EGYPT & THE ETERNAL NILE
November 11-25, 2019

15 days for $4,797 total price from Detroit
($4,195 air, land & cruise inclusive plus $602 airline taxes and fees)

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A Special Small Group Tour for Alumni and Friends of MSU
Dear MSU Alumni and Friends,

The MSU Alumni Association invites you to travel on a special 15-day journey to Egypt. Led by an expert Egyptian guide, witness thousands of years of history on a unique, exciting itinerary.

Begin in Egypt's capital and largest city, Cairo, with its renowned ancient sites: the Egyptian Museum, the Sphinx, Sakkara, and the Pyramids of Giza. Relax during a three-night cruise on Lake Nasser, during which you visit ancient temples and monuments salvaged during the construction of the Aswan High Dam. Then, after a tour of the Aswan High Dam, a classic Nile voyage includes visits to Edfu’s Temple of Horus and Luxor’s acclaimed temples and tombs. Here, explore the Valley of the Kings and the Valley of the Queens, and then visit Karnak, arguably the greatest temple complex of them all. Conclude your tour back in Cairo with a visit to the lively Khan el-Khalili bazaar and exploration of Old Cairo.

We are pleased to share this departure with alumni from the University of Arizona. Space is limited to 24 guests in total from both schools, and will fill quickly. Please call today to reserve your place!

Go Green!

Regina Cross
Director of Alumni Travel
MSU Alumni Association

Enclosed is my/our deposit for $______($500 per person) for ____ person(s) on Egypt & the Eternal Nile departing November 11, 2019. I/We understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and send, with completed reservation form, to: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., Attn: Special Interest Groups, One Newton Place, 275 Washington Street, Suite 300, Newton, MA 02458. Or you may call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765. You may also call the MSU Alumni Association toll-free at 888-697-2863 for more information.

THE MSU RESERVATION FORM: EGYPT & THE ETERNAL NILE

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Method of Payment

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Cover photo: On Day 4 we travel to the Giza plateau to see the legendary pyramids.

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Accompanied by an expert Egyptian guide, this singular small group journey through antiquity travels from vibrant Cairo and the Great Pyramids to Abu Simbel and the Upper Nile for a fascinating cruise on Lake Nasser. Then: a classic voyage along the Lower Nile from Aswan to Luxor before returning to Cairo.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Cairo, Egypt

Day 2: Arrive Cairo We arrive in the Egyptian capital and transfer to our hotel. As guests’ arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities or meals planned.

Day 3: Cairo After a morning briefing, our full-day tour begins at the acclaimed Egyptian Museum, the world’s greatest repository of ancient relics. Then we tour the Citadel of Saladin housing the alabaster Mosque of Mohamed Ali. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. B,L,D

Day 4: Cairo Today’s tour starts at the open-air museum at Memphis, Egypt’s first capital (3100 BCE). We continue on to the necropolis at Sakkara then to the astounding Pyramids of Giza, the wonders of antiquity that have drawn visitors for millennia. Here, we encounter the enigmatic Sphinx, whose leonine body and human face were carved from a single piece of limestone. B,L

Day 5: Cairo/Abu Simbel/Embark Lake Nasser Cruise Early this morning we fly south to Aswan then continue by coach across the edge of the Sahara to Abu Simbel. We board our Lake Nasser ship in time for lunch, then visit the temples and colossal 65-foot-high statues of Ramses II and his wife Nefertari that were dismantled and moved to higher ground during the construction of the Aswan dam. Tonight we watch a dramatic sound-and-light show at Abu Simbel. B,L,D

Day 6: Lake Nasser Cruising – Kasr Ibrim/Amada/Wadi el-Seboua Early risers can watch the sun climb over the temples at Abu Simbel before we sail to Kasr Ibrim, the last remaining Nubian settlement in its original location. From the sun deck we learn about this ancient site (it’s forbidden to go ashore here), then sail to Amada, followed by Wadi el-Seboua. B,L,D

Day 7: Lake Nasser Cruising – Valley of the Lions/Aswan This morning we visit the striking avenue of sphinxes in Wadi el-Seboua’s “Valley of the Lions” then cruise to Aswan. B,L,D

Small Group Tour Highlights

Cairo’s intriguing ancient sites, including the Great Pyramids, Sphinx, Memphis, Sakkarah • Old Cairo touring • Renowned Egyptian Museum • Abu Simbel’s dramatic temples • Sound & Light show at Abu Simbel • Lake Nasser cruise through ancient Nubian homeland • Aswan’s temples at Kalabsha • Nile felucca sail • Nile River cruise • Aswan Dam visit • Ancient temple complexes at Kamak and Luxor • Valley of the Kings and Valley of the Queens • Egypt’s inestimable historic atmosphere

Day Itinerary Hotel Rating
1 Depart U.S. for Cairo
2-4 Cairo Fairmont Nile City Deluxe
5-7 Abu Simbel/Lake Nasser cruise M/S Prince Abbas Sup. First Class
8-11 Nile cruise M/S Sunray Deluxe
12 Luxor Steigenberger Nile Palace Sup. First Class
13-14 Cairo Fairmont Nile City Deluxe
15 Depart Cairo for U.S.

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.
Day 8: Disembark/Aswan/Embark Nile Cruise Ship

We set out early this morning to visit New Kalabsha, site of the largest freestanding Nubian temple, which was relocated here for the construction of the Aswan Dam. We return to our ship for breakfast then bid farewell to the crew as we embark on a tour of the Aswan High Dam. Next we visit the imposing temple to Isis on Agilkia Island before boarding our Nile cruise ship. This afternoon we embark small feluccas, replicas of ancient Nile sailboats, for a relaxing sail. Back on board our ship tonight we enjoy the Captain's welcome cocktail party.

Day 9: Nile Cruising – Kom Ombo/Edfu/Luxor

This morning we sail to the ancient trading town of Kom Ombo, with outstanding Nile views from the Temple of Sobek. After returning to our ship, we sail on to Edfu where we explore Edfu’s Temple of Horus, Egypt's best-preserved temple (built between 237 BCE–57 BCE). We return to our ship for lunch as we sail to Luxor (our final sail), enjoying a quiet afternoon on the Nile. A belly dance performance accompanies dinner tonight.

Day 10: Nile Cruising – Luxor/West Bank

Known in antiquity as Thebes, Luxor boasts vast temple complexes, tombs, and statues dating from 2755 BCE that represent the pinnacle of Egyptian architecture. Today we explore the West Bank, site of the haunting Valley of the Kings, where 34 royal tombs feature magnificent paintings; the Valley of the Queens; and the Temple of Hatshepsut honoring one of the few female pharaohs. We also see the massive Colossi of Memnon, two 64-foot-high statues of Amenhotep III that once guarded the gates of his mortuary temple.

Day 11: Nile Cruising – Luxor/East Bank

Today we tour Luxor’s East Bank, home of Karnak, the greatest temple complex of them all, whose ruins stretch for more than a mile to connect with Luxor. Built over a period of 1,500 years, Karnak boasts a breadth and diversity of buildings not seen elsewhere. We also explore Luxor Temple, whose builders included both Tutankhamun and Alexander the Great. Here, at the Great Court of Ramses II,
we see the ancient obelisk whose twin presides over Place de la Concorde in Paris.  B,L,D

Day 12: Disembark/Luxor  We have the choice to rise early to see the West Bank from above on a hot air balloon ride. We disembark our ship later this morning and transfer to our hotel.  This afternoon we tour the Luxor Museum, housing relics discovered at the site.  Dinner tonight is on our own.  B,L

Day 13: Luxor/Cairo  We fly to Cairo today. After checking in at our hotel, we visit the lively Khan el-Khalili bazaar. This afternoon is free for independent exploration.  B

Day 14: Cairo  This morning we encounter Old Cairo, the district where early capital cities once stood and now only remnants remain. We visit 5th-century St. Sergius Church, the Coptic church of el-Muallaqa, and Ben Ezra Synagogue.  Mid-day we return to our hotel where tonight we enjoy a farewell dinner.  B,D

Day 15: Depart for U.S.  Very early this morning we transfer to the airport for our return flight to the U.S.  B

Your Tour Price Includes

• Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within Egypt
• 13 nights’ accommodations: 6 nights in Deluxe and Superior First Class hotels; 7 nights aboard Deluxe and Superior First Class ships
• 32 meals: 13 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 9 dinners
• Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
• Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip, including shore excursions
• Luggage handling for one bag per person
• Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Lake Nasser Cruise
M/S Prince Abbas

Nile Cruise
M/S Sunray

We sail traditional feluccas along the Nile.

Tour Departs: November 11, 2019
Prices include int’l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

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Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy in an outside cabin on both cruises and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $602, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add $1,195. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: $3,195 per person (upgrade subject to availability and pricing subject to change). Upgrade cost is in addition to the costs above.

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking on uneven terrain and at sites of ancient ruins. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.

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The MSU Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a considerable amount of walking and you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own. We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our tour itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or email us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, the MSU Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air Transportation – Important Information: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.

Travel Insurance: We strongly suggest purchasing travel insurance. Travel insurance information will be sent to you with your confirmation letter from the MSU Alumni Association.

JOIN MSU ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ON A SPECIAL TOUR TO EGYPT!

Guaranteed Small Group: Limited to 24 Guests