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KEMET STUDY TOUR

SUN. DAY 01: THE BEGINNING OF OUR STUDY TOUR Depart JFK International Airport via EgyptAir jet service to KMT (Egypt). Meals will be served on board before your arrival in Cairo the next day.

MON. DAY 02: INTO THE LAND OF THE PHARAOHS Upon your arrival in Cairo, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

TUE. DAY 03: MEMPHIS/SAKKARA/GIZA Morning tour to Hi Ku Ptah (Memphis) and Sakkara. Located twenty miles southwest of Cairo, Memphis was one of the most important cities through the history of ancient KMT and was once the ancient capital of KMT. Sakkara's step pyramids are the oldest in existence and are the world's first stone tombs. Visit the Tomb of Ptahotep, author of the oldest surviving book in the world, circa 2350 BC. Proceed to Giza. Visit one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, the Kufu, Kafre, and Men-ka-ra Pyramids, and Hor-em-Aket (commonly called the Sphinx). See the 140 foot long ship of Pharaoh Kufu, the oldest surviving ship in the world. Return to your hotel.

WED. DAY 04: THE EGYPTIAN MUSEUM/OLD CAIRO Morning visit to the Egyptian Museum with its renowned collection of well-preserved Pharaonic antiquities. The museum contains the world's most important collection of Egyptian antiquities, dating from the earliest times to about 6th century AD. The collection also includes some of the artistic masterpieces of the world, including the treasures of Tut-Ankh-Amon. This afternoon, tour Old Cairo: coptic museums, churches, and synagogues. Continue to the Mosques of Sultan Hassan built in the 14th century, the Citadel of Salah El-Din, and the Alabaster Mosque.

THU. DAY 05: CAIRO/WASET (LUXOR OR THEBES)/IPET ISUT (KARNAK) & SOUTHERN IPET (LUXOR) TEMPLES Transfer to the airport for your flight to Waset (Luxor). Upon your arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel for a brief rest stop. Continue to visit the Avenue of the Sphinxes at Ipet Isut (Karnak). View the gorgeous Hypostyle Hall, the Tekenu (obelisks) of Queen Hatshepsut, and the Sacred Lake. Continue to the Southern Ipet (Temple of Luxor). Visit the White Chapel, Temple of Khonsu and Mout and the Temple of Amon. Return to your hotel.

FRI. DAY 06: WASET (LUXOR OR THEBES) (THE VALLEY OF THE KINGS, QUEENS AND NOBLES; HATSHEPSUT TEMPLE, AND THE COLOSSI OF MEMNON) This morning cross the Hapi (Nile) by motorlaunch to the West Bank of the Nile to visit the Necropolis of Waset (Thebes); drive to the Valley of the Kings; visit the tombs of Tut-Ankh-Amon, Seti I, and Ramses II. Continue to the Valley of the Queens to visit the tomb of Thutinos III, and proceed to visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, the two Noble Tombs, and return to the hotel via the "Colossi of Memnon".

SAT. DAY 07: WASET/EDFU (THE TEMPLE OF HERU [HORUS])/KOM OMBO (THE TEMPLE OF SOBEK)/ASWAN Leave Waset and journey towards Edfu on the Left Bank. Visit the Temple of Heru (Horus) which was excavated by Mariette and is one of the best preserved in KMT. Resume your journey to Kom Ombo, 103 miles. On the hill, which you see long before you arrive in Kom Ombo, is the Temple, with a double dedication to the Crocodile-headed Sobek and the Sparrow-headed Haroeris. In the middle of the temple area, a sanctuary was built for each of these divinities. Double entrances lead through the pylons to the court, vestibule, pillared hall and the three antechambers to the Sanctuaries of the Gods. Continue your journey towards Aswan arriving in the afternoon. Drive alongside the Hapi to your hotel.

SUN. DAY 08: THE HIGH DAM/PILAK (PHILAE) TEMPLE & UNFINISHED TEKENU (OBELISK) OF HATSHEPSUT/ROCK TOMBS OF THE NOBLES Morning visit to the High Dam. Some 4 ½ miles south of the earlier Dam, the High Dam rises up on a colossal scale. The Pyramid of Kufu could be lost 17 times over in this modern marvel. The inland lake created by the Dam is more than 375 miles long, penetrating some 155 miles into the Sudan. Proceed to Pilak (Philae). When the Aswan Dam was opened from July to November, the resulting drop in water level was such that the Temple of Isis on the Island of Philae rose up out of the waters. During the remaining months of the year, only pylons and the upper sections of the building could be seen. In the recent past, all monuments on the Island of Philae were transferred to the small island of Agilkia nearby and rebuilt there. Visit the Temple, the oldest parts of which date from the 4th century BC. Ptolemies and Romans added to the Temple over the years until the 2nd century AD. Other buildings are Het Heru (Hathor Temple), Hadrian's Pylon, Horendotes Temple, the remains of the Temple of Augustus, and the lovely and famous Kiosk of Trajan. Return to the hotel via the Red Granite Quarries where the ancients obtained their fine reddish granite. See the unfinished tekenu (obelisk) of Queen Hatshepsut, had it been completed, it would have been the largest ever hewn. It was abandoned when a flaw was discovered in the stone. Return to your hotel. In the afternoon, visit the Rock Tombs of the Nobles which date from the Middle Kingdom.

MON. DAY 09: YEBU (ELEPHANTINE ISLAND) / NUBIAN DAY / CAIRO Board a felucca and sail past Yebu (Elephantine Island) for a full day visit to a Nubian Village and School. Some tour members may want to swim in the Hapi. Afternoon transfer to the airport to connect with your flight to Cairo. Upon your arrival in Cairo you will be met and transferred for dinner. After dinner, return to the airport to check in for your return flight to New York.

TUE. DAY 10: CAIRO/NEW YORK Arrival in New York in the early morning local time.