

# PILGRIMAGE TO JORDAN, MT. SINAI AND EGYPT

*with an optional 4-night  
Nile River Cruise*

**with Fr. Chris Alar, MIC  
and Ellen Holmes Steeves-LeBlanc**



**11 DAYS SEPTEMBER 23-OCTOBER 3, 2026  
NILE CRUISE EXTENSION: OCTOBER 3-8, 2026**



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## WHAT'S THE COST?

**Land Only - \$5195.00**

**Land and Group Air - \$5995.00**

**Solo Traveler - \$995.00\***

*\*additional cost*

**Nile Cruise Ext. - \$1495.00**

**Nile Cruise Ext. Solo Traveler - \$695.00\***

*\*additional cost*

*Prices are per person*

*\*Land Only - Option to purchase air on your own and meet the group at the airport on September 24, 2026*

*Group Air Price based on a minimum of 10 passengers*

*Prices are valid only if the deposit is received no later than May 22, 2026*

*Final payment is due June 22, 2026*

**Register online now - [selectinternationaltours.com](http://selectinternationaltours.com)**

**Trip Code: 26JA09EGCA-EH**

### September 23, Wednesday, Day 1: DEPART USA TO AMMAN

Depart the USA on an overnight flight to Amman. Dinner and breakfast will be served on the flight. Enjoy your flight as you look forward to your incredible pilgrimage journey. Quotes for add-on flights and optional Premium Economy and Business Class upgrades are available upon request and will be provided starting 120 days before departure. Group air restrictions (for ten passengers traveling together) do not permit specific seating requests on flights. We recommend purchasing your own airline tickets and the land-only package with us if seat confirmation is an essential part of your trip. Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact your trip Account Manager, who will be happy to assist you.

### September 24, Thursday, Day 2: ARRIVAL IN AMMAN, JORDAN – THE DEAD SEA

Welcome to Jordan! We are met by our Jordanian guide and assisted onto the bus. Transfer to our hotel on the shores of the Dead Sea for a well-deserved night of rest. Mass will be celebrated at the hotel. We gather for a welcome greeting by our group leaders before our dinner at the hotel. Overnight at the hotel on the banks of the Dead Sea. (D)

### September 25, Friday, Day 3: THE DEAD SEA

This morning, we visit Mount Nebo, believed to be the burial place of Moses, offering a view of the Promised Land as he saw it before his death. We will observe the Plains of Moab to the north, where the Israelite tribes camped before crossing the Jordan River. Our next stop will be Bethany Beyond Jordan, the traditional baptismal site of Jesus on the River Jordan. We continue the day with a visit to Madaba to see the renowned 6th-century mosaic map of Palestine located in St. George's Church. Mass will be celebrated. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at the Dead Sea. (B.L.D)

### September 26, Saturday, Day 4: PETRA

Traveling the King's Highway, we reach Petra, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. This ancient city, often called the "Rose City," was featured in many films, including "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade". Our sightseeing tour of this ancient Nabatean City, carved from the red rock, will include the Treasury, Monastery, and Theatre. Mass will be celebrated at the Dead Sea in the morning. Dinner and overnight will be in Petra. (B.L.D)

### September 27, Sunday, Day 5: AQABA, JORDAN – TABA, EGYPT

We check out of our hotel and drive to Aqaba, a city on the Red Sea, known for its appearance in the Aladdin movie. We explore the Aqaba Church ruins, a 3rd-century church discovered in 1998 by American archaeologists, believed to be the world's oldest purpose-built Christian church. Afterwards, we cross from Jordan to Egypt via Ferry and transfer to the resort city of Taba for a relaxing night. Mass will be celebrated. (B.D)

### September 28, Monday, Day 6: MT. SINAI – ST. CATHERINE'S MONASTERY

Early this morning, we have the opportunity to climb Mt. Sinai, the site where Moses received the Ten Commandments. This challenging ascent leads to the traditional location of the Burning Bush, where the Lord communicated with Moses. A stunning panoramic view awaits us as we pray the Rosary and witness the sunrise over Mt. Sinai. After descending the mountain for breakfast at the hotel, we visit St. Catherine's Monastery and Museum. This monastery is dedicated to St. Catherine, who was martyred for her Christian faith. Mass will be celebrated. Dinner and overnight. (B.L.D)

### September 29, Tuesday, Day 7: THE SINAI DESERT– CAIRO

Following breakfast, we take the Moses Exodus Route and drive through the Sinai Desert, arriving in Cairo in the afternoon. Mass will be celebrated. Dinner and overnight in Cairo. (B.L.D)

### September 30, Wednesday, Day 8: CHRISTIAN CAIRO – ST. SIMON - GRAND MUSEUM

After breakfast, our Cairo tour begins, focusing on Egypt's rich, often-overlooked Christian history. Our guide will lead us through Old Coptic Cairo, including the Hanging Church, the Apparition Church, the Holy Crypt, and the Abu Serga Church. We will also visit the monastery of St. Simon el Mokkattam. In the afternoon, we explore sections of the newly opened Grand Museum, the world's largest. Mass will be celebrated. Dinner and overnight in Cairo. (B.L.D)

### October 1, Thursday, Day 9: THE PYRAMIDS – CAIRO

After breakfast, we head to Sakkara, home to Egypt's oldest pyramid, built around 2,650 BC. We admire this incredible stepped structure,



## YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Round-trip group airfare from NYC to Amman and Cairo to NYC
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- 3 nights in first-class hotels in Jordan
- Jordan Entry Visa fee for those arriving on the group flights
- Ferry crossing Jordan to Egypt
- Egyptian Entry Visa fee
- 2 nights accommodations Mt. Sinai area
- Donation to St. Catherine's Monastery and entrance to the church and the museum
- Local Taxes
- Transfer from Mt. Sinai to Cairo
- Five-star hotel accommodations in Cairo for 4 nights
- Service charges and hotel taxes
- Buffet breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily (except on ferry)
- All transfers in Jordan and Egypt by a private A/C motor coach as per the itinerary
- Professional English-speaking tour guides throughout
- Entrance fees are included for sites specifically listed (outside view means no entrance is included), including the Grand Museum

- Visit to Petra and the Dead Sea with entrance fees
- Visit to the Pyramids with entrance fees
- Sound and Light Show
- Luggage handling at hotels (one piece per person in/out)
- Confirmation of daily private Mass
- Whisper sets
- Water on the bus
- **For your convenience, a tip fund of \$200.00 will be added to your invoice and collected ahead**

### Optional Extension- based on a minimum of 30 participants and limited to 1 bus only

- Group flights from Cairo to Luxor and from Aswan to Cairo
- 4 nights Nile River Cruise aboard a 5-star cruise ship
- 1 night hotel accommodation in Cairo in a five-star hotel
- All Shore Excursions
- Local Taxes
- Transportation by private bus
- English-speaking tour managers

- Water on the bus
- **For your convenience, a tip fund of \$120.00 will be added to your invoice and collected ahead**

### RATES DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Personal expenses
- Travel and Medical Insurance (required but not included in the price of the trip)
- Church donations
- Any items not explicitly mentioned in the list of inclusions
- Beverages at meals
- Baggage handling on the ferry and at the St. Catherine Monastery hotel

### BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Any airline baggage charges.
- Baggage handling at the airports and hotels is limited to one suitcase per person.
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage, including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges.

learn about its construction for Pharaoh Djoser, and then have time to explore at our leisure. Following lunch at a local restaurant, our next stop is the Pyramids of Giza and the Sphinx. This archaeological site on the Giza Plateau, on the outskirts of Cairo, Egypt, features three pyramid complexes known as the Great Pyramids, the massive sculpture known as the Great Sphinx, several cemeteries, a workers' village, and an industrial complex. We have time for shopping in the local bazaar before returning to our hotel. Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph's Church. Dinner and overnight will be at our hotel in Cairo. (B.L.D)

### October 2, Friday, Day 10: EXCURSION TO WADI NATRUN DESERT CHRISTIAN MONASTERIES – SOUND AND LIGHT SHOW

We drive to Wadi Natrun today to visit ancient monasteries with their beautiful frescoes and icons, and meet with the monks to learn about the beautiful ancient traditions of Egyptian monasticism. Following lunch in the area, we return to the hotel. In the evening, after dinner, we enjoy the Sound and Light Show at the Pyramids. Dinner and overnight in Cairo. Mass will be celebrated. (B.L.D)

### October 3, Saturday, Day 11: CAIRO – USA DEPARTURE

After breakfast this morning, we are transferred to the airport for our flight home. (B)

### OPTIONAL 5-NIGHT EXTENSION INCLUDING A 4-NIGHT NILE CRUISE

### October 3, Saturday, Day 11: CAIRO TO LUXOR – NILE RIVER CRUISE EMBARKATION

After checking out of our hotel, we transfer to the Cairo airport for our flight to Luxor. Upon arrival, we visit the Temple of Karnak, the world's second-largest ancient religious site after Angkor Wat. Marvel at the Great Hypostyle Hall, with its 134 towering columns, each intricately carved with hieroglyphs. Our next stop is the Temple of Luxor, where many Egyptian kings, including Tutankhamun and Ramses II, were crowned. Later this afternoon, we board our luxurious riverboat, our home for the next four nights of our Nile Cruise. We are docked in Luxor overnight, allowing time to explore the city and its vibrant markets. Dinner and overnight stay on the ship. Mass will be celebrated. (B.L.D)

### October 4, Sunday, Day 12: LUXOR TO ESNA

This morning, we explore the Valley of the Kings on the west bank of the Nile, followed by a visit to the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut. On our return to the ship, we stop at the Colossi of Memnon, two iconic statues at the entrance of Amenhotep III's temple. Our ship then sails to Esna, where we see its magnificent dam. Overnight on board the ship. Mass will be celebrated. (B.L.D)

### October 5, Monday, Day 13: EDFU – KOM OMBO – ASWAN

The ship sails to Edfu this morning, where we visit the remarkably well-preserved Temple of Edfu, dedicated to the falcon-headed god Horus. This temple was buried under 40 feet of sand for centuries before being excavated in 1860, leaving it almost perfectly intact. We then return to the boat and sail to the unique double temple of Kom-Ombo, half dedicated to the crocodile-headed god Sobek and the other to the falcon-headed god Horus. We continue our Nile cruise towards Aswan. Dinner and overnight on the ship. No Mass will be celebrated today. (B.L.D)

### October 6, Tuesday, Day 14: ASWAN

Today, we visit the Aswan High Dam, built in the 1960s to control the Nile's annual floods and generate hydroelectric power. Next, we explore the Temple of Philae, an island downstream from the dam. The Temple of Isis was disassembled stone by stone and meticulously reconstructed before the dam's completion, as it was previously flooded for six months each year. We return to the boat for lunch. Later this afternoon, we will enjoy a traditional felucca sail on the Nile, a centuries-old method of transport for the Nubian people. Our evening concludes with a visit to the Aswan Spice market after our farewell dinner on board. Mass will be celebrated. (B.L.D)

### October 7, Wednesday, Day 15: ASWAN – ABU SIMBEL – CAIRO

This morning, we bid farewell to our ship's crew. We embark on a tour of the magnificent Temples of Abu Simbel before boarding our flight to Cairo, where we check into our hotel for an overnight stay. *Mass will be celebrated.* (B.L.D)

### October 8, Thursday, Day 16: CAIRO – USA

After breakfast this morning, we are transferred to the airport for our flight home. (B)

# Select Protect

## Travel Protection Plan

### Plan Highlights

- Comprehensive coverage for trip cancellation, trip interruption, emergency medical and post-departure travel coverage up to \$100,000
- Up to \$150,000 in Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation of Remains coverage available
- 100% of Trip Cancellation coverage up to \$25,000
- 150% of Trip Interruption coverage up to \$37,500
- Optional Cancel For Any Reason coverage available
- Pre-Existing medical condition waiver available

### 10-Day Free Look Period

If you are not satisfied within 10 days of purchasing this plan, Trawick International will refund your premium cost if you have not departed on your trip or filed a claim.

### Trip Cancellation Covered Reasons

This is a list of some covered reasons for Trip Cancellation. Please refer to the plan document for a full list.

- Sickness, Accidental Injury, or Death of You, a Family Member, Traveling Companion, or Business Partner
- Sickness, Injury, or Death of Non-Traveling Family Member
- Hijacked, Quarantined, required to serve on a jury, or subpoenaed
- Employment Terminated or Laid-Off
- Approved Military Leave Revoked or Military Re-Assignment
- Terrorist Incident
- Your Home made Uninhabitable by Natural Disaster or Burglary
- Inclement Weather Causing Complete Cessation of Air/Common Carrier Services
- Mechanical breakdown Causing Complete Cessation of Air/Common Carrier Services

## Assistance Services

### Traveler Lounge Pass

Allowing you the convenience of airport lounge access if your flight is delayed by more than two (2) hours.

This service is available to Trawick International policy holders if: You have registered your flight at [go.TravelerLoungePass.com](https://go.TravelerLoungePass.com) at least twenty-four (24) hours before your scheduled flight departure time; and Your flight has been delayed by more than two (2) hours. If your flight was delayed by more than two (2) hours but there's no lounge available at the airport where you are, you may still use the lounge access code any time in the next six (6) months.

### Runway Health: Pre-travel Medication Readiness Consultation

Your Trawick travel insurance policy includes a pre-travel medication readiness consultation from Runway Health. Runway seamlessly connects travelers with US-licensed physicians with a quick, online consultation to create personalized, physician guided prescription medicine travel kits that are shipped directly to your door before departure, if prescribed. Travel better prepared and register for your complimentary consultation at [trawick.runwayhealth.com](https://trawick.runwayhealth.com).

### Underwritten by:

Plan sold by Trawick International. Insurance is provided by either Technology Insurance Company or Wesco Insurance Company, an AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. company and non-insurance services by Trawick International. Limitations and exclusions apply. Plan only valid for residents of the United States.

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## Benefits of Coverage

Benefits	Maximum Benefit Amount
<b>Trip Coverage</b>	
Trip Cancellation	100% of Trip Cost up to \$25,000
Trip Interruption	150% of Trip Cost up to \$37,500
Trip Delay (6 hours)	\$1,500 (\$150/day)
Missed Connection (3 hours)	\$500
<b>Personal Items Coverage</b>	
Baggage Coverage	\$1,500
Per item	\$250
Limited Valuables	\$500
Baggage Delay Coverage (24 hours)	\$400
<b>Medical &amp; Evacuation Coverage</b>	
Emergency Accident & Sickness Medical Expense	\$100,000
Emergency Dental Expenses	\$750
Emergency Evacuation	\$150,000
Repatriation of Remains	\$25,000
Hospital Companion Transportation	\$10,000
Hospital Companion Expenses	\$200/day, 10 days maximum
Non-Medical Evacuation	\$100,000
Pre-Existing Condition Waiver	If purchased on or before Final Payment
Pre-Existing Condition lookback period	60 days
Non-insurance 24-hour standard emergency travel assistance	Included
<b>Optional Upgrade</b>	
	75% of Insured Trip Cost
Trip Cancellation for Any Reason (CFAR) Optional	Must be purchased within 15 days of deposit
	Must Cancel 2 days or more prior to departure date
	Not available to residents of NY

Not all Benefits are available in all states, please see the Plan Document for all details.



## Plan Rates

Trip Cost Bands	Base rate	Base & CFAR rate*
\$1-\$500	\$66	\$112
\$501-\$1,000	\$70	\$118
\$1,001-\$1,500	\$96	\$162
\$1,501-\$2,000	\$128	\$217
\$2,001-\$2,500	\$156	\$264
\$2,501-\$3,000	\$185	\$313
\$3,001-\$3,500	\$212	\$360
\$3,501-\$4,000	\$241	\$410
\$4,001-\$4,500	\$269	\$456
\$4,501-\$5,000	\$307	\$521
\$5,001-\$5,500	\$328	\$558
\$5,501-\$6,000	\$361	\$613
\$6,001-\$6,500	\$420	\$714
\$6,501-\$7,000	\$447	\$760
\$7,001-\$7,500	\$483	\$821
\$7,501-\$8,000	\$513	\$872
\$8,001-\$8,500	\$552	\$939
\$8,501-\$9,000	\$627	\$1,066
\$9,001-\$9,500	\$713	\$1,211
\$9,501-\$10,000	\$748	\$1,272
\$10,001-\$11,000	\$801	\$1,362
\$11,001-\$12,000	\$872	\$1,482
\$12,001-\$13,000	\$939	\$1,596
\$13,001-\$14,000	\$1,010	\$1,716
\$14,001-\$15,000	\$1,081	\$1,837
\$15,001-\$16,000	\$1,151	\$1,957
\$16,001-\$17,000	\$1,222	\$2,077
\$17,001-\$18,000	\$1,293	\$2,198
\$18,001-\$19,000	\$1,364	\$2,318
\$19,001-\$20,000	\$1,435	\$2,438
\$20,001-\$21,000	\$1,505	\$2,559
\$21,001-\$22,000	\$1,576	\$2,679
\$22,001-\$23,000	\$1,651	\$2,806
\$23,001-\$24,000	\$1,722	\$2,927
\$24,001-\$25,000	\$1,792	\$3,047

\*Note: CFAR is 1.7 x the base rates.



**Pilgrimage to Jordan, Mt. Sinai, and Egypt, with an optional 4 night Nile River Cruise**  
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**September 23-October 3, 2026 Nile River Extension: October 3-8, 2026 Trip Code: 26JA09EGCA-EH**

**DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT:**

- Please use the QR code on the front of this brochure to enroll.
- A deposit of \$1,000.00 per person should accompany your registration by May 22, 2026.
- Final payment is due by June 22, 2026.\*
- Your passport must be valid through April 8, 2027.

All prices are based on payment via check. A convenience fee of 4% will be charged for credit card payments. We also take payment via Zelle.

Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822, Attn: Jane Allison, 800-842-4842, jane@select-intl.com.

**PILGRIMAGE PRICES:** Trip price is based on a minimum of 100 passengers. Prices may be adjusted for fewer travelers, changes in currency conversion rates, or amendments in local government taxes and/or fuel surcharges. Prices for this trip are in US dollars. \*A late payment fee of \$100.00 per person will be charged for all payments received after the final payment due date.

**SOLO TRAVEL:** A limited number of single rooms are available. Prices are based on two people per room. We do not guarantee roommates, but will do our best to connect you with someone willing to share.

**LAND-ONLY OPTION:** Land-only services start and end at the hotels and do not include any airfare. You are welcome to transfer from the airport with the group if you arrive at the same time; otherwise, transfers are not included.

**TOUR CANCELLATION POLICY:** Individual deposits are refundable except for a \$750.00 per person handling fee for cancellations made 121 days or more before departure. A \$1,000.00 non-refundable fee will be assessed if the reservation is canceled between 91 and 120 days prior to departure. Within 90 days of departure, all payments are non-refundable regardless of the reason for cancellation. All airline tickets are non-refundable once issued. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. If a roommate cancels, the cost of a solo supplement will be added to your invoice. You may be eligible for a refund through your travel protection provider.

**TRIP CANCELLATION PROTECTION:** We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation/travel accident insurance for every passenger to protect their investment (all payments are non-refundable 90 days before departure). PLEASE NOTE that in most cases travel protection must be purchased within 14 days. Additionally, some options are not available to residents of NY. Please see <https://selectinternationaltours.com/travel-protection-plans/> or call Trawick International at 1-888-681-6272 for complete details, restrictions, and deadlines.

**AIRLINE, SEATING AND CHANGES:** To best accommodate our pilgrims, we utilize Group Air Reservations. This affords more predictable space and pricing. However, the airline (not Select International Tours) assigns seats when the group tickets are issued. If you require very specific seats, we suggest you take advantage of the "Land Only" option and book your own airfare. Airline ticket name changes due to missing, incorrect, or incomplete information provided during registration will result in fees of at least \$350 per traveler. Switching reservations from Air and Land to Land Only within 100 days of departure will incur a minimum fee of \$150.00 per person. Quotes for Business class and Premium Coach seats are available upon written request, as are add-ons from your hometown airport.

**SPECIAL NEEDS AND REQUESTS:** All special needs and requests due to medical or dietary restrictions must be received in writing at least 60 days before departure. People needing a wheelchair should bring their own and travel with a companion who can provide care for them.

**WALKING:** Our trips require daily walking, sometimes up or down slopes, steps, and uneven terrain. We recommend preparing by walking before the trip. A qualified and physically able travel companion must accompany anyone needing assistance. We are not responsible for any medical condition that occurs before, during, or after the trip.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** By accepting this confirmation, you also agree to the complete Terms and Conditions list at <https://selectinternationaltours.com/terms-conditions/>. The Group Leaders, Spiritual Directors, and Select International Tours, Inc. have no responsibility for any acts or omissions of the travel suppliers in your itinerary and during your trip. We have no special knowledge regarding the financial conditions of the suppliers, unsafe travel conditions, health hazards, or weather hazards at locations traveled. We are not responsible for flight delays, cancellations, or any charges incurred due to unforeseen circumstances. We are not responsible for any sickness or disease you contract or any injury you sustain while traveling. Unused portions of the trip are non-refundable. Please consult the appropriate online resources for information about destination climate, risks, and safety. For health information, consult the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. You are responsible for understanding and complying with your destination's passport, visa, vaccination, or other entry requirements. Itineraries are subject to change. We are not responsible for any damaged, lost, or stolen articles. We are not responsible for any sickness, injury, or death during or after the trip. Travel documents will be mailed out approximately three (3) weeks before departure. Please review them carefully for any errors.

This trip is open to passengers 10 years or older with appropriate adult supervision.

**SHIPPING & HANDLING:** \$15.00 per person—not included in the package price—will be added to each invoice. Your invoice will confirm the trip registration.

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