12 Days in Egypt January 3-15, 2023





Gate1 Travel

12 day Crown of Egypt tour with a 4 Day Nile Cruise

Cost ~\$3500/person

Best time to visit: Nov. thru Feb.

Package included.....

Round trip flights New York-Cairo, Cairo-New York
All intra-flights: Cairo-Luxor, Aswan-Cairo

- 10 nights First Class accommodations
 - 4 nights Cairo
 - 1 night Luxor
 - 4 nights Nile Cruise
 - 1 night Aswan

•Hotel taxes, fees & service charges

•All transfers

•22 meals: 10 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 7 dinners

•Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach

•Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout

•Entrance fees per itinerary

Sites on Itinerary.....

- Museum of Ancient Egypt
- Karnak Temple
- Luxor Temple
- Valley of the Kings
- Hatshepsut Temple
- Philae Temple
- Komobo Temple

- Abu Simbel
- Aswan Damn
- Great Pyramids of Giza
- Sagarra and Step Pyramid
- The Sphinx
- Coptic Cairo tour



EGP – Egyptian Pound Exchange Rate in January 2023

\$1 USD = 24.3 EGP September 10 - \$1 USD= 30.8 EGP



All Currency Converter SmartWho 4.5 *

Culture and Language

- Speak Arabic
- 85% Muslim



- 10-15% Coptic Christian
- Women should not wear sleeveless shirts or shorts
- Not as conservative Muslim as some.

Safety and Security

- Check the State Department web site, "Reconsider travel to Egypt due to terrorism."
- Our tour buses had an armed guard
- Beware of the Vendor Tricks
- Don't flash your \$ around or set belongings down

3300 BC 3200 BC	+	Oldest evidence of hieroglyphics Ancient Egypt- 1 st Dynasty
2780 BC		First Pyramid built – Sagarra Step Pyramid first mummifications
1336 BC		Tutankamun reign- 18 th Dynasty
332 BC 69-30 BC 30 BC		Greeks invade Egypt Cleopatra reigned – 33 rd dynasty - Ptolemaic Rome conquers Egypt
350 AD	← →	Byzantian era – Christianity dominates
650 AD		Arab invasion – Egypt becomes a Muslim country
1821 AD	←	Hieroglyphics decoded from Rosetta Stone
2300 AD		Present

The lives of the ancient Egyptians were devoted to preparing for the afterlife.

The builders and craftsmen were not slaves. They were well provided for and proud to serve their pharaoh.



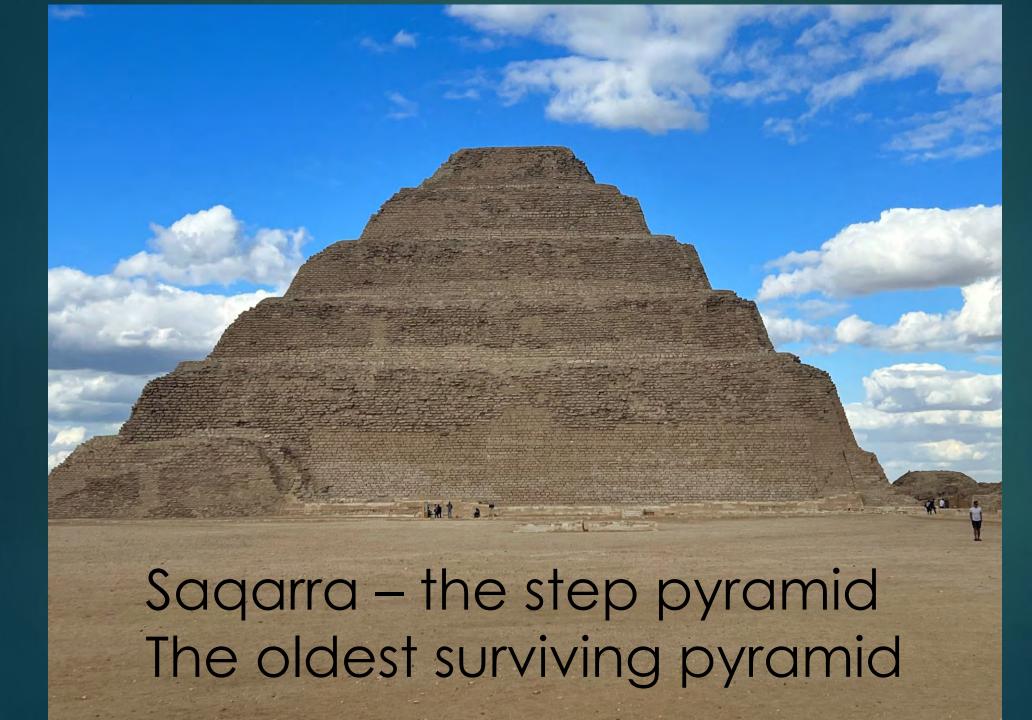
Pyramids of Giza



Built ~2500 B.C. 500 feet high. Two million blocks with average weight of two tons.

Inside the Great Pyramid. Sarcophagus of Pharaoh Khufu in center of pyramid



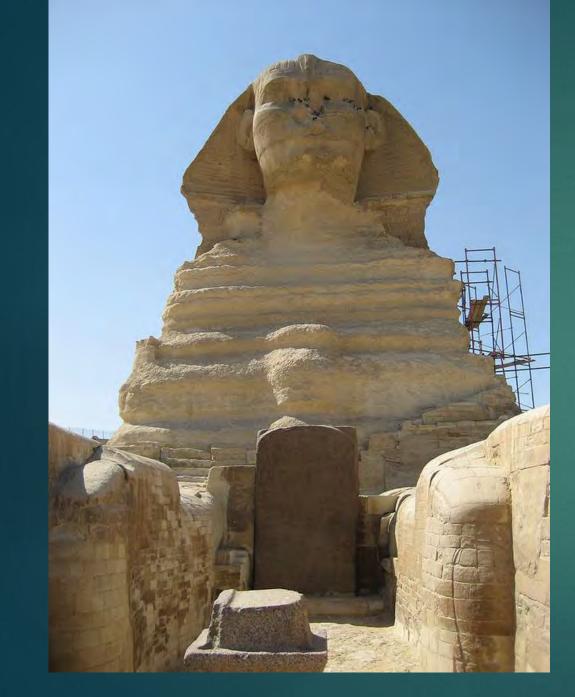


Built 2780 BC 200 Feet high





The Sphinx



~2500 BC

Carved out of bedrock

240' long

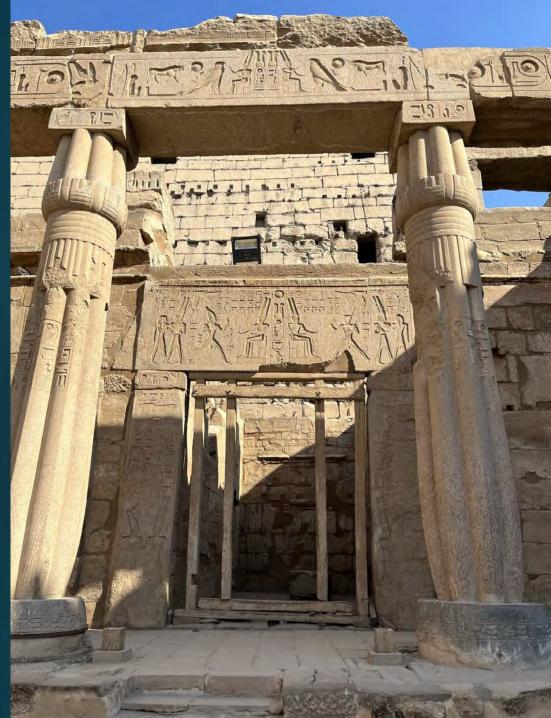
66' high



Karnak



Avenue of Sphinxes extent 1/4 mile to Luxor Temple



Luxor Temple





Valley of the Kings

and completed for Rameses VI; pit in the floor of the sarcophagus chamber.

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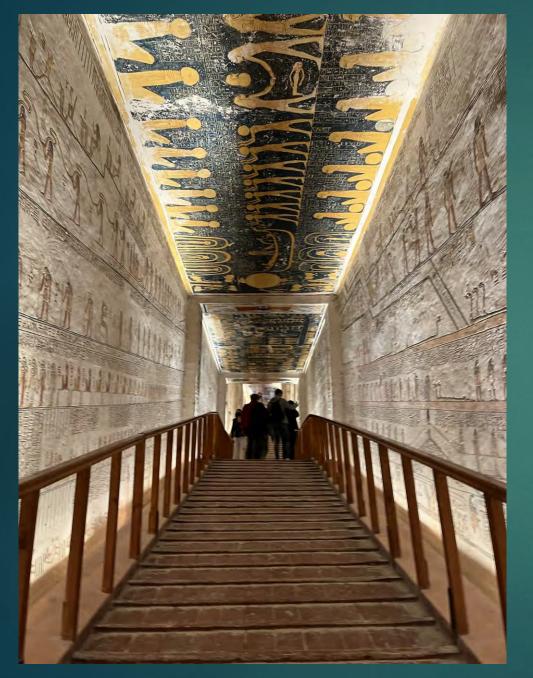
Decoration The Book of Gates (2); the Book of the Day and the Book of the Night (3); the Book of the Earth (4); the Book of Caverns; the Imydwat; the Book of the Dead.

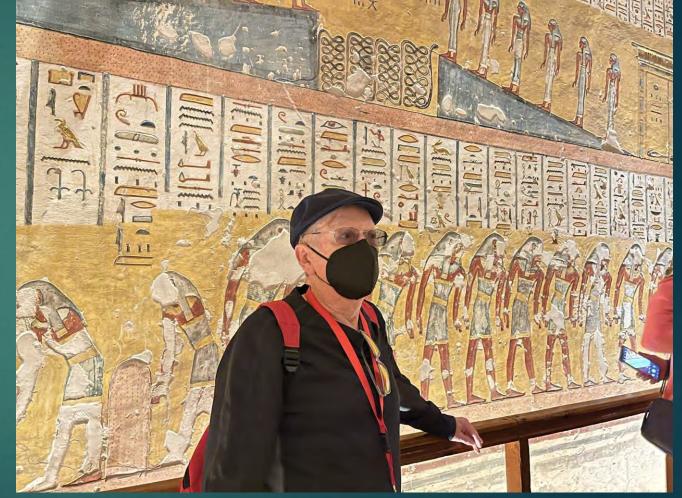




King Tutankamun Reign - 1336 - 1327 B.C.

King Tut's Cartouche







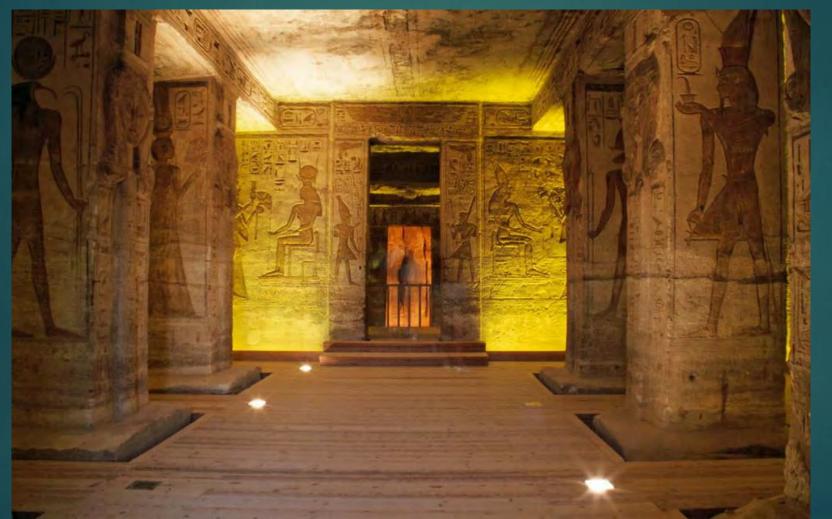
They believed this art provided the deceased with all the comforts they needed in the afterlife.



The art on the walls of the tombs and temples told stories of everyday life.

Abu Simbel- dates to 1279 BC Moved in 1960s when Aswan Dam was built.

Interior of Abu Simbel

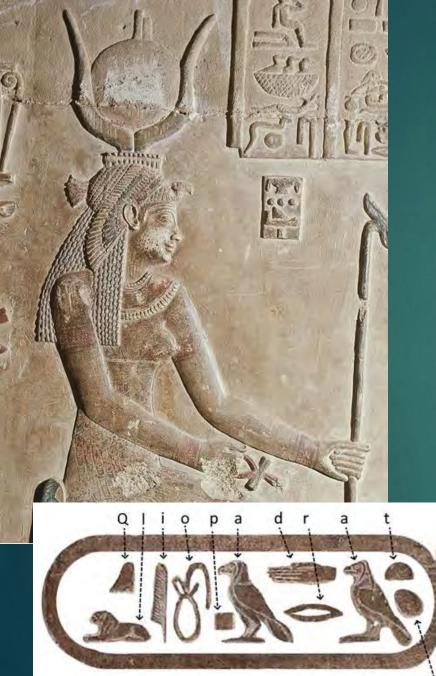


Interior aligned with sun illuminating certain objects inside on certain dates.

Smaller Temple of Abu Simbel Dedicated to Queen Nefertari



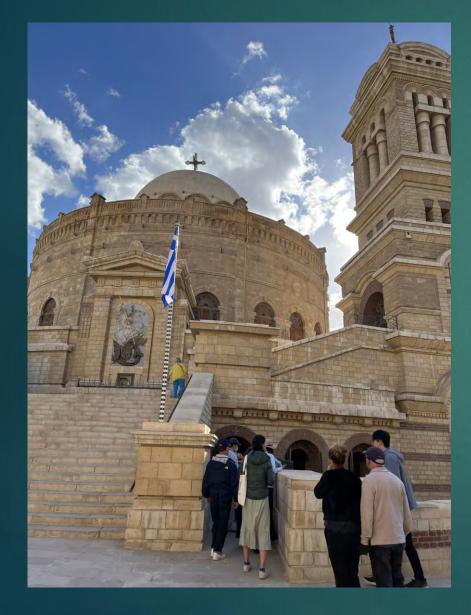




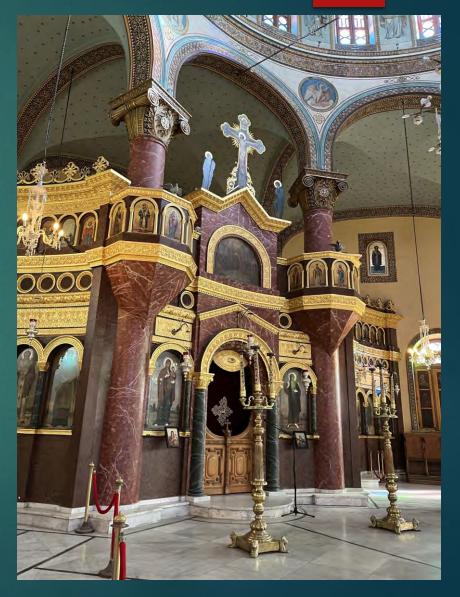
goddess symbol



The Coptics were the earliest Christians







Papyrus



