

Reading

River Nile Bike Ride

If you enjoy cycling, the River Nile Bike Ride is an excellent option. Spend five fantastic days cycling along the bank of the river Nile, visiting some of the most famous sights in Egypt: the Pyramids of Giza, the Valley of the Kings and the enormous Dams of Aswan. The route takes you through beautiful exotic landscapes, including flat green farmland and hot arid desert. You will spend each night on a comfortable boat that follows the cycle party along the river.

The trip is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience the culture and geography of Egypt. There is one possible itinerary below but for more information, you can email: info@nileride.org.net.

Itinerary

Day

- 1 Leave London for Cairo. Stay overnight.
- 2 Visit pyramids (am). Go shopping in the Khan el-Khalili bazaar and souq (pm). Fly to Luxor. Drive to Esna to meet boat.
- 3 Cycle along the west bank of the Nile towards Edfu.
- 4 Cycle from Edfu to Aswan.
- 5 Cycle through Aswan to the High Dam. Visit the temples of Philae. Sail to Kom Ombo.
- 6 Cycle from Kom Ombo to Esna.
- 7 Cycle to Luxor through the Valley of the Kings, on the west bank of the Nile, opposite Luxor town. Visit the Theban Necropolis (royal tombs).
- 8 Rest day, with optional sightseeing tour (highly recommended).
- 9 Fly to London (pm departure), via Cairo.

Read the guidebook entry again and choose the correct answers.

- 1 The guidebook entry is about _____.
a the history of Egypt
b a cycling competition in Egypt
c an organised trip around Egypt
- 2 You will visit the market on the _____ day of the trip.
a first **b** second **c** third
- 3 To get to Kom Ombo, you will _____.
a go by boat **b** go on foot **c** cycle
- 4 The Valley of the Kings is on the _____ bank of the River Nile.
a south **b** east **c** west
- 5 The flight to London _____.
a is direct **b** stops in Cairo **c** leaves in the morning