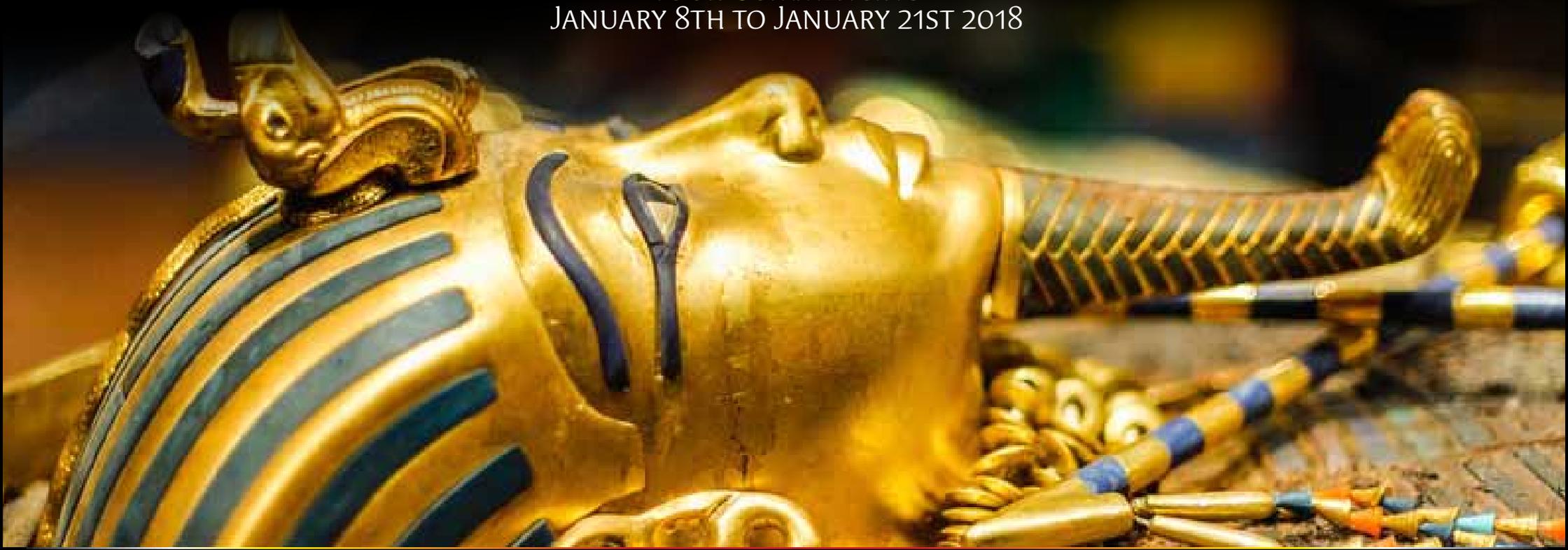


# Essence of Egypt

A FULLY ESCORTED, EXCLUSIVE TOUR OF EXOTIC EGYPT

A SMALL GROUP  
(MIN 10 / MAX 20 PEOPLE)

TOUR COMMENCING  
JANUARY 8TH TO JANUARY 21ST 2018



# ITINERARY

## DAY 1

## Cairo



MONDAY JANUARY 8TH (D)

Arrive Cairo by midday. You are Welcomed and escorted to Mena House, our historic 5 star accommodation overlooking the Giza Plateau. Meet our highly experienced Egyptologist and guide at our Welcome Dinner, the Pyramids illuminated providing the perfect backdrop.

*Overnight Mena House*

## DAY 2

## The Giza Plateau / Saqqara



TUESDAY JANUARY 9TH (B/L)

Today we visit the 3 Pyramids of Giza, the Sun Boat of Cheops, The enigmatic Sphinx and the Granite Temple. Later we drive to Saqqara to visit the Step Pyramid and the oldest necropolis in Egypt **OPTIONAL** Entries into 2 Pyramids, Camel Rides, Sound and Light Show Pyramids.

*Overnight Mena House*

## DAY 3

## Luxor



WEDNESDAY JANUARY 10TH (B)

A morning flight to Luxor and check in to the Old Winter Palace for our overnight stay. In the afternoon we visit Luxor Temple Tour and enjoy a tour of the city and a visit to the markets, enjoying our evening meal at a local restaurant.

*Overnight The Old Winter Palace*

## DAY 4

## Luxor



THURSDAY JANUARY 11TH (B/L/D)

We check out after breakfast and board our airconditioned coach for our day tour which visits the magnificent Temples of Abydos and Dendara. We return late afternoon to board the cruiser *MS Medea* (or equivalent) for our 7 day cruise of the Nile.

*Dinner and Overnight on board*

## DAY 5

## Luxor



FRIDAY JANUARY 12TH (B/L/D)

This morning we visit the awe inspiring Karnak Temple, the largest temple complex ever built by man and the main religious centre for Ancient Egyptians for thousands of years. In the afternoon we set sail for Edfu, we pass through the fascinating locks of Esna.

*Dinner and Overnight on board*

## DAY 6

## Edfu



SATURDAY JANUARY 13TH (B/L/D)

After breakfast we are transported by horse and carriage through the city to visit the Temple Of Horus. We then sail to Kom Ombo to visit the Temples of Sobek the Crocodile God and Horus the Elder. Later as we sail for Aswan in the evening, we dress up for the Galabeya Party and Egyptian Buffet.

*Dinner and Overnight on board*

## DAY 7

## Aswan



SUNDAY JANUARY 14TH (B/L/D)

Today we tour the beautiful city of Aswan, we visit Philea Temple on the island of Agilka, the High Dam and the Unfinished Obelisk. In the afternoon we enjoy a felucca ride around the islands and a stopover at the famous *Cataract Hotel* for High Tea.

*Dinner and Overnight on board*

## DAY 8

## Aswan



MONDAY JANUARY 15TH (B/L/D)

Today we have a free day. You can decide to spend the day relaxing on board or choose to take an **OPTIONAL** boat ride to visit a traditional Nubian village to meet the people and gain an appreciation of their unique way of life. or do both as there will be plenty of time over the day.

*Dinner and Overnight on board*

# ITINERARY

## DAY 9

### Abu Symbal



TUESDAY JANUARY 16TH (B/L/D)

This morning we take a short flight to the shores of Lake Nasser to visit the two magnificent Sun Temples built by the Pharaoh Rameses 2nd. The main temple is dedicated to himself and the other to his beloved wife Nefertari. We set sail for Luxor in the afternoon and in the evening enjoy a Belly Dancing Show.  
*Dinner and Overnight on board*

## DAY 10

### Luxor



WEDNESDAY JANUARY 17TH (B/L/D)

A relaxing day of cruising along the Nile on our return journey to Luxor. We arrive in the afternoon with plenty of time to attend the **OPTIONAL** Sound and Light Show at Karnak Temple after dinner.  
*Dinner and Overnight on board*

## DAY 11

### Luxor



THURSDAY JANUARY 18TH (B/L)

We tour the Valley of Kings, Queen Hatchepsuts Temple and the Colossi of Menmon. **OPTIONAL** The Valley of the Queens and the exquisite Tomb of Nefertari and a Sunrise Balloon Ride over the Valley of Kings. Late afternoon flight to Cairo and check into the elegant Marriot Hotel.  
*Overnight Marriot Hotel*

## DAY 12

### Cairo Highlights



FRIDAY JANUARY 19TH (D/L)

We visit The Muhammad Ali Mosque situated inside the Citadel of Salah el Din, Old Coptic Christian Cairo and the Hanging Church and the Egyptian Museum.  
**OPTIONAL** Visit into the Mummy Rooms  
*Overnight Marriot Hotel*

## DAY 13

### Cairo Modern Egypt



SATURDAY JANUARY 20TH (B/D)

Our free touring today takes us through districts of Cairo not usually included in tour itineraries. Our Egyptologist will introduce us to the many diversities that make up this vibrant cosmopolitan city and its people. Our day ends at Khan Al Khalilli Markets for last minute shopping and our Farewell Dinner at the famous Naguib Mahfouz Oasis restaurant.  
*Overnight Marriot Hotel*

## DAY 14

### A Farewell to Egypt



SUNDAY JANUARY 21ST (B)

Following breakfast we bid farewell to our new found friends and prepare for our escorted transfer to the airport for the journey home.  
We leave enriched by our experience of this fascinating country, its people and its history and memories that will remain etched within us for years to come.

### Tour Facilitator



Marilyn Von Paleske has successfully facilitated numerous events in her long career in both Hospitality and Tourism and as an Accredited Holistic Health Practitioner. Marilyn's lifelong affinity with Egypt has led her there on many occasions and looks forward to accompanying you and sharing her passion whilst providing every assistance to you along the way. She aims to ensure your tour through Egypt will be an exciting and highly enjoyable experience.  
For further information phone Marilyn on 0429 793 341

### Our Egyptologist



**Tarek Mostafa** has over 25 years experience escorting and guiding hundreds of groups from all over the world through his beloved Egypt. His work is his passion and he has extensive knowledge of Ancient Egyptian history and of its vast collection of Temples, artifacts, Pharaohs and of the Gods and Goddesses of Ancient times. Tarek's goal is to educate and encourage greater understandings of Egyptian Culture and Religions, both past and present and he shares his information with clarity, compassion and light hearted humour. Most of all he aims to ensure that all his guests are having a great time and to return home enriched with wonderful lasting memories. JOIN US on this fascinating excursion of exotic Egypt.



## TERMS & CONDITIONS

“Essence of Egypt“ is EXCLUSIVE to and ONLY available through Helloworld in the Fourways Devonport.

Call (03) 6424 5544 or email geoff.devonport@helloworld.com.au

### Tour Price

Land package from AUD \$4880 per person twin share.  
AUD \$5880 single occupancy.

### Flights to Egypt

We highly recommend you arrange your flight at the time of booking the tour. It is our aim to bring you to Egypt comfortably and on time and you are required to arrive at Cairo airport by lunchtime on Day 1 January 8th 2018 to be met and escorted to your hotel.

Our travel agent will advise and reserve the best flight options available to you depending on where you will be departing from within Australia.

The Tour is based on a minimum number of participants. If not reached we reserve the right to cancel or re-cost the tour as appropriate.

Egyptian land package arranged and supported by Spring Tours Egypt.

### Tour Inclusions

Escorted airport transfers upon arrival and departure  
All tours as per itinerary and transport in air conditioned coaches  
6 nights, 5 star Historic Hotel accommodation,  
7 nights 5 star Nile cruiser MS Medea (or equivalent),  
13 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 10 dinners including:  
Welcome Dinner and Farewell Dinner Meals among the people  
All internal Flights  
Abu Symbal Tour  
Entry into Pharaoh Tutankhamuns Tomb  
Visits to Papyrus Museum,  
Perfume Palace, Alabaster Factory  
Cairo Museum of Antiquities  
High Tea at the Cataract Hotel, Aswan  
Full time English speaking Egyptologist and Guide  
Full time Tour Facilitator accompaniment.

### Optional Extras

Entry into 2 Pyramids  
Sound and Light Show Pyramids  
Camel Rides.  
Balloon Ride over the Valley of the Kings  
Nefertitis Tomb Valley of Queens  
Boat ride to Traditional Nubian Village  
Sound and Light Show Karnak  
Entry into the Mummy Rooms,  
Cairo Museum.



### Registration

Register with your Tour Facilitator, Marilyn will send you further information and invite you to join her Private Tour Facebook page, providing an opportunity to acquaint yourselves within the group and to assist single travellers seeking a companionable share twin.

### Deposits and Payments

A non-refundable deposit of \$2000 to secure your booking. A further payment of \$2000 is required by 1st September. Final Payment is required by 10th November. The tour price is based on twin share. A single room supplement is \$1000. Payments can be made via bank transfer, direct deposit and credit card.  
*By making a booking you are agreeing to the Terms and Conditions of the tour.*

### Flights to Egypt

You are required to arrive in Cairo by midday on Day 1 January 8th 2018. We strongly recommend you arrange your flight details at the time of booking the tour. Should you choose to arrange your flight independently you must advise us of your airline, flight number and time of arrival. Arriving outside of the recommended times may incur additional costs for accommodation, escort and transfers to hotel accommodation.

### Travel Insurance, Visas and Passports

We strongly recommend you take out Travel Insurance at the time of booking. We recommend you obtain your Visa into Egypt prior to leaving Australia, our travel agent can assist you. Please ensure your Passport has a minimum of 6 months validity after return date.

### What is not included

Flights (international), Visas, Travel Insurance, Passports, Optional excursions, meals and sightseeing not detailed on the itinerary, gratuities/tips, spending money, beverages, phone calls, laundry and any item of a personal nature.

### Tipping in Egypt

Tipping in Egypt is a way of life and the source of income for many and is not included in the package price. A tipping schedule and amounts will be forwarded to you upon booking to assist you with your budgeting.

### Currency in Egypt

The Egyptian Pound and the American Dollar are the accepted currency in Egypt and all are subject to global exchange fluctuations. We advise you to arrive with currency on hand.

### Cancellations

Cancellations can incur penalties of up to 100% of the holiday price. Standard Spring Tours Egypt terms and conditions apply. You will be provided with full details upon booking.

### Changes

We reserve the right to make any changes to the itinerary due to any unlikely circumstance that may make it necessary to do so. Any unexpected changes that may occur will be replaced by an equivalent in quality, service and value.

### Your Health

A reasonable level of health and fitness ensures a comfortable excursion on tour. We recommend you see your doctor before you leave your home to attend to any medical needs or medications you may require on tour.

### Disclaimer

Your safety, well being and enjoyment is important to us and we are committed to take every care and precaution to ensure a smooth and incident free experience for all our guests throughout the entire tour duration in Egypt. Optional Camel, Balloon, Horse riding or any other activities are to be taken at your own risk. We will not be held responsible for any accident or injury that may result from your own actions, or any other unexpected event that may occur to cause you injury or harm. Nor from any pre-existing medical condition or from any that may develop on tour. You are responsible for the safe keeping of your own money, valuables and belongings.