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# 2-day Cairo Itinerary



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## **Cairo: Ancient Wonders and Modern Marvels**

Welcome to Cairo, Egypt's magnificent capital, where millennia of history meet contemporary life. This comprehensive 2-day guide will immerse you in the city's ancient wonders, rich Islamic heritage, and vibrant culture, perfect for first-time visitors.

#### **Historical Overview**

Cairo, founded in 969 AD, stands as one of the world's oldest Islamic cities. Its strategic location along the Nile River has made it a crucial center for trade and culture throughout history. The city seamlessly blends ancient Egyptian, Islamic, and modern influences, creating a unique urban tapestry.

#### **Iconic Landmarks**

- Great Pyramids of Giza: One of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, these magnificent structures have captivated visitors for millennia.
- The Sphinx: This legendary monument combines a lion's body with a human head, standing guard over the Giza plateau.
- Egyptian Museum: Home to the world's largest collection of ancient Egyptian artifacts, including treasures from Tutankhamun's tomb.
- Cairo Citadel: A medieval fortress offering panoramic views of the city and housing the stunning Muhammad Ali Mosque.

#### **Cultural Treasures**

- Khan El Khalili Bazaar: A historic market dating back to the 14th century, perfect for experiencing traditional Egyptian commerce and crafts.
- Muhammad Ali Mosque: An Ottoman-style mosque featuring stunning architecture and intricate decorations.
- Al-Azhar Park: A beautiful green oasis in the heart of historic Cairo, providing respite from the urban bustle.
- Cairo Tower: A modern symbol of the city offering spectacular views of the metropolis and the Nile River.

#### **Charming Neighborhoods**

• Islamic Cairo: A historic district filled with medieval architecture and

authentic Egyptian culture.

- Coptic Cairo: Home to ancient churches and religious sites representing Egypt's Christian heritage.
- Zamalek: A sophisticated island neighborhood known for its art galleries, cafes, and cultural venues.

#### **Cairo Lifestyle**

- Cuisine: Savor traditional Egyptian dishes like koshari, ful medames, and ta'meya.
- Café Culture: Experience traditional Egyptian coffee houses and modern cafes.
- Shopping: From ancient bazaars to modern malls, Cairo offers diverse shopping experiences.

#### **Practical Travel Tips**

- Transportation: Use official taxis or ride-sharing apps; consider guided tours for major sites.
- Best Times to Visit: October to April for pleasant weather and comfortable sightseeing.
- Language: Basic Arabic phrases are helpful; English is commonly understood in tourist areas.
- Safety: Stay aware of your surroundings and keep valuables secure, especially in crowded areas.

### 2-Day Itinerary Highlights

Day 1: Great Pyramids of Giza, The Sphinx, Egyptian Museum, Khan El Khalili Bazaar

Day 2: Cairo Citadel, Muhammad Ali Mosque, Al-Azhar Park, Cairo Tower

This guide presents a curated selection of over 35 locations, allowing you to customize your Cairo experience. Each stop offers a unique glimpse into the city's rich history and vibrant culture.

Cairo is more than just a destination; it's a journey through time where ancient wonders coexist with modern life. As you explore the bustling streets, marvel at

ancient monuments, and immerse yourself in the city's rich heritage, remember that Cairo invites you to discover its treasures at every turn.

Let this magnificent city captivate your imagination and create unforgettable memories during your journey. Enjoy your adventure in Cairo!

## **Itinerary Preview**

2 days

The Great Pyramid of Giza

Great Sphinx of Giza

The Egyptian Museum in Cairo

Khan el-Khalili

**DAY** 01

Cairo Citadel

**DAY** 02 Al-Rifa'i Mosque Al-Azhar Park Cairo Tower



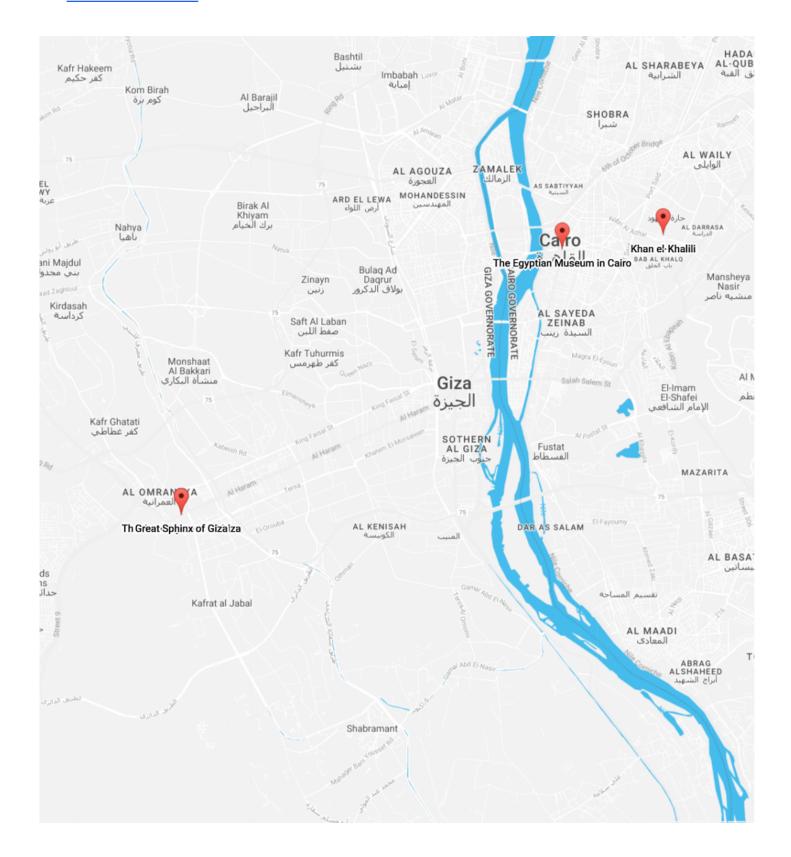
# **Daily Events**



## Day 1

09:00	The Great Pyramid of Giza
	Al Haram, Nazlet El-Semman, Al Haram, Giza Governorate 3512201, Egypt
: 11:00	
11:45	Great Sphinx of Giza
	Al Haram, Giza Governorate 3512201, Egypt
13:45	
15:00	The Egyptian Museum in Cairo
	El-Tahrir Square, Ismailia, Qasr El Nil, Cairo Governorate 4272083, Egypt
17:00	
17:45	Khan el-Khalili
10.20	El-Gamaleya, El Gamaliya, Cairo Governorate 4331302, Egypt
19:30	

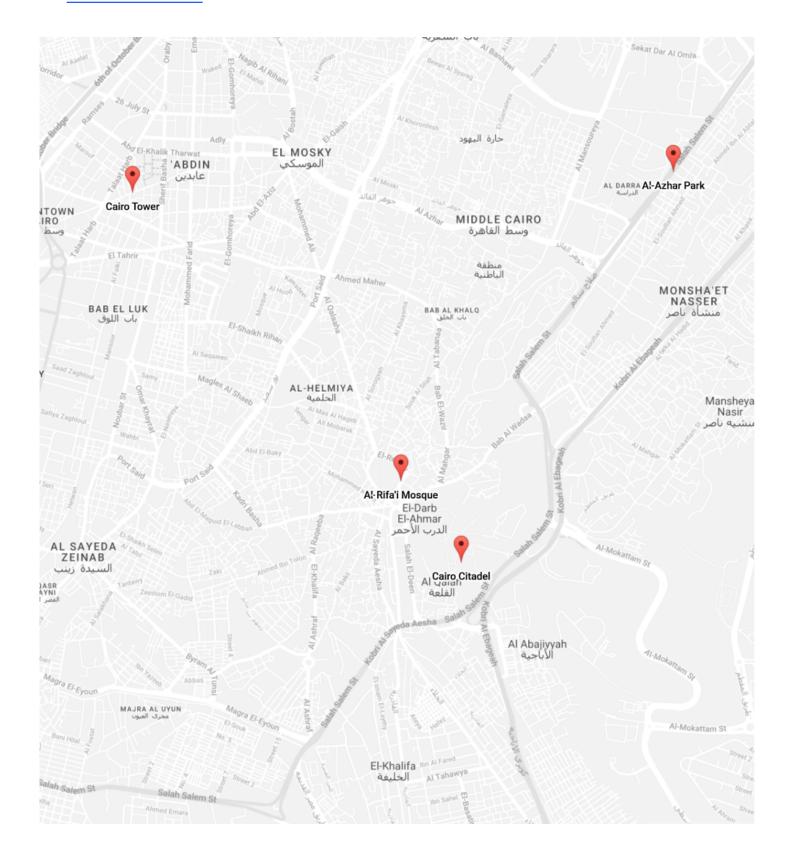
## Map for Day 1



## Day 2

09:00	Cairo Citadel
	Al Abageyah, El Khalifa, Cairo Governorate 4252360, Egypt
11:00	
11:45	Al-Rifa'i Mosque
	27M4+3VR, El-Refaey, El-Darb El-Ahmar, El Khalifa, Cairo Governorate 4292008, Egypt
13:45	
14:30	Al-Azhar Park
	10 Salah Salem St, El-Darb El-Ahmar, Al-Darb Al-Ahmar, Cairo Governorate 4294010, Egypt
16:30	
17:15	Cairo Tower
	Kasr Al Nile, Zamalek, Cairo Governorate 4270024, Egypt
19:15	

## Map for Day 2





# Spots



## **Cairo Festival City Mall**

Ring Rd, New Cairo 3, Cairo Governorate 4730020, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Spacious retail complex with international chain stores, a cinema & a "dancing fountain" attraction.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 1:00 AM Friday: 10:00 AM - 1:00 AM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM

#### Phone:

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## **Al Ahram Beverages**

Industrial Area Zone<sup>®</sup> Block 12003<sup>®</sup> 11 to 24<sup>®</sup> Al Obour, Al-Qalyubia Governorate 6360112, Egypt

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Friday: Closed Saturday: Closed Sunday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

#### **Phone:**

## **Zamalek Art Gallery**

11 Brazil St, Mohammed Mazhar, Zamalek, Cairo Governorate 4271034, Egypt

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Wednesday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Thursday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Friday: Closed Saturday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Sunday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM

#### **Phone:**

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## **Mall of Arabia**

6th of October City, First 6th of October, Giza Governorate 3236220, Egypt

#### Summary:

Huge shopping complex with brand-name stores, a food court, movie theater & fountain display.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 11:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 11:00 PM

#### **Phone:**





## The American University in Cairo Tahrir Square Campus

113 Al Kasr Al Aini, Ad Dawawin, Abdeen, Cairo Governorate 11511, Egypt

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: Closed Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

#### Phone:



## **Al-Azhar University**

Al Mokhaym Al Daem, Gameat Al Azhar, 22222 2222Cairo Governorate 4434103, Egypt

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: Closed Saturday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

#### **Phone:**

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## Al-Rifa'i Mosque

27M4+3VR, El-Refaey, El-Darb El-Ahmar, El Khalifa, Cairo Governorate 4292008, Egypt

#### Summary:

Islamic place of worship with a high ceiling, 44 pillars & tombs of Egyptian royals & Iran's Shah.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM



## **Citystars Mall**

Nasr City, Masaken Al Mohandesin, Nasr City, Cairo Governorate 4451620, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Huge, well-known retail complex with brand-name shopping & diverse dining, plus hotels & offices.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM



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## **Cairo International Convention Centre**

2 El-Nasr Rd, Al Estad, Qesm Than Madinet Nasr, Cairo Governorate 4436001, Egypt

#### **Phone:**



## **Cairo Festival City Mall**

Ring Rd, New Cairo 3, Cairo Governorate 4730020, Egypt

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Spacious retail complex with international chain stores, a cinema & a "dancing fountain" attraction.

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#### Phone:

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## **Ramsis Square**

Ramses, Al Gayarah, Al Azbakeya, Cairo Governorate 4320330, Egypt

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Closed Saturday: Closed Sunday: Open 24 hours



## **The Palace Of Arts**

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Phone:

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## **The Royal Mummies Hall**

The national museum of Egyptian Civilization, Ad Deyorah, Old Cairo, Cairo Governorate 4245001, Egypt

#### Summary:

Exhibition hall displaying gold coffins & mummies of pharaohs who ruled more than 3,000 years ago.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM



## **El-Tahrir Square**

El-Tahrir Square, Cairo Governorate, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Noteworthy urban square with a fountain, site of many demonstrations & "Liberation" message.



## **Abdeen Palace Museum**

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#### **Summary:**

Ornate former palace with 500 rooms, home to museums containing silver, weapons & royal artifacts.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Friday: Closed Saturday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

#### **Phone:**



## **Saints Sergius and Bacchus Church**

264J+G77, Mari Gerges, Kom Ghorab, Old Cairo, Cairo Governorate 4244001, Egypt

#### Summary:

4th-century church believed to be built on the spot where Joseph, Mary & baby Jesus once rested.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

#### Phone:

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## **The National Museum of Egyptian Civilization**

Fustat, Ein as Seirah, Old Cairo, Cairo Governorate 4245001, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Sculpture, pottery & metalware charting millennia of Egyptian civilization, plus a hall of mummies.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, 6:00 - 9:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM



## **Mosque of Muhammad Ali**

27H5+FXM, Al Abageyah, El Khalifa, Cairo Governorate 4252360, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Grand, 19th-century mosque in Cairo's iconic Citadel, lavishly decorated with Islamic motifs.



## **Museum of Islamic Art in Cairo**

Port Said, Ghayt Al Adah, Al-Darb Al-Ahmar, Cairo Governorate 11638, Egypt

#### Summary:

Huge Islamic art museum with over 100,000 exhibits spanning history in a grand restored building.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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## **Aquarium Grotto Garden**

El Gabalaya St, Al Gabalayah, Zamalek, Cairo Governorate 4270102, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Underground grottoes, a kids' playground & a pond in a quiet park on an island in the Nile River.

#### **Opening Hours:**

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### **Cairo Tower**

Kasr Al Nile, Zamalek, Cairo Governorate 4270024, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Tower inspired by lotus flowers, made up of 8 million mosaic lozenges, with a revolving restaurant.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 AM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 AM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 AM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 AM Friday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 AM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 AM

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El-Gamaleya, El Gamaliya, Cairo Governorate 4331302, Egypt

#### Summary:

Large souk in the bazaar district selling souvenirs & crafts plus jewelry, clothing & spices.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:30 AM - 12:00 AM Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 12:00 AM Wednesday: 9:30 AM - 12:00 AM Thursday: 9:30 AM - 12:00 AM Friday: 9:30 AM - 12:00 AM Saturday: 9:30 AM - 12:00 AM



## **Al-Azhar Park**

10 Salah Salem St, El-Darb El-Ahmar, Al-Darb Al-Ahmar, Cairo Governorate 4294010, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Manicured gardens & lawns with fountains, cafes, restaurants & an open-air theater, plus city views.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM

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## **Al-Azhar Mosque**

El-Darb El-Ahmar, El Gamaliya, Cairo Governorate 4293024, Egypt

#### Summary:

Cairo's first mosque, commissioned in 970 to develop into a major center for Islamic learning.



## **Prince Mohamed Ali Palace (Manial Palace)**

1 Al Saraya, Al Manyal Ash Sharqi, Old Cairo, Cairo Governorate 4240291, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Ornately decorated palace with a clocktower built between 1900 & 1929 in a mix of Islamic styles.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

#### Phone:



## **The Coptic Museum**

3 Mari Gerges, Kom Ghorab, Old Cairo, Cairo Governorate 4244001, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Collection of ancient Egyptian Christian artwork, objects & manuscripts housed in a 1908 building.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

#### Phone:

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#### **Phone:**

## The Great Pyramid of Giza

Al Haram, Nazlet El-Semman, Al Haram, Giza Governorate 3512201, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Largest of Egyptian pyramids in a complex also including temples & other Ancient artifacts.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM



## **The Hanging Church**

Kom Ghorab, Old Cairo, Cairo Governorate 4244001, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Coptic Orthodox church with a wooden roof in the shape of Noah's ark, a 5th-century pulpit & icons.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM



## The Egyptian Museum in Cairo

El-Tahrir Square, Ismailia, Qasr El Nil, Cairo Governorate 4272083, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Extensive collection of Egyptian artifacts covering 5,000 years, including Tutankhamun's treasures.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

#### Phone:

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## **Cairo Citadel**

Al Abageyah, El Khalifa, Cairo Governorate 4252360, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Imposing fortress & wall built by Saladin in the 12th century as protection against the Crusaders.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

#### **Phone:**



## **El Fishawy Cafe**

27X6+5XQ, Haret Khan Al Khalili, El-Gamaleya, El Gamaliya, Cairo Governorate 4331302, Egypt

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 12:30 PM - 1:00 AM Tuesday: 12:30 PM - 1:00 AM Wednesday: 12:30 PM - 1:00 AM Thursday: 12:30 PM - 1:00 AM Friday: 12:30 PM - 1:00 AM Saturday: 12:30 PM - 1:00 AM

#### **Phone:**

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## **Great Sphinx of Giza**

Al Haram, Giza Governorate 3512201, Egypt

#### **Summary:**

Iconic stone monument that is more than 4,500 years old & has a human face on a lion's body.

#### **Opening Hours:**

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