



Alexander the Great Route – 5 nights – 6 days

Day 1 Leaving Cairo behind we head to Alamein city; we tour the city and visit the **WWII** memorial, and museum. Next we head to Marsa Matrouh coastal village for lunch. **SIWA!** Home of the famous oracle visited by Alexander the Great, and a people long isolated by its desert environment, and we'll see it all. Bring your flashlights and cameras too: we're seeking mummies at **Gebel El Mawta**, the Mountain of the Dead! **L, D.** Overnight Siwa (Adrere Amelal)

Day 2 After Breakfast, we visit the temple of Alexander the great, The temple of Un Ubayda and Cleopatra's bath. **THE DESERT!** Known as the Sahara and covering over 95 % of Egypt, it's really a multi-faceted environment, unique and rarely visited. We'll use 4-wheel vehicles to go well off the beaten tracks and explore unusual landforms, remote oases, and the great sand dunes of the great sand sea. Using the local mode of Transport (donkey drawn carriages), we tour the palm groves. In the Evening we tour the ancient village and fortress of Shali **B, L, D** Overnight Siwa (Adrere Amelal)

Day 3 Today we visit the mountain of the dead, and tour the market, the rest of the day is left at leisure. **B, L, D** Overnight Siwa (Adrere Amelal)

Day 4 Leaving Siwa Oasis, early in the morning, we head on the old camal caravan route connecting Siwa to Bahareya oasis, we pass by remote oases (Bahrein, Nawamisa and Sitra oases) Finally **BAHARIYA**, home of the *Valley of the Golden Mummies!* **B, L, D** overnight Bahareya **Hotel**

Day 5 **BAHARIYA** and **DESERT DAY!** We'll plunge deep into the desert again! The **Black Desert** and its volcanic remains; the **White Desert** and its unusual limestone formations; **Crystal Mountain**. Unique oases, mummies, Roman ghost towns and pottery: the day will make the desert come alive as no book or video could ever do. Overnight **HotelB, L,D**

Day 6 After a tour in the white desert, we return to Bahareya oasis, visit the temple of Alexander the great, temple of Maftella, the museum of the Golden Mummies and the tombs of the Nobles, after lunch we return to Cairo **B,L**