, we will tour Culture Square by bus. After lunch, we will visit Louvre Abu Dhabi, an art and civilization museum. It is not a copy of the French Louvre, but a distinct institution offering its own interpretation of a universal museum, reflecting its era and the local traditions of the country it lies in. We will transfer back to Dubai after the day trip to Abu Dhabi and enjoy our dinner in Dubai.

Day 5** Nov 15
Dubai (B, L)
A city tour of Dubai will be arranged today. First, we will visit Dubai Museum, the main museum in Dubai. It has an atmospheric setting in the compact Al Fahidi Fort, built around 1800 and considered Dubai's oldest structure. It served as a palace, garrison and prison. But has been renovated to house a museum now. After that, we will experience ABRA Ride (water taxi) to cross the Dubai Creek, a saltwater creek. Then, we will shop in the Gold and Spice Souks. Gold Souk, one of the most visited places in Dubai has a large set of authentic jewelry, gemstones & precious metals from Dubai, India and other countries. Spice Souk, the biggest spice market in Dubai, has a wide range of spices, herbs, incense and traditional medicinal products. After lunch, we will go to Burj Khalifa, the world’s tallest building. As a living wonder and stunning work of art, Burj Khalifa is an unprecedented example of international cooperation, symbolic beacon of progress, and an emblem of the new, dynamic and prosperous Middle East. We will go to the observation deck on the 124th floor to view the entire city. A captivating water, music and light spectacle in Downtown Dubai, The Dubai Fountain is the world’s tallest performing fountain. It performs to a range of different songs from classical to contemporary Arabic and world music. After that, we will go to Dubai Mall, known as the home of the Dubai shopping festival, and is one of the world’s largest shopping malls in UAE. There are many things to do in the Mall with its shopping festivals, hotels, restaurants, entertainment, holiday events and attractive offers. We can enjoy dinner on our own at the mall.

Day 6** Nov 16
Dubai (B, D)
After breakfast, we will continue our tour of Dubai. First, we will visit Dubai Frame, the world’s best new attraction and architectural landmark which opened on January 1, 2018 in Zabeel Park. The Dubai Frame takes visitors on a journey through time on three different levels: old Dubai, present Dubai and future Dubai. After that, we will visit the Miracle Garden (if weather permits), the world’s largest natural flower garden and unique, extravagant outdoor recreational destination. The floral structures are changed every season to ensure repeat visitors get a different experience each time they visit here. Highlights have included a life-size replica of the Emirates Airbus A380, which
Hotel Accommodation: Le Grand Amman or similar 5*

**Day 7** Nov 17

Dubai – Amman  (B, D)

Free leisure time in the morning. Then, we will transfer to the airport and fly to Amman, the capital and largest city of Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. Upon arrive at Queen Alia International Airport; we will transfer to our hotel. Dinner will be served at the hotel.

Hotel Accommodation: Le Grand Amman or similar 5*

**Day 8** Nov 18

Amman – Madaba – Mt. Nebo – Dead Sea – Petra  (B, L, D)

After breakfast, we will visit the Christian Town of Madaba, “The City of Mosaics”. We will also visit the St. George Greek Orthodox Church, where we will see the masterpiece of Madaba. Archaeological Park, houses the remains of several Byzantine churches, including the amazing mosaics of the Church of the Virgin. We will then go to Mt. Nebo, considered to be one of the most important holy sites in Jordan, as it is believed to be the place where Moses climbed from the Valley of Moab, and from where God showed him the Promised Land, as well as Moses’ last resting place. After that, we will proceed to the Dead Sea, the lowest point on earth, 409 meters below sea level for a swim in its warm, salty waters. Then, we will transfer to Petra, a historical and archaeological city in southern Jordan. It has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1985. UNESCO has described it as “one of the most precious cultural properties of man’s cultural heritage”. Dinner will be arranged at the hotel.

Hotel Accommodation: The Old Village Hotel & Resort or similar 5*

**Day 9** Nov 19  (B, L, D)

Petra – Amman

After breakfast, visit the ancient Nabatean Capital, Petra, the fabled “Rose red city, half as old as time”. The fun starts with horseback riding, followed by a walk through the Siq, a long narrow fissure between two overhanging cliffs. Towards the end of the Siq, we will be spellbound by Petra’s most famous monument, The Treasury. It is one of the most elaborate temples in the ancient Arab Nabatean Kingdom city of Petra. As with most of the other buildings in this ancient town, including the Monastery, this structure was carved out of a sandstone rock face. After lunch, we will drive back to Amman. We will enjoy dinner at our hotel.

Hotel Accommodation: Le Grand Amman or similar 5*

**Day 10** Nov 20  (B, L, D)

Amman

Today, we will enjoy a city tour in Amman. First, we will visit the ruins of the Amman Roman Theatre, a famous landmark in the Jordanian capital that dates back to the Roman period when the city was known as Philadelphia. The theater, constructed during the reign of Antonius Pius (138-161 AD), could seat about 6,000 people. The large and steeply raked structure was built into the hillside; it was and oriented north to keep the sun off the spectators. After that, we will visit the Citadel and the Umayyad Palace, a historical site at the center of downtown Amman and large palatial complex from the Umayyad period. After lunch, we will visit the Archaeological and Folklore Museums. The Archaeological Museum houses artifacts from all the archaeological sites in the country while the Folklore Museum, houses items representing Jordanian cultures. We will go back to the hotel for dinner.

**Day 11** Nov 21  (B, D)

Amman – Cairo / Nile Cruise

Today, we depart to the airport and fly to Cairo, the capital and largest city of Egypt. Upon arrival at Cairo International Airport, we will meet our tour guide and transfer to our hotel. The city’s metropolitan area is the largest in the Middle East and the Arab world, is associated with ancient Egypt, and has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1979. We will enjoy our free time after checking into our hotel. In the evening, we will enjoy a Cairo Night City Tour with a Welcome Dinner on a Cruise sailing in the Nile with a Belly Dancing and Oriental Show.

**Day 12** Nov 22  (B, L, D)

Cairo – Luxor / Nile Cruise

After breakfast, we will transfer to Cairo Airport for our flight to Luxor. Upon arrival, we will transfer and board a Nile Cruise to Aswan and enjoy lunch on board. Visits of the East bank include the Temple of Karnak & the Temple of Luxor, an impressive complex of buildings dedicated to the Egyptian Pharaohs. Both temples have been UNESCO World Heritage Sites since 1979. After that, we will enjoy a Sound & Light show focusing on Egyptian History in Karnak Temple. Transfer back to the cruise for dinner and overnight on board in Luxor.

Accommodation: M/S Le Fayan Nile Cruise, deluxe 5* cruise
After breakfast, we will visit the West bank, one of the most stunning landscapes in Egypt. We will enjoy our half day tour that includes the **Colossi of Memnon**, two 18 meters high massive stone statues of the Pharaoh Amenhotep III, who reigned in Egypt during the Dynasty XVIII. The limestone cliff-cut Temple of Hatshepsut at **Deir el-Bahari**, is a complex of mortuary temples and tombs. It has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1979. **The Valley of Kings** is the home to the tombs of ancient Egyptian Kings. Later in the day, we will sail to the farming town of Esna.

**Day 13** *Nov 23*  
**Luxor – Esna** *(B, L, D)*

**Day 14** *Nov 24*  
**Esna – Edfu – Kom-Ombo** *(B, L, D)*

This morning, we will continue to Edfu to visit the **Temple of Edfu**, one of Egypt’s best preserved relics dedicated to the god Horus. Then we will sail to Kom-Ombo to visit the (double) **Temple of Kom-Ombo**, dedicated to the gods Sobek and Haroeris. We will spend the night onboard in Kom-Ombo.

**Day 15** *Nov 25*  
**Kom – Ombo – Aswan – Abu Simbel – Aswan** *(B, L, D)*

Today, we will have an early morning excursion to **Abu Simbel**, where giant temples await inspection. Abu Simbel Temples are two massive rock temples in Nubia, located in southern Egypt on the western bank of Lake Nasser. It is part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site known as the “Nubian Monuments,” which run from Abu Simbel downriver to Philae (near Aswan). On the return to Aswan, **Lunch Boxes** will be provided. Then, we will return to the cruise for dinner and spend the night on board.

**Day 16** *Nov 26*  
**Aswan – Cairo** *(B, L)*

The Nile River Cruise adventure will end today. Before we disembark, we will take a motorized felucca tour around this area. From the felucca boat, we will view the once-central **Elephantine Island**, **Kitchener’s Island**, the **Botanical Gardens** and then get a glimpse of the pink granite **Mausoleum of Aga Khan**, a 20th century wealthy leader of a Shi’ite sect. After that, we will return to the cruise for lunch. Then we will disembark from the cruise and head to Aswan Airport for our afternoon flight to Cairo. Upon arrival at Cairo Airport we will transfer to the hotel and enjoy the rest of the day on our own.

**Day 17** *Nov 27*  
**Cairo** *(B, L, D)*

The highlight for today is the **Great Sphinx of Giza**, the iconic image of Egypt that is a statue of a reclining lion with a human head that stands on the Giza Plateau. We will also visit three famous pyramids including the **Great Pyramid of Khufu (Cheops)**, the last surviving representative of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World; the **Pyramid of Khafre (Chephren)**, slightly smaller than the Great Pyramid; and the **Pyramid of Menkaure (Mycerinus)**, the smallest of the Giza Pyramids. Visit the **Step Pyramid**, considered to be the earliest large-scale stone construction, and located in Sakkara with a huge cemetery and active burial ground nearby. After that, proceed to another important historical site, **Memphis**, which was once the capital of ancient Egypt. After dinner, we will return to our hotel.

**Day 18** *Nov 28*  
**Cairo** *(B, L)*

After breakfast, we will enjoy a full day of sightseeing in Cairo. First, we will visit the famous **Egyptian Museum**, home to an extensive collection of more than 100,000 ancient Egyptian antiquities. Besides seeing many of these antiquities, we will also enter the **Mummy Room** in the museum. After that, we will visit the **Saladin Citadel of Cairo**, a medieval Islamic fortification. The **Alabaster Mosque of Mohamed Ali**, one of the landmarks and tourist attractions of Cairo and is one of the first structures to be seen when approaching the city from any direction. After lunch, we will visit the **Old Bazaar of Khan el Khalili** for last minute shopping before transferring to Cairo Airport for our flight home. Tonight, we will transfer to the airport and board the flight back to **Los Angeles**.

***Depart to airport at 8:00PM. Our flight leaves at 12:45 AM on Nov 22.***

**Day 19** *Nov 29*  
**Cairo – Los Angeles**

Our flight to Los Angeles leaves after midnight. Upon arrival, proceed to immigration and customs. We will ride the shuttle bus to our overnight hotel.

**Hotel Accommodation: Holiday Inn Los Angeles International Airport or similar**

**Day 20** *Nov 30*  
**Los Angeles – Honolulu**

We will take a flight back to Honolulu, taking home lasting memories of a magnificent Road to the Pyramids adventure.

😊 We wish you a safe journey and have many wonderful memories to share with family and friends! ☻

*B: Breakfast | L: Lunch | D: Dinner*
CHECK PAYMENT ONLY. A deposit of $1,000 per person is required at the time of application. The balance of payment is due on August 15, 2018. In case the balance of payment is not made within the required time period, Air and Sea Travel Center reserves the right to cancel reservations and charge a cancellation fee.

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Cancellation Policy:
Written notice is required for any cancellation.
Partial deposit, $300, is non-refundable after May 1, 2018.
$1,000 deposit is non-refundable if you cancel after July 26, 2018.

After July 26, 2018 to departure, the cancellation fee will be as follow:
** July 26 to August 26, 2018, $1,000 deposit per person is non-refundable;
** August 27 to September 26, 2018: 50% of total price plus any other service fee caused from the cancellation;
From September 27, 2018 to departure or withdrawal during the tour shall be regarded as willingly giving up all rights concerned, 100% of the total price, and the request for other service as substitute shall not be accepted.
Also we strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance when you make your reservation.

Remarks:
- International airfares from Honolulu
- Fares are per person, USD based on double occupancy and include all airline taxes and fees
- Business class is available, please call your agent for price
- Escorted tour with a minimum of 20 passengers
- Local English speaking tour guide service
- All Meals & Admissions as Stated
- All transfers and sightseeing by air conditioned coach
- Refer to “General Condition of Air & Sea”
- We reserve the right to modify the itinerary to ensure smooth operation
- Gratuity for Tour Guides & Drivers is included
- Jordan Visa & Egypt Visa fee are included
- Tour price is subject to change depending on any airfare increase, increase in government taxes, additional fuel charges and fluctuation of the rate of exchange between U.S. and foreign currency
- Tour price includes fuel surcharge & government taxes and fees. The tour price shown is current at time of listing and pricing on March 6, 2018