EGYPT & JORDAN = $2890 (16 days/15 nights in Egypt & Jordan)

Included – Hotels, breakfasts, 3 lunches, 4 dinners, entries, flight from Cairo to Amman, transportation, guides, Matt and/or Suzan Ebiner as group leader
Not Included – Airfare from USA (about $800); meals not listed above, tips to guides and drivers

**Highlights:**
- Pyramids & Sphinx of Giza, Cairo (Citadel, Khan el Khalili bazaar, Egyptian Museum with King Tut’s treasures), Camel Ride to an old desert monastery, Nubian village and dinner, Luxor (Valley of the Kings and Hatshepsut Temple), Felucca (traditional sailboat) ride on the Nile River from Aswan to Kom Ombo (1 night sleeping on deck on the Nile riverbank);
- Jordan: Wadi Rum (desert safari and camp, Bedouin culture); Petra (ancient city carved into stone cliffs; one of the greatest archeological sites in the world); Madaba (Byzantine mosaics), Dead Sea (float in the saltiest, lowest body of water on earth), Amman (Jordan’s capital); Jerash (great ancient Roman city)

**Sun 1/24/21 Depart USA to Egypt**
Depart the USA for Cairo, Egypt

**Mon 1/25/21 Arrive Cairo, Egypt**
Welcome to Egypt! Two nights in Cairo at Pyramisa Suites Hotel (5*) or equivalent.

**Tue 1/26/21 Cairo**
Spend a full day in Cairo to enjoy some of Egypt’s highlights. Start at the Pyramids and Sphinx, and marvel at the most famous ancient site on the planet. For extra cost you can ride a camel or go inside the interior of one of the pyramids. In the afternoon visit the outstanding Egyptian Museum, admiring the treasures from the tomb of King Tut. Night #2 in Cairo.

**Wed 1/27/21 Cairo**
Explore Islamic Cairo on foot. Visit the Citadel, home to Egypt’s rulers for 700 years, with impressive Mohammed Ali Mosque and superb views over Cairo. Visit Khan al-Khalili Bazaar, a medieval-era marketplace with shops selling everything. In the evening take a night train (11 hours) to Aswan in southern Egypt. Sleep in comfortable twin-bed compartments with lockable doors

**Thu 1/28/21 Cairo**
Our train arrives in Aswan at 8:30 am. Free time in the morning and early afternoon with the option to visit the Temple of Philae or Aswan High Dam. In the mid-afternoon ride a felucca (traditional sailboat) across the Nile River. Ride a camel (30 minutes) to the ruined 7th-century monastery of St. Simeon followed by a visit to a Nubian village where we have dinner in a local home. Two nights in Aswan at Pyramisa Isis Corniche (4*) or equivalent, right on the Nile River.

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Fri 1/29/21  Aswan
Early morning option to visit Abu Simbel, perhaps the most impressive monument in Egypt. Aswan to Abu Simbel takes 3 hours on a bus (6 hours round-trip), departing Aswan around 4 am, and costs ~$100. A more expensive option is to take a round-trip flight to Abu Simbel (~$300). Afternoon is free to shop in the Aswan bazaar, walk along the Nile promenade, or visit the Temple of Philae. Night #2 in Aswan

Sat 1/30/21  Felucca Ride
Board a felucca to sail down the Nile towards Luxor. Feluccas are traditional sailboats, very relaxing and a highlight for many travelers. Only our group is on the felucca along with the Nubian crew. Absorb the views of traditional, rural Egyptian culture along the river. There are no toilets on the felucca, but we have a private support boat that travels with us, with toilets & showers. Night is spent on deck, sleeping under the stars as we are docked on the Nile riverbank.

Sun 1/31/21  Kom Ombo – Luxor
Felucca trip ends in Kom Ombo. Visit Kom Ombo Temple and then take a bus to Luxor. Visit the wonderful Temple of Karnak in Luxor. Option to visit Luxor Temple, spectacularly lit in the evening. Two nights in Luxor at Aracan Eatabe Luxor Hotel (4*) or equivalent.

Mon 2/1/21  Luxor
Visit the sites of Luxor. See the Colossi of Memnon, standing solitary in a field; these 60’ tall statues are the sole remains of an ancient temple. Visit the Temple of Hatshepsut, dramatically nestled amidst stark limestone outcrops. Explore the Valley of the Kings with rock-cut corridors leading to tombs of the pharaohs. Entry ticket allows visits to 3 tombs of your choice; King Tut’s tomb costs extra. Night #2 in Luxor.

Tue 2/2/21  Luxor – Cairo – Amman
Fly from Luxor to Cairo; connect to a flight to Amman, Jordan (flight included in trip cost). Free time in the afternoon in Amman, capital of Jordan. Two nights in Amman at Ayass Hotel (4*) or equivalent.

Wed 2/3/21  Jerash
Day trip to Jerash, one of the greatest ancient Roman cities. Return to Amman with free time in the afternoon. Night #2 in Amman.

Thu 2/4/21  Amman to Dead Sea
Descend to the Dead Sea, the lowest point on the surface of the earth. Go for a swim (float) in the extremely salty water; it is impossible to sink! Visit Mt. Nebo, with awesome views from the place where Moses died. Option to visit Jesus’ Baptism Site on the Jordan River. One night at Ramada Resort Dead Sea (4*) or equivalent.

Fri 2/5/21  Dead Sea to Wadi Rum
We travel along the Dead Sea to Wadi Rum, one of the most famous desert areas of the Middle East and was featured in the movie “Lawrence of Arabia”. It has spectacular desert scenery and is home to Bedouin nomads. Go on a 2-hour 4x4 tour of Wadi Rum Protected Area to see the most magnificent sites. One night at Wadi Rum 7 Pillars Camp, with beds in a gouthair tent. Absorb the Bedouin culture with a traditional meal and music around the campfire.

Sat 2/6/21  Wadi Rum to Petra
In the morning see more of the desert at Wadi Rum, with the option to go on a camel ride. From Wadi Rum we drive 2 hours to the rock-carved city of Bayda (“Little Petra”). Continue to the town of Wadi Musa, just outside the remarkable ancient city of Petra. Two nights in Wadi Musa at Shaqilath Hotel (3*) or equivalent.

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Sun 2/7/21  Petra
Spend the entire day in Petra, arguably the most impressive ancient city of the entire Middle East. Walk through the Siq (narrow canyon) to reach Petra, just like Indiana Jones in the “Last Crusade”. Gaze at the Treasury, the towering façade carved into the red sandstone cliffs. Hike up to the High Place of Sacrifice, with stunning views over Petra. For the energetic, hike an hour to the Monastery, the most imposing façade of Petra. Total walking to all of the sites is about 5 miles, with an option to hire a camel to ride part of the way. Night #2 in Wadi Musa.

Mon 2/8/21  Petra to Amman
Drive the panoramic King’s Highway. Stop in Madaba to visit St. George’s Church, with a remarkable 6th century mosaic map of the Holy Land. Continue to Amman, for a farewell dinner. One night in Amman at Ayass Hotel or equivalent. Many flights leave at night or in the early morning hours just past midnight (e.g., 2:30 AM). You could depart early morning of February 9 if you want.

Tue 2/9/21  Departure from Jordan
Since many flights leave Amman late at night or the early morning (2:30 am) of February 10 you will have a full day to explore Amman. Amman has an excellent Roman theatre and 8th century palace on a hilltop with great views.

Wed 2/10/21  Arrive Home in the USA
Or arrive home one day earlier if you depart the early morning of February 9.

EGYPT/JORDAN TRIP COST = $2890; $200 discount available to make final price $2690

Not included
- Airfare (about $800 LAX-CAI; AMM-LAX)
- Tips (Egypt has a big tipping culture; each participant should contribute $120 in tips for guides and drivers)
- Lunches and dinners; Optional Activities

Accommodations
- Price is based on 2 people to a room
- Single room supplement is +$500; there are 3 nights where no single supplement is available (1 night on sleeper train in twin berths; 1 night desert camping in Wadi Rum; 1 night sleeping on the felucca)
- Hotels are rated 3, 4, and 5 stars by Egyptian standards, but would be classified as 2, 3, or 4 stars by European standards

Transportation
- Private tour bus; plane; train; felucca; camel

Leader/Guide & Group Size
- Suzan and/or Matt Ebiner will lead the group throughout; we will have an Egyptian guide in Egypt and a Jordanian guide in Jordan
- Group size will be approximately 12-20 people

Pace/Physical Effort/Culture Shock/Weather
- This trip has a moderate pace and participants should be willing to walk up to 2 or 3 miles a day. There is a long overnight train journeys (11 hours long, but you should be able to sleep much of that), and a couple of long days in a bus (5+ hours).
- Egyptians are friendly but sometimes aggressive salespeople (they figure they have 10 seconds to get your attention as you walk past their shops). They drive a hard bargain and prices are rarely labeled. Travelers need to learn how to bargain effectively.
- Poverty and litter are sometimes a shock to see, but most travelers quickly adapt and accept the reality of Egypt’s situation.
- The weather is mild in Egypt, up to 80F in Aswan and Luxor; it is cool or cold at night, with temperatures as low as the 30s in Jordan in the early morning; Egypt gets almost no rain, but Jordan might have some cloudy or rainy days.

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1. Register online at WWW.GEOTOURS.US/TOUR/EGYPT-JORDAN-2021 (recommended) or fill out this form.
2. Attach a $400 deposit (made payable to GeoTours LLC) to this form and mail to GeoTours at the address below or submit payment online through www.venmo.com or www.paypal.com, payable to payment@geotours.us or 310-686-8171. You can also make an online Zelle bank transfer through your bank to payment@geotours.us or 310-686-8171 (GeoTours phone #).
4. Final payment is due on October 15.
5. Payments made after November 15 will be assessed a $50 late fee.

Payments should be made payable to GeoTours LLC and sent to:
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PARTICIPANT INFORMATION (Please print clearly and use your precise name as it appears, or will appear, on your passport)
First Name ___________________________ Last Name ___________________________ Gender: __________
Address ___________________________________________________________________________ City, State __________ Zip __________
Are you a US citizen? Yes ___ No ______ I am a citizen of ___________________________ Passport # __________ Expiration __________
Email Address ___________________________ Date of Birth ___________________________
Home Phone ( _____ ) ___________________________ Cell Phone ( _____ ) ___________________________

ACCOMMODATION REQUEST The program price is based on double occupancy. If you sign up without a roommate we will try to match you with someone of the same sex, but this is not guaranteed. If available, a single room incurs a supplement of $500.

Please check one: Sharing a Twin room (2 beds) ______ Sharing a Double room (1 large bed) ______ Single Room ______
Name of preferred roommate (if any) ___________________________
EMERGENCY CONTACT - Name ___________________________ Relationship ___________________________
Address ___________________________________________________________________________ City, State __________ Zip __________
Home Phone ( _____ ) ___________________________ Cell ( _____ ) ___________________________ Email Address ___________________________

CANCELLATIONS
To cancel your participation in the tour, you must inform GeoTours in writing. Cancellation date is the day GeoTours has received your written cancellation notice.

Date of Cancellation Cancellation Penalty (in addition to any non-recoverable costs already paid by GeoTours, such as airline tickets)
On or before March 31, 2020 $100 April 1 – May 31, 2020 $200
April 1 – June 30, 2020 $400 June 1 – July 31, 2020 $800

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