

Royal Viking Cruise ★★★★★ Luxor, Aswan, Luxor

River Cruising on the Nile is without doubt one of the most convenient, comfortable, relaxing and luxurious ways to explore many of Egypt's most wonderful sights.



The MS Royal Viking is a deluxe 5 star cruise ship built in 2009 and one of the newest and most stylish boats on the Nile. It departs Luxor and slowly moves down the Nile to beautiful Aswan, before returning to Luxor, over a period of 7 days, stopping at various sights of interest.

The MS Royal Viking has 68 comfortable cabins, all furnished to a high standard, with en suite bathroom, air-conditioning, complimentary toiletries, satellite Plasma TV plus a safe and mini-fridge. There are five decks and a host of on-board facilities to enjoy and you can be assured of wonderful Egyptian hospitality throughout your cruise.

The main restaurant located on the lower deck offers a wonderful variety of international and local cuisine whilst the lounge bar on the main deck is the perfect place to relax in the evenings and enjoy the nightly entertainment. The large sun deck on the upper deck, with wooden sun beds and stylish rattan furniture, provides a relaxing place to sit and enjoy the spectacular views of the Nile. There is a swimming pool ideal for a refreshing dip during the day and a deck bar offering cool refreshments.

The cruise departs every Monday from Luxor and every Friday from Aswan.

Cruise highlights: the Valley of the Kings, Temple of Hatshepsut, Valley of the Queens, Colossi of Memnon, Temple of Karnak, Temple of Luxor, Temple of Horus (Edfu), Temple of Sobek (Kom Ombo), Aswan, Temple Of Philae and a Felucca Trip.

Cruise Options: 7 night cruise Luxor, Aswan, Luxor • 4 night cruise Luxor to Aswan • 3 night cruise Aswan to Luxor



7 night / 8 day itinerary:

Day 1 Monday: Arrive Luxor

On arrival you will be met at the airport and transferred to the cruise ship. A welcome meeting, dinner and overnight on board.

Day 2 Tuesday: Luxor West Bank

An early morning start crossing over to the West Bank of the Nile to visit The Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut's Temple, the Valley of the Queens and Colossi of Memnon. On arrival back at the boat, a buffet lunch will be served and the boat will sail for Esna. The afternoon can be spent relaxing on the sun deck while watching the varied local life on the river and its banks. Afternoon tea will be served on the sun deck. After dinner, a small informal cocktail party where the management of the boat is introduced to everyone takes place. During the evening the boat will pass through the lock at Esna then dock overnight in Edfu 3-4 hours later.

Day 3 Wednesday: Edfu to Aswan

Visit of the Temple of Edfu, and afterwards you may roam the local market. Lunch will be served as the boat sails to Aswan. This wonderful journey takes approximately 10 hours and gives you a chance to take a dip in the pool, read a book or to simply enjoy the views. In the evening there will be a Galabeya party. Late that night the boat will dock in Aswan for a stay of two nights.

Day 4 Thursday: Aswan

Morning visit to the High Dam, the Old Granite Quarries, the unfinished Obelisk and then by boat to the Temple of Philae. In the afternoon, sail by Felucca around Kitchener's Island and its Botanical Gardens. Dinner, evening entertainment and overnight on board.

Day 5 Friday: Abu Simbel and Kom Ombo

Today can be spent either at leisure or on optional excursions: the Temple of Abu Simbel in the morning and an optional excursion to a Nubian Village in the afternoon. Guests on a one way Luxor-Aswan cruise will disembark at this stage. The boat will sail to Kom Ombo and a visit to the Ptolemaic Temple usually takes place that evening. Dinner, evening entertainment and overnight on board.

Day 6 Saturday: Sail to Luxor

The day is spent at leisure as the boat heads to Luxor arriving later that evening. After dinner, enjoy the delights of a traditional Belly Dancer.

Day 7 Sunday: Luxor East Bank

A morning visit to the Temple of Karnak, the Papyrus Museum and the traditional perfume shops of Luxor. In the afternoon a visit to the Temple of Luxor followed by the markets of Luxor. This evening there is an optional excursion to the Sound and Light Show at Karnak Temple.

Day 8 Monday: Depart Luxor

The morning can be spent at leisure. In the afternoon, disembark and transfer to the airport for your return flight or continue to your next resort.

Prices from £696pp for 7 nights based on full board on any deck cabin, including return flights and return private transfers and excursions.