



Cornell University

EGYPT & THE ETERNAL NILE

October 30-November 13, 2017

15 days from \$4,197 total price from Boston, New York
(**\$3,595 air, land & cruise inclusive plus \$602 airline taxes and fees**)



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**An Exclusive Small Group Tour for
Alumni & Friends of Cornell University**

Dear Alumni, Parents, and Friends,

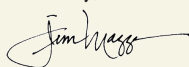
Whether you are planning a trip of a lifetime, a return to a favorite locale, or simply looking for your next travel adventure, the Cornell Alumni Association Travel Program is a great place to start your journey.

We partner with award-winning travel companies to offer trips with well-crafted itineraries, top-notch hotels and ships, and expert tour directors. Having had the chance to talk with many of our travelers over the past twenty-five years (and accompany a couple of trips myself), I know from first-hand experience how exhilarating and rewarding these tours can be. Many Cornellians feel the same way.

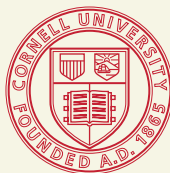
Whether you are traveling on your own or with family, friends, or classmates, you can expect great travel experiences in some of the world's most stimulating locations. Add to the mix a large dose of adventurous and friendly Cornell spirit, and it is easy to see why CAA Travel Program offerings are so popular.

If you've travelled with us before, you are likely to be among the many alumni and friends who have returned for additional bookings, time and time again. If you are considering your first trip with us, we hope you will see one or more itineraries that pique your travel interests. We've got great places to go! Please join us!

Warmly,



James A. Mazza '88
Associate Vice President, Alumni Affairs
Cornell University



CORNELL UNIVERSITY RESERVATION FORM: EGYPT & THE ETERNAL NILE

Enclosed is my/our deposit for \$____ (\$500 per person) for ____ person(s) on **Egypt & the Eternal Nile** departing **October 30, 2017**. I/We understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. **Please make deposit check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and mail deposit check and completed reservation form to: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., Attn: Special Interest Groups, One Newton Place, 275 Washington Street, Suite 300, Newton, MA 02458. Or, you may call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765. You may also fax your reservation to 617-454-9199.**

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Please book my/our air from _____ I/We request an air upgrade to _____

I will share a room with _____ I request a single room (limited availability) ☐

Post-Tour "Jordan: Petra & Amman" Extension: Please sign me/us up ☐

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for **Egypt & the Eternal Nile, October 30-November 13, 2017**, and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms & Conditions.

Signature(s) _____ Date _____

Method of Payment ☐ Check ☐ American Express ☐ Discover ☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA

Account # _____ Security Code _____ Exp. Date _____

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Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure, and is payable by check or credit card.

Tour membership limited to 24 alumni and friends

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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. Next: a classic voyage along the Lower Nile from Aswan to Luxor before returning to Cairo.



Avg. High (°F)	Oct	Nov
Cairo	82	73
Aswan	94	83
Luxor	91	82

Your Small Group Tour Highlights

Cairo's intriguing ancient sites, including the Great Pyramids, Sphinx, Memphis, Sakkara ... Old Cairo touring ... Renowned Egyptian Museum ... Abu Simbel's dramatic temples ... Sound-and-light show at Abu Simbel ... Lake Nasser cruise through ancient Nubian homeland ... Aswan's temples at Kalabsha ... Nile felucca sail ... Deluxe Nile River cruise ... Aswan Dam tour ... Ancient temple complexes at Karnak and Luxor, including Valley of the Kings and Valley of the Queens ... Egypt's inestimable historic atmosphere

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Cairo		
2-4	Cairo	Fairmont Nile City	Deluxe
5-7	Abu Simbel/Lake Nasser cruise	M/S Prince Abbas	Sup. First Class
8-11	Nile cruise	M/S Sunray	Deluxe
12	Luxor	Steigenberger Nile Palace	Sup. First Class
13-14	Cairo	Fairmont Nile City	Deluxe
15	Depart Cairo for U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Cairo, Egypt

Day 2: Arrive 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.

Day 3: 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*

Day 4: Cairo Today's tour starts at the open-air museum at Memphis, Egypt's first capital (early 4th century 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*

Day 5: 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 dam. Tonight we watch a dramatic sound-and-light show at Abu Simbel. *B,L,D*

Day 6: Lake Nasser Cruising/Kasr Ibrim/Amada/Wadi el-Seboua Early risers can watch the sun climb over the temples at Abu Simbel before we sail to Kasr Ibrim, the last remaining Nubian settlement in its original location. From the Sun Deck we learn about this ancient site (it's forbidden to go ashore here), then sail to Amada, followed by Wadi el-Seboua. *B,L,D*

Day 7: Lake Nasser Cruising – Valley of the Lions/Aswan This morning we visit the striking

Cover photo: On Day 4 we travel to the Giza plateau to see the legendary pyramids.



The magnificent temples at Abu Simbel commemorate Ramses II and his queen, Nefertari.

avenue of sphinxes at Wadi el-Seboua’s “Valley of the Lions,” then cruise to Aswan. **B,L,D**

Day 8: 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 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 board small *feluccas*, replicas of ancient Nile sailboats, for a relaxing afternoon sail. Back on board our ship tonight we enjoy the Captain’s welcome cocktail party. **B,L,D**

Day 9: 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**

Day 10: Nile Cruising – Luxor/West Bank

We have the option to rise very early to see the West Bank of “the world’s greatest open air museum,” as Luxor has been called, from above on an optional hot-air balloon excursion. 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 honor 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 own tomb. **B,L,D**

Day 11: 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

Post-Tour Extension

November 13-17, 2017

JORDAN: PETRA & AMMAN

5 days/4 nights for \$1,695 total price

Single Supplement: \$395

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 (Sup. First Class); 2 nights in Amman at Le Meridien Amman (Sup. First Class)
- 9 meals: 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners
- Extensive included sightseeing
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation
- Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

elsewhere. We also explore Luxor Temple, 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*

Day 12: Disembark/Luxor We disembark our ship today and transfer to our hotel. This afternoon we tour the Luxor Museum, housing relics discovered at the site. Then we enjoy lunch with a local family before returning to our ship where the afternoon and evening are at leisure. Dinner tonight is on our own. *B,L*

Day 13: 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*

Day 14: Cairo This morning we encounter Old Cairo, the district where early capital cities once stood and now only remnants remain. We visit 5th-century St. Sergius Church; the Coptic church of el-Mauallaqa, constructed over the bastions of a Roman gate; and Ben Ezra Synagogue, built in 882. We return to our hotel mid-day; this afternoon is at leisure. Tonight we enjoy a farewell dinner at our hotel. *B,D*

Day 15: Depart for U.S. Early this morning we transfer to the airport for our return flight to the U.S. *B*



Traditional feluccas sail the Nile.

Lake Nasser Cruise

M/S Prince Abbas



Nile Cruise

M/S Sunray



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
- 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: October 30, 2017

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

Boston, New York	\$4,197
Atlanta, Chicago, Philadelphia, Washington, DC	\$4,497
Baltimore, Charlotte, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, Orlando, San Francisco, Tampa	\$4,597
Denver, Minneapolis, Phoenix, Portland (OR), Seattle	\$4,697
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$3,195

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges and fees of \$602, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$995. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – \$3,195 per person; Premium Economy – \$1,195 per person (upgrades subject to availability and pricing subject to change). Upgrade costs are 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.

For information about logistics or registration, call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at

888-370-6765

Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-7:00 PM, Eastern Time

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a \$500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Not Included in Tour Price: Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; optional sightseeing; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities \$10-\$15 per day, per traveler); 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 must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: **cancel 95 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.**

Responsibility: The liability of the Cornell University Alumni Association, as sponsor, and 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. The Cornell University Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay 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 negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air 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: We request that you be in good health to participate in this Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. There is a considerable amount of walking, and **you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and ships 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 our itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs. 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, the Cornell University Alumni Association 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 air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.**



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