



THE
ORIENTAL
INSTITUTE

Sudan and Ancient Nubia

December 10-18, 2018

Escorted by Emily Teeter



Make this the year for a trip
of a lifetime...

Sudan and Ancient Nubia

Celebrate 100 years of Oriental Institute exploration as we return to Sudan and sites visited by James Henry Breasted on his 1907 expedition. We journey through stunning landscape, and get up close and intimate with our ancient past. In Sudan you will have the opportunity to interact with modern day local culture- while visiting ancient ruins that are off the beaten path.

Whether this will be your first visit with us or a return, we have the experience and access to show you what really counts. Our programs go far beyond the usual tours, calling upon our own colleagues to give you up-to-date information about current research while we visit the some of the most important sites from all periods of Nubian history, and even some "off the beaten track" gems-

Your tour leader, Emily Teeter brings familiarity with the sites, vast knowledge, and enthusiasm that will bring the history and sites of the ancient world to life.

We are pleased to partner once again with Egitalloyd travel. Established in 1952, Egitalloyd has the feel of a small company that places a premium on high-touch customer service.

Date & Cost of Tour

Sudan and Ancient Nubia:

December 10-18, 2018

9 days | \$6,700

(price excludes international airfare to Sudan)

How to Book

To reserve a place on this tour, call, e-mail, or return the attached form to:

1-773-834-9777

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The Oriental Institute

Membership Department

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Chicago, IL 60637

Travel with us as we journey up the Nile to explore the ancient lands of the Nubians.

SUDAN

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Prepare to embark on an exploration that is truly, off the beaten path...



Monday, December 10: CAIRO/KHARTOUM

We arrive in Khartoum, the capital of Sudan, and meet with our tour leader Emily Teeter, and our local guide.

Hotel: Corinthia Hotel

Meal: Breakfast

Tuesday, December 11: KHARTOUM

Today we visit the Archaeological Museum with its spectacular collection of Nubian artifacts, some excavated by the Oriental Institute. We explore the temples of Semna East and West and a portion of the monastery at Faras which were recovered during the UNESCO campaign to save monuments from being flooded by the Aswan Dam. After lunch we travel to Omdurman where we view the tomb of the Mahdi who led an uprising against the British. After visiting the museum of the House of the Khalifa, we roam the local suq. The day ends with a sunset cruise to the confluence of the Blue and White Nile.

Hotel: Corinthia Hotel

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, & dinner

Wednesday, December 12: KARIMA

This morning we drive across the wide expanse of desert to Karima. We dine and stay overnight at the Nubian Rest House at the foot of Gebel Barkal at the Fourth Cataract.

Hotel: Nubian Rest House

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, & dinner

Thursday, December 13:

GEBEL BARKAL/NAPATA/EL KURRU

Today we explore the World Heritage Site of Gebel Barkal, the “Holy Mountain” and foremost site for worship of the Nubian god Amun. We travel to the royal capital at Napata and the necropolises at el Kurri and Nuri where we visit the pyramid tombs of the Nubian pharaohs. In the afternoon, we stop at the petrified forest before returning to Karima for dinner.

Hotel: Nubian Rest House

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, & dinner

Friday, December 14: DONGOLA/KERMA

After a visit to a local market, we cross the Nubian Desert to the market at Selim near Dongola. We continue on to Kerma, where we explore the center of Nubian civilization from about 2500 to 1450 B.C. At Kerma, rulers were buried under enormous mounds accompanied by hundreds of sacrificed retainers. We continue to Tombos, the southernmost point of ancient Egyptian control and a site visited by the Breasted expedition in 1907. We finish this day at the granite quarries, examining the unfinished statue of King Taharqa.

Hotel: Nubian Rest House

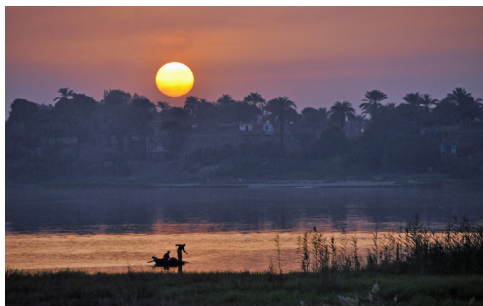
Meals: Breakfast, lunch, & dinner

Saturday, December 15: BAYUDA DESERT/MEROE

We head south to Meroe, the great capital of the Nubians from the third century B.C. into the Roman era. We cross the Bayuda Plain, the great loop of the Nile between the 4th and 6th cataracts. We visit the remains of the Gazhail Monastery and pass by a breathtaking landscape of basalt mountains and valleys. It is likely that we will meet groups of Bisharin nomads who live in small huts near water sources. We cross the Nile on a pontoon ferry to arrive at Meroe Camp, 2 km from the vast pyramid field of Meroe, where we stay overnight in twin bed tents, each with a private bath.

Hotel: Meroe Camp

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, & dinner



Sunday, December 16: MEROE

Today we explore the necropolis at Meroe, made famous by photographs taken by James Henry Breasted. These steep-sided pyramids each contain a chapel, many decorated with scenes of the king or queen and the gods. After lunch, we drive to the remains of Meroe City, which once boasted an immense center complete with baths, temples, and administrative structures.

Hotel: Meroe Camp

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, & dinner

Monday, December 17:

NAGA/MUSAWWARAT/KHARTOUM

We leave Meroe to visit one of the finest Meroitic-era temples at Naga. This second century AD structure is decorated with scenes of the royal family along with their patron god, the lion Apademek. The architecture is a combination of Nubian, Egyptian, and Roman traditions. We continue to Musawwarat, a major religious center and pilgrimage site that was used from the third century B.C. to the fourth century AD. The site has several temples and an ingenious system of reservoirs that made the arid surroundings habitable. We drive south to Khartoum to visit Omdurman and to see a dervish ceremony at Ahmed al Nil Cemetery.

Hotel: Corinthian Hotel

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, & dinner

Tuesday, December 18: DEPART FOR HOME

We say our farewells to the ancient world as we transfer to the airport in Khartoum for flights homeward, or for further travels.

LED BY

Emily Teeter, PhD, is an Egyptologist specializing in the religion, social history, and material culture of ancient Egypt. She recently retired from the Oriental Institute Museum where she curated its Egyptian gallery. She currently consults for museums in the Chicago area and nationwide. Emily is the author of many books and articles, and she has conducted fieldwork in Alexandria, Giza, and Luxor. She is a past president of the American Research Center in Egypt.



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RESERVATION FORM

\$1,500 deposit per person is required to book

Sudan and the Ancient Nubians

I would like to travel to Sudan

We are able to accept Checks, Money Orders, Mastercard or Visa payments

Please make reservations for the following people:

Name #1 (Legal name, exactly as it appears on passport)

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Name #2 (Legal name, exactly as it appears on passport)

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Street address.....

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City/State/Zip code.....

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Home telephone.....

Other telephone.....

E-mail address.....

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Enclosed is a deposit of \$ (\$1,500 per person, payable to: Oriental Institute)

Please charge my deposit of \$ to my Master Card or Visa

Name as listed on credit card.....

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Card name and number.....

Expiration date.....

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Signature.....

I request a single room. I understand there is a supplement charge.

I will be sharing with.....

I request a roommate and understand a roommate is not guaranteed.

I/We will book my/our own flights.

I/We would like to be contacted to discuss my/our flight options.

I/We have read the Cancellations and Responsibility clauses and agree to all therein.

Signature.....

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THE SUDAN TOUR RATE INCLUDES:

- Sudan entry visa and visa authorization and passport registration
- All accommodations based on double occupancy per itinerary
- Expert leadership of Egitalloyd travel trip leader and local Sudanese guide
- Vehicle for group arrival and departure, transportation on the first and last days of the program
- Guaranteed window seating (maximum of 3 trip members per 4X4 Toyota Land Cruiser or Toyota Hilux vehicle)
- Cruise on the Nile with optional camel ride
- Archaeological site entrance fees, travel and photo permits
- Gratuities to tour guide, local guide, hotels, drivers, and restaurant staff during included meals
- Baggage handling at all hotels and airports, where available
- A \$500 contribution to the Oriental Institute

NOT INCLUDED IN THE SUDAN TOUR COST: International airfare from point of origin to Khartoum — Khartoum to final destination; soft drinks (NO ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED IN SUDAN); video camera permits at the archaeological sites (at the moment, \$20 USD per site, per video camera); medical cancellation insurance (required based on birth date); travel insurance; additional hotel nights that may be necessitated by airline schedule changes or other factors; evacuation insurance for medical AND political reasons.

SUDAN TOUR SPECIAL NOTE: For U.S. citizens, visa obtained upon arrival at Khartoum Airport. In order to issue the visa we will require a scanned copy of your passport which must have 6 months validity from the date you will enter Sudan. There must be NO Israeli stamp on your passport.

TARIFFS: Based on foreign exchange rates in effect December 2017 and a minimum of 10 participants. All rates subject to change.

DEPOSITS & PAYMENTS: A \$1,500 deposit (\$300 per person non-refundable) is required to book. Final payment is due 16 weeks before departure.

SINGLE ROOMS: For those traveling alone but who prefer to share with another, we will endeavor to work out congenial rooming arrangements. If impossible, or if a single room must be assigned due to the roommate's canceling or incompatibility, or for any other reason, even if at the last moment or while on tour, the single supplement or prorate thereof must be collected.

INSURANCE: **Travel insurance is strongly recommended.** We will be pleased to offer suggestions and point you towards more information.

CANCELLATIONS: In the event of cancellation, refund in full less a \$300 per person handling fee will be made until 12 weeks before departure. From 12 weeks until 8 weeks before departure, the penalty is 35% of the total fee, and after that time the penalty is 55% of the cost from 8 weeks to 6 weeks, 75% from 6 to 3 weeks, and any cancellation from 21 days before departure will incur a 100% penalty. Single supplements are also subject to cancellation penalties. These penalties could reach 100% for last-minute cancellations. There will be no refund for cancellation on the day of departure or thereafter. In addition, if cancellation is made within 60 days of departure, the airlines require a penalty. Cancellation of the tour by the Oriental Institute: full refund.

NOTE: Neither the Oriental Institute nor Egitalloyd Travel accepts liability for any airline penalties incurred by the purchase of nonrefundable airline tickets.

RESPONSIBILITY: The Oriental Institute in accepting booking for the tour clearly stipulates that it is not liable for the faults or defaults of other companies and persons that may be used in carrying out of the tour services; also for accidents, baggage losses, delays, strikes, political unrest, riots and acts of God and war. In the event it becomes necessary or advisable for the comfort or well-being of the passengers, or for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made without penalty to the operator. Additional expenses, if any, including medical emergencies and evacuations, shall be borne by the passengers. The right is also reserved to withdraw this tour; also to decline to accept or retain any persons as members of the tour. No refund can be made for absence from the tour unless arrangement are made at the time of booking. IATA carriers concerned are not to be held responsible for acts, omissions or events during the time passengers are not on board. The passage contract in use by the companies concerned shall constitute the sole contract between the company and purchaser of these tours and/or passengers.

While international airfare is not included, we are pleased to recommend Tower Travel who has been assisting our tour participants with flight reservations and bookings.

We will be more than happy to secure additional nights in our selected hotels at the start or end of your trip for an additional fee.