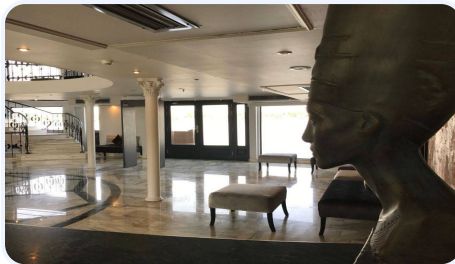


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About

MS Nile Dolphin is a 5-star standard floating hotel cruising between Luxor and Aswan. The cruise began operating in February 2007 and combines elegance and class with a distinctive historical character. Its interiors reflect a simplified French Empire style, thoughtfully adapted to contemporary tastes while maintaining the comfort and technical facilities expected from a modern European 5-star hotel.

With 63 deluxe double cabins and 2 suites, MS Nile Dolphin provides comfortable accommodation for leisure travelers as well as incentive and business groups. Throughout the journey, guests can enjoy exquisite cuisine, relax on the sun deck, sample fashionable cocktails and drinks, or stay active in the air-conditioned gym with direct access to the pool.

The ship also offers relaxing spaces designed for quiet moments, including a dedicated silent area beside the lounge and a panorama terrace overlooking the Nile. After a day exploring the heritage of Egypt's great pharaohs, return onboard and enjoy modern comforts while sailing through the timeless landscapes of the Nile.

Schedule:

- Every **Monday** from Luxor & **Friday** from Aswan

Accommodation

- 63 deluxe double cabins
- 2 suites

Dining & Leisure

- Restaurant serving exquisite cuisine
- Panorama lounge
- Bars
- Sun deck with pool, Jacuzzi, and bar
- Silent area adjacent to the lounge
- Panorama terrace

Business & Shopping

- Business center with internet access
- Boutique
- Gift shop

Cruise Facilities

- Room service
- Business center with computers, printers, and internet access
- WiFi
- Air-conditioned gym
- Spa facilities

- Infra sauna with color and aroma therapy
- Massage services
- Beauty salon
- Doctor on call
- Doctor available 24 hours
- Laundry service
- All major credit cards accepted
- Swimming pool
- Jacuzzi
- Air conditioning
- Private bathroom with shower
- TV
- Minibar
- Gift shop

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Why You'll Love This

- Sail between Luxor and Aswan aboard a 5-star deluxe floating hotel.
- Experience a distinctive interior inspired by simplified French Empire design.
- Stay in comfortable deluxe double cabins or spacious suites.
- Enjoy panoramic views of the Nile from the ship's lounge, terrace, and sun deck.
- Relax beside the swimming pool or Jacuzzi while sailing through the Nile Valley.
- Savor exquisite cuisine and enjoy cocktails and drinks at the onboard bars.
- Keep active in the air-conditioned gym with direct access to the pool.
- Unwind with spa treatments, sauna facilities, color and aroma therapy, or massage services.
- Enjoy live exploration of Egypt's ancient heritage, from the temples of Aswan and Edfu to Kom Ombo and Luxor.
- Choose optional experiences such as Abu Simbel, a Luxor Hot Air Balloon ride, a Nubian Village visit, or felucca sailing.
- Benefit from practical services including room service, laundry, internet access, a beauty salon, and medical assistance.
- Experience the contrast between Egypt's ancient pharaonic heritage and the modern comforts of a contemporary Nile cruise.

Related Cities



Luxor

Egypt



Edfu

Egypt



Aswan

Egypt



Kom Ombo

Egypt



Abu Simbel

Egypt

Included

- 4 Days / 3 Nights or 5 Days / 4 Nights accommodation on board the Cruise on a Full Board basis.
- Meet and assist service upon arrival and departure.
- Assistance from our team throughout your cruise and sightseeing tours.
- Private transfers in a modern air-conditioned deluxe vehicle.
- All sightseeing tours mentioned in the itinerary on a private basis.
- Entrance fees to all included attractions between Luxor and Aswan.
- English-speaking professional tour guide during all sightseeing tours.
- One complimentary bottle of mineral water per person per day.
- Transportation in air-conditioned vehicles with qualified drivers.
- All service charges and applicable taxes.
- Complimentary pickup and drop-off from Luxor or Aswan Airport, railway station, or any hotel located on the East Bank of Luxor or Aswan.

Please Note: Complimentary pickup and drop-off do not include the West Bank of Luxor or Aswan, including Gharb Sohail and Elephantine Island. For guests staying in these areas, transfers will be arranged from a convenient meeting point on the East Bank.

Excluded

- Optional excursions, including Abu Simbel, Nubian Village, Hot Air Balloon, or any other optional activities.
- Beverages.
- Personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls, and other personal services.
- Tipping for the tour guide, drivers, cruise staff, or any other service providers.
- Any items or services not specifically mentioned under the "Included" section.

Day By Day Itinerary

4 Nights: Every Monday from Luxor to Aswan

Day 1 – Welcome to Luxor: Karnak & Luxor Temples

Your 5-day Nile Cruise from Luxor to Aswan begins with embarkation aboard **MS Nile Dolphin** before lunch. After receiving a warm traditional welcome, settle into your cabin and prepare for your first exploration of Luxor.

In the afternoon, visit the extraordinary **Karnak Temple Complex**, a vast religious site covering more than 100 hectares. Walk along the grand Avenue of Ram-Headed Sphinxes toward the imposing First Pylon before entering the legendary Great Hypostyle Hall, home to 134 towering columns richly decorated with hieroglyphs.

Continue through the complex to discover sacred lakes, impressive obelisks, and the Precinct of **Amun-Re**, revealing layers of history accumulated over more than 1,500 years.

Next, visit **Luxor Temple**, an important center of divine rejuvenation in ancient Egypt. Admire the colossal statues of **Ramses II**, the remains of the **Abu Haggag Mosque** incorporated into the temple structure, and the continuation of the **Sphinx Avenue** that once connected Luxor Temple with Karnak.

Return to the boat for tea time and relax on the sun deck while the Nile flows peacefully beside you. Enjoy dinner and spend the night onboard in Luxor.

Meals Included: Lunch, Dinner

Day 2 – Luxor West Bank, Royal Tombs & Sailing to Esna

After breakfast, explore the legendary West Bank of Luxor, beginning with the **Valley of the Kings**.

Enter the hidden world of the pharaohs as you visit three royal tombs carved deep into the Theban cliffs. Their walls are decorated with vibrant scenes representing the ancient Egyptian concept of the afterlife. **Optional** entry to the tombs of **Tutankhamun** or **Seti I** is available at an additional cost.

Continue to the spectacular **Temple of Queen Hatshepsut** at **Deir el-Bahari**. Built into the limestone cliffs, this multi-terraced architectural masterpiece features elegant colonnades, detailed reliefs, and panoramic views across the Theban Necropolis.

Your West Bank exploration concludes at the **Colossi of Memnon**, the imposing statues of Pharaoh **Amenhotep III** that once guarded a grand mortuary temple. Here, you can hear the local legends surrounding the famous “**singing statues**.”

Return to the cruise for lunch and begin sailing south toward Esna, passing green riverbanks and charming villages along the way. Experience the passage through the Esna Lock before continuing toward Edfu.

Dinner and overnight onboard as the ship sails toward Edfu.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Optional Hot Air Balloon Ride

For an unforgettable start to the day, guests may choose an **optional** early morning **Hot Air Balloon ride over Luxor**. As the sun rises above the Nile, float gently over the Valley of the Kings, ancient temples, and surrounding farmlands. The panoramic views of ancient Thebes bathed in golden light create a peaceful and memorable experience.

Day 3 - Edfu Temple & Kom Ombo Temple

Begin the morning in Edfu with a traditional **horse-drawn carriage** ride to the **Temple of Horus**, offering a charming glimpse of 19th-century-style travel.

Explore the Temple of Horus at Edfu, regarded as the most completely preserved temple of the ancient world. Built during the Ptolemaic period, it honors Horus, the falcon-headed god associated with kingship and protection.

Walk through its grand pylon and vast courtyards, admire intricate reliefs depicting the battle between Horus and Seth, and enter the Holy of Holies where ancient rituals were once performed.

Return to the boat and enjoy lunch as you sail toward Kom Ombo.

In the afternoon, visit the remarkable **Temple of Kom Ombo**, a rare dual-deity temple with a perfectly symmetrical design. One half honors **Sobek**, the crocodile god and protector of the Nile, while the other is dedicated to **Horus** the Elder, god of kingship and the sky.

Explore its detailed stone carvings, including ancient medical instruments and a calendar, as well as the remarkable scenes connected with healing.

Continue to the **Crocodile Mummification Museum** before returning to the cruise.

Enjoy dinner and spend the night onboard as **MS Nile Dolphin** continues sailing toward Aswan.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4 - Aswan: High Dam, Philae Temple & Unfinished Obelisk

After breakfast, begin your exploration of Aswan, where ancient heritage meets modern engineering.

Visit the **High Dam**, a modern engineering masterpiece that transformed the control of the Nile, providing electricity and irrigation to millions. Enjoy panoramic views over Lake Nasser before continuing your tour.

Take a boat to **Philae Temple**, the magical island complex dedicated to Isis, goddess of love and magic. Located on **Agilkia Island**, the temple was carefully relocated stone by stone during the UNESCO rescue project. Admire its elegant columns, sacred sanctuaries, and beautiful setting beside the Nile.

Continue to the ancient granite quarries to see the **Unfinished Obelisk**, the largest obelisk ever attempted, still lying in situ. The site provides a unique insight into the stone-working techniques used by ancient Egyptian craftsmen.

Return to the cruise for lunch onboard. Spend the afternoon at leisure or choose an **optional felucca sailing** experience along the Nile.

Enjoy dinner and spend your final night onboard in Aswan.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Optional Nubian Village Visit

Enhance your Aswan experience with an **optional** visit to a traditional **Nubian Village**. Travel by boat along the Nile to explore colorful mud-brick homes, meet friendly local residents, and discover Nubian customs, music, and traditional ways of life.

This cultural experience offers a warm introduction to the heritage of southern Egypt.

Day 5 - Farewell Aswan & Optional Abu Simbel

Enjoy breakfast onboard before disembarkation in Aswan.

For guests wishing to continue their exploration, an **optional early morning Abu Simbel excursion** from Aswan offers the opportunity to visit one of Egypt's most awe-inspiring archaeological sites.

Travel by **car or flight at an additional cost** to discover the monumental temples of **Ramses II** and **Queen Nefertari**, carved directly into the rock and facing the rising sun over Lake Nasser.

The temples were relocated as part of a remarkable UNESCO rescue effort and remain a timeless testament to ancient Egyptian engineering, devotion, and grandeur.

Meals Included: Breakfast

3 Nights: Every Friday from Aswan to Luxor

Day 1 - Welcome to Aswan: High Dam, Philae Temple & Unfinished Obelisk

Your 4-day Nile Cruise from Aswan to Luxor begins with **embarkation aboard MS Nile Dolphin** before lunch. Settle into your cabin and enjoy your first taste of life on the Nile before heading out to discover Aswan's most important landmarks.

Your afternoon exploration begins at the **High Dam**, the monumental structure that controls the Nile's flow and provides electricity to Egypt. From here, enjoy panoramic views across Lake Nasser.

Continue by motorboat to the beautiful **Philae Temple**, dedicated to the goddess Isis and located on Agilkia Island.

Surrounded by the Nile, its peaceful setting and finely carved reliefs make it one of Egypt's most enchanting and romantic archaeological sites.

Your final stop is the **Unfinished Obelisk**, where you can explore the ancient granite quarries and discover how monumental stonework was carried out in ancient Egypt.

Return to **MS Nile Dolphin** for dinner and spend your first night onboard in Aswan.

Meals Included: Lunch, Dinner

Day 2 - Optional Abu Simbel & Kom Ombo Temple

Begin the day with an **optional** early morning excursion to the magnificent **Abu Simbel Temples**, available by road or flight at an additional cost.

Carved into a sandstone cliff, the temples of **Ramses II** and **Queen Nefertari** are among Egypt's most extraordinary monuments. Discover these twin temples and learn about the remarkable engineering effort that relocated them to protect them from flooding following the construction of the High Dam.

Return to the boat and begin sailing north toward Kom Ombo.

In the afternoon, visit the remarkable **Kom Ombo Temple**, a unique twin temple dedicated to **Sobek**, the crocodile god, and **Horus** the Elder. Explore its fascinating medical reliefs and visit the small museum displaying mummified crocodiles.

Return to the cruise for dinner as **MS Nile Dolphin** continues sailing toward Edfu.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3 - Edfu Temple & Luxor East Bank

This morning, reach Edfu Temple by traditional **horse-drawn carriage**, adding a charming touch of 19th-century travel to your journey.

Explore the magnificent **Temple of Horus**, one of Egypt's most complete and best-preserved ancient temples. Its vividly carved walls and sacred chambers tell the story of **Horus** and **Seth** while revealing the religious traditions of ancient Egypt.

Return to the boat and continue sailing toward Luxor while enjoying lunch onboard.

In the afternoon and evening, begin exploring Luxor’s celebrated East Bank. Visit the immense **Karnak Temple Complex**, the largest religious site of the ancient world, dedicated to **Amun-Re**. Walk among colossal statues, explore the Great Hypostyle Hall with its 134 towering columns, and discover sacred lakes and monumental structures.

Continue to **Luxor Temple**, located in the heart of the city. Admire its giant statues, obelisks, and beautifully illuminated courtyard as evening approaches.

Return to the cruise for dinner and overnight onboard in Luxor.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4 - Luxor West Bank & Disembarkation

After breakfast, check out and disembark from **MS Nile Dolphin** before beginning your final sightseeing experience on Luxor’s West Bank.

Explore the **Valley of the Kings**, where the royal tombs of ancient pharaohs are hidden among the desert hills. Three tombs are included, while guests may choose **optional** entry to **Tutankhamun’s tomb** at an **additional cost**.

Continue to the magnificent **Temple of Queen Hatshepsut**, an impressive monument built into the limestone cliffs in honor of one of Egypt’s most powerful female pharaohs.

Conclude your tour with the **Colossi of Memnon**, the two majestic statues of **Amenhotep III** that once stood before a vast mortuary temple.

Your 4-day Nile journey comes to an end after discovering the timeless heritage of Aswan, Edfu, Kom Ombo, and Luxor.

Meals Included: Breakfast

3 Nights 4 Days

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Package Type	May to Sep.	Oct. to Apr.
Single	\$1,115	\$1,315
Double	\$650	\$785

4 Nights 5 Days

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Package Type	May to Sep.	Oct. to Apr.
Single	\$1,260	\$1,460
Double	\$790	\$895

Location & Meeting Point

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

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