Egypt & the Eternal Nile
February 10-24, 2025

15 days for $6,997 total price from San Francisco
($6,195 air, land & cruise inclusive plus $802 airline taxes and fees)

An Exclusive Small Group Tour
for Commonwealth Club World Affairs
Dear Club Travelers,

We invite you to join us on an exclusive 15-day small group journey to Egypt. Led by an expert Egyptian guide, witness thousands of years of history on a unique, exciting itinerary.

The tour begins in Egypt's capital and largest city, Cairo, with the Egyptian Museum and its renowned ancient sites: the Sphinx, Sakkara, and the Pyramids of Giza. Next, enjoy a relaxing three-night cruise on Lake Nasser before going on a classic Nile voyage that includes visits to Edfu’s Temple of Horus and Luxor's acclaimed temples and tombs. After exploring both the Valley of the Kings and the Valley of the Queens, see Karnak—arguably the greatest temple complex of them all. The tour concludes back in Cairo with a stop at the lively Khan el-Khalili bazaar, followed by an exploration of Old Cairo. A special opportunity to discover the treasures of Jordan is available with an optional 5-day/4-night “Jordan: Petra & Amman” post-tour extension.

Space is limited to 24 guests, and we expect this tour to fill quickly. Book today!

Sincerely,

Kristina Nemeth, Director of Travel

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**CLUB TRAVEL RESERVATION FORM: EGYPT & THE ETERNAL NILE**

To reserve your place on tour, please call Club Travel at (415) 597-6720 or e-mail travel@commonwealthclub.org. Please have the information outlined below available to share with a Club Travel representative.

*If you prefer*, you may also complete this Reservation Form and submit it to Commonwealth Club World Affair's office. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and include with the form. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure.

Send to: Commonwealth Club World Affairs
Attn: Club Travel
110 The Embarcadero
San Francisco, CA 94105

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**EGYPT & THE ETERNAL NILE • FEBRUARY 10-24, 2025**

I/We would like to request ________ place(s). (Deposit amount is $500 per person.)

Full Passport Name ___________________________ Date of Birth __________ Gender ______

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Address ____________________________________________________________________________

City ___________________________ State _______ ZIP __________

Home Phone (______)_____________ Cell Phone (______)_____________

E-mail(s) __________________________________ Badge Name(s) __________________________________

Please book my/our air from _____________________________ I/We request a Business Class upgrade ❑

I will share a room with ___________________________ I request a single room (limited availability) ❑

**Post-Tour “Jordan: Petra & Amman” Extension:** Please sign me/us up ❑

We require membership in Commonwealth Club World Affairs to travel with us. Please check one of the following options:

❑ I am a current member of Commonwealth Club World Affairs.

❑ I will visit commonwealthclub.org/membership to sign up for a membership.
Monday, February 10: Depart U.S. for Cairo, Egypt

Tuesday, February 11: Arrive in Cairo

We arrive in the Egyptian capital and transfer to our hotel. As guests’ arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities or meals planned.

Wednesday, February 12: Cairo

After a morning briefing, our full-day tour begins at the acclaimed Egyptian Museum, the world’s greatest repository of ancient relics. Then we tour the Citadel of Saladin housing the alabaster Mosque of Mohamed Ali. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. B,L,D

Thursday, February 13: Cairo

Today’s tour starts at the open-air museum at Memphis, Egypt’s first capital (3100 bce). We continue on to the necropolis at Sakkara then to the astounding Pyramids of Giza, the wonders of antiquity that have drawn visitors for millennia. Here, we encounter the enigmatic Sphinx, whose leonine body and human face were carved from a single piece of limestone. B,L

Friday, February 14: Cairo/Abu Simbel/Embark Lake Nasser Cruise

Early this morning we fly south to Aswan then continue by coach across the edge of the Sahara to Abu Simbel. We board our Lake Nasser ship in time for lunch, then visit the temples and colossal 65-foot-high statues of Ramses II and his wife Nefertari that were dismantled and moved to higher ground during the construction of the Aswan High Dam. Tonight we watch a dramatic Sound & Light show at Abu Simbel. B,L,D

Saturday, February 15: Lake Nasser Cruising – Kasr Ibrim/Amada/Wadi el-Seboua

This morning we visit the ancient sites of Kasr Ibrim, Amada, and Wadi el-Seboua, accompanied by an expert Egyptian guide. We also visit the Upper Nile and explore the Valley of the Lions near Luxor.

Sunday, February 16: Lake Nasser Cruising – Valley of the Lions/Luxor

This morning we visit the Valley of the Lions near Luxor, followed by a stop at Luxor to explore the ancient sites and temples.

Accompanied by an expert Egyptian guide, this singular small group journey through antiquity travels from vibrant Cairo and the Great Pyramids to Abu Simbel and the Upper Nile for a fascinating cruise on Lake Nasser. Then: a classic voyage along the Lower Nile from Aswan to Luxor before returning to Cairo.

Tour membership limited to 24 guests

Cover photo: We travel to the Giza plateau to see the legendary pyramids, built 5,000 years ago as royal tombs.
the striking avenue of sphinxes in Wadi el-Seboua’s “Valley of the Lions” then cruise to Aswan. B,L,D

Monday, February 17: Disembark/Aswan/Embark Nile Cruise Ship We set out early this morning to visit New Kalabsha, site of the largest freestanding Nubian temple, which was relocated here for the construction of the Aswan High Dam. We return to our ship for breakfast then bid farewell to the crew as we embark on a tour of the Aswan High Dam. Next we visit the imposing temple to Isis on Agilkia Island before boarding our Nile cruise ship. This afternoon we embark small feluccas, replicas of ancient Nile sailboats, for a relaxing sail. Back on board our ship tonight we enjoy the Captain’s welcome cocktail party. B,L,D

Tuesday, February 18: Nile Cruising – Kom Ombo/Edfu/Luxor This morning we sail to the ancient trading town of Kom Ombo, with outstanding Nile views from the Temple of Sobek. After returning to our ship, we sail on to Edfu where we explore Edfu’s Temple of Horus, Egypt’s best-preserved temple (built between 237 BCE–57 BCE). We return to our ship for lunch as we sail to Luxor (our final sail), enjoying a quiet afternoon on the Nile. A belly dance performance accompanies dinner tonight. B,L,D

Wednesday, February 19: Nile Cruising – Luxor/West Bank Known in antiquity as Thebes, Luxor boasts vast temple complexes, tombs, and statues dating from 2755 BCE that represent the pinnacle of Egyptian architecture. Today we explore the West Bank, site of the haunting Valley of the Kings, where 34 royal tombs feature magnificent paintings; the Valley of the Queens; and the Temple of Hatshepsut honoring one of the few female pharaohs. We also see the massive Colossi of Memnon, two 64-foot-high statues of Amenhotep III that once guarded the gates of his mortuary temple. B,L,D

Thursday, February 20: Nile Cruising – Luxor/East Bank Today we tour Luxor’s East Bank, home of Karnak, the greatest temple complex of them all, whose ruins stretch for more than a mile to connect with Luxor. Built over a period of 1,500 years, Karnak boasts a breadth and diversity of buildings not seen elsewhere. We also explore Luxor Temple,

Post-Tour Extension

February 24-28, 2025
Jordan: Petra & Amman
5 days/4 nights for $1,795 total price
Single Supplement: $435

Discover the fabled “rose-red city, half as old as time” on this exciting exploration. Plus: ancient Jerash and the capital of Amman.

Your Tour Price Includes

• Air transportation Cairo/Amman
• 4 nights’ accommodations: 2 nights in Petra at Mövenpick Resort Petra (Sup. First Class), 2 nights in Amman at Grand Hyatt Amman (Deluxe)
• 9 meals: 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners
• Extensive included sightseeing: Madaba (City of Mosaics), Mt. Nebo pilgrimage site, full day at Petra, Amman’s Roman theatre and Citadel, Roman ruins of Jerash
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
• Private motorcoach transportation
• Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers
whose builders included both Tutankhamun and Alexander the Great. Here, at the Great Court of Ramses II, we see the ancient obelisk whose twin presides over Place de la Concorde in Paris. B,L,D

Friday, February 21: Disembark/Luxor  We have the choice to rise early to see the West Bank from above on a hot air balloon ride. We disembark our ship later this morning and visit the Luxor Museum, housing relics discovered at the site. After lunch together, we transfer to our hotel. Dinner tonight is on our own. B,L

Saturday, February 22: Luxor/Cairo  We fly to Cairo today. After checking in at our hotel, we visit the lively Khan el-Khalili bazaar. This afternoon is free for independent exploration. B

Lake Nasser Cruise  M/S Prince Abbas

Nile Cruise  M/S Sun Ray

Your Tour Price Includes

• Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within Egypt
• 13 nights’ accommodations: 6 nights in Deluxe and Superior First Class hotels; 7 nights aboard Deluxe and Superior First Class ships
• 32 meals: 13 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 9 dinners
• Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
• Club Travel representative at 15 guests
• Educational lectures including US Embassy and/or Consulate visit
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
• Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip, including shore excursions
• Luggage handling for one bag per person
• Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Tour Departs: February 10, 2025

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Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy in an outside cabin on both cruises and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $802, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add $1,395. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: $4,995 per person; Premium Economy – $1,695 per person (upgrade subject to availability and pricing subject to change). Upgrade cost is in addition to the costs above.

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking on uneven terrain and at sites of ancient ruins. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.

Contact Club Travel at
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www.commonwealthclub.org/travel

“We sail traditional feluccas along the Nile.”

One must travel, to learn.”
– Mark Twain
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The following is intended to provide you with a description of what to expect when you reserve this tour. Upon booking, you will be asked to acknowledge your acceptance of the full Terms and Conditions on the secure on-line portal, My Odyssey.

Not Included in Tour Price:
- Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package;
- Costs of passports and visas;
- Immunizations and inoculations;
- Personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified on air transfers when purchasing a Land Only package;
- Communication charges; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: $10-$15 per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing or shore excursions; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes:
- If you cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: Cancel 99 days or more before departure: $200 charge; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 64-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund. If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a $100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties.
- Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.

Eligibility:
- We require membership in Commonwealth Club World Affairs to travel with us. People who live outside of the Bay Area may purchase a national membership. To learn about membership types and to purchase a membership, visit commonwealthclub.org/membership or call (415) 597-6720.

Insurance:
- We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance, which is available for coverage of expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident. Baggage insurance is also recommended. In the event you cancel your participation in the travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be your only source of reimbursement. You will be sent information about insurance upon registration.

Responsibility:
- The liability of Commonwealth Club World Affairs, as sponsor, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. Commonwealth Club World Affairs and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or death that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and Medical Issues:
- You must be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a considerable amount of walking, and you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own. We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our tour itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, Commonwealth Club World Affairs and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air Transportation – Important Information:
- Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.