

Sample Program

Cairo & Nile Cruise

7 Days – 6 Nights



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Egypt Program

DAY 1 - Wed

Afternoon

Arrival to Cairo
Meet & Assist by Emeco representatives throughout
airport formalities
Transfer from Cairo Airport to the hotel
Arrive at the hotel & check-in

Evening & Dinner

Dinner Options:
1. Abu El Sid Restaurant
2. El Kababgy Oriental & Grill – Sofitel El Gezira
Overnight in Cairo

DAY 2 - Thu

Morning

Breakfast at the hotel
Visit the Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM)

Lunch

Lunch Options:
1. 9 Pyramids Lounge
2. Khufu's Restaurants
3. Ladurée Restaurant

Afternoon

Private Visit the Great Pyramids of Giza
Optional: Private Visit to the Sphinx
Transfer to the hotel

Evening & Dinner

Welcome Dinner Options:
1. At the Pyramids Desert Plateau
2. Kempinski Rooftop

DAY 3 - Fri

Morning

Breakfast at the hotel
Check-out of the hotel & transfer to Cairo
Domestic Airport
Cairo/Aswan flight
Arrive in Aswan, transfer to Cruise & check-in
Optional activity: Abu Simbel excursion by plane
from Aswan

Lunch

Onboard Cruise

Afternoon

Aswan Visits (Philae temple, High Dam & The
Unfinished Obelisk)

Evening & Dinner

Dinner onboard Nile Cruise followed by
Cruise entertainment program

Egypt Program

DAY 4 - Sat

Morning

Breakfast Onboard
Visit Kom Ombo temple

Lunch

Onboard Cruise

Afternoon

Visit Edfu temple

Evening & Dinner

Dinner onboard Nile Cruise followed by Cruise
entertainment program

DAY 5 - Sun

Morning

Breakfast onboard
Visit Luxor West Bank (Valley of the Kings,
Hatshepsut Temple & colossi of Memnon)

Lunch

Onboard Cruise

Afternoon

Visit Luxor East bank (Karnak & Luxor temples)

Evening & Dinner

Farewell Dinner Options:

1. Habu Temple
2. Luxor Temple

DAY 6 - Mon

Morning

Breakfast Onboard
Optional activity: Hot air balloon ride over Luxor
Check-out and transfer to Luxor airport
Flight Luxor/Cairo
Transfer to the hotel

Lunch

Lunch Options:

1. Studio Misr – Azhar Park
2. Sky Rim Bar & Grill

Afternoon

Khan El Khalili Bazaars, Salah El Din Citadel,
& Mohamed Ali Mosque

Evening & Dinner

Dinner Options:

1. Pier 88 – Zamalek
 2. Crimson's Bar & Grill
- Overnight in Cairo

Egypt Program

DAY 7 - Tue

Morning

Breakfast at the hotel

Check-out of the hotel

Transfer from the hotel to Cairo International Airport

Assistance by Emeco coordinators through airport
formalities

Final Departure

PROGRAM SCENARIO & DESCRIPTION

Day (1) – Wed :

➤ Arrival to Cairo

Cairo, a bustling and historic city, has been attracting travelers for over a millennium since the Mamluk era. Officially known as al-Qahirah or "Masr," it's Egypt's administrative capital and one of the world's largest urban areas. The city offers numerous attractions, including the Great Pyramids of Giza, ancient temples, tombs, stunning Christian churches, impressive Muslim monuments, and the Egyptian Museum, all located within or near the city.



Meet & Assist Service by EMECO Airport Coordinators

Standard Meet & Assist:

- Our Airport representative will meet guests once they enter the arrival hall and prior to passport control desks. They will be holding signs with event's name/logo. They will assist guests through immigration clearance, luggage collection and customs control.
- Afterwards they will escort guests from the arrival hall to parking area where the designated vehicle will be waiting.
- Guests to pull their luggage themselves to deliver it to the porters near the bus (unless assistance requested).

Ahlan VIP Service:

- VIP Fast Track Service + VIP Lounge Access (Expedite the passport control procedures by using private lane, and access to the VIP Lounge while luggage will be collected by the service provider)

Entry Visa:

Polish Citizens can obtain entry visa upon arrival to Cairo airport.

➤ Transfer from Cairo airport to the hotel and check-in

- Air-conditioned vehicles will be ready in the parking area with the group' signs (placed on front window & side door)
- Vehicle capacity will be determined according to the number of persons arriving/departing on each flight

Dinner Options:

1) Abu El Sid Restaurant:

For years ago, Egyptians would tell you that the only worthwhile place to sample the local cuisine was in a private apartment on the Nile island of Zamalek, Egyptian restaurant offers authentic cuisine with old recipes that are truly unique in an atmosphere characterized by both traditional and post-modern trends.

2) El Kababgy Oriental & Grill – Sofitel El Gezira:

An iconic Cairo restaurant for tasty barbecued meat - grilled before your eyes - and an authentic Oriental atmosphere. A tantalizing aroma of grilled meats and freshly baked bread lead you to Kebabgy, one of five top restaurants on the Promenade. Chefs use open charcoal barbeques to grill succulent cuts of lamb, chicken and more unusual meats such as pigeon. Traditional pita breads are baked in a special clay oven by artisan bakers – use them to mop up every delicious morsel. The atmosphere is relaxed and informal.

- **Transfer back to the hotel**
- **Overnight at the hotel**



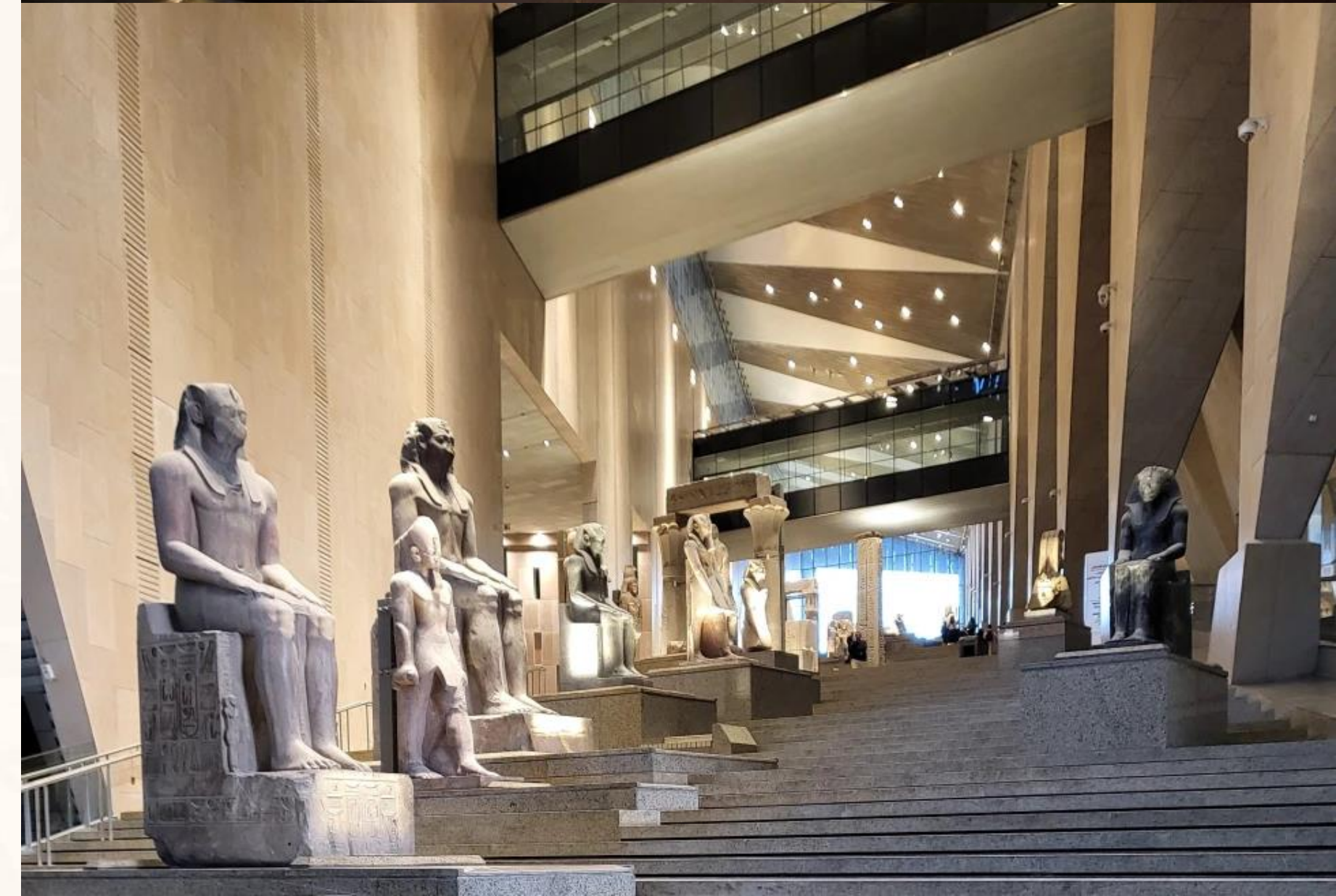
Day (2) - Thu:

➤ Breakfast at the hotel

Morning visit to the Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM)

The Grand Egyptian Museum:

The Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM) has unveiled 12 new galleries, showcasing Egypt's rich ancient heritage. Home to the world's largest collection of Egyptian artifacts, the museum now offers an immersive journey through history, featuring treasures like Tutankhamun's tomb relics, monumental statues, and mummies. These state-of-the-art galleries combine innovative design with cutting-edge technology, bringing Egypt's past to life. With this expansion, GEM solidifies its role as a premier global cultural destination, blending preservation, education, and modern storytelling.



Lunch Options:

1) 9 Pyramids Lounge:

Pyramids Lounge an unforgettable location to enjoy a spectacular, exquisite lunch or simply relax in after exploring the incredible plateau.



2) Khufu's Restaurants

Khufu's is a restaurant envisioned by Pier 88 offering the kind of culinary experience you could never have anywhere else.



3) Ladurée Restaurant:

Ladurée is a world-famous French patisserie known for its delicate macarons and luxurious desserts. The Ladurée Restaurant at the Giza Pyramids offers a unique experience, blending French elegance with the breathtaking views of Egypt's ancient landmarks. Enjoy exquisite pastries, gourmet dishes, and a refined atmosphere while overlooking one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.



Afternoon private visit to the Great Pyramids of Giza (After working hours)

The Giza Plateau, located on the West Bank of the Nile, spans 18 km and includes the Great Pyramids. Despite the crowds, the pyramids are awe-inspiring, having withstood numerous dynasties and conquerors. The site features the Great Pyramid of Cheops (the oldest and largest), the Pyramid of Chephren (medium-sized, with original limestone casing and containing Chephren's sarcophagus), and the Pyramid of Myserious (the smallest, built between 2525 and 2500 BC), alongside the Sphinx and several smaller pyramids and temples.

Optional: Special visit to the Sphinx (Not allowed for public – Tourists are only allowed to visit the Sphinx from the ramp facing it)

Our special visit will be to the feet of Sphinx where the Dream Stella of Thutmoses IV lies. In a depression to the south of Chephren's pyramid sits a creature with a human head and a lion's body. The Great Sphinx is to the northeast of Chephren's Valley Temple. Where it sits was once a quarry Chephren's workers shaped the stone into the lion and gave it their king's face over 4,500 years ago.



Exclusive dinner option at the Pyramids:

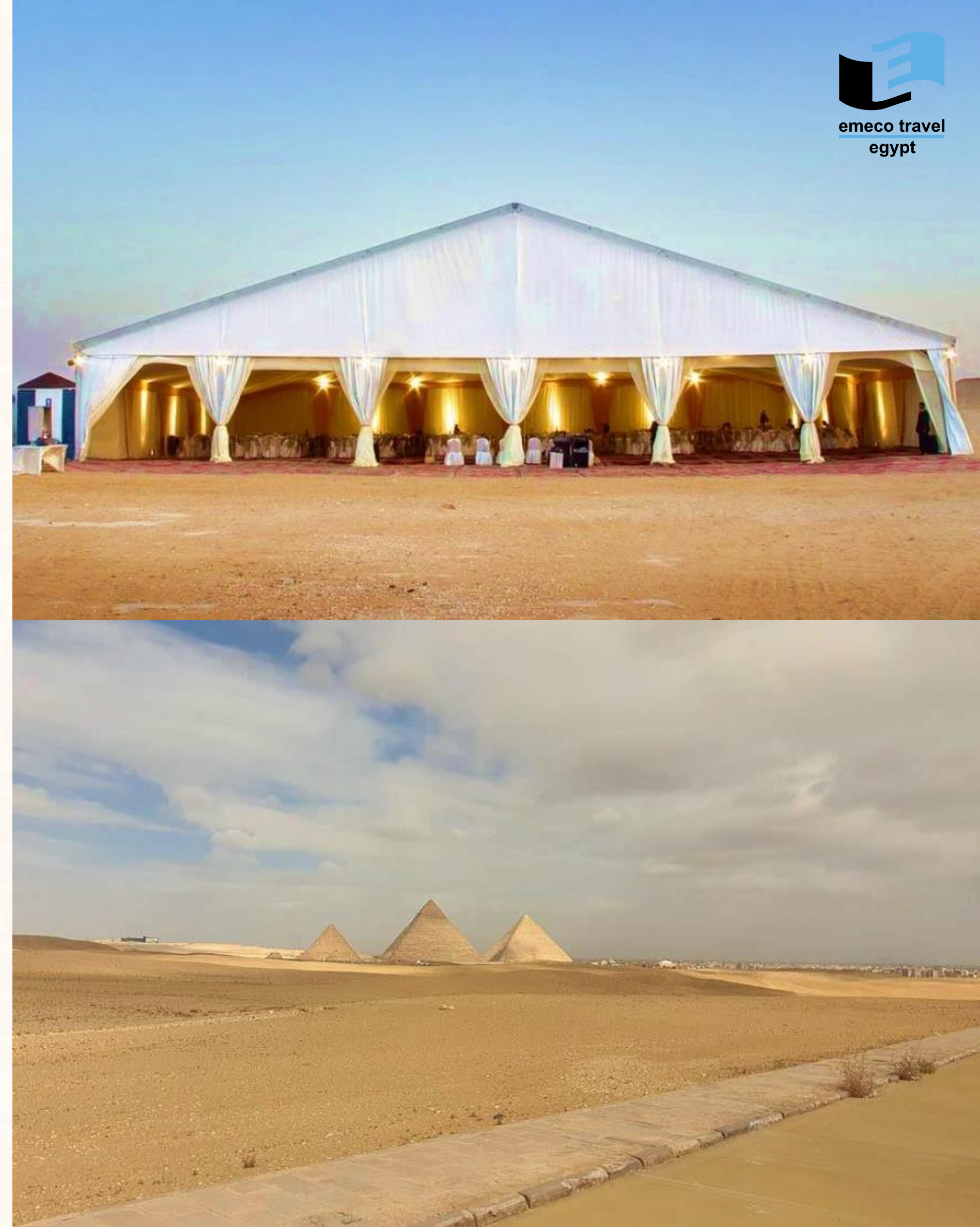
1) Pyramids desert plateau overlooking the Pyramids:

Scenario:

While the guests are transferred by the buses to the Pyramids area, the tent light will appear from a distance till they reach the tent area. Upon arrival, guests are welcomed by drummers, bagpipes, musicians and fire-eaters. Waiters pass trays of welcome drink during the welcome show. After the show, guests get into the tent where they are seated. Entertainment elements to start throughout the night..

Marquee Tent:

Marquee tent will be specially erected in the desert on a cliff overlooking the Pyramids. Size of the tent will give enough space for the guests to sit, dance and move around & wide area will be kept clear for the show.



Seating Setup:

Option A: Oriental Bedouin Style of Round low tables (brass trays) and low chairs, plus decoration elements.

Option B: Classical Style of Wooden Golden Chairs and Tables OR Banquet Round Tables and Covered Chairs, plus decoration elements

Lighting: Professional Lighting System for the entire area (indoor/outdoor)

Food & Beverage:

Buffet of Oriental and international food with a variety of barbecue items (Catered by a deluxe 5 stars caterer)

Beverage:

Beverages can be based on package or to be charged on a consumption basis.

Lavatory facility: Caravans for lavatory and toilet use will be available.



2) Kempinski Rooftop:

The Roof is one of the unique and new venues in Cairo. This open air venue nestled on the 11th floor provides you with a refreshing and inspiring haven where you can enjoy a sumptuous dinner overlooking the Nile River and the beauty of Cairo by night.

- Set Menu dinner will be served while guests will be enjoying light entertainment
- **Transfer back to the hotel and overnight**

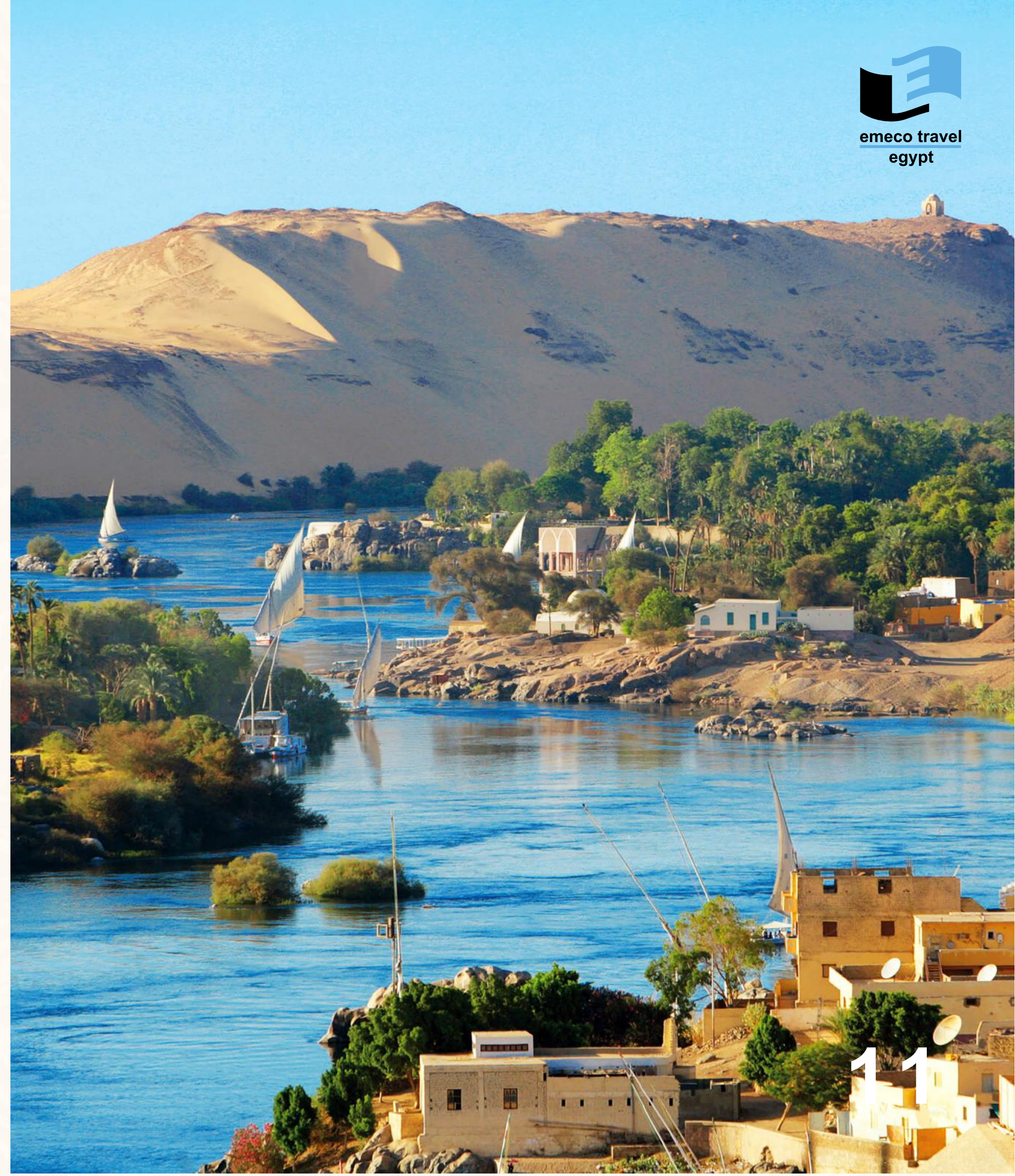


Day (3) – Friday:

- **Breakfast at the hotel**
- **Check-out of the hotel**
- **Transfer to Cairo Domestic Airport**
- **Cairo/Aswan flight**

Aswan:

Aswan is a city in southern Egypt, situated on the banks of the Nile River. It is known for its stunning landscapes, historical significance, and cultural heritage. Aswan is famous for the Aswan High Dam, which created Lake Nasser and is crucial for controlling Nile flooding and generating hydroelectric power. The city is also home to ancient sites, such as the Philae Temple dedicated to the goddess Isis and the Unfinished Obelisk, showcasing ancient Egyptian engineering. Aswan serves as a gateway to exploring Nubian culture and offers beautiful views, making it a popular destination for tourists.

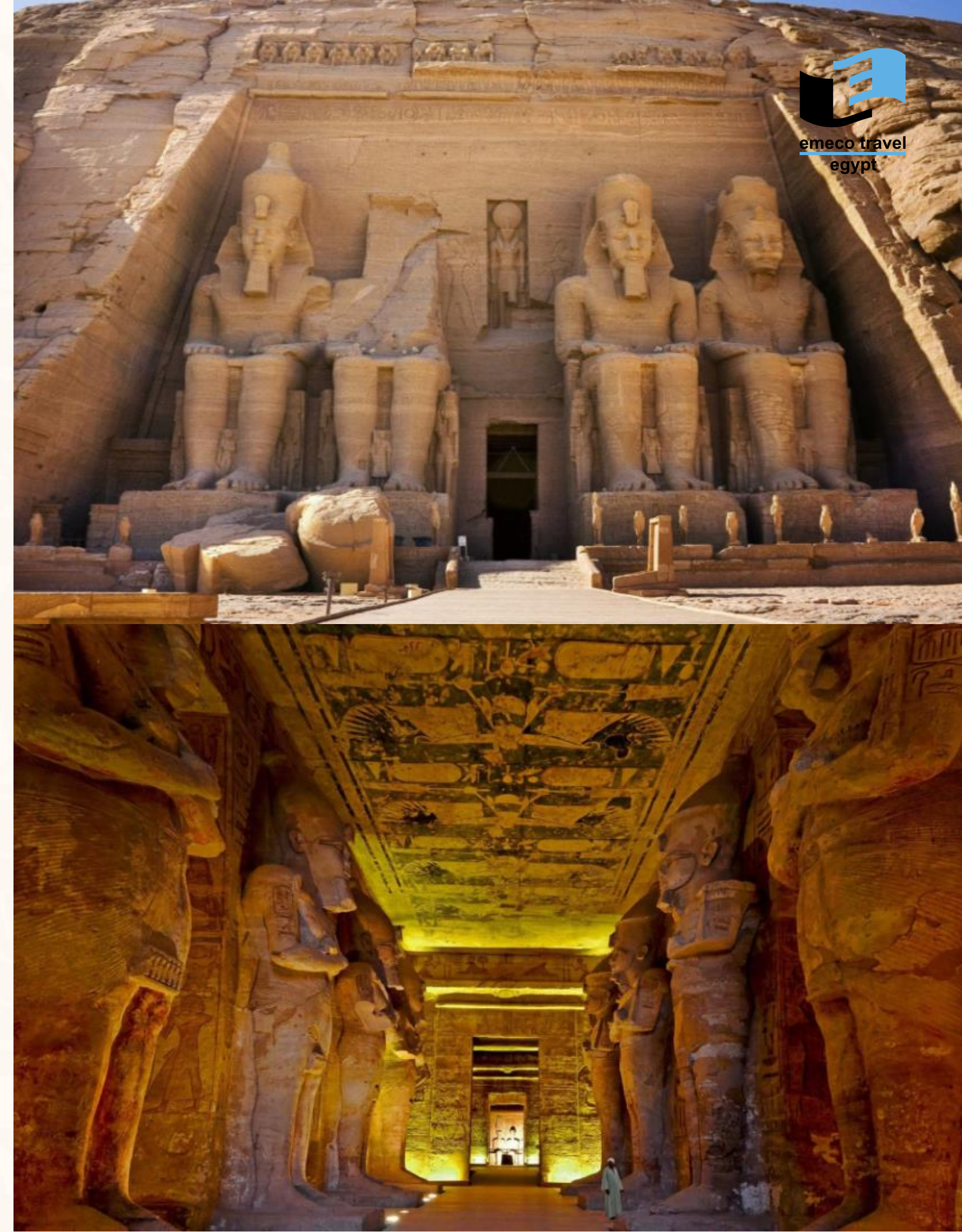


Optional Excursion: Visit to the temple of Ramses II in Abu Simbel

Abu Simbel: located 280 km from Aswan, are renowned for their grandeur and the historic effort to save them. Threatened by submersion in Lake Nasser due to the High Dam's construction, the Egyptian Government, with UNESCO's help, launched a global appeal. From 1964 to 1968, the temples were dismantled, lifted 60 meters up a cliff, and reassembled in their original alignment and relationship to the sun, all under an artificial mountain.

Components:

- Round trip Air flight ticket Aswan-Abu Simbel-Aswan on board Egypt Air scheduled flights.
- Meet and assist service at Abu Simbel airport on arrival and departure
- Round trip transfers from Abu Simbel Airport to the temple and vice versa.
- Entrance fees to the temple
- tour guide



- **Arrival in Aswan**
- **Transfer from Aswan Airport to Nile Cruise Dock & Check In**
- **Lunch on board**

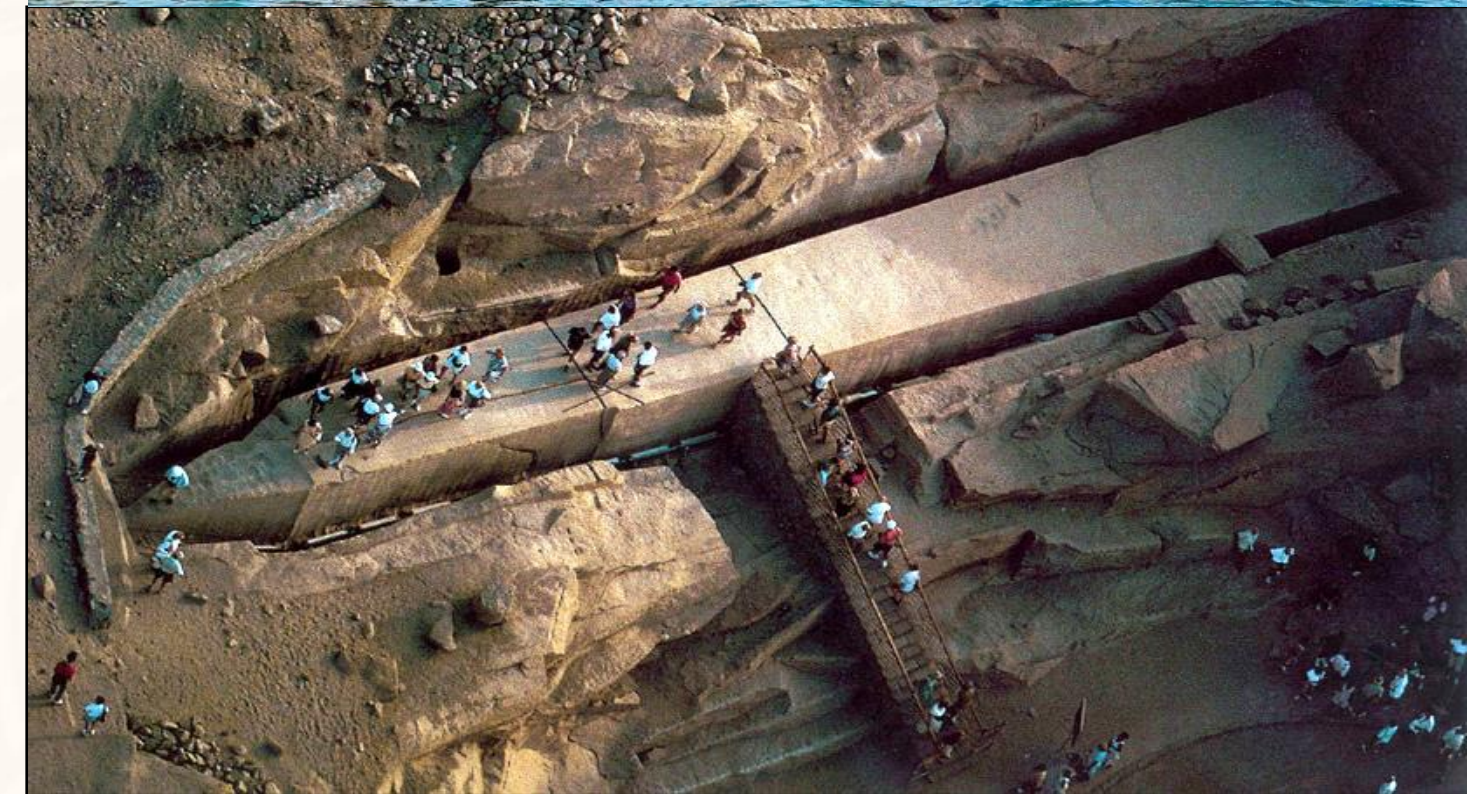
Visit the Highlights of Aswan City to Include:

The High Dam: Constructed by Sir W. Wilcox for the British in 1898, using local granite, it was officially opened in 1902. A second dam was built by the Egyptian government in the 1960s.

Philae Temple: Originally on Philae Island, it was dismantled and reassembled on Agilika Island due to the High Dam. Dedicated to the goddess Isis, it features several shrines and has been landscaped to resemble its original setting.

The Unfinished Obelisk: Located in the Northern Quarry, this massive red granite obelisk was left unfinished due to a crack. If completed, it would have weighed over 2.3 million pounds, making it the largest stone ever handled.

- **Transfer back to Nile Cruise**



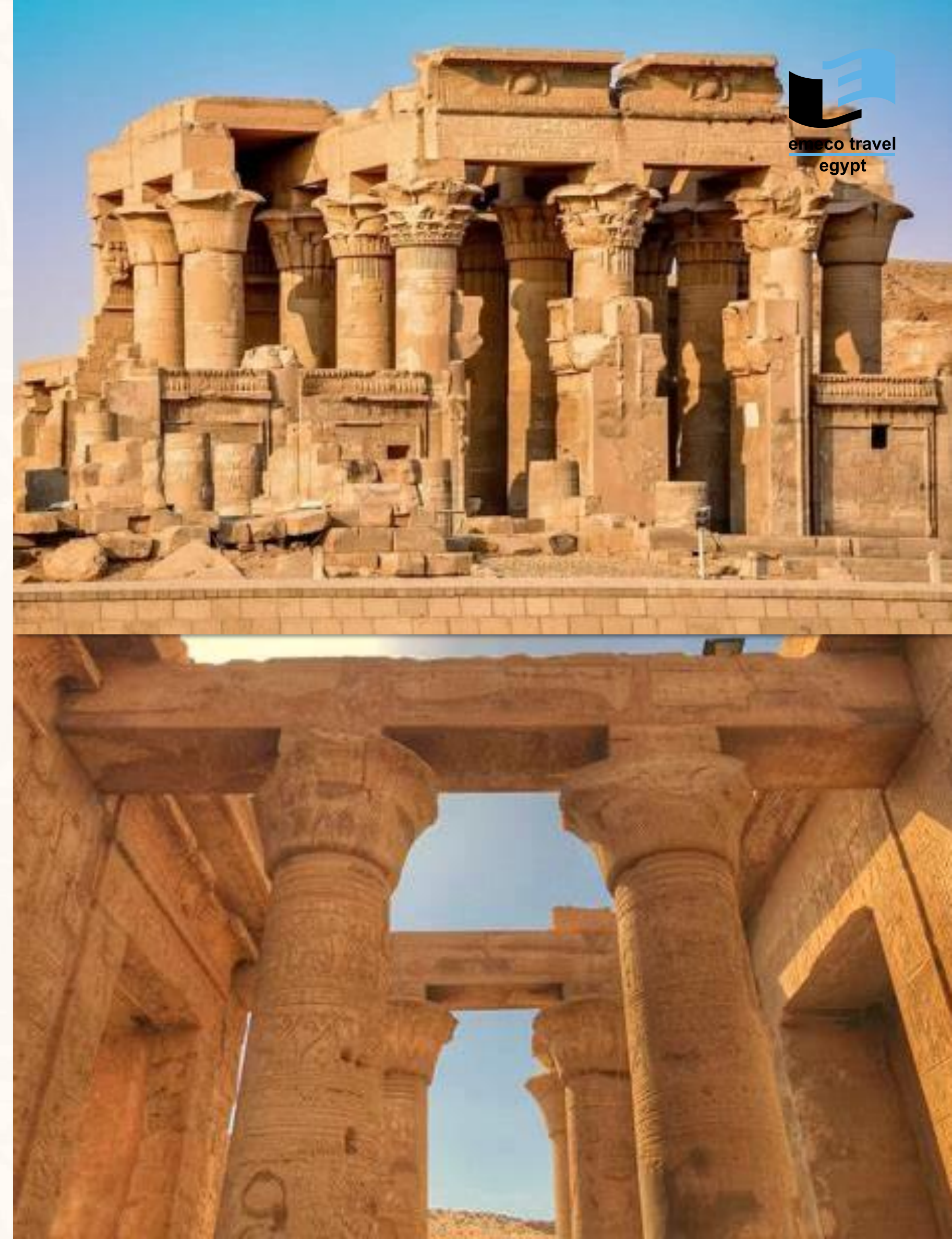
Day (4) – Sat:

- Early sail to Kom Ombo
- Buffet breakfast on board

Visit the temple of Sobek in Kom Ombo (on foot)

Kom Ombo Temple: Comprising two temples dedicated to Sobek and Haroeris, it once had sacred crocodiles nearby. The temple's remains are limited due to the changing Nile, its use as a Coptic church, and stones being repurposed for other buildings.

- Transfer back to Nile cruise & Sail to Edfu
- Lunch on board



Visit to the Temple of Edfu by horse carriages

The temple of Edfu The best-preserved ancient temple in Egypt and the second largest after Karnak, Edfu is believed to be built on the site of the legendary battle between Horus and Seth. It is the latest in a series of temples at this location.

- **Sail to Luxor via Esna Lock.**
- **Dinner onboard**
- **Overnight on board followed by Cruise entertainment program.**



Day (5) – Sun:

➤ Buffet breakfast on board

Morning: Visit the west bank of Luxor to include:

Valley of the Kings was called The Great, Noble Necropolis of Millions of Years of Pharaoh, and for five hundred years it was the burial place of Egypt's New Kingdom rulers. Sixty-two tombs and twenty unfinished pits have been found here, seven of them in the large West Valley of the Kings, the rest in the East Valley of the Kings. It is the East Valley that is visited by most tourists. The Valley of the Kings was chosen as the royal burial place for several reasons. The quality of its limestone bedrock is generally good: solid, strong, and at least in some areas, relatively free of cracks and fractures.

Temple of Queen Hatshepsut is one of the most memorable panoramas in Thebes is the approach to the memorial temple of Queen Hatshepsut. Turning west beside a small mosque, a paved road leads in a straight line to a dramatic expanse of rugged limestone cliffs that rises over three hundred meters (nearly one thousand feet) above the desert plain.



View of Memnon Colossi: The memorial temple of Amenhetep III was the largest temple ever built in Egypt. When completed, it included a massive array of pylons, chambers, walls, and statues that covered an area of over 385,000 square meters (4,200,000 square feet). Unfortunately, the temple was built largely of mud brick and lay in the Nile floodplain where it was subject to the annual inundation.



Supplement Options in Kings Valley:

Visit to King Tut Tomb: Tutankhamen's tomb is absolutely stunning to contemporary visitors. Tutankhamun ascended to the throne of Egypt in around 1332 BC or thereabouts. He was only about eight or nine years old at the time. As the son of one of Akhenaten's minor consorts rather than Akhenaten's main wife, Tutankhamun had not been raised with the expectation that he would rule.

Visit Tomb of Seti I: The Tomb of Seti I, dating from 1279–1213 BCE, is a well-preserved royal burial site known for its intricate carvings and frescoes depicting the pharaoh's afterlife journey, including scenes from the "Battle of Kadesh." As the burial place of Seti I, father of Ramses II, it exemplifies ancient Egyptian artistry and influenced future royal burials, providing insight into the grandeur of ancient Egyptian civilization.

- **Transfer back to Nile Cruise**
- **Lunch onboard the Nile Cruise**



Afternoon: Visit the East Bank of Luxor to include:

Karnak Temple: The largest of its kind, the Karnak temple complex is about 3.5 km from Luxor Temple. Within its area, the grandest of all temples is dedicated to the great Pharaonic god, Amun. Leading to the temple is a procession of ram sphinxes that represents Amun. Although begun in the Middle Kingdom, the temple's vastness comes from successive dynasties which built on to it.

Luxor Temple: Separated from the Nile only by a street, the Luxor temple sits in the city's center. The temple's main purpose was as a secret location for Amun, the lord of gods. The Luxor temple was built by Amenhotep III in the 18th Dynasty.

The temple's most distinguishing features are its interior rooms with magnificent inscriptions and hall of columns, each one capped with crowns of lotus flowers.

➤ **Transfer back to Nile Cruise**



Exclusive Farewell Dinner Options:

1) Private dinner at Habu Temple:

Venue:

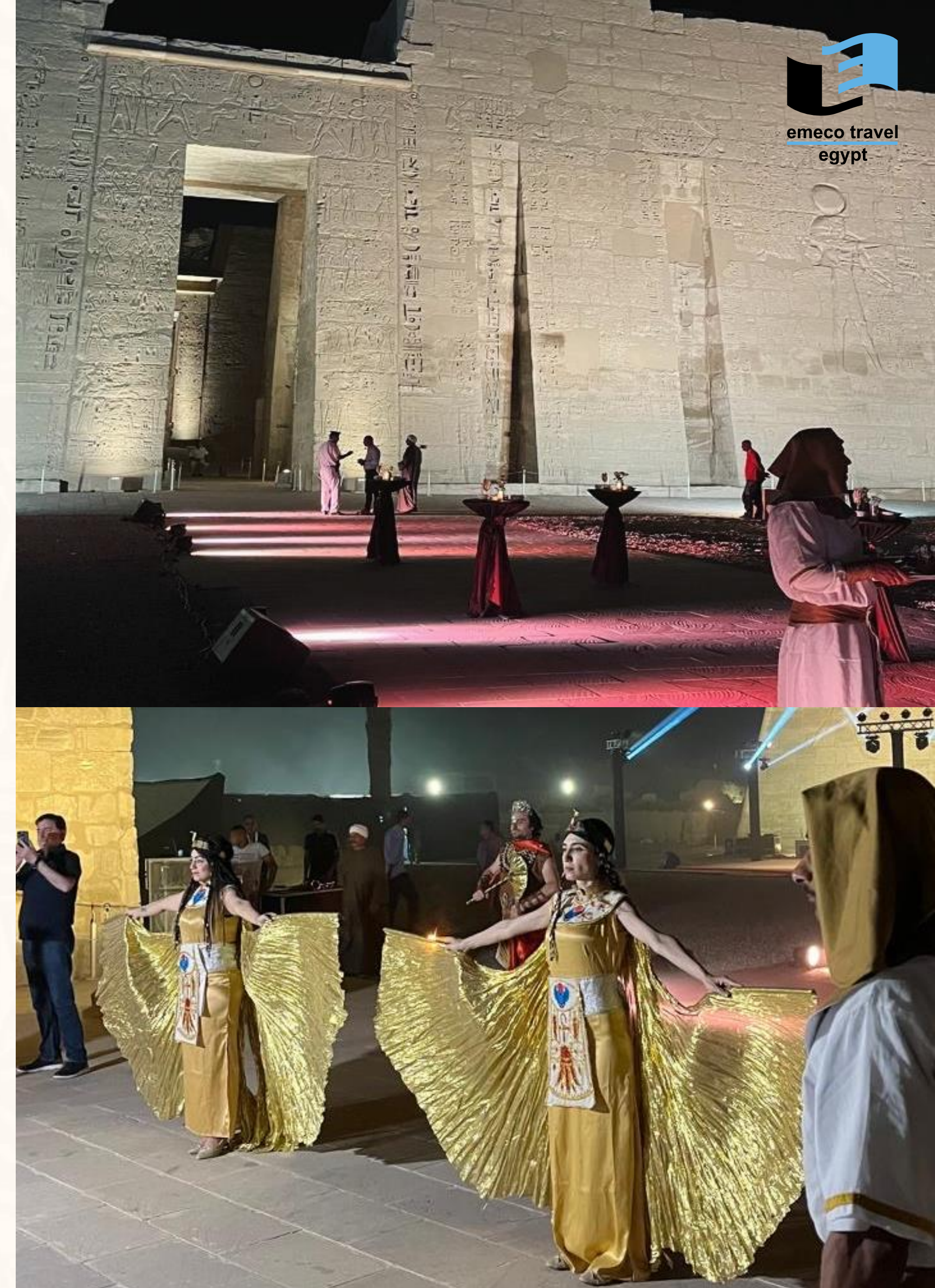
The temple of Ramses III, at Madinet Habu, on the Western bank of Luxor

History of the Site:

The temple of Ramses III stands at Madinet Habu (the Town of Habu) surrounded by a cluster of ancient structures. It is second only to the Great Temple of Amun at Karnak and is one of the most complete and highly decorated temples of Thebes. It was built as a memorial to the king's victories over the Libyan and Asiatic enemies. Well- preserved colors and elegant sunk relief enliven the entire temple.

Theme:

Pharaonic themed dinner, where the tables will be covered with golden table cloth and all the waiters wearing Pharaonic costumes.



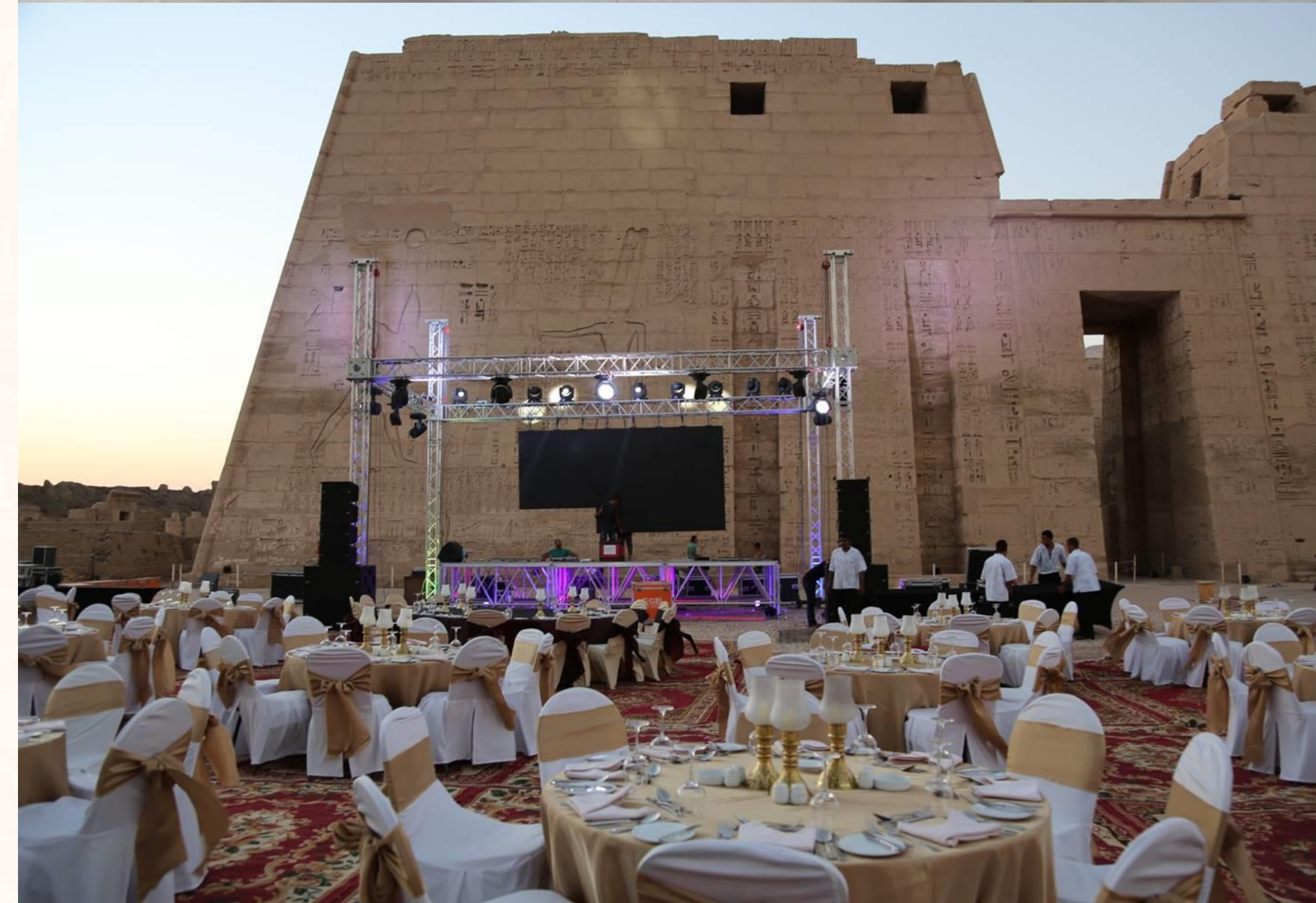
Scenario:

In the evening, clients arrive at the West Bank in luxury coaches, greeted by two lines of Pharaonic soldiers with fire torches. They march to the temple gates along a walkway flanked by torches and guards, with sporadic lights illuminating the temple pylons and gates, enhancing the excitement and amazement.

At the entrance to the first court, a 10-minute performance featuring the Pharaoh, his queen, and dancers welcomes the guests.

Waiters are ready with cocktails and canapés on trays, allowing clients to enjoy drinks while roaming the temple halls and courts, escorted by a professional Egyptologist.

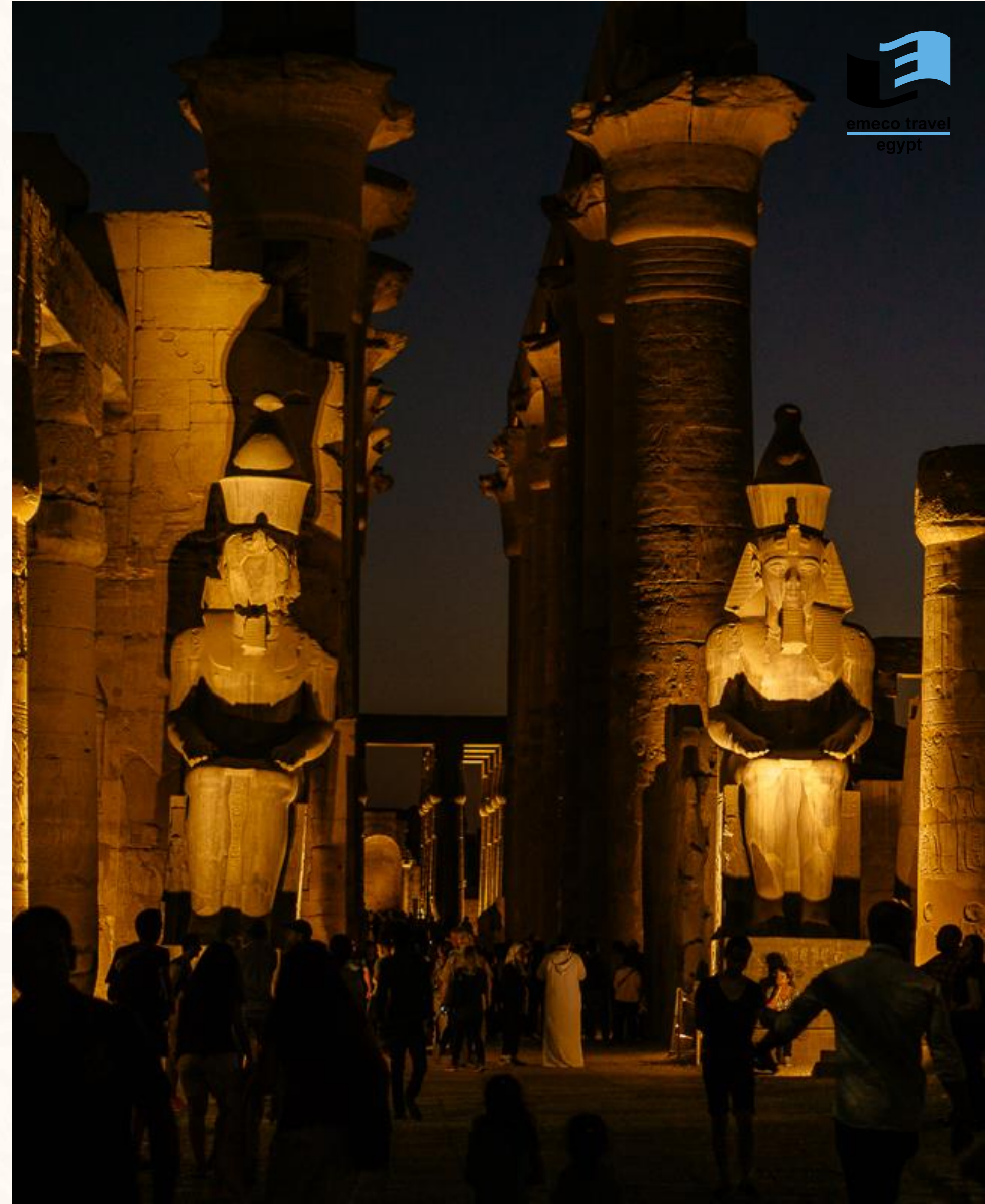
During this tour, the dining tables will be discreetly set up out of sight. After the temple tour concludes, clients will be seated at tables facing the temple, where an elegant set menu catered by a deluxe hotel will be served.



2) Private dinner at Luxor Temple:

Temple of Luxor:

Known in ancient times as "the private sanctuary (opet) of the south," Luxor temple is located south of Karnak. Its god, Amun of Luxor, was a fertility figure with strong connections to both Karnak and West Thebes. Neither the cult nor any part of the temple appears to predate the early 18th Dynasty; the few Middle Kingdom fragments found here probably come from elsewhere and were transported to Luxor after the original buildings were dismantled. The present temple is built on a rise that has never been excavated and which may conceal the original foundations. It is so compact it could be explored in an hour.



Dinner Scenario:

Upon arrival to the dinner venue, guests will walk through the ancient alley of Sphinx that was once connecting between this temple and Karnak temple, along the 2 sides of the alley Pharaonic characters will be standing with fire torches.

In the background a triumphal March of Aida is played by CD music
At the façade of Luxor temple non-alcoholic drink will be served, then guests will proceed to in a 3-sided tent overlooking the temple façade.

Elegantly seated on a banquet round tables adorned with flower centerpieces, deluxe tables and seat covers, our guests will enjoy dinner in the presence of God Amon at his house (temple of Luxor))
The seating area floor will be covered by oriental carpets.

All waiters will be dressed in Pharaonic attire to match with the venue during dinner soft music will be played, with a possibility to arrange live concert of Classical Arabic quintet from the Egyptian Opera house with all necessary arrangements for the show.

- **Dinner onboard**
- **Overnight on board followed by Cruise entertainment program**



Day (6) – Mon:

- **Buffet breakfast on board**
- **Check-out of the Nile Cruise**

Optional Activity:

Early departure for hot Air Balloon ride over the West Bank of Luxor:

One of the best ways of seeing Luxor and its monuments is from the air. Up until recently this could only be done in the early morning by hot air balloon. The hot air balloon trip over the West Bank is slow and graceful.

Note: It has to be an early start, as the balloons can only fly while the temperature is still relatively low.

- **Transfer to Luxor airport**
- **Luxor/Cairo flight**
- **Transfer from Cairo Domestic airport to the hotel**



Lunch Options:

1) Naguib Mahfouz - Oberoi Restaurant:

Hidden in the heart of the buzzing Khan El Khalili bazaar, this restaurant is serving typical Egyptian food and truly shows what Egyptian food is about. It is a nice and traditional decor, featuring mahagoni and gold, the superb Maitre. The restaurant is named after famous Egyptian writer Naguib Mahfouz who came here to get inspired for his masterpieces.

Note: This restaurant doesn't serve alcoholic beverage

2) Sky Rim Bar & Grill:

Located on the highest land point in Cairo; Al Mokattam, guests to experience the unique Breathtaking picturesque view of Cairo.



Afternoon: Visit Khan El Khalili Bazaars, Salah El Din Citadel & Mohamed Ali Mosque

Khan El Khalili Bazaars:

Khan el-Khalili, once known as the Turkish bazaar during the Ottoman period, is now usually just called the 'Khan', and the names of it and the Musky market are often used interchangeably to mean either. Named for the great Caravansary, the market was built in 1382 by the Emir Djaharks el-Khalili in the heart of the Fatimid City. Together with the al-Musky market to the west, they comprise one of Cairo's most important shopping areas.



Citadel Salah El Din, the Ayyubid ruler of Egypt during the 12th century, built a fortress overlooking Cairo in 1176 AD. The original fortifications were later torn down by Sultan El Nasir and Mohammed Ali to make room for their own mosques and palaces. For almost 700 years, to the death of Mohammed Ali in 1849, nearly all Egypt's rulers lived in the Citadel, held court, dispensed justice and received ambassadors.

Within the citadel's towering walls are the Mohammed Ali's Alabaster Mosque(built in the image of the blue Mosque of Turkey). The decorations and the design of the mosque are very intricate and typically Turkish. The mosque is believed to be the most magnificent Islamic monument in Egypt.

➤ **Transfer back to the hotel**



Lunch Options:

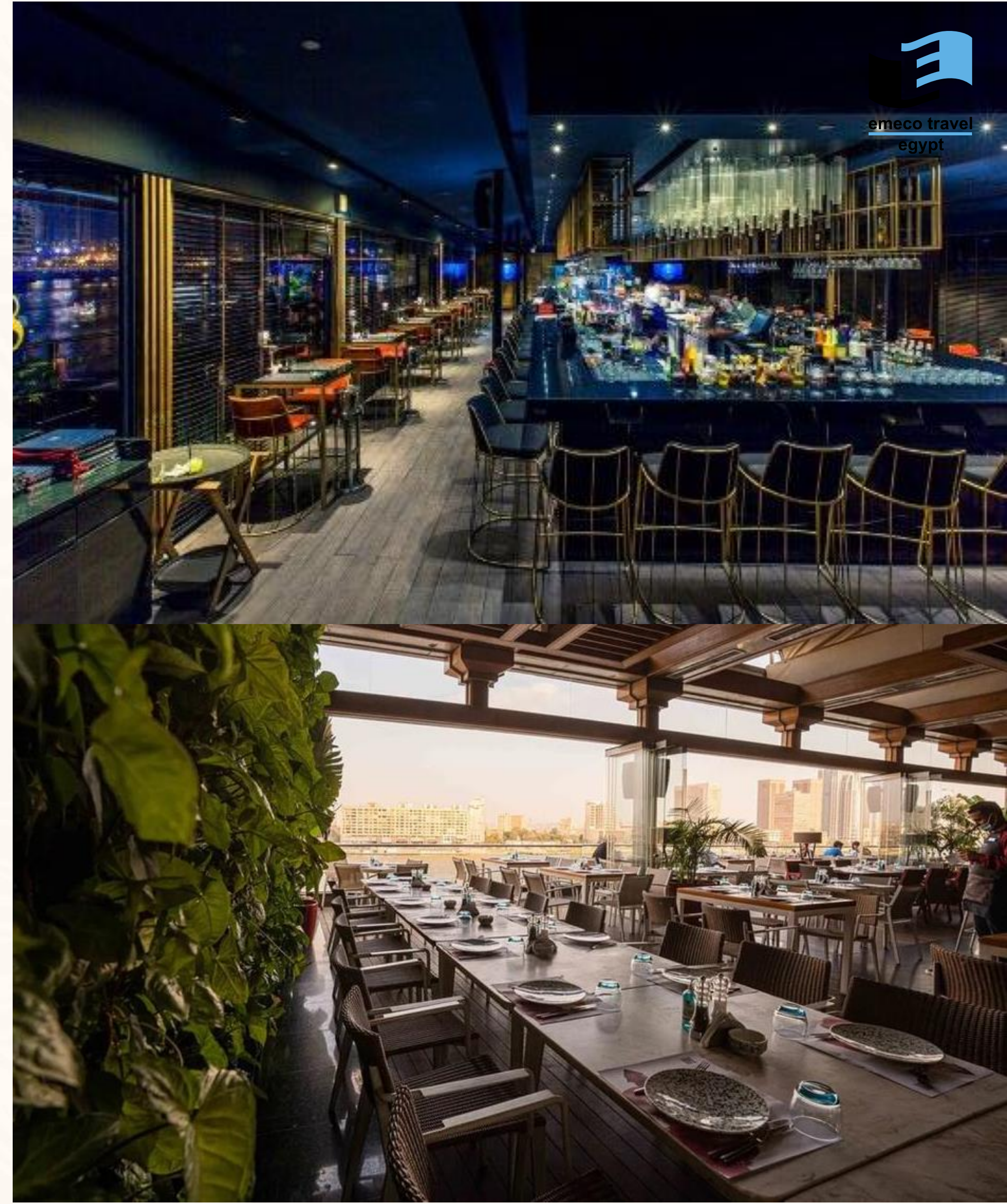
1) Pier 88 Nile River Restaurant – Zamalek:

Pier88 offers a tantalizing fusion of authentic Italian cuisine and fine dining, where every dish is meticulously crafted to captivate your taste buds and transport you to the heart of Italy.

2) Crimson's Bar & Grill:

Crimson is a popular open-air bar/restaurant in El Zamalek, with stunning views of the Nile. It serves a variety of Middle Eastern cuisine, including mezzos, grills, and main courses, and is also known for its Shisha smoking area.

- **Transfer back to the hotel**
- **Overnight in Cairo**



Day (7) - Tue:

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Check-out of the hotel
- Transfer to Cairo International Airport
- Assistance by Emeco coordinators through airport formalities
- Final Departure



THANK YOU!