

Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Nile Cruise

 Luxor and Aswan.

Duration



8 Days

Tour type



Private

Group size



Private



Runs

Saturday from Luxor &
Saturday from Aswan

Overview

Experience a unique blend of the past and luxurious present aboard the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Nile cruise, one of the finest Luxury [Dahabiya Nile Cruise](#) ships. This Private Dahabiya Nile Cruise offers an intimate and refined Small boat Nile Cruise experience between Luxor and Aswan, Ideal for travelers looking for a private and culturally immersive experience.

The Sonesta Amirat is elegantly designed to capture the charm of early 20th-century Nile sailing while providing all modern amenities are present for guest comfort. With only handful of cabins and suites, The cruise offers a peaceful and private journey along the Nile. There are two wonderful 8-day itineraries to choose from-one that sails from Luxor to Aswan and another from Aswan to Luxor.

As you travel on this Best Dahabiya Nile Cruise, you'll visit iconic sites often missed by larger ships, enjoying gourmet cuisine on the shaded sun deck and expert-guided tours of ancient temples. Ideal for couples, honeymooners, and small groups, this Egypt Dahabiya Nile Cruise promises a soulful and exclusive Nile River Cruise in Egypt experience.

Whether you are looking for a Luxury [Egypt Nile Cruise](#) or a Private Egypt Nile Cruise, the Sonesta Amirat offers one of the Best Egypt Nile Cruise Packages with a traditional Dahabiya itinerary that balances relaxation with cultural discovery on a Luxury Nile River Holiday Egypt.

This cruise is an excellent addition to any [Egypt tour](#), delivering a peaceful, luxurious escape along the timeless Nile.

Itinerary

Day 1

Arrival to Aswan

Your unforgettable Egypt tour aboard the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Nile Cruise begins in Aswan. The trip starts with visits to two of the world's engineering marvels, both truly monumental in scale and human effort: the modern

Aswan High Dam:

Your day will commence at the Aswan [High Dam](#), an impressive construction for controlling the flow of the Nile and irrigating most of Egypt.

Philae Temple:

Next on your itinerary is the [Philae Temple](#), dedicated to the goddess Isis. This temple complex was relocated to Agilkia Island for the purpose of preservation after the completion of the High Dam. Gaze in awe at the beautiful reliefs of the temple depicting ancient myths and legends of Egypt.

In the afternoon, your Luxury Dahabiya Nile Cruise sets sail toward

Kom Ombo Temple:

A unique structure, the [Kom Ombo Temple](#) is shared by two gods—Sobek, the crocodile god, and Horus, the falcon god.

This Traditional Dahabiya Nile Cruise itinerary promises a serene and culturally rich start to your journey from Aswan to Luxor, blending history, nature, and exclusivity on a small boat Nile cruise experience.

Meals included: Lunch and Dinner

Day 2

Head to Kom Ombo Temple a Part of your Dahabiya Cruise

Wake up to the soft sounds of the Nile as your Luxury Dahabiya Nile River Cruise continues its serene journey. This morning, you'll disembark for a guided visit to the remarkable

Kom Ombo Temple:

An unusual double temple from the Ptolemaic era, [Kom Ombo Temple](#) served as a place of worship for Sobek, the crocodile god, and Horus, the falcon-headed god of the rising sun. The peculiar monument provides a fascinating insight into ancient Egyptian religion and architecture.

After the trip, return to your private Dahabiya Nile River Cruise to enjoy freshly prepared meals and panoramic views of the riverbanks. In the evening, the boat will anchor beside a quiet Nile island, giving you a rare chance to relax under the stars in complete tranquility.

This enriching day of your Dahabiya Nile Cruise Egypt continues to deliver the charm and comfort of a small boat Nile cruise experience, perfect for cultural immersion and relaxation.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and dinner.

Day 3

Visit Edfu Temple

As your Egypt Dahabiya River Cruise continues gracefully along the river, you will reach Edfu. home to one of the best-preserved temples in Egypt. Step into antiquity as you explore the:

Edfu:

You will visit the Temple of Horus at [Edfu](#) in the afternoon. The temple in Egypt was dedicated to the falcon god Horus, which is considered one of the finest preserved temples in the country, integrated by its towering walls and massive pylons.

This temple complex, laden with legend and grandeur, is indeed one of the highlights of any Nile River Cruise in Egypt, showcasing splendor and beauty that reveal ancient rituals and divine symbolism. After the guided tour, return to your comfort of your Luxury Dahabiya Nile River Cruise to follow the journey along the Nile for the remainder of your day.

In the evening, your elegant small boat Nile Cruise experience continues with an overnight stop beside a peaceful Nile island—another opportunity to unwind in nature’s embrace.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 4

Travel to Esna

After a delicious breakfast aboard your Luxury Dahabiya Nile Cruise, enjoy a peaceful sail toward Esna, cruising through the famous Esna Lock—a unique experience that showcases the river’s traditional navigation methods.

As the day winds down, the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Nile Cruise will moor by a calm island in the Nile, giving you time to relax while you muse over the eternal charm of the Nile.

This part of your Dahabiya Nile Cruise Egypt perfectly combines leisure and authentic river adventure on a small boat Nile cruise experience.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 5

Travel to Luxor

After a tranquil morning on your Luxury Dahabiya Nile Cruise, set sail to Luxor, the heart of ancient Thebes. Your sightseeing tour begin with the majestic

Karnak Temple:

Wandering through the vast [Karnak Temple](#) complex dedicated to the god Amun-Ra will allow a person to admire the majestic Hypostyle Hall, a forest of 134 columns, and the sacred lake.

Luxor Temple:

Admire the stunning [Luxor Temple](#), built by Amenhotep III and Ramses II, featuring grand colonnades and the Avenue of Sphinxes.

Truly, these landmarks form the highlight of any Egypt Dahabiya Nile Cruise itinerary.

In the evening, the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Nile Cruise will moor in Luxor, allowing you to rest beside the banks of the Nile while musing over the eternal beauty of Egypt's heritage.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 6

Visit the West Bank

Today, your Egypt luxury tour will move to the famous [West Bank](#) of Luxor tour, where ancient secrets remain hidden within the hills. Begin at the Valley of the Kings, the eternal resting place of the pharaohs—including the famous tomb of [Tutankhamun](#).

Valley of the Kings:

On the list of the world's most famous archaeological sites, the [Valley of the Kings](#) served as the ancient royal cemetery for New Kingdom pharaohs of Egypt, including the most well-known, Tutankhamun. With over sixty tombs—many richly decorated and carved deep into the rock with symbolic artwork, hieroglyphs, and secret chambers—this site was designed to guide pharaohs into the afterlife.

Colossi of Memnon:

For more than 3,000 years, [the Colossi of Memnon](#) have watched over the gateway to the long-lost mortuary temple of Amenhotep III on the west bank of the Nile near Luxor. Standing about 18 meters (60 feet) high, each statue is carved from a single block of sandstone.

have stood silently by the Nile for thousands of years.

Your Luxury Dahabiya Nile River Cruise for 8-day remains docked for the night in Luxor, allowing you the time and space to reflect on the haunting whispering of ancient Thebes carved into the stones.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and dinner.

Day 7

Luxor

Your final day on board the Sonesta Princesses Dahabiya Nile Cruise is a day filled with elegance, history, and tranquility. Enjoy the day as you please: from relaxing on deck, taking in the tranquil scenery, to exploring more of Luxor's ancient charm at your own pace.

Your 8-day Dahabiya Nile Cruise from Aswan to Luxor will remain docked in Luxor for one last peaceful night, wrapping up your small boat Nile cruise experience in comfort and reflection.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Day 8

Final departure

Enjoy your final breakfast on board before disembarkation in Luxor, marking the end of your unforgettable journey aboard the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Nile Cruise. As your Luxury Dahabiya Nile Cruise experience for 8 day concludes, take with you timeless memories of the Nile River Cruise in Egypt—a voyage of elegance, heritage, and tranquil discovery.

Meals included: Breakfast only

Day 1

Arrival in Luxor – Begin Your Elegant Nile Journey

Step aboard the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Nile River Cruise and begin your Egypt tour with a leisurely sail along the timeless Nile. As your Luxury Dahabiya Nile Cruise 8-day glides toward ancient wonders, indulge in the comfort and refinement of this beautifully appointed vessel.

After lunch, proceed to marvel at the majestic

Karnak Temple:

Wander through the vast [Karnak Temple](#) complex dedicated to the god Amun-Ra, marveling at the Hypostyle Hall—a forest of 134 towering columns—and the sacred lake.

Luxor Temple:

Admire the stunning [Luxor Temple](#), built by Amenhotep III and Ramses II, featuring grand colonnades and the Avenue of Sphinxes.

The evening offers serene views as your Dahabiya Nile Cruise Egypt anchors in Luxor, setting the tone for a traditional Dahabiya Nile Cruise itinerary rich in history and elegance.

Meals included: Lunch and Dinner

Day 2

West Bank & Esna

After breakfast, go on an unforgettable Egypt tour to Luxor West Bank, where ancient mysteries await. Explore the

Valley of the Kings:

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Temple of Queen Hatshepsut:

Beautifully set against the dramatic cliffs of Deir el-Bahri, the [Temple of Queen Hatshepsut](#) stands as one of the most beautiful and well-preserved ancient Egyptian temples. It is the mortuary temple of the few female pharaohs of Egypt and was thus dedicated to her famous memory. During the prosperous times of her reign, with devotion to Amun, terraces, statues, and relief carvings of the Temple were built. And as you stroll through this magnificent temple with a guide, you'll hear about the story of Hatshepsut—how she overcame all odds to be accepted as a ruler in a man's world, and how her legacy continues to inspire and enchant historians and tourists today.

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After your Egypt tour, you will be taken back to your hotel to rest.

Later in the day, your Luxury Dahabiya Nile Cruise sets sail toward Esna. This part of your Traditional Dahabiya Nile Cruise itinerary offers a truly intimate and peaceful journey on a small boat Nile cruise experience, away from the hustle of typical cruise liners. You'll dock overnight near Esna, surrounded by the natural beauty of Upper Egypt.

Overnight near Esna

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 3

Leisure Day

Enjoy a relaxing day onboard after breakfast, soaking in the scenic beauty of the Nile. This evening, your Luxury Dahabiya Nile River Cruise aboard the Sonesta Amirat will continue its gentle journey,

eventually mooring overnight beside a tranquil Nile island—a hallmark of the small boat Nile cruise experience, far removed from the hustle of larger vessels.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 4

Edfu Temple visit

Sail toward Edfu to explore one of most well-preserved temples of Egypt —the majestic

Temple of Horus

Being the most complete and best-preserved temple from ancient Egypt, the [Temple of Horus](#) in Edfu features towering columns, magnificent paintings on the walls of the hall, and inner sanctuaries that bring history to life. Enter through the colossal twin Pylon gates, where life-size statues of Horus-the falcon god-stand proudly. This place undoubtedly remains one of the unforgettable highlights in your Christmas tour package in Egypt, a must-visit on any Egypt tour, and a real gem during your Traditional Dahabiya Nile River Cruise itinerary.

After your visit, return to the comfort of the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Cruise, which will remain moored beside a serene Nile island, offering a peaceful end to the day.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 5

Sailing to Kom Ombo

Today, your 8 day Luxury Dahabiya Nile Cruise sets sail toward Kom Ombo, home to one of the most unique temples along the Nile. Enjoy the tranquil scenery as you cruise the river on this small boat Nile cruise experience, far from the bustle of larger vessels. In the evening, the boat will moor beside a peaceful Nile island, allowing you to unwind under the stars.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 6

Exploring Kom Ombo Temple and Sailing Towards Aswan

Today, the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Nile Cruise takes you to visit the unique

Kom Ombo Temple:

Explore the unique double sanctuary of [Kom Ombo Temple](#), dedicated to Horus and Sobek, the crocodile god.

After exploring this unique site, enjoy a leisurely sail towards Aswan. Your luxury Dahabiya Nile cruise will moor near the iconic Aswan Bridge for the evening, providing a calm setting on your private Dahabiya Nile cruise experience.

This part of your Egypt Dahabiya Nile River Cruise offers a perfect blend of history and tranquility, away from the hustle of bigger ships, highlighting why it stands out among the best Dahabiya Nile cruises Luxor Aswan Package.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 7

Exploring Ancient Wonders of Aswan

On this day of your Egypt tour aboard the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya Nile Cruise. First you will discover one of most iconic historic sites of Aswan. Begin with visit to the majestic

Aswan High Dam:

Learn about this engineering marvel, the [Aswan High Dam](#), which controls the Nile's flow

Philae Temple:

Visit the beautiful [Philae Temple](#), dedicated to the goddess Isis and relocated to Agilkia Island

Lake Nasser:

Created by the construction of the Aswan High Dam, [Lake Nasser](#) is a vast reservoir in southern Egypt and northern Sudan, and one of the largest man-made lakes in the world.

This day on the Luxury Dahabiya Nile Cruise offers an unforgettable private Egypt Nile cruise experience, blending engineering marvels with ancient cultural treasures.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Day 8

Final day of tour

Savor your last breakfast aboard the Sonesta Amirat Dahabiya, part of the best Dahabiya Nile cruise experience in Egypt. After an unforgettable private Dahabiya Nile cruise from Luxor to Aswan for 8-day journey along the Nile River, you will disembark, concluding your remarkable luxury Egypt tour.

Meals: Breakfast only.

What's Included

English-speaking guide during your tours.

Pick-up service & return from Aswan or Luxor to your Dahabiya Nile Cruise.

Accommodation on the first-class Sonesta Dahabiya Nile Cruise for 7 nights, including all taxes.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included on your cruise.

All sightseeing tours as mentioned in the itinerary.

Entrance fees to the mentioned historical places.

All service charges & taxes.

What's Not Included

Tipping.

Any Extra meals and beverages.

All personal expenses like laundry etc.

Any Optional tours may require.

Price start from

Price

US\$ 600 /USD



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