EXPLORE 'JOANNA LUMLEY'S NILE' WITH ELEGANT RESORTS

If Joanna Lumley's epic Nile adventure on TV last night has provided inspiration to discover one of the world's greatest civilisations, then Elegant Resorts offers some fascinating Egyptian journeys to experience firsthand the country where Joanna's wonderful exploration begins.

Joanna's adventure begins in Alexandria.

Known as the Pearl of the Mediterranean, Alexandria was founded by Alexander the Great in 331 BC. For impressive modern architecture, visit the Bibliotheca - more than just a library, it houses museums, art galleries and a planetarium. The beautiful Montazah Palace and Gardens are not to be missed, and the Kom el Shokafa catacombs are also a definite must-visit attraction.

Four Seasons Hotel Alexandria at San Stefano

Stay 7 nights from £1,440 per person. Price is based on two persons sharing a Superior Room – City View on a bed and breakfast basis, economy flights from London Heathrow with British Midland including private car transfers.

Joanna then heads south to Cairo.

Africa's largest city, Cairo is a vibrant melting pot of history and culture overflowing with medieval splendour, graceful minarets and ancient bazaars. Cairo's museums are filled with thousands of Pharaonic artefacts, alongside the fabulous treasures of the boy-king Tutankhamun. Just a short distance from Cairo's centre, are the 5,000 year old Sphinx and the Pyramids of Giza.

Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza

Stay 7 nights from £1,210 per person. Price is based on two persons sharing a Standard Room on a bed and breakfast basis, economy flights from London Heathrow with British Airways including private car transfers.

Joanna's journey continues to Luxor.

Boasting a rich legacy of tombs, monuments and temples, Luxor overflows with ancient Egyptian relics. For shopping, the bustling souks offer a myriad of colourful and fragrant gifts and keepsakes, from scarves, carpets, spices and silver jewellery. Those who wish to take to the Nile can enjoy a Felucca trip by day or in the evening to enjoy the sunset.

Sofitel Winter Palace Luxor

Stay 7 nights from £1,185 per person. Price is based on two persons sharing a Classic Room Garden View Double on a bed and breakfast basis, economy flights from London Heathrow with British Midland including private car transfers.

She then heads towards her final stop-off in Egypt, Aswan.

For budding Joanna Lumleys, the Elegant Resorts 13-night Egypt Nile Tour from £4,895 per person takes in all the iconic stop-offs that she visits, including Aswan. It is here that the tour takes to water, on a 7-night cruise along the Nile, where sights such as the engineering miracle that is the High Dam, and the beautiful Temple of Horus in Edfu can be enjoyed. On land, the tour visits Cairo, Alexandria and Luxor.

For bookings, or further information, please contact Elegant Resorts Reservations on 01244 897538 or visit www.elegantresorts.co.uk.

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