10 DAYS • 21 MEALS • CAIRO > CAIRO

TREASURES OF THE PHARAOHS

featuring a four-night Nile River Cruise

Departure Date: September 16, 2027

Ancient wonders, golden deserts, and vibrant souqs make Egypt an unforgettable destination. Begin with three nights in Cairo, exploring with a knowledgeable Egyptologist. Stand in awe before the Pyramids of Giza and the mysterious Sphinx. Then, cruise the Nile aboard the elegant Jaz Regent for four nights, visiting Karnak, Luxor, Horus, and Kom Ombo Temples. Discover the Valley of the Kings, Queen Hatshepsut's Temple, and sail a traditional felucca—embracing the timeless magic of the Land of the Pharaohs.

PEORIA CHARTER TRAVEL

Marvel at the magnificent temples in Abu Simbel

DAY 1 Depart the USA
Depart the USA on your transatlantic overnight flight to Cairo, Egypt.

DAY 2 Cairo, Egypt
Upon arrival, you'll be met by a representative of Mayflower Cruises & Tours and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure in this remarkable city that offers renowned history and culture.

DAY 3 Cairo
Your day begins with a visit to the iconic Citadel of Saladin and the Mosque of Muhammad Ali. Continue on to Khan El Khalili market and stroll along El Moez street as you wander through the world's oldest marketplace, dating back as far as 1382. After an included lunch at a local restaurant, return to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure.
Meals: B, L

Sail the Nile River aboard a traditional felucca

DAY 4 Cairo
After breakfast, tour the Grand Egyptian Museum. See the spectacular treasures of King Tutankhamen and the extensive collection of Egyptian artifacts covering 5,000 years of history. Following an included lunch, depart for the Giza Plateau to witness the last remaining "wonder" of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. The Great Pyramids of Giza are perhaps the most famous and discussed structure in history. Marvel at the size and majesty of the Great Sphinx - a symbol that has represented the essence of Egypt for more than 4,500 years. This evening immerse yourself in local culture with a visit to the home of an Egyptian family, who will host an authentic dining experience. Meet the family, see their home, learn about local life, and enjoy delicious home-cooked food! Meals: B, L, D

DAY 5 Cairo / Luxor
Depart for the Cairo airport for an early morning flight to Luxor, previously known as Thebes, and founded in 1400 BC. Upon arrival, exploration begins with a visit to the temples. Two grandiose seated statues greet you upon entering the Luxor Temple Complex, one of the best-preserved ancient sites in the world. Filled with courtyards, statues, and a 32-column Hypostyle Hall, the grounds are sure to amaze. In comparison, the Karnak Temple Complex is much larger and is the largest religious building ever constructed. Decayed temples, chapels, pylons, and a large Hypostyle Hall with carved columns will leave you in awe. Reboard the coach for the short journey to the embarkation point of your ship. Enjoy a relaxing lunch onboard and time to acquaint yourself with the amenities of the vessel. This afternoon, join your guide for a visit to the Papyrus Institute to learn about this important product, how it's made, and its use throughout history. Meals: B, L, D

DAY 6 Luxor / Edfu
Begin the day with an optional sunrise hot air balloon ride over the amazing sites of the area. After breakfast, today's excursion visits the stunning tombs at the Valley of the Kings where, for a period of nearly 500 years, tombs were constructed for the Pharaohs and powerful nobles of the New Kingdom. The walls of the tombs are covered with

Karnak Temple Complex in Luxor

hieroglyphic writing including text from the Book of the Dead. You'll visit King Tut's tomb, and the Queen Hatshepsut Temple which took fifteen years to complete, between the 7th and the 22nd years of her reign. A photo stop is made by the giant Colossi of Memnon before reboarding the ship and departing Luxor. This afternoon, sail to Edfu located on the west bank of the Nile River, some sixty miles south of Luxor. Its ancient name was Wetjeset-Hrw, or "The Place Where Horus is Extolled". Meals: B, L, D

Optional Excursion: Hot air balloon ride ($235.00 per person)

DAY 7 Edfu / Kom Ombo

After breakfast, visit the Temple of Horus in Edfu which is dedicated to Horus, the falcon-headed god. Not only is this the best preserved ancient temple in Egypt, but it is the second largest after Karnak. In the afternoon, sail to Kom Ombo, a pleasant agricultural town and home to many Nubians. Upon arrival, visit the unusual Temple of Kom Ombo dedicated to both Horus and the crocodile god Sobek. After re-embarking, the ship sails for Aswan. Relax on the Sun Deck as you cruise along the Nile. Meals: B, L, D

DAY 8 Aswan

After breakfast, enjoy a tour to the lovely Temple of Philae, one of the last outposts of Egyptian religion, surviving two centuries after the Roman Empire converted to Christianity. This afternoon, enjoy a scenic felucca ride on the Nile. A felucca is a traditional sailboat, relying solely on wind-power, used to transport people and goods on the river. What a great way to enjoy some of the stunning views of the Nile, just as Cleopatra did so many centuries ago! Meals: B, L, D

DAY 9 Aswan / Abu Simbel / Cairo

This morning, it's time to disembark the vessel and encounter one final spectacular sight. Transfer to the Aswan airport for the short flight to Abu Simbel for a visit of the UNESCO World Heritage Site known as the "Nubian Monuments". Built by one of Egypt's greatest Pharaoh's, Ramses II, the larger temple celebrates himself, and the smaller honors his favorite wife, Queen Nefertari. A light lunch is provided at the airport before re-boarding the flight to Cairo. This evening, your Tour Manager hosts a farewell dinner at the hotel. Meals: B, L, D

EXCEPTIONAL INCLUSIONS

- 21 Meals: 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 6 dinners
- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Guided by a local English-speaking Egyptologist
- Three-night hotel stay in Cairo before your river cruise
- Visit the Giza Plateau to see the Great Pyramids and Sphinx
- See spectacular ancient artifacts in Cairo's Egyptian Museum
- Enjoy a home-hosted evening with dinner in the home of a local family
- Four-night cruise on the Nile River
- Shore excursions in ports of call
- All meals included onboard the cruise
- Performance by local artists onboard the ship
- Included excursion to Abu Simbel, by air
- All program gratuities included

DAY 10 Cairo / USA

This morning, transfer to the Cairo airport and return home with memories of the life enriching experiences from Egypt and your cruise along the Nile River. Meal: B

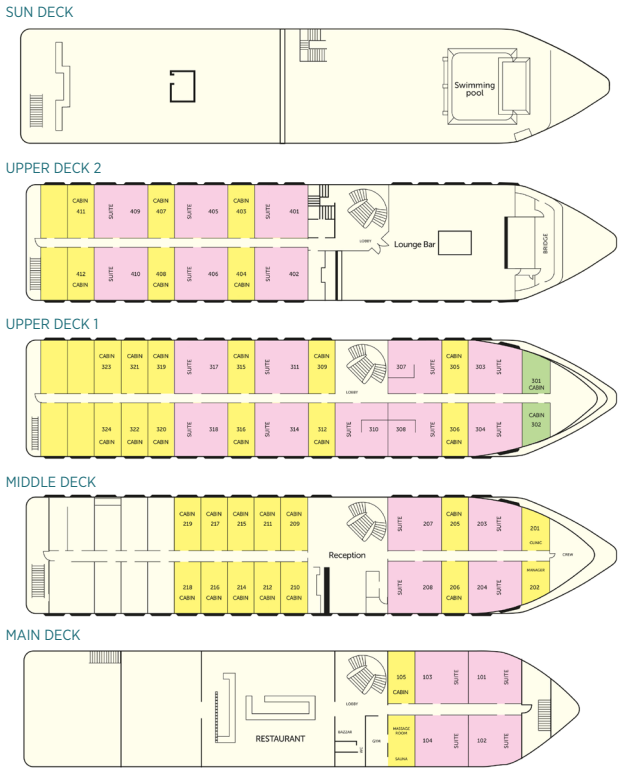
Itinerary and vessel are subject to change.

HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 2 through 4 – Four Seasons First Residence, Cairo, Egypt
Days 5 through 8 – Aboard the *Jaz Regent*
Day 9 – InterContinental City Stars Hotel, Cairo, Egypt

JAZ REGENT

Built: 2021 **Cabins:** 34 **Suites:** 23 **Length:** 237 ft. **Crew:** 55



Sailing the legendary Nile River, the *Jaz Regent* offers an intimate and elegant small ship experience. This boutique vessel features beautifully appointed cabins, inviting public spaces, and panoramic views from every deck. Enjoy exceptional service, regional cuisine, and guided exploration of Egypt's most iconic sites—all from the comfort of your floating hotel on one of the world's most storied waterways.

Public Areas and Ship Amenities

- Swimming pool
- Sun Deck Bar
- Gym and Sauna
- Massage*
- Restaurant
- Lounge and Bar
- Gift Shop
- Egyptologist onboard
- Laundry service*
- Voltage: 220V

Standard River-View Stateroom (204 ft²)

- Stylish furniture, luxurious bedding, fully air-conditioned with individual climate control, 220V voltage
- Mini-bar*, personal safe, coffee/tea kettle
- TV with satellite reception, several English-language stations, including news and movie channels
- Free WiFi Internet
- All staterooms have a private bathroom with bath tub and shower, hair dryer

*additional cost

Tour Code 593TP **2027 Departure Date**	MIDDLE OR UPPER DECK 1 Standard River-View Stateroom	
	PER PERSON TWIN	SINGLE ROOM
September 16	$5,899	+ $2,099

Pricing includes the 8 day/7 night land and cruise program, roundtrip air from Chicago O'Hare airport, intra-tour air within Egypt, gratuities for Egyptian staff, and local transfers to and from Chicago O'Hare and the Bloomington/Peoria areas.

Special $5,899 pricing ends on January 31, 2027 and increases to $6,028.

Passport and Visas required on this program.
The Visa needs to be completed by the traveler.
The fee is currently $30 per person and must be paid by the traveler directly (price subject to change).

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group and may not be available until airport check-in. Seat changes can only be attempted at the airport and may not be possible. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend booking air on your own rather than booking air with the group.

Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) for River Cruises – $569 per person

This nonrefundable fee will provide a refund to you during the instance that you have to cancel your trip. The cancellation has to be for a covered reason (see Plan for details on coverage) and we have to be notified at least one day prior to departure. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness or the illness or death of an immediate family member, TPP will provide a refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets are purchased through Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Please review the Plan for details on coverage. Should you choose not to purchase our TPP, the following per person cancellation charges will be assessed for all tours and optional excursion costs:

- 121 days or more prior to departure: Deposit Amount
- 120 days to day of departure: 100% of total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

1	2	3	4	5
EASY				ENERGETIC

Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its Refund and Cancellation Policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Plan and benefits offered and administered by Trip Mate, Inc.

POST-TRIP JORDAN OPTIONAL EXTENSION

3 NIGHTS • 7 MEALS Experience the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan – a country that once captivated ancient travelers and continues to captivate travelers to this day. Visit Madaba, known as the 'City of Mosaics' and see its famous 6th-century mosaic map of Jerusalem and the Holy Land. Mt. Nebo is one of the most revered holy sites of Jordan and the place where Moses was buried. In Petra, stand in awe of the amazing Treasury and other archaeological sites from the ancient world. In the modern capital of Amman, enjoy a city tour, visit to the Jordan Museum and swim in the Dead Sea.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Day 10 – Hayat Zaman, Petra, Jordan
Days 11 and 12 – Signia by Hilton, Amman, Jordan

$1,399 Per Person Twin / Single Supplement add $499
Airfare from Cairo to Amman not included, and to be booked by Mayflower. Please call for rates.

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