



## ANTIQUE

### **Bitesize**

Using aircraft, of all sizes, to connect places of interest around the world is the dominant principle of Escorted Journeys by Air. Traditionally, these tend to be trips of 3 to 4 week duration which doesn't always fit everyone's plans. So we have introduced our innovative Bitesize collection.

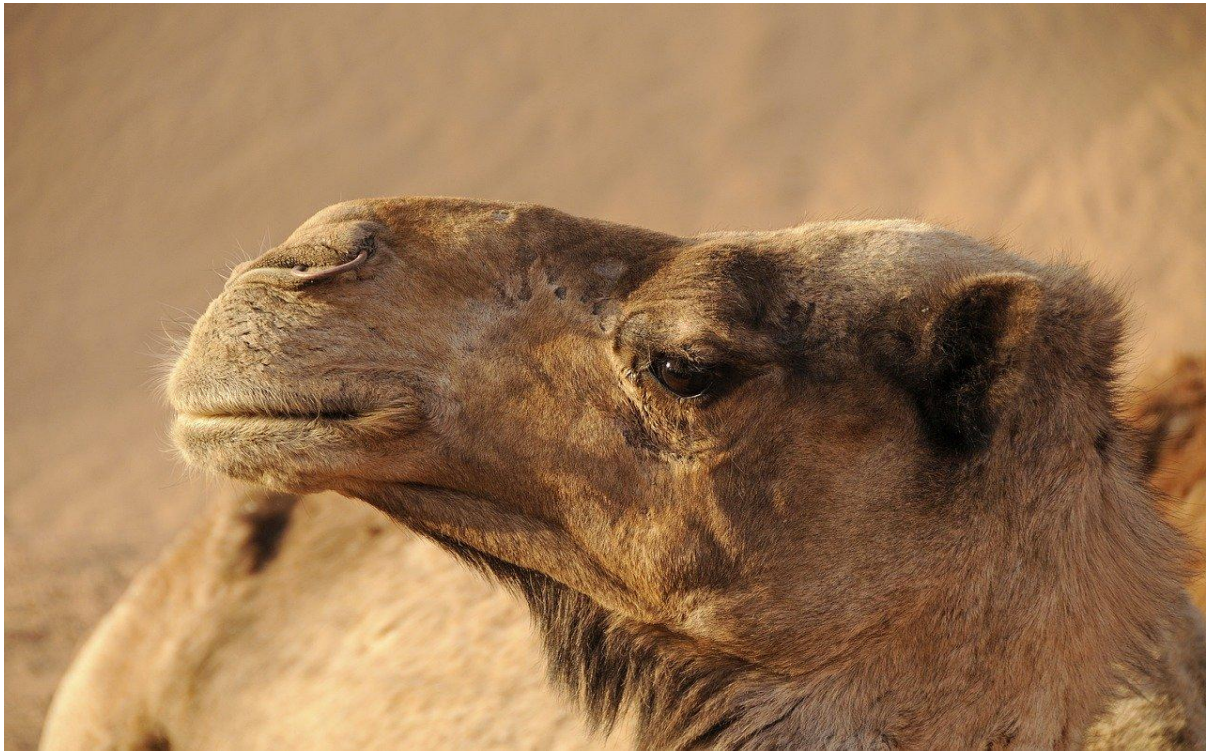
The Bitesize collection includes all the benefits of a privately chartered aircraft in flexibility, choice and peace of mind but also considers trip duration, and to some extent destinations, as a deciding factor. A Bitesize journey is from 3-9 days long and is typically suited to smaller groups of up to 16 people as well as larger groups of 50 guests. The program can also be sold as a total package for a family or a group of friends, alternatively seats can be sold individually. Accommodation will consist of handpicked first class hotels and lodges.

Destinations are unlimited, we suggest to combine remote destinations as well as including interesting experiences. Have a look at our sample itineraries but bear in mind, the world's your oyster when curating itineraries and we would love to help.

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The pyramids of Giza in Cairo, Egypt are one of the most incredible feats of human engineering which has lasted for centuries showcasing enduring skill and ability of the ancient Egyptians. The Great Pyramid and the Pyramid of Khafre are the largest pyramids built in ancient Egypt. They were popularised in Hellenistic times, when the Great Pyramid was listed by Antipater of Sidon as one of the Seven Wonders of the World. It is by far the oldest of the ancient Wonders and the only one still in existence.

Petra is a famous archaeological site in Jordan's southwestern desert. Dating to around 300 B.C., it was the capital of the Nabatean Kingdom. Accessed via a narrow canyon called Al Siq, it contains tombs and temples carved into pink sandstone cliffs, earning its nickname, the "Rose City." Perhaps its most famous structure is 45m-high Al Khazneh, a temple with an ornate, Greek-style facade, and known as The Treasury.



### Day 1 | Fly to Cairo

Our late morning flight will depart from our private jet terminal at London Stansted. Relax until we are ready to board our private jet. Be welcomed aboard by our friendly crew, perhaps a glass of champagne is the best way to commence this Bitesize trip.

The flight to Cairo will take about 4 hours and lunch will be served on-board, so sit back and enjoy the service. We clear arrival formalities before making our way to the Steigenberger Pyramids Hotel Cairo. Situated a mere stone throw away from the pyramids and the newly opened Egyptian Museum we have easy access to these great sights.

Once we have freshened up we meet for pre-dinner drinks at the pool prior to enjoying a buffet style dinner at the hotel.



### Day 2 | Pyramids, Sphinx and the Egyptian Museum

After breakfast our guides will be waiting to take us to one of the greatest ancient sites in the world. There will be ample time to wander around the pyramids and to learn about its construction centuries ago. At a vantage point over the pyramids there is the opportunity to partake in an optional camel ride. We continue our morning exploration by visiting the Sphinx. Our guides take us on a city tour of Cairo, pointing out main points of interest before we arrive at our restaurant for a lunch of kebab, pita and houmous.

This afternoon we venture to the new Egyptian Museum (now due to open in 2021) with 120 acres of space it will be one of the largest exhibition areas in the world. With a huge statue of King Ramses II the awe that goes with exploring these ancient Egyptian artifacts won't disappoint. Explore with your guides before wandering the exhibits at your own pace.

Dinner is at the hotel this evening

### Day 3 | Flight to Jordan

We join the busy morning traffic to make our way to the airport where our aircraft and crew is waiting to take us on the short flight to Aqaba in Jordan. Upon arrival we travel to Wadi Rum, towering sandstone mesas dominate this arid area, producing one of the most fantastic desert-scapes in the world. After a light lunch 4WD vehicles will take us in small groups to explore the desert before boarding our coaches taking us to Petra. The Movenpick Nabatean Castle is our home for the next two nights, overlooking the incredible Rift Valley of Petra.

The hotel's Al Madafa main dining room and Al Nadeem Bar, each with its own terrace, invite you to relax and enjoy a breath-taking view overlooking the famed Mount Aroun.



#### Day 4 | Petra

This morning we join our guides for the short drive to the ancient site of Petra. The “Rose City” is a honeycomb of hand-hewn caves, temples, and tombs carved from blushing pink sandstone in the high desert of Jordan some 2,000 years ago. Hidden by time and shifting sand, Petra tells of a lost civilization. Little is known about the Nabateans—a nomadic desert people whose kingdom rose up from these cliffs and peaks, and whose incredible wealth grew from the lucrative incense trade.

Our initial walk through the Siq will take us to the breath taking sight of the Treasury. Take your time to soak in the atmosphere. You can either continue your exploration further into Petra by foot with our guides or return to the entrance and the Petra Museum before returning to the hotel for a leisurely afternoon.

Dinner is a special event at “Little Petra”.

#### Day 5 | Returning to the UK

We bid farewell to Petra as we journey back to Aqaba for our flight to London Stansted. Although our bitesize trip has only been 5 days it feels like we have seen and experience so much more than 5 days might suggest. Our aircraft is ready to take us on a lunch time flight back to the UK. Perhaps somewhat tired but at the same time filled with incredible memories.

#### The detail

- Travel by private 737 with just 50 guest including fine meals and a complimentary bar service.
- Departure from our private terminal at Stansted London airport
- All meals including drinks with dinner.
- Accommodation in 5 star hotels on twin-share basis.
- All sightseeing with experienced English speaking guides and entry fees.
- Transfers and transportation
- Prices from £6,250

