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Welcome Aboard the Merit Dahabiyas Nile Cruise – An Intimate Journey Through Timeless Egypt

Picture yourself drifting along the legendary Nile, surrounded by palm-lined shores, ancient temples, and golden-hued sunsets. Welcome to the **Merit Dahabiyas Nile Cruise**, where tradition meets comfort on a voyage designed for those seeking a more personal, serene, and authentic Egyptian experience.

The **Merit Dahabiyas** are beautifully crafted traditional sailboats—elegant, quiet, and rich in character. Without the hum of motors, the boat is gently guided by a tugboat, allowing you to soak in the peaceful rhythms of the river. Unlike larger vessels, the Dahabiyas can access hidden gems like **Al Ramady Island** and **Hor Diab Island**, where you can swim in crystal-clear waters and explore secluded landscapes untouched by mass tourism.

Each of the **Four Merit Dahabiyas** offers the same thoughtfully curated experience—identical in design, service standards, and amenities—operated by our trusted partners to ensure a consistently high level of comfort and care. On board, you'll enjoy:

- Twin Deluxe Cabins and Large Deluxe Cabins.
- Sun Deck with heated Jacuzzi and panoramic views.
- Fully operational kitchens, emergency handling systems, and staff.

Cabin Amenities:

- Minibar
- Safe
- Air-conditioning
- Panoramic windows with openable views.

This is not just a cruise—it's a voyage into Egypt's soul. From the warmth of Egyptian hospitality to daily encounters with history, culture, and natural beauty, **every moment aboard the Merit Dahabiya is unforgettable.**

To view detailed photos of each boat, click below:

- [Merit Dahabiya 1](#)
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Get ready to make memories that will last a lifetime—your Nile adventure begins here.

Ready to Book Your Dream Nile Cruise?

The Merit Dahabiya is waiting to welcome you to Egypt's heart.

- With comfort
- Culture

And adventure at every turn, this is a journey you'll never forget.

? Why book with Journey To Egypt?

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- Relaxed 3-night Dahabiya Nile Cruise in a standard cabin with private en-suite facilities - no engine on board!
- All cabins with private bathroom & air-conditioning.
- All meals on board, including hot and soft drinks
- Guided sightseeing tours with a certified English-speaking tour guide
- Private transfers in Aswan and Luxor with licensed, professional drivers
- All taxes and service charges

? Excluded

- Internal Air.
- Personal spending.
- Tipping for Cruise crew, Drivers and Tour guide.

Day 1

(Wednesday): Discover the Beauty of Aswan – Egypt's Southern Gem

Begin your adventure in Aswan, a city filled with charm and history.

Please note: Aswan sightseeing program starts at 7:30 AM. After a warm welcome on board. Your day will be filled with visits to the magnificent Philae Temple and the monumental High Dam.

The rest of the day is yours to explore the local market and soak in the vibrant culture of Aswan before an overnight stay in the city.

Day 2

(Thursday): Abu Simbel – A Journey Back in Time

For early risers, today offers an unforgettable opportunity to visit the awe-inspiring Abu Simbel Temples, one of Egypt's most remarkable archaeological wonders. Marvel at the colossal statues of Ramses II and explore the interior chambers carved deep into the cliffs above the Nile.

This tour is optional and available at an additional cost of \$130 per person. After returning from Abu Simbel, you'll set sail toward Kom Ombo Temple, a unique double temple dedicated to the gods Sobek and Horus, where ancient carvings bring myth and history to life.

Your day ends with a serene journey to Al Ramady Island, where you'll spend the night. Enjoy a delightful dinner under the stars, surrounded by the peaceful sounds of the Nile — a truly magical setting.

Day 3

(Friday): The Temples of Luxor – A Grand Finale

As you sail towards Luxor, crossing the Esna Lock along the way, you'll arrive at the magnificent East Bank of Luxor. Explore the vast Luxor Temple and the towering pillars of the Karnak Temple, where you'll feel as though you've stepped into a living museum.

- Your day continues with dinner on board
- followed by an overnight stay on the West Bank of Luxor.

(Saturday): The Valley of Kings – Exploring the Pharaohs’ Final Resting Place

On your final day, you’ll visit the legendary Valley of the Kings, where the tombs of Egypt’s most famous pharaohs await.

Explore the magnificent Hatshepsut Temple and stand in awe before the monumental Colossi of Memnon. After an unforgettable journey through time,

you’ll disembark in Luxor, carrying with you memories of a lifetime.