

EGYPT

Cultural Experience

with
Coulture Trips

Before You Go...



CULTURE

Egypt is a majorly Muslim country and the local language is Arabic although English is widely spoken. You are free to dress as you are accustomed to although very revealing clothing is not advised.

LOCAL EXPERIENCE

Visit two unique communities in Cairo, Mansheya Nasir aka "Garbage City" and "The City of the Dead" both resourcefully created out of need.

LUXURY

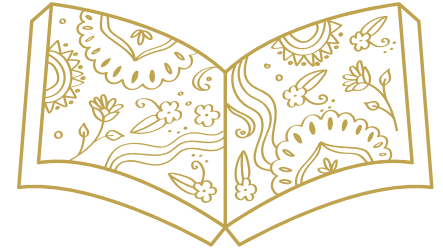
Travel with confidence staying with 5 star brands you know and trust such as the beautiful Marriott Mena House Hotel with Pyramid views in Cairo and similar quality venues in Alexandria, Aswan and Luxor.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

The official currency of Egypt is the Egyptian Pound (EGP). The symbol used for EGP is E£.
- The standard voltage in Egypt is 220V and the frequency is 50 Hz. Egypt has two plug types, C and F. We recommend buying a converter kit before travelling.
- Egypt has a Mediterranean climate in the North and a Desert climate throughout the rest of the country.

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BOOK PICKS

- 'Death on the Nile' - Agatha Christie
- 'The Memoirs of Cleopatra' - Maragaret George

TIPPING

Tipping is very important in Egyptian culture as most of the Egyptian workers are paid very little and rely heavily on the tips they earn for survival. That being said it is not compulsory and should only be given if good service is received. A rough guide would be to tip restaurant staff 10%-15% (assuming a service charge has not already been added), housekeeping staff at hotels around USD \$2 per day, taxi drivers around \$1 and cruise staff \$4-5 per day to be divided between the on-board crew.

PHOTOGRAPHY

If you are planning on taking pictures of locals during your trip, always ask for permission first. Some locals eg. Valley of the Kings and museums require you to check your camera before entering. Flash is permitted and prohibited depending on the venue. Your guides can inform you of photography rules at each stop. Do not take photographs of military installations and employees or airports. Failure to follow these rules can result in heavy fines and having your memory card wiped clean.

FILM PICKS

- Raiders of the Lost Arc (1981)
- Transformers - Revenge of the Fallen (2009)
- The Ten Commandments (1956)

WEBSITES

- <http://egypt.travel>
- www.visitabudhabi.ae



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The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeing new landscapes, but in having new eyes.