

EGYPT

GENERAL INFO



ANCIENT AND MODERN EGYPT

Useful information • Nile cruises are not comparable to Caribbean cruises. They are river cruises with an average of 50 cabin capacity and very little entertainment on board. Meals are quite repetitive but of decent standards. Beverages are not included. Wear clothing that is light and loose. The temperature can reach 40 Celsius in the desert. Sunscreen, a sun hat and sun glasses are a must. Casual dress is required during meals.

There are a lot of steps in Egypt as well as desert sand. When disembarking, you might have to cross many ships before arriving to the wharf. Comfortable walking shoes are highly recommended.

Crossing the Esna lock might take a long time, depending on the number of ships on the Nile. This is controlled by the government and is out of our control. Domestic flights within Egypt are usually scheduled early in the morning.

The Nile is the main river of Africa and longest river in the world. Throughout history it has served as the lifeline of Egypt, providing water for a desert civilization. Through the years, traffic on the Nile has had tangible impact on the river.

Foresee \$5-\$10 per person per day for gratuities during the tour. It is expected.

Alcohol is served in most restaurants, hotels and night clubs. Some establishments choose not to serve alcohol. This is out of our control.

Ramadan • August 21 – September 19, 2009

During the high holiday of Ramadan, eating, drinking and smoking is not recommended in public. Drinking alcohol in public is prohibited.

DESTINATION INFO : EGYPT

Time Difference : GMT+2

Voltage : 220 volts

Entry Requirements :

Canadian passport valid 6 months after return. Egyptian visa required \$30 CAD

Currency :

4.5 Egyptian pounds = \$1 CAD

Temperature (average) : 20-40 Celcius