



Hurghada, Luxor & Marsa Alam

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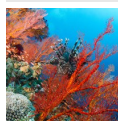
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Like so many of the towns and cities of Egypt, Hurghada, Luxor and Marsa Alam are living history museums. The three cities are positioned as corners of a triangle in the Eastern Desert. Hurghada, a former fishing harbour, stretches 24 kilometres along the waterfront and is the perfect area for water sports. Marsa Alam is found by the Red Sea coast and tourism is just starting to make an impact. The city of Luxor, with its jaw-droppingly beautiful monuments built by the hands of ancient craftsmen, lies 240 kilometres inland on the banks of the River Nile.

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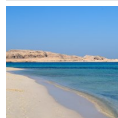
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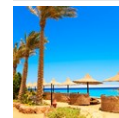
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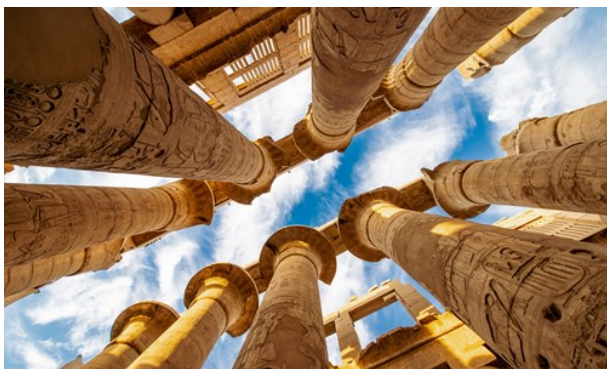
HURGHADA



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Hurghada has been home to fishing communities for centuries and remained unchanged until the 1990s when tourists discovered this idyllic village. With wide stretches of beaches along the coastline and sea waters that were relatively safe and great for watersports, the city was, and still is, ideal for tourism. Today, it is a busy, sprawling town divided into two main areas, the Old Town Ad-Dahar to the north, and Sigala to the south. Each boasts a wide range of hotels and restaurants catering for all tastes and tourist attractions.

LUXOR



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Luxor was the capital of Egypt around 1500-1000 BC and has over the years seen astonishing numbers of palaces and temples built here. Because the structures were built of granite and sandstone, they still remain to this day. Among the “must-sees” are: the Luxor

Temple, which dates to the Amenhotep III and Ramses II periods, the complex of temples known as the Karnak Temples, the Luxor Museum, the Mummification Museum — the first of its kind in the world —, the Funerary Temples and the valleys of the Kings and Queens.

MARSA ALAM



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Marsa Alam still has the air of an unspoilt village, which makes it an ideal base for those looking for a quieter break. It is located within a three to four-hour drive of both Luxor and Hurghada.

Tourism has found Marsa Alam basically because of its location on the banks of the Red Sea. Here you can go on boat trips to watch multi-coloured fish, dolphins, turtles and the coral reefs that lie just offshore. The popularity has grown so much in the past years that it now has its own airport and an increasing number of luxury resort-style accommodations.

DO & SEE



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Karnak



Dating back over 3,000 years, Karnak is a monumental complex of temples, pylons, and chapels. The most significant structure is the Temple of Amun-Ra. The Hypostyle hall, at 16,459 square metres and featuring 134 columns, is still the largest room of any religious building in the world. Besides the main sanctuary, there are several smaller temples and a vast sacred lake.

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Address: Karnak, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily 6am-5:30pm

Mummification Museum



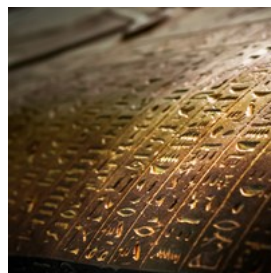
The Mummification Museum in Luxor is the best place to learn about the secrets of the pharaohs. Take your time to reflect and dwell upon ancient Egyptian history, culture and traditions surrounding the funerary process, the very key element in ancient Egyptian belief systems.

Photo: *Merydolla/Shutterstock.com*

Address: Kornish Al Nile, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily 9am-2pm / 5pm-10pm

Luxor Museum



Perched on the east bank of the River Nile, Luxor Museum is an archaeological treasure trove showcasing a wealth of Ancient

Egyptian artefacts. From everyday items to exquisite artwork, sculptures, and mummies, the museum provides a fascinating journey through the rich history of the region. Many exhibits were unearthed in local temples, while some trace their origins to the renowned tomb of Tutankhamun, offering visitors a remarkable glimpse into the daily life and artistry of ancient civilisations.

Photo: *Ram Kay/Shutterstock.com*

Address: Kornish Al Nile, Luxor City, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily 9am-2pm / 5pm-8pm

Phone: +20 95 2370569

Red Sea Mountain Trail



Inspired by the award-winning Sinai Trail and founded by the local Kushmaan Bedouin tribe, the Red Sea Mountain Trail spans 170 km,

taking you into less explored territory and wild landscapes that were once part of trade, shepherd and smuggling routes. A Bedouin guide will accompany you through the entire 10-day-long hike, but there are easier alternative routes that can be taken anytime.

Photo: WhiteHaven/Shutterstock.com

Address: Red Sea Mountain Trail, El Dahar, Hurghada

Phone: +20 111 513 5758

Internet: www.redseamountaintrail.org

Email: redseamountaintrail@gmail.com

El Gouna



El Gouna is a purpose-designed resort town on Egypt's Red Sea, near Hurghad. Here you can find gourmet restaurants, nightclubs,

sports and leisure activities including the Red Sea's first marina, a fine golf course, beaches, spas and special attractions for children.

Photo: Aliaksei Smalenski/Shutterstock.com

Address: El Gouna, Hurghada

Phone: +20 65 3561760

Internet: www.elgouna.com

Email: info@elgouna.com

Blue Paradise Diving Center



Blue Paradise is a diving centre that offers holiday-makers a chance to dive and snorkel in the Red Sea and see coral reefs, dolphins and

turtles. All diving is carried out under professional supervision.

Photo: dive-hive/Shutterstock.com

Address: 14 El-Bahr, Hurghada 2

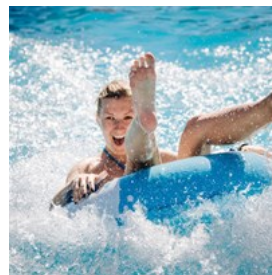
Opening hours: Daily 10am-6:30pm

Phone: +20 11 13508400

Internet: www.blueparadise.be

Email: info@blueparadise.be

Makadi Water World



Makadi Water World is a fun water park with more than 50 thrilling water slides for both kids and adults, including a 19-metre free-fall slide,

tunnel slides, mini rainbow and elephant slides just to name a few. You can easily spend some hours here.

Photo: Andrei Bortnikau/Shutterstock.com

Address: Madinat Makadi, Safaga Road, Hurghada

Opening hours: Daily 10am-1pm / 2pm-5pm

Phone: +20 65 3590225

Internet: <https://makadiwaterworld.com>

Sphinx Avenue



The Sphinx Avenue, also known as The King's Festivities Road, hails from around 380 BC, revealing a historic 2.7 km-long pathway that

links Karnak Temple with Luxor Temple in the ancient city of Thebes. Uncovered remnants

showcase sphinxes and ram-headed statues adorning both flanks of this ancient avenue, providing a fascinating glimpse into the grandeur of ancient Egyptian architecture and culture.

Photo: Raimonds Romans raymoonds/Shutterstock.com
Address: Allée des Sphinx, Karnak, Luxor

Mahmya Island



Nestled in the Red Sea, Mahmya Island is an idyllic eco-tourism sanctuary with pristine white sandy beaches and crystal-clear blue waters.

Offering a serene escape, this beautiful destination is perfect for relaxation and rejuvenation. Visitors can indulge in fine dining experiences and partake in activities such as snorkeling and volleyball.

Photo: Laila Stern/Shutterstock.com
Address: Mahmya Island, Big Giftun Island
Opening hours: Daily 9am-8pm
Phone: +20 10 01119792
Internet: www.mahmya.com/island

Sharm El-Naga



Located 40 km from Hurghada, the Sharm El-Naga resort beckons with a serene bay, featuring a sandy beach and crystal-clear waters.

Renowned for its well-preserved coral reefs, this tranquil haven is a paradise for snorkelling and diving enthusiasts.

Photo: Ivabalk/Shutterstock.com
Address: Sharm El Naga, Hurghada
Phone: +20 10 9312 0754
Email: info@sharmelnaga.com

Tomb of Ramses VI (KV9)



Tomb KV9 in Egypt's Valley of the Kings, initially built for Pharaoh Ramesses V, and later repurposed by his uncle Ramesses VI, stands as a must-see attraction. Dating back to the 12th century BCE, this cathedral-like tomb features elaborate decorations and hieroglyphs, with the burial chamber showcasing intricate scenes of religious rituals and the journey to the afterlife.

Photo: Anton Belo/Shutterstock.com
Address: Valley of the Kings, Luxor

Hot Air Balloon Ride in Luxor

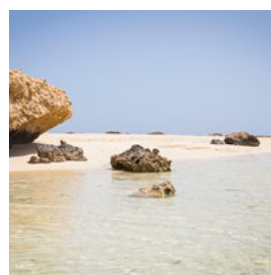


Embark on an unforgettable journey with a hot air balloon ride over Luxor, where you'll experience the enchanting beauty of this

historic city from a unique vantage point. Soar high above and enjoy panoramic views of the majestic Nile River, the grandeur of the Valley of the Kings, and the impressive temples that stand as testaments to Luxor's rich history.

Photo: Aaron_Northcott/Shutterstock.com
Internet: www.sindbadballoons.com
Email: info@sindbadballoons.com

Sharm El Luli



Sharm El Luli invites visitors to a serene oasis of tranquility with its white Caribbean sand and crystal-clear turquoise waters. The tranquil

lagoon is a haven for snorkeling and diving enthusiasts, boasting a vibrant coral reef

teeming with marine life, including clownfish, and puffers.

Photo: irene valentini/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sharm El Luli, Halayeb We Shalateen Road

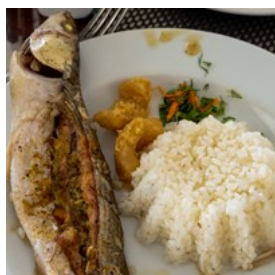
DINING



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There is plenty of choice when dining out in Hurghada, Luxor or Marsa Alam. Restaurants that feature international cuisine such as Italian, French and Chinese can be found everywhere. If you want to experience a true Egyptian experience you should try 'koshary', a local dish made from pasta, Egyptian fried rice and tomatoes, or dishes such as hummus or 'ful medames', a stew of cooked fava beans. If you are unsure of what to order, try a meze (selection) of different dishes.

Al Halaka (Hurghada)



Al Halaka, a seafood restaurant situated opposite the Fish Market, entices diners with a diverse array of fresh offerings, including fish, shrimp, squid, crabs, and lobster. Boasting reasonable prices and a view of Al Mina Mosque, the restaurant provides a delightful culinary experience. However, caution is advised, as past reviews highlight the importance of

double-checking the bill before payment.

Photo: Mister_Knight/Shutterstock.com

Address: Opposite the Fish Market, Hurghada

Opening hours: Daily noon-midnight

Phone: +20 10 04562800

The Heaven (Hurghada)



Situated on the Hurghada Marina, with a beautiful sea view, The Heaven offers a diverse culinary experience with a vast selection of dishes

ranging from seafood and pasta to sushi.

However, the highlight of the house is their camel steak, known for its tasty flavour and generous portion size.

Photo: rocharibeiro/Shutterstock.com

Address: Hurghada Marina, Hurghada

Opening hours: Daily noon-1am

Phone: +20 12 22428204

Internet: <https://theheaven-co.com>

Email: info@theheaven-co.com

Puddleduck Bar & Restaurant (Hurghada)



Puddleduck is a British award-winning restaurant boasting a menu that showcases an exquisite selection of English and International dishes,

including a variety of steaks, roast dishes, and classic fish and chips.

Photo: vsl/Shutterstock.com

Address: Downtown, Kafr, El Gouna

Opening hours: Daily noon-11pm

Phone: +20 12 88963841

Internet: www.instagram.com/puddleduckelgouna

Moby Dick (Hurghada)



Situated in one of the most popular venues in Hurghada, Moby Dick specialises in international cuisine and seafood dishes,

distinguishing itself as the sole establishment in Egypt to serve swordfish steak. It is also particularly famous for its juicy camel steaks.

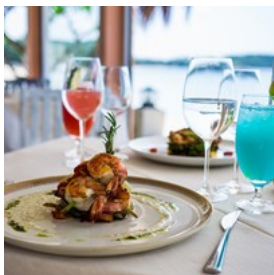
Photo: Dejan Stanic Micko/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sheraton Road, Hurghada

Opening hours: Daily 1pm-12:30am

Phone: +20 65 3440050

Caribbean Bar (Hurghada)



Caribbean Bar is a beachfront restaurant offering a fusion of European and Egyptian cuisine along with tasty drinks in a very relaxing

atmosphere.

Photo: vetrovamaría/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sheraton Road, Hurghada

Opening hours: Daily 7am-midnight

Phone: +20 11 1049 7436

Internet: www.instagram.com/caribbeanbar

More Info: Bella Vista Hotel

Samos (Hurghada)



Samos is a vibrant Greek restaurant that delights patrons with a diverse menu featuring delicious Greek dishes like souvlaki and pastitsio but also a

few Egyptian specialities, including the much sought-after camel steak, a favourite among tourists. The dining experience is enhanced with a selection of cold beers and ouzo.

Photo: diamant24/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sheraton Road, Hurghada

Opening hours: Open 24 hours

Phone: +20 12 03225800

Al-Sahaby Lane Restaurant (Luxor)



Established in 1930, Al-Sahaby has grown to become a cherished dining spot in the city. Renowned for its diverse menu, the restaurant

offers a mix of international, authentic Egyptian, and Bedouin cuisine. Indulge in specialities like camel pot, tajine, and stuffed pigeon while enjoying a 5-star view from the rooftop, showcasing the Nile, Luxor temple, and the Avenue of the Sphinxes. Finish your dining experience with the delightful 'om ali', a traditional Egyptian dessert.

Photo: Dina Saeed/Shutterstock.com

Address: Al-Sahaby Street, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily 7am-11:30pm

Phone: +20 95 2372386

Internet: www.nefertitihotel.com

Email: booking@nefertitihotel.com

More Info: Located in Nefertiti Hotel

Pizza Roma-it (Luxor)



For a taste of Italy while in Egypt, head to Pizza Roma-it, where the menu showcases a variety of enticing dishes, including beef lasagna, pesto

chicken pasta, and, of course, an assortment of pizzas, the star of the house. Vegetarian options are also available. Conveniently situated near Forty Market, it's the perfect spot for a delicious meal after a shopping spree.

Photo: OKMG/Shutterstock.com

Address: Joseph Street, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily noon-midnight

Phone: +20 11 1879 9559

A Taste of India (Luxor)



Satisfy your craving for spicy Indian cuisine at A Taste of India. This restaurant offers a break from Egyptian flavours with a diverse menu

featuring classics like tikka masala, chicken biryani, and tandoori chicken. In addition to its authentic Indian dishes, A Taste of India also presents a selection of Middle Eastern and international culinary delights.

Photo: JoannaTkaczuk/Shutterstock.com

Address: El-Mahdi, Gazirat Al Awameyah, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm

Phone: +20 12 26687768

Africa Restaurant (Luxor)



Enjoy the flavours of Egypt at Africa, a rooftop restaurant with stunning views of the Nile and Luxor Temple. Savour freshly made Egyptian

dishes like chicken shawarma, beef goulash, and fried aubergines amidst the scenic backdrop.

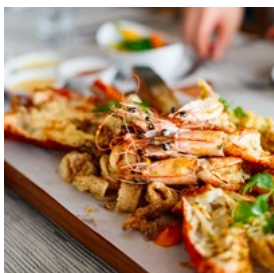
Photo: Luisa Leal Photography/Shutterstock.com

Address: Al Qarnah, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily 6:30am-11:30pm

Phone: +20 10 10109543

Divino Port Ghalib Marina (Port Ghalib)



Indulge in a special night at Divino, an Italian restaurant located at Port Ghalib Marina. Enjoy a unique setting with views of both the sea and the

lake while relishing authentic Italian cuisine. Enhancing the experience, live music sets the perfect ambience for a memorable evening.

Photo: BlueOrange Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Port Ghalib Marina, Marsa Alam

Opening hours: Daily 10:30am-2am

Phone: +20 10 01919999

Internet: <https://divino-restaurants.com>

Al Sultan Restaurant & Lounge Bar (Port Ghalib)



Al Sultan is a restaurant and lounge bar that offers a diverse menu featuring both local and Western delights, ranging from pizza and pasta to local

dishes like fattoush and soups. The outdoor seating area exudes a unique Arabic atmosphere, providing a delightful setting to enjoy your favourite shisha flavour alongside refreshing drinks amidst the Red Sea ambience.

Additionally, the evenings at Al Sultan are complemented by a variety of entertainment.

Photo: JOAT/Shutterstock.com

Address: Port Ghalib Marina, Marsa Allam

Opening hours: Daily noon-1am

Phone: +20 12 21107823

Internet: www.instagram.com/alsultan.portghalib

Email: sultan.portghalib@gmail.com

CAFÉS



Raimond Klavins/Unsplash (cropped)

In this historical environment you can easily find a nice café and just sit and relax. Enjoy a nice cup of coffee and maybe a delicious Egyptian sweet.

El Zahraa Bakery & Pastry (Hurghada)



Satisfy your sweet cravings at El Zahraa Bakery & Pastry. Indulge in the rich flavours of local delights like baklava, kunafa, and om

ali. Additionally, treat yourself to mouthwatering cakes for a perfect touch of decadence to your culinary experience.

Photo: Victor Wong/Shutterstock.com

Address: October 6, Hurghada

Opening hours: Daily 8am-1am

Phone: +20 10 21342224

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Luxor tends to have a quieter atmosphere in the evening, with many visitors opting for relaxed dinners or Nile River cruises. While there are some cafés and restaurants that stay open later, you won't find a bustling nightlife scene comparable to larger cities. The same applies to Marsa Alam.

Hurghada, on the other hand, is a popular tourist destination with a more vibrant nightlife, which is centred around the resort areas and along the Red Sea coast.

Keep in mind that most lounges and bars are located within hotels.

El Gezira Hotel



The El Gezira Hotel offers a roof terrace overlooking the Nile. This is a great opportunity to turn a relaxing evening drink into a real experience.

Photo: Ekaterina_Molchanova/Shutterstock.com

Address: Geziret-el-Beirat West Bank, Luxor

Phone: +20 95 2310034

Internet: www.el-gezira.com

Papas Club



Papas Club, open seven days a week, is a vibrant venue that consistently draws a lively party crowd. The club offers a diverse weekly

entertainment program, featuring everything from live bands and DJs to karaoke nights and captivating belly dancing shows.

Photo: glazok90/Shutterstock.com

Address: Al Mamsha Road - Al Humba Building, Hurghada

Email: papasbarhurghada@gmail.com

Elements Club & Lounge



Situated within the Steigenberger Aqua Magic Hotel, Elements is a vibrant club and lounge where, almost daily, DJs create an energetic

atmosphere on the dance floors. The venue also hosts themed party nights and features live music performances. Additionally, Elements caters to culinary delights with a dedicated sushi bar. Stay updated on the latest events by checking out their Instagram page.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com

Address: Youssef Affifi Road, Hurghada

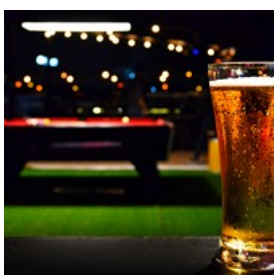
Opening hours: Tue-Sun 6pm-3am, Mon closed

Phone: +20 12 72212299

Internet: www.instagram.com/elements_club

More Info: Steigenberger Aqua Magic Hotel

Murphy's Irish Pub



Embracing the lively spirit of an Irish Pub, Murphy's offers a welcoming atmosphere for patrons looking for cold beers and flavorful

meals. The venue features a dynamic layout with a pub area upstairs, complete with a pool table. Meanwhile, the downstairs section transforms into a vibrant club setting, complete with a DJ and dance floor.

Photo: ART JA/Shutterstock.com

Address: El Gawazat Street, Luxor

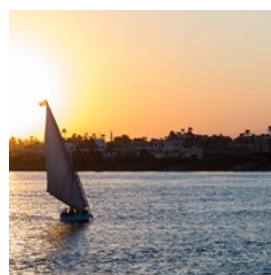
SHOPPING



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For a unique and local shopping experience, visit the vibrant bazaars to discover a diverse array of local crafts and artefacts. These bustling markets showcase traditional souvenirs, including copperware, brass items, carpets, glass vases, perfumes, leather goods, and exquisite handmade jewellery. Many bazaars also feature stalls offering aromatic herbs and spices like cloves, saffron, and turmeric, contributing to the distinctive scents that characterise these vibrant marketplaces.

Luxor's Kornish Al Nile



The area around Luxor's Kornish Al Nile is one of the busiest in the city, and everything from jewellery to leather goods can be found here.

Photo: paul prescott/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kornish Al Nile, Luxor

Hurghada Marina



Stroll around in the beautiful surroundings of Hurghada Marina to discover cutting-edge fashion, high-end jewellery, and swimsuits

from world-renowned designers, along with bags and accessories. The boulevard is also dotted with a delightful blend of bars and restaurants against the backdrop of the marina's nautical charm.

Photo: Zbigniew Guzowski/Shutterstock.com

Address: Saqala Square, Hurghada

Opening hours: Daily 8am-1:30am

Internet: <https://hurghada-marina.com>

Email: info@hurghada-marina.com

Caravanseraï



Caravanseraï is an authentic Egyptian-style shop in Luxor offering a curated collection of the finest handmade items from skilled artisans

across Egypt. The shop boasts reasonable prices and a friendly staff, making it an ideal destination for visitors seeking quality souvenirs.

Photo: Lizavetta/Shutterstock.com

Address: Madinat Habou Road, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily 8am-9pm

Phone: +20 12 23278771

Email: info@caravanseraïluxor.com

Senzo Mall



Senzo Mall is located in the heart of Hurghada. It covers an area of 250,000 square meters and offers all types of shops, services and recreational

activities. You will find everything from ladies' wear, men's wear, and footwear, to electronics and accessories, plus a food court and a supermarket.

Photo: Sonpichit Salangsing/Shutterstock.com

Address: Safaga Road, Hurghada

Opening hours: Daily 10am-11:30pm

Phone: +20 65 3464840

Internet: www.senzomall.com

Email: info@senzomall.com

Habiba Gallery



Habiba Gallery is a quaint shop selling an eclectic variety of old and new Egyptian handicrafts made by local producers. Here you can buy

beautiful embroidery, beadwork, hand-loomed textiles, bracelets, hand-beaten brass lamps and much more. This is the perfect place to go for gifts.

Photo: Kakoli Dey/Shutterstock.com

Address: Andrawes Pasha Street, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm

Phone: +20 10 01242026

Internet: www.habibagallery.com

Email: habibacrafts@gmail.com

Ata Bazar



Ata Bazar is located in front of Luxor temple and is a hassle-free shop where you can find Egyptian souvenirs at fair and fixed prices which means there is no need to haggle.

Photo: Curioso/Shutterstock.com

Address: Mabad Al Oksor, Luxor

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-1am, Sat & Sun 9am-midnight

Phone: +20 10 94000138

Aboutdi Bookstore



Aboutdi Book Shop is one of the oldest and largest bookstores in the historic city of Luxor — it opened its doors in 1909. Not only books are sold here but also souvenirs, Egyptian gifts and children's books.

Photo: Brian A Jackson/Shutterstock.com

Address: Mabad Al Karnak, Luxor

Opening hours: Daily 8am-10pm

Phone: +20 95 2372390

Internet: www.aboudi-bookstore.com

More Info: Behind Luxor Temple

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Passport/Visa



All visitors to Egypt must obtain a visa from one of the Egyptian diplomatic missions before entering the country or holding an Egypt eVisa. Upon

entering, visitors must hold a passport that is valid for, at least, six months from the date of arrival in Egypt.

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Best Time To Visit



To avoid uncomfortable crowds at Egypt's most popular sites, avoid travelling in December and January as these months constitute peak

tourist season. To enjoy more pleasant temperatures and better accommodation prices, visit from October to April.

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Hurghada International Airport (HRG)



Hurghada International Airport, situated 5 km southwest of downtown Hurghada, offers convenient transportation options to and from the

city. Taxis, available 24/7, can transport you to various destinations. For budget travellers, minibuses provide regular transportation to the city centre and other Red Sea towns, with flexible stops on demand. The journey takes about 20 minutes to reach the heart of Hurghada. It's advisable to agree on taxi and bus fares in advance to avoid headaches.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Hurghada Airport, Hurghada

Phone: +20 65 3414213

Luxor International Airport (LXR)



Luxor International Airport, located 6 kilometres from the city, offers travellers various transportation options. A budget-friendly public

bus service connects the airport to the city centre in approximately 15 minutes. Taxis are

available from outside the terminal — be sure to agree on a price before leaving the airport. Additionally, special limousine services are available, as well as car rental companies.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Luxor International Airport, Luxor

Phone: +20 95 2324455

Marsa Alam International Airport (RMF)



Marsa Alam Airport is the first privately owned airport in Egypt and it is serving both international and domestic flights.

Since there is no public transport from the airport, you will need to arrange a transfer with your hotel in advance.

Photo: Juan Garcia

Address: Marsa Alam International Airport, Marsa Alam

Phone: +20 65 3700029

Public Transport



To get around these cities you can either walk or order a taxi. The latter will be your best option. Mini-buses are common if you want to ride with the

locals. Trains, which fall into two categories, one with air-conditioning and the other without, are ideal for travelling to nearby towns and cities.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Taxi



Taxis are available from outside the airports, hotels and the bus and rail stations in Hurghada, Luxor and Marsa Alam. To avoid getting

scammed, always agree on a price beforehand to your destination.

Photo: Taxi

Post



There are several post offices in the region. However, they can be a minefield if Arabic is not spoken or read. Hotels offer postal services,

which is a safe option to ensure letters are sent and delivered safely.

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Pharmacy



Pharmacy Yosr (Luxor)
Located near Karnak
Open 24 hours Dr. Magdy Farouk Pharmacy (Hurghada) Mohamed Saeed Street,

Hurghada
Open daily 8am–3am

Photo: Gemma Garner

Telephone



Country code: +20
Hurghada area code: 065
Luxor area code: 095
Marsa Alam area code: 012

Photo: Jarson Almeida

Electricity



Egypt operates on a 220V / 50Hz electrical system, with two plug types: Plug type C and F. Plug type C has two round pins, while plug type F has two

round pins and two earth clips on the side.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population

Hurghada: 250,000

Luxor: 510,000

Marsa Alam: 10,000

Currency

1 Egyptian Pound (LE) = 100 piasters

Opening hours

Opening hours vary. Most shops in Egypt are open from 9am to 10pm Monday to Saturday. Banks are open daily from 8:30am to 2pm, except for Friday and the weekends.

Newspapers

Egyptian Gazette: egyptian-gazette.com

Al-Ahram Weekly: english.ahram.org.eg

Egypt Today: www.egypttoday.com

Emergency numbers

Emergency: 123

Police: 126

Fire Brigade: 180

