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About

Welcome Aboard the Dahabiya MINYA – Your Nile Cruise Adventure

Step aboard the stunning Dahabiya MINYA, the "happy bride" of the Nile, and embark on a journey like no other. This 45-meter long and 8-meter wide traditional sailing ship is the epitome of elegance, designed to offer you an intimate, romantic experience as you glide along the legendary Nile River. With a capacity for just 14 guests, the MINYA offers an exclusive cruise with personalized service, ensuring that every moment of your journey is extraordinary.

The Dahabiya MINYA was completed in 2021, boasting six beautifully appointed cabins and one opulent suite. As you step inside, you'll be surrounded by a blend of comfort and Egyptian craftsmanship, from locally sourced bed linens to hand-picked decorative elements that reflect the heart of Egypt. The MINYA is not just a ship—it's a floating sanctuary, offering the most refined sailing experience on the Nile.

Whether you’re here to witness the ancient wonders or to relax in style, every moment aboard is curated to make your Egypt tour unforgettable.

4 Days / 3 Nights: Aswan to Luxor (Esna) (every Friday)
Step aboard the Dahabiya MINYA for a journey through the heart of Egypt, where ancient wonders meet modern luxury on the timeless Nile. With each day, you’ll uncover a new chapter of Egypt's rich history, all while floating in unparalleled comfort. Here’s your unforgettable adventure.

Ready to Experience the Magic of the Nile?
The Dahabiya MINYA invites you to immerse yourself in the romance and history of Egypt on an unforgettable Nile cruise. From the timeless temples to the tranquil riverbanks, every moment aboard this intimate sailing vessel is designed to create memories you’ll cherish forever.

Book your journey now and set sail on the adventure of a lifetime

Why book with Journey To Egypt?

- U.S.-registered corporation and travel agent
- TripAdvisor Traveler's Choice Award Winner from 2016 to 2024
- Expert local guides and authentic experiences

Why You'll Love This

Why Choose a Dahabiya Cruise?

Unlike large cruise ships, Dahabiyas like the MINYA offer an intimate escape from the bustling crowds, allowing you to explore Egypt’s hidden treasures at your own pace. These traditional sailing vessels, once beloved by early 20th-century explorers, have seen a revival as travelers seek the romantic and serene experience of cruising the Nile.

On a Dahabiya, you’ll enjoy exclusive access to spots that larger ships simply can’t reach—quaint islands, charming villages, and tranquil riverbanks where you can walk, explore, and immerse yourself in the local culture. The gentle wind in the sails, the sound of the river, and the picturesque sunsets over the Nile make every moment on board a dream come true.

Important to Know

Dahabiya MINYA – A Floating Retreat

The Dahabiya MINYA is designed for the discerning traveler who values comfort, elegance, and authenticity. Here’s what makes it special

- Cabins and Suite: Six double cabins and one spacious suite. Every cabin features air conditioning, a private bathroom with a shower, and two windows for scenic views.
- Suite: The 40m² suite offers a king-size bed, a private bathroom, and full-length glass doors with a panoramic view of the Nile. Equipped with a refrigerator, kettle, and hair dryer, this suite is the perfect sanctuary for your journey.
- Shaded Sun Deck: Relax on the 280m² sun deck with stunning views of the Nile. Perfect for unwinding, watching the stars, or enjoying a refreshing drink.
- Fresh, Locally Sourced Meals: Savor gourmet meals made from locally grown produce, with options tailored to your dietary needs, whether you’re vegan, vegetarian, or prefer traditional Egyptian dishes.

Related Cities

Luxor

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Included

- All transfers and excursions listed in the program.
- Accommodation on the 5-star Dahabiya Minya.
- Full board: breakfast, lunch, tea time, and dinner.
- Unlimited mineral water, tea, Nescafe coffee, and soft drinks.
- Entrance fees to all sites.
- Professional English-speaking tour guides.
- Taxes and all charges.

Excluded

- Personal expenses.
- Specialty coffees (Turkish/French coffee, cappuccino, etc.).
- Fresh fruit juices and alcoholic beverages.
- Tips for the crew, drivers, and tour guides.

Day By Day Itinerary

Day 1

Arrival in Aswan and Kom Ombo Temple

Welcome to Aswan, the gateway to Nubian culture and ancient wonders. In the morning, we will pick you up from your hotel and transfer you to the **Dahabiya MINYA,** moored and ready for your adventure. Once onboard,

we will visit the fascinating **Kom Ombo Temple**, a unique double temple dedicated to both Sobek, the crocodile god, and Haroeris, the falcon-headed god.

After the visit, return to the dahabiya to relax and **enjoy your first dinner** onboard as we anchor for the night.

Day 2

Gebel el Silsila and Island Stop

Enjoy a serene morning as we head to Gebel el Silsila, the ancient quarry site where pharaohs once extracted stones for their grand temples. Explore the rock-cut chapels and see inscriptions that tell stories of ancient kings.

After the visit, we will anchor at a tranquil island where you can take a refreshing dip in the Nile or unwind on deck, taking in the sunset. Dinner is served onboard, under the starry sky.

Day 3

Edfu Temple and Riverside Dinner

After breakfast, we will take you to **Edfu**, home to the best-preserved temple in Egypt, the Temple of Horus.

Walk through the imposing gateways and explore the grand courtyards where ancient rituals once took place. As the sun sets, the Dahabiya MINYA will be anchored at a quiet spot along the Nile.

Dinner is served on the riverbank, with the gentle sounds of the river creating a serene backdrop.

Day 4

Esna Temple and Transfer to Luxor

After a leisurely breakfast, we say farewell to the Dahabiya MINYA and her warm-hearted crew.

Before concluding your journey, we will take a short walk to visit the **Temple of Khnum in Esna**, a striking Greco-Roman temple dedicated to the ram-headed god of creation. After the visit, you will be transferred by car to Luxor, where your unforgettable **Nile cruise journey comes to an end.**

Location & Meeting Point

Meeting point: Aswan Airport (or any other location, including the train station or your hotel)

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