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Long considered to be the jewel of the orient, Cairo is an international city overflowing with an interesting mixture of different cultures. It is a city steeped in the early civilizations of the ancient pharaohs, blended with the history of Christian and Islamic cultures. It is all brought together by the modern sights and luxuries of a sophisticated and cosmopolitan city.

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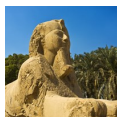
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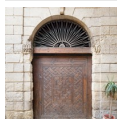
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## THE CITY



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The great pyramids of Giza are the most famous attractions in Cairo. But there are many delightful places to experience and explore, from the mosques of Islamic Cairo to the churches of Cairo's Coptic population, or to the temples of the city's Jewish community. Be prepared for an expansive history lesson and cultural education of the religious and cultural blending that has taken place in this fascinating city.

Cairo also swells with markets and bazaars to explore. Drink in the flavour of everyday life of the denizens of this metropolis. And for the chic visitor, there are luxury hotels and boutiques to explore for unforgettable jewellery, clothes and antiques. The extensive array of international cuisine that marks this city provides a taste for whatever any traveller may desire, and of course the option to experience the delicious and unforgettable cuisine of Egypt.

## DO & SEE



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The Pyramids at Giza have been the longtime favourite tourist attraction of greater Cairo, but with the rich textured religious history of this city, there are many sights and areas of town worth exploring. Visit the opera house, take a ride on a camel, interact with local merchants, or even get a guided tour through the city! It's all possible, the only limits are the ones you create for yourself, whatever your choice, the city will welcome you with open arms!

### Saqqara



A vast burial ground located at a 32 km distance from Cairo, it is mostly known for its 6-steps Pyramid of Djoser. Archaeologists

have recently been discovering more and more artefacts at this necropolis, one of them being the tomb of Mehu, which can now be visited by the public following years of renovations.

Photo: Luis\_Martinez/Shutterstock.com

Address: Al Giza Desert, Giza



### The Pyramids of Giza



On the outskirts of Cairo, these pyramids are the sole survivors of the Seven Wonders of the World. The archaeological site on the Giza Plateau is called the Giza Necropolis, and includes, apart from the three pyramids, the sculpture of the Sphinx and several cemeteries.

Photo: Sam valadi / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Pyramids Rd., Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 06.00am - 10.00pm.

Tickets: Admission to the larger Pyramids is limited to 300 people per day. 150 tickets are released for sale at 8am, the remaining 150 are released at 1.00pm.

More Info: Western edge of Cairo, 10 km from downtown.

### Egyptian Museum



More than 12,000 artefacts from every period of Egyptian history are housed in this sprawling structure. In the main building you will find different exhibitions, a library, an education centre and a conference centre.

Photo: Nosyrevy / Shutterstock.com

Address: al-Mathaf al-Masri, Maydan Tahrir, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 09.00am - 07.00pm.

Phone: + 202 33 776 893

Internet:

[www.sca-egypt.org/eng/MUS\\_Egyptian\\_Museum.htm](http://www.sca-egypt.org/eng/MUS_Egyptian_Museum.htm)

Email: [administration@gem.gov.eg](mailto:administration@gem.gov.eg)

More Info: Tahrir Square

### Museum of Islamic Art



This sometimes overlooked museum houses one of the world's finest collections of Islamic Art. The museum holds a collection of over 10,000 pieces, mainly Egyptian, but also from elsewhere in the Islamic world. There are all kinds of artworks, including woodwork, stucco, intarsia, ceramics, glass, metalwork, textiles, and carpets.

Photo: Richard Avis / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Port Said St., Bab el Khalk, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 9.00am - 5.00pm.

Phone: +20 2 2390 1520

Internet: [www.sca-egypt.org/eng/MUS\\_Islamic\\_Museum.htm](http://www.sca-egypt.org/eng/MUS_Islamic_Museum.htm)

### Solar Boat Museum (at the Pyramids of Giza)



This museum houses the barques (boats) that were most likely used to bring the mummies of dead Pharaohs across the Nile to the temple tomb chambers. It is located on the south side of the Great Pyramid.

Photo: Jeff Schultes / Shutterstock.com

Address: Pyramids Rd., Cairo

Opening hours: 1st May - 1st Ramadan: 8.30am - 05.00pm.

Ramadan: 08.30am - 03.00pm. End of Ramadan - 1st May: 08.30am - 04.00pm.

Internet: [www.sca-egypt.org/eng/MUS\\_Khufu-Boat.htm](http://www.sca-egypt.org/eng/MUS_Khufu-Boat.htm)

### The New Camel Market



About 35 km northwest of Cairo, Egypt's largest camel market - Birqash Camel Market - is held. This is a wild sight to behold. Sudanese traders

haggle over the sale of camels in a carnivalesque atmosphere. The best day to visit is supposed to be Friday. Get there in the morning, between 7am and 11am.

Photo: Mark Fischer / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Birqash, Western Desert, Cairo

### The Citadel



The Citadel is a series of palaces and mosques which housed Egyptian rulers for more than 700 years, making up a compound which offers

fabulous views of the city.

Photo: Dennis Jarvis / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Sharia Salah Salem, Al-Qalaa, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 8.00am - 5.00pm.

Phone: +20 2 2512 1735

Internet: [www.sca-egypt.org/eng/site\\_citadel.htm](http://www.sca-egypt.org/eng/site_citadel.htm)

### Coptic Cairo



This compound is home to Egypt's Christian community as well as being the oldest area of Cairo. It is a wonderfully interesting place to

explore the juxtaposition of an ancient Christian community in an Islamic country.

Photo: Oleg Znamenskiy / Shutterstock.com

Address: Coptic, Cairo

More Info: Southern part of the East Bank of the Nile

### Northern Cemetery / City of the Dead



City of the Dead is an unusual area where thousands of Cairo natives, both living and dead are "housed". The popular ancient routine of

building entertainment rooms alongside of the tombs, have become spaces inhabited by transients.

Photo: Dennis Jarvis / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Salah Salem Road, Cairo

More Info: North end of Salah Salem Road, Islamic Cairo

### Mohammad Ali Mosque



Mohammad Ali Mosque is a beautiful mosque with amazing architecture and an equally breath-taking interior. The building offers panoramic views

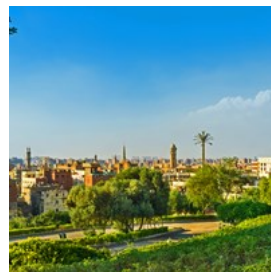
over the city. Remember to dress appropriately when visiting.

Photo: Nadja1 / Shutterstock.com

Address: Citadel, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 8.00am - 5.00pm

### Al-Azhar Park



Al-Azhar Park is located in the historic part of Cairo and is a lovely green open space in the middle of the bustling city. This park has been

here for the last 800 years and is a great spot to capture some good pictures of the city or enjoy a picnic.

Photo: eFesenko / Shutterstock.com

Address: Salah Salem Street, Cairo

Opening hours: Sunday - Thursday: 09.00am - 10.00pm.

Friday - Saturday: 09.00am - 11.00pm.

Phone: +20 2 2510 3868

Internet: [www.azharpark.com](http://www.azharpark.com)

Email: [info@azharpark.com](mailto:info@azharpark.com)

### Cairo Opera House



Cairo Opera House is home to both the Cairo Ballet Company and the Cairo Opera Company. It houses two opera halls and an open-air theatre.

They also have photo and painting exhibition making it a great place to spend some time.

Photo: Victor V. Hoguns Zhugin / Shutterstock.com

Address: El Borg Gezira, Cairo

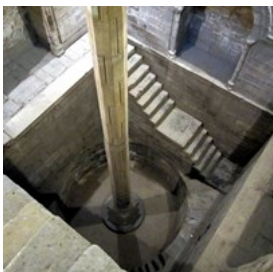
Opening hours: Daily: 10.00am - 11.00pm.

Phone: +20 2 2739 0132

Internet: [www.cairoopera.org](http://www.cairoopera.org)

Email: [info@cairoopera.org](mailto:info@cairoopera.org)

### Nilometer



The Nilometer was built in order to measure the rivers water level during the flooding season.

During the evening big candles are lit up making

this a magical place.

Photo: David Stanley / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Al Saleh St., 2 Abd El-Malek Ln, Al Manial

Opening hours: Daily: 09.00am - 03.45pm.

### Alabaster Sphinx



The Sphinx was long considered the most mystical creature in Egypt. There are Sphinxes all around the country but this

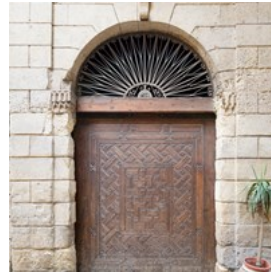
particular one is an impressive 8x4 metres big and carved from one single block.

Photo: WitR / Shutterstock.com

Address: Memphis, Cairo

More Info: South of Cairo

### Bayt Al-Suhaymi



Bayt Al-Suhaymi is a beautiful private home from 17th century Egypt, located in a quiet area in the middle of this energetic city. It is a

unique Ottoman house with two different sections, lovely wood work and gardens.

Photo: Khaled ElAdawy / Shutterstock.com

Address: Haret Al Darb al Asfar, Cairo

### DINING



AS Food studio / Shutterstock.com

There is a limitless array of international cuisine to choose from in every price range in Cairo. This is definitely not a place where you need to worry about going hungry! There are several different neighbourhoods in Cairo, hence the neighbourhood location for each restaurant is listed after the address. This will be important to know when taking a taxi.



### Abou el-Sid



Abou el-Sid has a sumptuous, languorously sensual Oriental inspired décor with equally impressive food.

Home-style Egyptian cuisine dominates the menu, with authentic dishes that are difficult to find elsewhere.

Photo: kimmingkit / Shutterstock.com

Address: 157 Sharia 26th of July, Zamalek, Cairo

Public Transport: Metro to Nasser

Phone: +20 1144147339

Internet: [www.abouelsid.com](http://www.abouelsid.com)

### La Bodega



La Bodega is an excellent restaurant serving unique Italian dishes as well as creative international cuisine set in a lavish décor. The elegant

cocktail lounge has its own cigar humidor.

Photo: Africa Studio / Shutterstock.com

Address: 157 Sharia 26th of July, Zamalek, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 12.00pm - 02.30am.

Phone: +20 2 2735 0543

Internet: [www.labodegaegypt.com/](http://www.labodegaegypt.com/)

Email: [labodegaegyptinfo@gmail.com](mailto:labodegaegyptinfo@gmail.com)

### L'aubergine



L'aubergine is eternally one of Cairo's most popular restaurants. The menu changes frequently, but is always inventive and a reliably good

mixture of western and Egyptian cuisine.

Photo: Fotoluminate LLC / Shutterstock.com

Address: 5 Shar'a Sayed al-Bakry, Zamalek, Cairo

Phone: +20 2 273 80080

### Felfela Restaurant



Felfela Restaurant is a buzzing restaurant equally popular with locals and tourists. Funky décor make for a lively environment and

all-Egyptian food make this eatery well-deserving of its popularity.

Photo: Ostock/Shutterstock.com

Address: 15 Hoda Shaarawy Street, off Talaat Harb Street, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily 09.00am - 12.00am

Phone: +20 2 2395 5557

Internet: [www.felfelaegypt.com](http://www.felfelaegypt.com)

Email: [info@felfelaegypt.com](mailto:info@felfelaegypt.com)

### Maestro Italian Restaurant



Maestro is one of the best Italian restaurants in town and a great place to go to for dinner for two, family or business dinner. It is located on the first

floor of the InterContinental Cairo Citystars Hotel.

Photo: Timolina / Shutterstock.com

Address: Omar Ibn El Khattab St. Heliopolis, Cairo

Opening hours: Saturday - Friday: 4.00pm - 12.00am.

Phone: +20 2 2480 0100

### Shiva



Shiva is an Indian restaurant which is located in the Karvin Hotel. The food with all the spices is amazing and the environment makes

you feel at home. The waiters are friendly and helpful and do not mind taking pointers if you would have any.

Photo: Lisovskaya Natalia / Shutterstock.com

Address: 11 Mohamed Ebeid Street, Heliopolis, Cairo

Phone: +20 2 2690 6453

### Fayruz Lebanese Restaurant



If you have never tried Lebanese food before you are in for an experience.

There are few things that will make your mouth water such as grilled

Lebanese meat will do, along with a fresh delicious salad.

Photo: Karen Sarkisov / Shutterstock.com

Address: Omar Ibn El Khattab St., Heliopolis, Cairo

Opening hours: Saturday - Friday: 01.00pm - 01.00am.

Phone: +20 2 2480 0009

More Info: InterContinental Cairo Citystars

### Birdcage



Birdcage is an excellent

Thai food restaurant

located in Semiramis

Intercontinental Hotel.

The exotic water decor by the entrance makes you

feel as if you stepped into Thailand and the flavour of the dishes enhances the feeling.

Photo: ARENA Creative / Shutterstock.com

Address: Corniche El Nile Street, Garden City, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 12.00pm - 12.00am.

Phone: +20 2 2795 7171

More Info: Semiramis Intercontinental Hotel

### Osmanly



Before the first meal is

served you will be

brought a pitcher of

jasmine water to wash

your hands and a warm

towel to dry them. Then

you can enjoy a delicious Turkish dinner at the

welcoming Osmanly.

Photo: Iz89 / Shutterstock.com

Address: 12 Ahmed Ragab Street, Corniche El Nile, Garden City, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 04.00pm - 12.00am.

Phone: +20 2 2798 0000

Internet: [www.kempinski.com/en/cairo/nile-hotel/dining/the-osmanly-restaurant/](http://www.kempinski.com/en/cairo/nile-hotel/dining/the-osmanly-restaurant/)

Email: [Taner.Sengun@kempinski.com](mailto:Taner.Sengun@kempinski.com)

More Info: Located inside Kempinski Nile Hotel Garden City Cairo

### Sabaya



Another delicious

restaurant serving

Lebanese food, Sabaya's

great central location

means it is usually quite

busy. But the food is so

good it will be worth the wait. The attention to detail in the decoration and ambiance is also worth noting.

Photo: Andrey Bayda / Shutterstock.com

Address: Corniche El Nil, Semiramis InterContinental Cairo, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 01:00pm - 01:00am.

Phone: +20 2 2798 8000

Internet: [www.ihg.com/intercontinental/hotels/gb/en/cairo/croha/hoteldetail](http://www.ihg.com/intercontinental/hotels/gb/en/cairo/croha/hoteldetail)

## CAFÉS



YuliaKotina / Shutterstock.com

There are both Western style and Egyptian cafés in Cairo. Tourists might feel most comfortable at the Western style cafés, as the Egyptian cafés are very traditional and only patronized by men.

### Sufi



A very well organized library with a relaxing atmosphere which is great for studying, business meetings, and daydreaming. Grab a cup

of coffee and enlighten your mind, or meet up with some locals!

Photo: Kjetil Kolbjornsrud / Shutterstock.com  
Address: 12 Sayed El Bakry Street, Zamalek, Cairo  
Opening hours: Daily: 11.00am - 01.00am.  
Phone: +20 2 27381643

### El Fishawy



One of Cairo's oldest and most famous tea houses, that has been managed by the same family and has been open 24 hours a day since 1773. A

traditional Egyptian style tea house, also known as an ahwa, popular with tourists for fantastic people-watching. This is an Egyptian style coffee house that is frequented by all types of people,

so tourists will feel comfortable while still getting to experience the local cafe flavour.

Photo: Sophie James / Shutterstock.com  
Address: El-Fishawi Alley, Khan al-Khalili, Old Cairo  
Phone: +20 2 590 6755

### Beano's

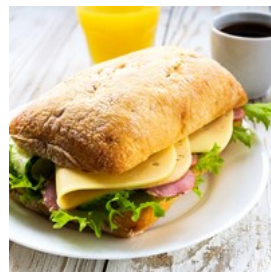


Beano's is a Starbucks-esque style coffee house, but with more character and better coffee than its source of inspiration.

They also serve delightful pastries, snacks and ice cream.

Photo: ben bryant / Shutterstock.com  
Address: 48 El Marsafi St., Zamalek, Cairo  
Phone: +20 2 736 2388  
Internet: [beanoscafe.com/](http://beanoscafe.com/)  
Email: [admin@beanoscafe.com](mailto:admin@beanoscafe.com)

### Cilantro



Cilantro is a stylish, trendy Continental style café with a wide range of sandwiches, salads and snacks, as well as good coffee and pastries. A

great alternative to go to for a snack.

Photo: Yuliia Kononenko / Shutterstock.com  
Address: 157 26 July St, Omar Al Khayam, Zamalek, Cairo  
Phone: +20 2 736 1115  
Internet: [www.cilantro-cafe.com](http://www.cilantro-cafe.com)  
Email: [customerservice@cilantrocafe.net](mailto:customerservice@cilantrocafe.net)



### Simonds



Simonds is Cairo's only authentic Italian café. They serve the best cappuccino in the city, as well as fresh fruit juices and delicious pastries.

Photo: mavo / Shutterstock.com

Address: 112 26th of July Corridor, Omar Al Khayam, Zamalek, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 07.00am - 11.45pm.

Phone: +20 2 735 94 36

Internet: [www.simonds1898.com/index.php?lang=en](http://www.simonds1898.com/index.php?lang=en)

Email: [info@simonds1898.com](mailto:info@simonds1898.com)

### El-Abd



This café serves the best Egyptian pastries in Cairo and is eternally crowded for a delightful taste of local life. If you are not a fan of pastries then they have an amazing ice-cream selection.

Photo: Viacheslav Lopatin / Shutterstock.com

Address: 25 Talaat Harb St. Downtown, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 8.30am - midnight.

Phone: +20 2 392 4407

## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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There are two main types of bars in Cairo: traditional Egyptian style bars, known as "caféterias" and typical Western style bars. The "caféterias" have solely male customers and serve small plates of food. Both men and women are welcome and will feel comfortable and at ease in the Western style bars, which often serve food as well.

There is a pulsing variety of vivacious nightlife in Cairo. Most of the large, upscale hotels have nightclubs attached to them, and most of these are a safe bet for a good night out.

### Pub 28



Pub 28 is a cosy Western-style bar with a neighbourhood feel to it. It's especially popular with the over 30 crowd. Besides wine, cocktails, and many types of local beers, they also serve soups, salads, and pasta.

Photo: Joshua Resnick / Shutterstock.com

Address: 28 Shagaret Al Dor, Abu Al Feda, Zamalek, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily 12pm-2am

Phone: +20 2 27350972

## Deals



Deals is a typical British pub with a contemporary twist. It is popular with a younger set that enjoy lively, boisterous venues. They invite you to a night of food, funky music and a good atmosphere.

Photo: Room 76 / Shutterstock.com

Address: El Sayed El Bakry St., Zamalek, Cairo

Phone: +20 2 736 0502

Internet: [www.dealspub.com](http://www.dealspub.com)

Email: [mail@dealspub.com](mailto:mail@dealspub.com)

## Pour Vous Roof Top Bar



Serving mostly as a student bar, it can provide a sense of relaxation during the weekday as it is much more calm. With a nice view, cheap food and drink, you can expect a nice relaxing experience and you may even meet some locals to learn from.

Photo: Nejron Photo / Shutterstock.com

Address: The Nile Zamalek Hotel, 21 El Maahad, Cairo

Phone: +20 022 735 3471

## Riverside



This unique boutique hotel hugs the bank of the Nile and offers great views from the top floor. Cosmopolitan dining can be enjoyed every night, and on the weekends guest DJs bring the beats to this dressy club.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com

Address: 16, Montazah St, Zamalek, Cairo

Opening hours: Daily: 08.00pm - 4.00am

Phone: +20 121 280 1290

Internet: [www.riversidecairo.com](http://www.riversidecairo.com)

## Almaz



Located in the Swiss Inn Hotel in Mohandessin, Almaz features chill out and oriental classical music, along with a wide selection of drinks and especially delicious Egyptian cuisine.

Photo: Romaset / Shutterstock.com

Address: Swiss Inn Hotel, Hegaz Square, Mohandessin, Giza

Opening hours: Daily: 3.00pm - 1.00am.

Phone: +20 2 3337 1552

Internet: [www.swissinnhotelcairo.com](http://www.swissinnhotelcairo.com)

Email: [mail@almaz-eg.com](mailto:mail@almaz-eg.com)

## SHOPPING



Mohamed Mekhamer / Shutterstock.com

Cairo is a wonderland of shopping, with the endless souqs to explore, as well as the sophisticated high-end shops that exist in most of the 5-star hotel arcades. It is always expected that you will bargain over prices in the markets, and in most shops bargaining is also widely practiced. Most shopkeepers give discounts if you buy more than one item, and give a greater discount with each additional item that you buy.

Kahn al Khalili, a bazaar dating from the 14th century, is the largest and most famous souq in all of Cairo. A good place to go for local culture

and people-watching as well as for souvenirs and trinkets. The Street of the Tentmakers is Cairo's only remaining medieval covered market. This is a good place to shop for traditional printed fabrics. (Located in Islamic Cairo, at the north end of Al-Khayamiya street)

Cairo is an excellent place to buy traditional arts, crafts, and glassware, as well as Nubian pieces. Marketing Link - 27 Yehia Ibrahim, Apt. 8, Zamalek - is a fair trade store with handmade items from all over the Middle East. Head to the Midan Libnan area (Mohandiseen) for upscale clothing and furniture stores, and to Zamalek, an area popular with foreign nationals for a variety of elegant shops. Sharia Gam'at al-Duwal al-'Arabiya (Mohandiseen) is an up-and-coming strip-mall area for those nostalgic for the familiarity of Western style, neon shopping arcades.

Gold and silver are also popular purchases in Cairo. The Gold Market area is in the souq of Kahn al Khalili, along Al Muizziz li-Din Allah and Sikket al-Badestan streets. Gold tends to be sold for similar prices as elsewhere in the world, but silver is a particularly good bargain in Cairo. Go to Mohammed Amin Silver - 70 Al-Muizz li-Din Allah- for unusual antique pieces from around the Middle East, and try George Aziz (14 Sikket al-Badestan, Khan al-Khalili souq) for contemporary silver styles.

### Khan el-Khalili



An immense market, a bazaar, with sand covered ancient buildings. This place will remain as one of your best memories of Egypt.

Use your best bartering skills or you will have to

pay double for your goods!

Photo: annemarieangelo / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: al-Azhar Street, Cairo, Egypt

Phone: +20 225 897 443

### City Stars



A traditional modern mall which can be found very close to the airport. With a food court, cinemas, and lots of stores, you can be certain you can spend an entire day here. This place is a good start off point for when you just landed in Cairo.

Photo: David Berkowitz / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Omar Ibn El-Khattab, Masaken Al Mohandesin, Nasr City, Cairo Governorate

Opening hours: Saturday - Wednesday: 10.00am - 01.00am.

Thursday - Friday: 10.00am - 01.00am.

Phone: +20 2 24800500

Internet: [www.citystars-heliopolis.com.eg/](http://www.citystars-heliopolis.com.eg/)

### Cairo Festival City Mall



An American inspired super mall with everything you need. Be prepared for crowds on the weekends. The shops offer lots of different

brands and styles, and there is a beautiful outdoor cafe and restaurant area. Experience Cairo from a more Western-influenced perspective.

Photo: nenetus / Shutterstock.com

Address: 90, Cairo Governorate

Phone: +20 2 26186000

Internet: [www.cairofestivalcity.com/en/MALL](http://www.cairofestivalcity.com/en/MALL)

Email: [mall.customerservice@alfuttaim.ae](mailto:mall.customerservice@alfuttaim.ae)



### Mall of Arabia



A 'Mall of America' inspired mall and this can clearly be seen from what they offer in size and quantity. From a daily water fountain show to

selling all high-end brands, a visitor can find everything their heart desires. There is even a possibility of buying a car in that same mall!

Photo: Kzenon / Shutterstock.com

Address: 26th of July Corridor, Giza Governorate

Opening hours: Daily: 9.00am - 11.00pm.

Phone: +20 2 38210500

Internet: mallofarabia.com.eg

Email: info@marakez.net

### Oum El Dounia Gallery



With good prices, a large variety of choices, and high quality, this store is a nice escape from the busy bazaar. Take a walk through the store and

check out their wide selection, from bags to books.

Photo: Daniel Precht / Shutterstock.com

Address: 1er étage, 3 Talaat Harb, Bab Al Louq, Abdeen, Cairo Governorate

Opening hours: Daily: 10:00am - 09:00pm.

Phone: +20 2 23938273

Internet: www.oumeldounia.com

Email: oumeldouniacairo@yahoo.fr

### Wekalet El Ghoury



This used to be a medieval caravan route but has now been turned into a buzzing marketplace. If you are there at the right times,

you might be able to attend and see the

Tannoura Dance Troup. Enjoy the cultural heritage that Cairo has to offer and you can easily spend a whole day there.

Photo: Ramy Hikal / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: 3 Mohamed Abdo St, Cairo

Phone: +20 2 25107146

### Tentmakers' Souk



A whole street dedicated to artisans showing off their skills in turning cloth into all kinds of useful products. Expect to find quality bedspreads, tapestries, carpets, and many more.

Photo: sootra / Shutterstock.com

### Nomad (Cairo Marriott Hotel Branch)



An excellent place to stock up on gifts as it offers many varieties of products. You can expect to find carpets, jewelry, and even home

accessories. Walk among these shops as you take in the artistic decorations and easy-going vibe.

Photo: Nomad Gallery

Address: 16 Saray Elgezira, Zamalek

Opening hours: Daily: 12pm - 8pm

Phone: +20 2 27362132

Internet: www.nomadgallery.net

Email: customerservice@nomadgallery.net

More Info: Zamalek Marriott Hotel, Ground floor-Fountain Area

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Cairo International Airport



Cairo International Airport is located 25 km northeast of the city centre. There are 2 terminals: Terminal II is the new terminal and

services most international flights, while Terminal I, the old terminal, is the hub for EgyptAir and services both their domestic and international flights. There are large official taxis (called “limousines”) that charge a fixed rate for a trip to the city centre. A taxi for the same ride will involve some heavy haggling, so the official taxi may be the easier option.

There are two city busses and a mini-bus that takes you to and from the Airport. Bus number 356 is the designated airport service, which is a large white, air conditioned, luxury coach. It runs to the city centre at Midan Abdel Moniem Riad (behind the Egyptian museum) and charges extra per large luggage item. Local bus No 400 also goes to the city centre, as well as minibus No 27. The bus stand is at the far end of the car park.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Heliopolis, Cairo

Phone: Terminal one: +20 2 265 3308 / Terminal two: +20 2 268 4248

Internet: [www.cairo-airport.com](http://www.cairo-airport.com)

### Public transport



The local buses are like a carnival ride, as they rarely come to a full stop to let passengers on and off! There is a mini-bus that has set routes like

the normal bus, but they are smaller and carries fewer passengers, but on the other hand -actually stops properly to let people on and off!

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

### Taxi



Taxis are inexpensive in Cairo, and the way that most tourists navigate the city. It is important to fix a price before you get into a taxi, and always

haggle over the price. Attempting to take advantage of naive tourists is a favourite pastime of Cairo taxi drivers.

Photo: ArrivalGuides

### Post



The Central Post Office is located at Midan Ataba and is open 7am-7pm.

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: Midan Ataba, Cairo

Phone: +20 2 2396 1695

Internet: [www.egyptpost.org](http://www.egyptpost.org)

## Pharmacy



This pharmacy is open 24  
hours: El Ezaby  
Pharmacy

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: 6C-Asmaa, Fahmy District, Cairo

Phone: +20 2 19600

Internet: [www.pharmacyincairo.com](http://www.pharmacyincairo.com)

## Electricity



220V AC, 50 Hz

Photo: Stirling Tschan

## Telephone



Country Code: +20 Area  
Code: 02

Photo: Jardson Almeida

## Population

City: 10,230,350

Metropolitan area: 20,439,541

## Currency

Egyptian Pound - EGP

1 EGP = 100 Piaster

## Opening hours

Opening hours are generally 9am-6pm, but will vary slightly  
for each business or museum.

## Newspapers

Egyptian Gazette

Cairo Times

Middle East Times

Progrès Egyptien

## Emergency numbers

Police: 122

Fire Service: 125

Ambulance: 123

Tourist Police: 126, +20 2 391 9144

## Tourist information

Cairo Tourist Office

5 Sharia Adly, near Midan Opera

8:30am-8pm (9am-5pm during Ramadan)

+20 2 391 3454





6 October Bridge	A1 B1	Shari Abdel Khaliq Sarwat	B1 C1	Shari Khairat	C3 C4
El Tahrir Bridge	A2 B2	Shari Abdel Qadir Hamza	B3	Shari Latin America	B3
Falaki Square	C2	Shari Adly	C1	Shari Maglis El Sha'ab	B3 C3
Gamal El Din Abou Mahasen	A3 B3	Shari Ahmed Omar	D3 D4	Shari Mansur	C2 C3
Gumhuriya Square	C2 D2	Shari Champolion	B1 C1	Shari Mohammed Bassiuni	B1 B2
Mustafa Kamel Square	C1	Shari Clot Bey	D1	Shari Mohammed Quaudi	D4
Opera Square	D1	Shari Corniche El Nil	A3 B1 B2 B3	Shari Mohammed Sabri Abu El 'Alam	C2
Sahri Abdel Aziz	D1 D2	Shari Corniche Saiyalet El Roda	A4	Shari Nasta	C3
Sahri El Gezira	A1 A2	Shari Dar El Shifa	A4 B4	Shari Nubar Pasha	C3 C4
Sahri El Nasriya	C3 C4 D3	Shari El Bustan	B2 C2	Shari Nur El Zalam	D4
Sahri El Sheikh Rihan	B2 B3	Shari El Falaki	B3 B4 C2 C3	Shari Port Said	B4 C4 D3 D4
Sahri El Tahrir	B2 C2	Shari El Ga'la	B1	Shari Ramses	B1 B2
Sahri El Zahra	B3	Shari El Gumhuriya	D1	Shari Rushdi	C2 D2
Sahri Gezira Garden	A3	Shari El Malik Abd El Aziz Su'ud	A4	Shari Sam El Barudi	D2
Sahri Nubar Pasha	C2 C3	Shari El Qala'a	D2	Shari Sherif	C1 C2
Sahri Qasr El Nil	B2 C1	Shari El Qasr El Aini	B3 B4	Shari Tal'at Harb	B2 C1 C2
Sahri Saoqaiyin	C3 D3	Shari El Sheikh Ali Yusef	B4	Shari Ysef El Gendi	B3 C2
Sahri Sheikh Mohammed Farid	C3	Shari El Sheikh Rihan	B3 C3 D3	Square Ataba	D1
Sahri Sheikh Mohammed Mahmud	C2 C3	Shari Huda Shatawi	C2	Tahrir Square	B2
Shari 26 July	C1 D1	Shari Imad El Din	C1 C2	Tal'at Harb Square	C2
Shari 6 October	A1 B1	Shari Ismail Abaza	B3		