



Cruise Details

Name:	Cyprus & Pyramids with Suez Canal
Reference:	EMERALDE12P311026-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Kaia
Regions:	Middle East
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Departs On:	31 Oct 26
Departs From:	Larnaca
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Arrives On:	11 Nov 26
Arrives At:	'Aqaba
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Cruise Nights:	11
Total Vacation Days:	12

Itinerary

Day 1: Larnaca (Cyprus)

Arrive in Larnaca and step aboard your luxurious Emerald Cruises superyacht ready to embark on an unforgettable cruise of the Red Sea. Please book your flight to arrive into Larnaca prior to 02:00 PM. Docked: 19:00

Arrives On: 31 Oct 26

Day 2: Paphos (Cyprus)

The ancient seaport of Paphos is the birthplace of Aphrodite and the entire town is a UNESCO World Heritage site. One of the city's iconic landmarks is the Paphos Archaeological Park, home to a remarkable collection of Greco-Roman ruins. Here, you can explore the ancient Odeon amphitheatre, the Tombs of the Kings, and the stunning mosaic floors of four Roman villas.

Included Excursion Paphos Monuments Tour
Step into ancient history on this enlightening tour of Paphos, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and

cultural treasure of Cyprus. Begin at the impressive Tombs of the Kings, a Hellenistic-era necropolis carved from solid rock. Continue to the courtyard of Chrysopolitissa Church, home to St. Paul's Pillar—where legend says the Apostle was punished before converting the Roman governor. Conclude your journey at the Paphos Archaeological Park, where beautifully preserved mosaics in the Houses of Dionysos, Aion, and Theseus reveal tales from Greek mythology. This tour offers a captivating blend of legend, art, and antiquity.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours 30 minutes

Anchored: 08:00 - 20:00

Arrives On: 01 Nov 26

Day 4: Suez (Egypt)

Today we cross the Suez Canal before reaching Egypt's Ain Sokhna. The Suez Canal, built by Ferdinand de Lesseps and completed in 1869, carves through 162km of desert, linking the Mediterranean to the Red Sea.

Arrives On: 03 Nov 26

Day 5: Ain Sukhna (Egypt)

Positioned on the western shore of the Red Sea's Gulf of Suez, Ain Sokhna is an elegant seaside town. It's only two hours from the Egyptian capital, Cairo, making it the perfect base for visiting the Great Pyramids of Giza, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.

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Visit to the Great Pyramids of Giza & the New Egyptian Museum (extra expense)

Step ashore and journey into the heart of ancient Egypt on this unforgettable full-day excursion to Cairo. Following a scenic drive through sweeping desert landscapes, arrive at the legendary Giza Plateau, home to the world-famous Pyramids of Khufu, Khafra, and Menkaure — the last remaining wonders of the ancient world. Marvel at the imposing Great Sphinx and take in the extraordinary atmosphere of one of history's most iconic sites. After enjoying lunch at a premier local venue, continue to the spectacular Grand Egyptian Museum, the largest archaeological museum in the world. Explore an extraordinary collection of over 100,000 artifacts spanning thousands of years of Egyptian civilization, including the complete treasures of King Tutankhamun displayed together for the first time. From colossal statues to intricate jewelry and royal antiquities, the museum offers a remarkable insight into Egypt's rich and fascinating past. This immersive experience perfectly combines ancient wonders, cultural heritage, and modern architectural grandeur.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 11 hours 30 minutes

Docked: 06:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 04 Nov 26

Day 7: Sharm El Sheikh (Egypt)

On the tip of Egypt's Sinai Peninsula is the glamorous resort city of Sharm el-Sheikh. Here, the desert meets the sea, creating an environment rich in biodiversity and a melting pot of cultures. Visitors can dive into the fascinating world beneath the Red Sea's surface, stroll through ancient mosques or bustling bazaars.

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Snorkelling Trip at Ras Mohamed National Park (extra expense) Discover the natural beauty of Ras Mohamed National Park, one of the Sinai Peninsula's most spectacular protected marine reserves. Located at the southern tip of Sharm El Sheikh, this pristine sanctuary is celebrated for its vibrant coral reefs, crystal-clear waters, and extraordinary marine life. After a scenic drive and brief photo stop, explore the park's unique mangrove forest before enjoying a guided snorkelling experience accompanied by professional instructors. Snorkelling equipment is provided, allowing you to fully immerse yourself in this underwater paradise. Guests may also choose to visit the famous Shark Observatory for breathtaking panoramic views across the Gulf of Aqaba.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours 30

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Saint Catherine's Monastery (extra expense) Journey deep into the Sinai Desert to discover the legendary Saint Catherine's Monastery, one of the world's oldest continuously operating Christian monasteries and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Travel through dramatic desert landscapes to the foot of Mount Moses, where this sacred site has stood for more than 1,600 years. Explore the monastery's remarkable treasures, including Emperor Justinian's sixth-century church, the Chapel of the Burning Bush, the famed Icon Gallery, and St. Catherine's Shrine. After your visit, continue to the coastal town of Dahab on the Gulf of Aqaba, where you will enjoy lunch at a local resort before returning to the ship. This memorable excursion combines history, spirituality, culture, and breathtaking scenery in one extraordinary day.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 9 hours 30 minutes
Docked: 08:00 - 21:00

Arrives On: 06 Nov 26

Day 8: Hurghada (Egypt)

Renowned for its stunning natural beauty, Hurghada offers a wide range of water sports and recreational activities. Its rich history and distinctive culture make this Egyptian beach resort town a remarkable destination along the Red Sea. Today choose between our Included Excursion or our DiscoverMORE option.
Included Excursion
Soma Bay Beach Break Escape to the beautiful shores of Soma Bay, a stunning peninsula along Egypt's Red Sea Riviera renowned for its crystal-clear waters, golden sandy beaches, and year-round sunshine. This relaxing beach break offers the perfect opportunity to unwind and enjoy a carefree day by the sea. After a scenic drive from Hurghada, arrive at the exclusive resort where sun beds, umbrellas, and towels will be provided for your comfort. Spend the day exactly as you wish – relax on the private sandy beach, take a refreshing swim in the warm Red Sea, or simply soak up the peaceful atmosphere while enjoying spectacular coastal views. For those seeking a little more adventure, optional water sports are available directly through the resort's water sports

centre for an additional charge. Shuttle transfers back to the ship operate approximately every two hours, allowing flexibility throughout the day.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 8 hours 30 minutes
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The Bedouin Experience (extra expense)
Leave the modern resort city of Hurghada behind and venture deep into Egypt's dramatic Eastern Desert aboard a 4x4 vehicle. Travelling across sandy plains framed by rugged mountains, enjoy spectacular desert scenery and panoramic photo opportunities along the way. Arriving at a traditional Bedouin settlement, experience the warm hospitality of the desert people as you relax inside a shaded Bedouin tent. Enjoy herbal tea and oriental pastries while learning about local customs and daily life, including traditional bread-making techniques still practised today. Your visit continues with a folkloric Bedouin presentation featuring music, storytelling, and cultural traditions before returning by 4x4 to Hurghada with lasting memories of this authentic desert encounter.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 3 hours
Docked: 08:00 – 18:00

Arrives On: 07 Nov 26

Day 9: Safaga (Egypt)

Safaga is an enchanting Egyptian city that offers a unique blend of natural beauty, water sports, and interesting history. The former fishing village is known for its fresh air, black sand dunes, and mineral springs.
EmeraldPLUS
Luxor Experience with Lunch Included
Journey deep into the heart of ancient Egypt on an unforgettable full-day excursion from Safaga to Luxor, once the magnificent capital of the Pharaohs. Travelling through dramatic desert landscapes and rugged mountain scenery, your guide will introduce you to the rich history and legends of Upper Egypt along the way. Upon arrival in Luxor, cross to the West Bank to explore the legendary Valley of the Kings, where generations of pharaohs were laid to rest in elaborately decorated tombs hidden beneath the desert hills. Visit three remarkable royal tombs and admire the vivid colours and intricate hieroglyphics that have survived for thousands of years. Continue with a photo stop at the towering Colossi of Memnon, the last remains of the grand mortuary temple of Amenophis III. After enjoying lunch at a leading hotel in Luxor, continue to the immense Karnak Temple Complex, one of the greatest religious sites ever built. Walk among colossal columns in the vast Hypostyle Hall, discover sacred avenues lined with sphinxes, and admire the scale and splendour of this extraordinary ancient sanctuary. En route, enjoy views of Luxor Temple from the coach before beginning the return journey to Safaga.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 13 hours
Docked: 06:00 – 22:00

Arrives On: 08 Nov 26

Day 10: Port of Neom (Saudi Arabia)

Port of NEOM offers a glimpse into Saudi Arabia's bold vision for the future, set along the pristine shores of the Red Sea. Experience dramatic desert landscapes, crystal-clear waters, and access to cutting-edge developments shaping this next-generation destination.

Docked: 09:00 – 16:00

Arrives On: 09 Nov 26

Day 11: 'Aqaba (Jordan)

In prehistoric times, Aqaba's coastal location meant it flourished as an epicentre of trade and communication. Its importance grew even more during the Iron Age when it was part of the biblical kingdoms of Edom, Moab, and later the Nabatean kingdom.

DiscoverMORE **Guided Tour of Petra with Lunch Included (extra expense)** Discover the legendary "Lost City" of Petra, one of the world's most extraordinary archaeological treasures and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Hidden deep within the Jordanian desert and carved into vibrant rose-red sandstone cliffs, Petra has captivated travellers for centuries and was named one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. Your journey begins with a scenic drive from Aqaba through dramatic desert landscapes to the ancient Nabataean city. Upon arrival, begin a guided walk through the famous Siq, a narrow winding gorge flanked by towering rock walls that leads dramatically to Petra's most iconic monument, the breathtaking Treasury. Continue exploring the remarkable site, passing the Roman-style Theatre, the impressive Royal Tombs, the Colonnaded Street, and Qasr al-Bint, while your guide brings the fascinating history of this once-thriving trading centre to life. After the guided visit, enjoy free time to make your way back through Petra at your own pace, taking in the spectacular scenery and perhaps browsing for souvenirs. A buffet lunch is then served at the Mövenpick Resort before returning to Aqaba.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 10 hours

DiscoverMORE **Wadi Rum Desert Adventure with Lunch (extra expense)** Discover the breathtaking beauty of Wadi Rum, one of Jordan's most spectacular desert landscapes and a UNESCO World Heritage Site shaped by wind and time over millions of years. Journey through vast valleys of towering sandstone mountains and dramatic rock formations glowing in shades of red, gold, and orange. Upon arrival at the Visitor Centre, board a 4x4 jeep for an unforgettable exploration of this legendary desert, once home to ancient nomads and famously featured in films such as Lawrence of Arabia. Along the way, stop for incredible photo opportunities and experience the remarkable silence of the desert. Enjoy traditional Bedouin hospitality with tea and oriental sweets before savoring an authentic lunch at a desert camp surrounded by unforgettable scenery.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 6 hours

Docked: 07:30 - Overnight

Arrives On: 10 Nov 26

Day 12: 'Aqaba (Jordan)

Your luxurious yacht cruise concludes in Aqaba, where you'll be transferred to the airport for your return flight home or to continue your holiday. Please book your flight to depart out of Aqaba after 11:00 AM. The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Emerald Cruises cannot guarantee the cruise will operated unaltered from the itinerary states above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.

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