



CAIRO
WITH
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MONDAY 2 MARCH – SUNDAY 8 MARCH 2020



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"He who has not seen Cairo has not seen the world. Its dust is gold; its Nile is a wonder; its houses are palaces; its air is temperate; its odor surpassing that of aloewood and cheering the heart: and how could Cairo be otherwise, when she is the Mother of the World?"

The 1001 Nights

Together with The Barakat Trust, who have supported heritage projects in Cairo for the past 30 years, you will meet scholars, restorers, architects, craftspeople, designers and specialists on the heritage, culture and art of Cairo, who will share their city with you and show you Cairo as few have seen it before.

While exploring Historic Cairo, discover current initiatives preserving, transforming and adding to the vibrancy of this age-old city as well as getting a real insider tour of behind the scenes experiences, visits to private homes, hidden jewels, and meeting captivating people.

Highlights of the tour will include:

- Visits to The Barakat Trust's grantee lead **restoration and community empowerment projects**;
- A visit to a privately restored **17th century mansion** that was saved from demolition and now serves as a centre for community focused cultural education and discovery in historic Cairo;
- Experience the hustle and bustle of the "**Street of Tentmakers**" and learn about the applique art known as **khayamiyya**;
- A visit to the **Rare Books and Special Collections Library** at the American University in Cairo for a special tour with the curators of photographic collections;
- A tour of Cairo's most creative art and craft galleries with Yasmine El Dorghamy, editor of **El Rawi** heritage review, and a specialist both on Modern Egyptian Art and Traditional Egyptian Jewellery;
- Visit to the **Museum of the Adam Henein**, one of the Egypt's foremost sculptors, and the **Ramses Wissa Wassef Arts Centre** (Weaving and Ceramics) – both internationally acclaimed;

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- A tour of a number of private residences designed by leading ***Egyptian contemporary architects*** (from Hassan Fathy, (1900-1989) to today;
- Discover the real story behind the development of ***Downtown Cairo***, its patrons and buildings, and see some of the remnants of the splendid 19th century city, with Ahmed El Bindary, its foremost authority;
- ***And much, much, more...***

FAYOUM WITH THE BARAKAT TRUST (OPTIONAL)

SUNDAY 1 MARCH- TUESDAY 3 MARCH

Only a 100km away from the hustle and bustle of Cairo. ***Fayoum*** is renowned for its fertile lands, its flora and fauna as well as its famous pottery.

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