



Abela Eclipse Express

5 Night Group Tour

Experience the wonders of Egypt on an unforgettable journey combining ancient treasures, iconic landmarks and a once-in-a-lifetime total solar eclipse.

Explore the legendary pyramids of Giza and the spectacular Grand Egyptian Museum with an expert Egyptologist, before travelling south aboard the Abela Elite Sleeper Train through the timeless landscapes of the Nile Valley. Discover the temples and islands of Aswan and Luxor, enjoy a traditional felucca sailing experience, and witness the extraordinary spectacle of totality from a specially prepared Eclipse Festival on Luxor's West Bank.

With fascinating sightseeing, unique rail journeys and time to soak up the atmosphere of historic Cairo, this is an incredible way to experience Egypt.

Highlights:

- Witness the Total Solar Eclipse from Luxor's West Bank
- Marvel at the Pyramids of Giza and the Great Sphinx
- Explore the spectacular Grand Egyptian Museum
- Travel through the Nile Valley aboard the Abela Elite Sleeper Train
- Discover the temples of Philae and Luxor
- Sail the Nile aboard a traditional felucca

What's included:

- Getting there: Return flights to Cairo
- Meet and greet at the airport in Egypt to help with the visa/check in
- Transport: Private air-conditioned vehicles or buses, overnight sleeper trains
- Accommodation: 5 nights total duration - 2 nights Cairo, 2 nights sleeper train, 1 night Aswan
- Meals: 5 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 2 dinners
- English-speaking Egyptologist/guide during included sightseeing

Not included:

- Any meals (other than the one mentioned in the itinerary), drinks, tips, expenses of personal nature.
- Services not specified in the program
- Early/late check-in/out service at hotels (surcharge if requested)
- Travel insurance

Full Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive In Cairo

Upon arrival at Cairo International Airport, you will be met and assisted before enjoying a private transfer to your hotel. Check in and settle in for a comfortable overnight stay, ready for the adventure ahead.

ACCOMMODATION: 4* Novotel Cairo or similar



Day 2: Cairo and Journey to Aswan

After breakfast, meet your Egyptologist and begin your exploration of Cairo. Your first stop is the legendary Giza Plateau, home to the Great Pyramid of Khufu, the Pyramids of Khafre and Menkaure, and the enigmatic Great Sphinx. Take in these remarkable ancient wonders before continuing to the spectacular Grand Egyptian Museum, where thousands of years of Ancient Egyptian history come together in an extraordinary collection. Lunch will be served during the day's sightseeing.

In the evening, transfer to Cairo Railway Station and board the Abela Elite Sleeper Train. Settle into your private sleeping cabin as the Abela x Amisol Eclipse Express begins its overnight journey south through the Nile Valley towards Aswan.

ACCOMMODATION: Abela Elite Sleeper Train

MEALS INCLUDED: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 3: Aswan

Arrive in Aswan and meet your local guide before beginning your exploration of this beautiful city. Travel by motorboat to the island of Philae, where the magnificent Temple of Isis rises dramatically from the waters of the Nile.

After sightseeing, transfer to your hotel and check in. Later in the afternoon, enjoy a relaxing sailing experience aboard a traditional felucca, drifting around Aswan's islands while taking in the beautiful Nile scenery.

For those wishing to discover more about the region's unique culture, an optional visit to a Nubian Village can be arranged, offering an insight into traditional Nubian life and local customs.

Return to your hotel and enjoy an early evening, ready for the unforgettable day ahead.

ACCOMMODATION: 4* Gloria Aqua Park Hotel, Aswan or similar

MEALS INCLUDED: Breakfast



Day 4: Total Solar Eclipse Day

An unforgettable day begins early, with a transfer at approximately 5:00 AM to Aswan Railway Station. Board the morning train to Luxor, arriving at approximately 7:00 AM, where you will meet your Egyptologist and travel directly to Luxor's legendary West Bank.

Explore some of Ancient Egypt's most iconic sites, including the Valley of the Kings, the magnificent Temple of Queen Hatshepsut and the towering Colossi of Memnon. After your sightseeing, continue to the specially prepared Eclipse Festival venue on Luxor's West Bank.

The Abela x Amisol Total Solar Eclipse Festival offers a reserved prime viewing area with individual guest space, chairs and umbrellas, water and soft drinks, light refreshments, Abela catering and a freshly grilled festival lunch. There will also be dedicated space for cameras and photographic equipment, alongside on-site local assistance and event coordination by Amisol Travel.

As the Moon gradually crosses the Sun, experience the anticipation build before Luxor is immersed in the breathtaking spectacle of totality - an extraordinary moment you are unlikely to ever forget.

Departure from the Eclipse Festival venue is planned from approximately 4:00 PM. In the evening, visit the magnificent Luxor Temple, particularly atmospheric after sunset, before transferring to Luxor Railway Station to board the Abela Elite Sleeper Train for your overnight journey back to Cairo.

ACCOMMODATION: Abela Elite Sleeper Train

MEALS INCLUDED: Breakfast, lunch, dinner



Day 5: Return to Cairo

Arrive in Cairo following your overnight rail journey and meet your local representative before continuing to historic Khan El Khalili. Wander through the atmospheric lanes of this famous bazaar, browsing traditional shops and cafés and soaking up the vibrant atmosphere of Old Cairo.

Afterwards, transfer to your hotel and check in. The remainder of the day is free to relax and unwind following your extraordinary journey through Upper Egypt.

ACCOMMODATION: 4* Novotel Cairo or similar

MEALS INCLUDED: Breakfast



Day 6: Farewell Egypt

After breakfast, check out from your hotel and transfer to Cairo Airport for your flight back to the UK.

As your Egyptian adventure comes to an end, take home unforgettable memories of Cairo's ancient wonders, the temples and landscapes of Upper Egypt, and the unique experience of travelling through the Nile Valley aboard Egypt's overnight sleeper trains. Above all, you'll have experienced the once-in-a-lifetime spectacle of a total solar eclipse from the heart of Egypt.

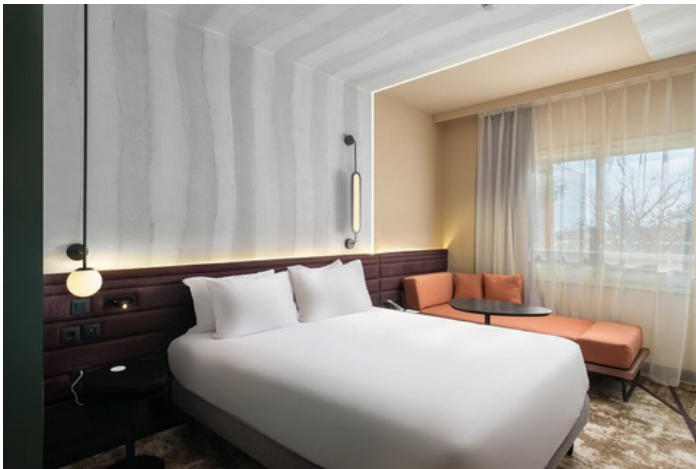
MEALS INCLUDED: Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

Your journey through Egypt combines comfort and character, with each stay carefully selected to complement your travel experience. From a stylish modern base in Cairo to the timeless charm of a Nile cruise and the romance of travelling by sleeper train, you'll enjoy quality accommodation, warm hospitality, and a relaxed atmosphere throughout your stay.

CAIRO – 4★ NOVOTEL CAIRO

Located just 15 minutes from the Grand Egyptian Museum and the Pyramids of Giza, the Novotel Cairo offers a contemporary and welcoming retreat after a day of exploration. The hotel features spacious rooms with modern amenities, an outdoor swimming pool, fitness centre, and a choice of international dining options. With friendly service and convenient access to Cairo's major sites, it provides an ideal balance of comfort and practicality for your time in the capital.



SLEEPER TRAIN – CAIRO TO ASWAN // ASWAN TO CAIRO

Travelling by sleeper train offers both comfort and a touch of old-world adventure. Cabins are designed to European standards, with twin bunk beds, private washbasins, and dedicated attendants providing bed linen and evening meals served airline-style in your compartment. Wake to the scenery of the Nile Valley unfolding outside your window, making your journey as memorable as the destinations themselves.



FAQs

ARE ECLIPSE GLASSES INCLUDED?

Eclipse glasses are not included in your tour package. We recommend bringing your own pair of certified solar eclipse glasses to safely enjoy this rare celestial event.

WHY DO I NEED SPECIAL GLASSES?

Looking directly at the sun, even during a partial eclipse, can cause serious and permanent eye damage, including retinal burns. Only ISO-certified solar eclipse glasses provide the proper protection to safely view the eclipse.

WHAT IS THE PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THIS SPECIAL DEPARTURE?

To secure your place on this once-in-a-lifetime journey, the full balance is required at the time of booking.

WHAT IF MY PLANS CHANGE?

We understand that flexibility is important when planning a special trip.

Until 4th February 2027, you will receive a 70% refund if you need to cancel.

From 5th February 2027 to 4th March 2027, you will receive a 40% refund if you need to cancel.

From 5th March 2027, the holiday become non-refundable, as final preparations for this exclusive experience will be underway.

We recommend securing comprehensive travel insurance to protect your investment and provide peace of mind.

TIPPING

Tipping is customary in Egypt and is an important part of the local tourism industry. While gratuities are always at your discretion, they are greatly appreciated by those who help make your trip enjoyable. As a guide, we recommend allowing approximately US\$3-5 per person, per day for your Tour Guide, payable directly to them at the end of the tour.

VISAS

British passport holders require a visa for travel to Egypt.

You can apply online for an e-visa, which is valid for up to 3 months, or you can obtain a visa on arrival at the airport before immigration. Please note that your passport should also be valid for at least 6 months from arrival into Egypt. Please check the FCDO website for more information.

HEALTH AND VACCINATIONS

Please note that there are no mandatory vaccinations required to enter Egypt. However, we recommend consulting your GP or a travel health clinic before you travel to ensure your routine vaccinations are up to date and to receive any personalised health advice.

SHOPS

Throughout the itinerary, there will be some stops at local shops. If you'd prefer not to participate, please let your guide know. While these shops may be slightly more expensive, they offer the reassurance of guaranteed returns, even after you've returned home.

PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY

This tour is suitable for most people with a good level of fitness and normal mobility. It includes activities such as climbing steep stairs, walking on uneven ground during excursions, and getting on and off coaches, vehicles, and boats.

CURRENCY

The official currency in Egypt is the Egyptian Pound (EGP), but USD is widely accepted. We recommend exchanging some currency before leaving the UK for convenience. However, cash machines are readily available in all major cities, allowing you to withdraw money in the local currency if needed.