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## Tourism and Hotels

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**Tourism** The unique historical and cultural heritage of Egypt, its moderate, agreeable climate, natural riches and strategic location account for the principal role of tourism in the Egyptian economy.

People who think of Egypt may envision antiquities, but Egypt offers much more. Certainly it is a prime location to see our great heritage from the ancient world, including the Pyramids and wonderful temples, but it is also part of the Holy Land, and tours to Christian and other religious monuments are popular. Yet Egypt also offers nature and desert treks, great scuba diving and even golf, fishing and birding expeditions. One may choose to relax on the wondrous Egypt Red Sea or Sinai coasts, take in the high culture of Cairo, or even leisurely float down the Egyptian Nile on a luxurious river boat.

Egypt's tourist products are now so diverse that it has become a year round destination for visitors from many countries. Besides *archaeological* and *religious tourism*, there are *sea resorts*, *international conferences and exhibitions*, *art*, *culture*, *sport festivals*, *shopping* and *therapeutic tourism*. This variety is an obvious outcrop of the tourist product diversification policy.

Egypt could be said to have several different tourist super-sites. Each has its own flavor, and mostly each serves a different purpose.

**Egypt's Major Destinations:**

- ***Alexandria and the North Coast***  
Beautiful beaches and Mediterranean resorts
- ***The Delta from North of Cairo to the Mediterranean East of Alexandria***  
With Tanta, Zagazig, Dumyat, Damanhur, El Mansura, Benha
- ***Cairo and the Lower Nile Valley from Cairo to El Tabbin***  
With Abu Sir, Dhashur, Giza, Meidum, Saqqara
- ***The Lower Nile Valley from El-Minya to El-Minya***  
With Atfih, Beni Suef, Iknasya el Medina, El Iahun, El Minya

- ***Upper Nile Valley from South of El-Minya to Qena***  
With Abu Tig, Akhmim, El Araba el Madfuna, Asyut, El Badari, Dairut, Durunka, Girga, Hiw, Sohag, Qena, El Qusiya
- ***Luxor/Thebes, from South of Qena to North of Idfu***  
With Luxor and the surrounding area
- ***Aswan and Nubia, from Idfu to Abu Simbel***  
With Elephantine Island, Kitcheners Island, High Dam
- ***Red Sea***  
With El-Gouna, Hurghada, Suez, Berenice, Ain Sukhna, Al-Quseir
- ***Sinai***  
With El Arish, Ras Mohamed, Dahab, Taba

The tourism sector generates a considerable amount of foreign earnings (23.4% of total Egyptian receipts); it holds the lion's share in the services sectors (42.2% of total services receipts) and absorbs 12.6% of Egypt's total labor force.

The number of tourists who visited Egypt in 2004/2005 exceeded 8 million, a 15.2% increase over 2003/2004. The government of Egypt aims at doubling the number to reach 16 million.

The private sector is keen on investing in this continuously growing sector. Its contribution in total implemented investments to the tourism sector reached 72.6% in 2005.

**Hotels** Egypt is host to many worldwide hotel franchises that are strategically located, e.g. Sheraton, Hilton (note: Hilton?), Helnan and Four Seasons.

The total number of hotels and tourist villages in 2004 exceeded 1200 country-wide, with a 69% occupancy rate and an average duration of residence of 9.7 nights.

#### Top 50 Hotels in Egypt (5 Stars)

##### Greater Cairo

#### **1. Nile Hilton**

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### **3. Sheraton Hotel Towers**

Address: P.O.Box 11, Galaa Square, Giza, Egypt  
Telephone: +20-2-3369700/800  
Fax: +20-2-3364602  
E-mail: [cshotel1@ritsec3.com.e](mailto:cshotel1@ritsec3.com.e)

### **4. Marriott**

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### **5. Le Meridien**

Address: Corniche El Nil, Roda Island, Garden city, Cairo, Egypt  
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Fax: +20-2-3621927

### **6. Movenpick Cairo Heliopolis**

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Fax: +20-2-4180761  
E-mail: [email@movenpickhel.com.eg](mailto:email@movenpickhel.com.eg)

### **7. Swiss Hotel El Salam**

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Telephone: +20-2-2974000/6000  
Fax: +20-2-2976037

### **8. Semiramis Intercontinental**

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### **9. Sonesta**

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**10. Four Seasons Hotel at the First Residence**

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Telephone: +20-2- 5731212  
Fax: +20-2- 5681616  
URL: [www.fourseasons.com](http://www.fourseasons.com)

**11. Cataract Pyramids Resort**

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**12. The Mena House Oberoi**

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Telephone: +20-2- 3833222  
Fax: +20-2- 3837777  
E-mail: [obmhosm@oberoi.com.eg](mailto:obmhosm@oberoi.com.eg)

**13. Sheraton Royal Gardens**

Address: 13, Helmiat Al Ahram Street, Giza, Egypt  
Telephone: +20-2- 7812211  
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**14. Grand Hyatt ☐**

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**15. Four Seasons Hotels – Nile Plaza**

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**16. Helnan Shepherd**

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Telephone: +20-2-7953801  
Fax: +20-2-7921010

**17. Sofitel le Sphinx ☐**

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### 4. *Ramada Renaissance*

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### 3. *Aswan Oberoi Hotel*

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### 4. *Isis Island Aswan*

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## Aswan

### 5. *Amon*

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## Luxor

### 1. *Softel Water Blae* ☐

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### 2. *Sheraton Luxor Resort*

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### 5. *Pyramisa Isis Luxor Hotel*

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### 7. *Sonesta St. George Hotel*

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