

HOTEL  
**OLD CATARACT**  
ASWAN

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at  
Sofitel Legend Old Cataract Aswan

## Where Legendary Events Happen

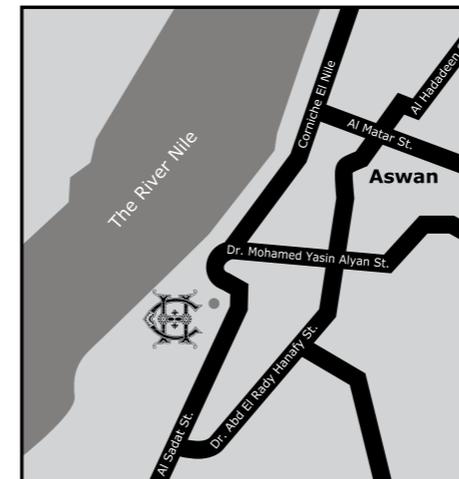


Enter the world of legendary people and stories. Indulge in the authentic legend and luxury personalized hospitality of Sofitel Legend Old Cataract Aswan. The hotel is built in the Nubian Desert on the banks of the Nile, opposite Elephantine island, majestically positioned on a shelf of pink granite overlooking the Nile. Behind its Victorian facade, the hotel retains its original beauty, receiving visitors in an historic lobby with polished marble floors and high, classic Islamic arches.

# Legends to Be Told, and Legends to Be Lived



The first hotel legend relates to its name, which refers to the ancient belief that the collision of the river Nile with the northernmost granite barrier of land is actually the point where the civilized world reaches its end. Further, the hotel overlooks Elephantine Island, witness to the once flourishing cult of Khnum, god of the cataract and inundation. A magnificent location that pictures a scene of legends to create your own one as well or with your wedding to celebrate or your success to rejoice.



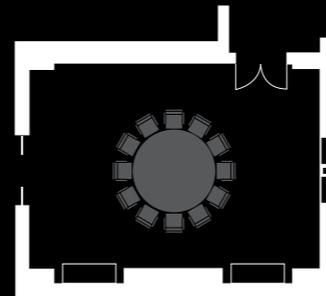
Sofitel Legend Old Cataract Aswan marks the end of the fertile Nile valley and the beginning of the vast Nubian Desert. The second half of the 19th century is synonymous with prosperity and refinement. Steamships and railroads carried curious travelers deep into Egypt, and the most privileged among them were welcomed at the brand new Old Cataract, an elegant Victorian palace offering state-of-the-art amenities and luxurious décor. Places to pause, contemplate, and immerse oneself in the magic of the Nile.

# The Setting



## Nefertiti

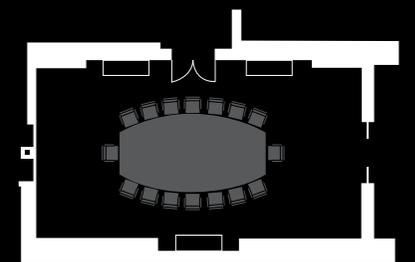
A tribute to Egypt's second mythical Queen, an icon of beauty even today, and a more frequent figure in history than her husband the Pharaoh. A room as elegant as it is practical, for seminars or personal celebrations for up to 46 people.



ROOM NAME	AREA (M <sup>2</sup> )	HEIGHT (M)	THEATRE	CLASSROOM	USHAPE	BANQUET	COCKTAIL
NEFERTITY	47	2.45	24	32	16	32	30

## Cleopatra

A chamber named for the mythical Queen of the Nile, famed beauty and impervious leader. An atmosphere infused with an undeniably forceful aura. Up to 55 people for meetings or work sessions that are bound to be productive.

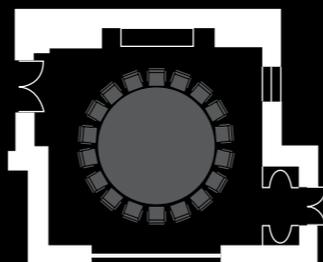


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CLEOPATRA	59	2.45	60	42	26	32	36



## Nubia

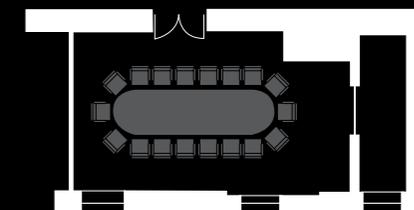
In honor of Aswan's closest neighbor, a culture whose history goes back to the dawn of civilization. Warm colors characterize this 53-person meeting room conducive to a range of set-ups and any type of special event.



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NUBIA	44	3.65	50	42	21	32	36

## Obelisk

Named for a great symbol of Egypt, grounded yet headed straight for the sky. An appropriate reference for gatherings of people with great aspirations. Ideal for presentations, the elegant room comfortably holds up to 46 people.

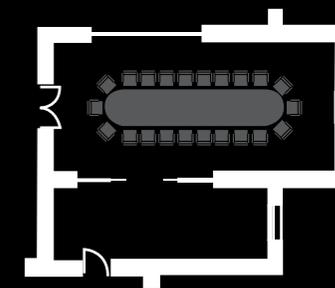


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OBELISK	47	3.65	35	35	16	17	28



## Philae

An island in the middle of the Nile, just north of Aswan, and site of many famous events in ancient Egyptian history. The Old Cataract's most intimate meeting room – fine furnishings, 41-person capacity. Perfect for board meetings and small celebratory gatherings.



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PHILAE	72	3.65	56	33	17	24	40



French savoir-faire  
fuses with the warmth  
of Egyptian hospitality



## Sofitel Legend Old Cataract Aswan...Live the Legend

### The Palace Guestrooms

The hotel offers two different experiences, the historical Palace and the Nile Wing. Starting with the Palace, This lavishly mythical property with its Victorian exterior and Arabian interior designs is the guests' entrance to a legend. The majestic building offers 76 sumptuous guest rooms, including 45 suites.



Infused with the spirit of Aswan, one of the world's finest gateways and havens since time began. Rooms have been restored to their initial grandeur and enhanced with the latest comforts. Decorated in gold and scarlet – the colors of the mythical Phoenix which rose from its ashes. Relish the peaceful breeze off the Nile, and create your own history.



## The Nile Guestrooms

Relish the peaceful breeze off the Nile, and create your own history. Stepping into modernity, the gracefully flowing outdoor swimming pool carries you from past to present, connecting the Palace wing with the Nile wing, the spacious, contemporary extension of the Old Cataract.



The property is colored in bright white, refreshing tropical greens and blues, and genuine oriental luxuries interiors in 62 exquisite rooms including 37 suites. Decoration includes modern interpretations of the friezes and chandeliers of the historic Palace, and all rooms benefit from private balconies overlooking the mesmerizing Nile.



## Legendary Suites

Glide through lantern lit hallways and hear the echoing footsteps of legendary guests who came before you. Among them, Dame Agatha Christie and Sir Winston Churchill, visitors to whom Sofitel Legend Old Cataract pays tribute in its finest suites. Sofitel entrusted French interior designer Sybille de Margerie with the task of bringing the luxury of the myth back to life while conserving the original beauty of the Victorian building.

## Legendary people

Agha Khan, Tsar Nicholas of Russia, Winston Churchill, the Duke of Connaught, King Farouk... For over a century, prominent figures from throughout the world have been drawn to the inherent graciousness and quiet energy of the Old Cataract. Its captivating atmosphere inspired Agatha

Christies' famous work, Death on the Nile. And it is in this very place that Jean Claude Ellena, moved by the magnifique setting, created the very delicate fragrance Jardin sur le Nil just few years ago. The legend continues...

# The Old Cataract

## Legendary Catering Services

Savor a relaxing afternoon upon the world famous views of Sofitel Legend Old cataract Aswan, where the sun narrates its setting tales to the listeners sitting on a Cataract terrace. Magnifintly framing the Nile, picture perfect side of the restaurant and out towards the pool over-looking Khnum Temple and Elphantine Island. Where at the Terrace, located considered the «hottest table» in Upper Egypt, where Dame Agatha Christie used to settled for hours, intently penning chapters of her celebrated Death on the Nile. Specialty dishes and delicacies prepared by Executive Chef Dominique FERCHAUD at the legendary Palace venues, Wicker chairs, canvas awnings, and a spectacular view of the palm-lined Nile. Watching the sunset from the Terrace has become one of those rituals that no one should miss. Where at all the terraces, the famous High Tea is served specializing in a genuine setting enriched with mouth-watering French and Oriental pastries.



# A Century of Legendary Gastronomy



Sofitel Legend Old Cataract Aswan presents eight exceptional culinary experiences amongst four restaurants and four bars, covering every culinary corner of the globe. From authentic French dishes at 1902 Signature Restaurant to the continental menu in Saraya; from outdoor favorites prepared on hot coals at The Oriental-Kebabgy to light snacks served poolside at Palms. Dine Al fresco in any restaurant or bar, truly sensational ambiance with a flair, unparalleled service and genuine Nubian hospitality.

## 1902 Restaurant

The signature restaurant of the Old Cataract has marked the art of gastronomic taste for 12 decades. With its gourmet nouvelle cuisine, this lavish venue creates a spectacular ambiance for its guests, along with a dedicated sommelier for wine service.

## The Bar

Makes the night hard to define, either with malt whisky or just wine! It is a mood lifting spot for chatty friends or a romantic couple to enjoy a breezy night down the land of mysticism. The Bar offers the magic of a piano bar set amidst elegant Egyptian décor. The mood of a gentleman's club infused with a particularly vibrant spirit. Wood, leather, and malt whisky; but also crushed velvet, brass lanterns, and flavorful Franco-Oriental tapas, bound to delight. Come read the paper, listen to the piano, or stop in with friends for cocktails or a nightcap.

## Terrace

Where the sunset watching rituals are profoundly cherished and complimented with a unique view topping Upper Egypt. The Victorian-inspired venue features wide range of palatable snacks and cocktails throughout the day and High Tea in the afternoon.



### The Oriental Kebabgy

The gem of the Nile, offering Levant cuisine, featuring delicacies from Egypt, Lebanon, Syria and South Turkey positioned to become a premier dining venue with its superb terrace overlooking the Nile.



### Fouad's Corner

A private dining venue for discerning guests, where King Fouad entertained royalty and dignitaries. Strategically located on the edge of the granite slab with a panoramic view of the Nile



### Palms

A dazzling venue to count the glimmering sparkles of the Nile, whilst enjoying this pool bar and grill. It is the perfect setting for an inspirational meditation with a refreshing light tone items, served to your preference.



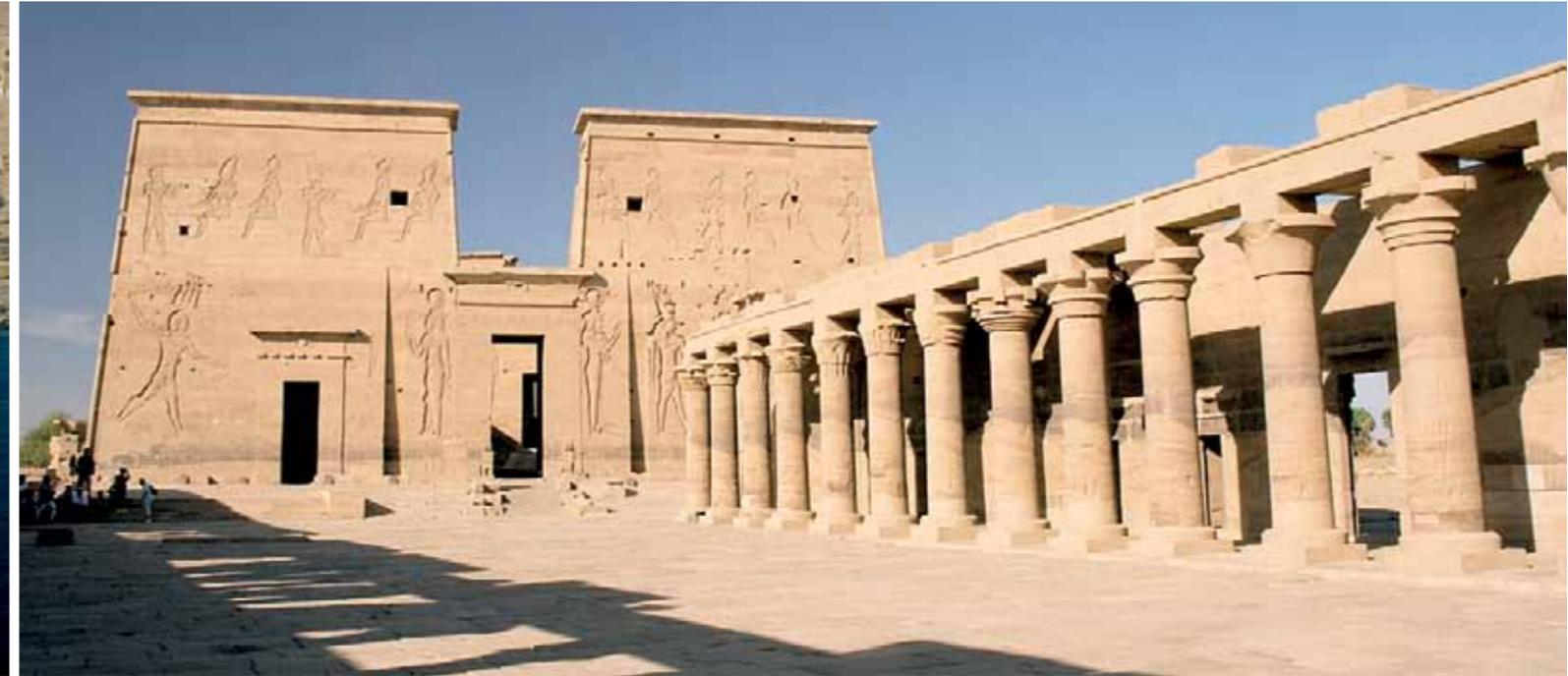
### Saraya

Dine all day and roam the Mediterranean port by fork at Al Saraya restaurant. Featuring an exquisite and mouthwatering selection of the Mediterranean's finest culinary arts, presented through a specially-designed a la carte menu.

## Offsite Venues: Origin of a Legend



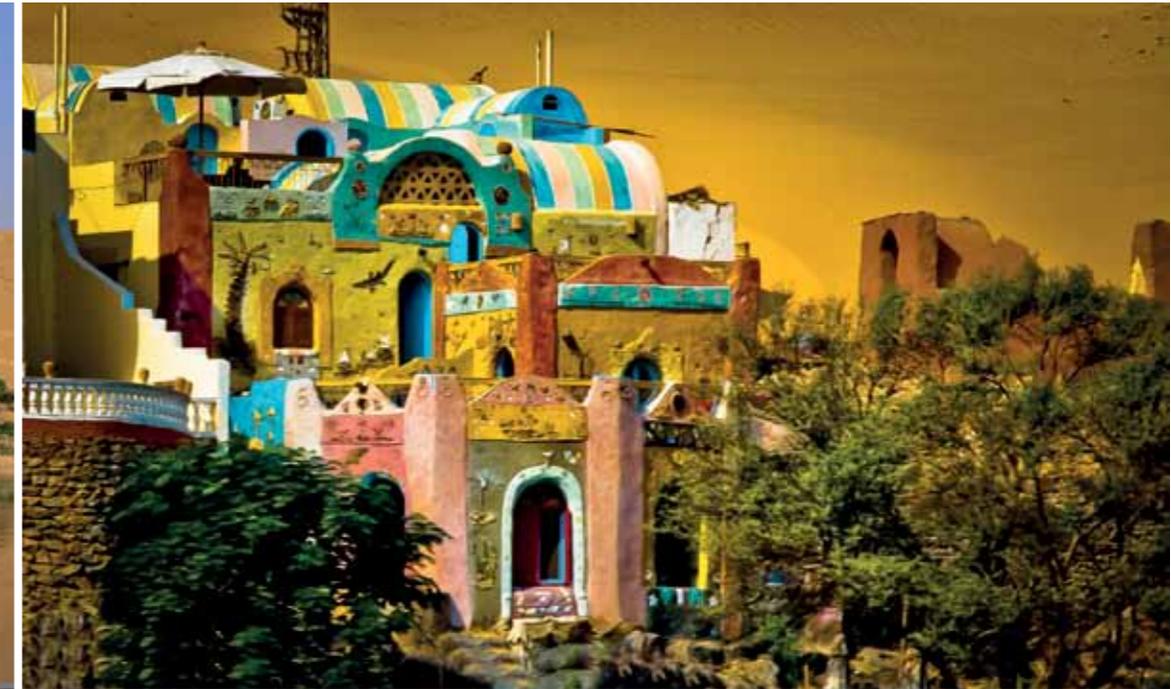
Where the city of Aswan is known as one of the world's most spectacular destinations; preserving the mysteries of the most stunning and unique temples in the world. Get a glance upon the world's renowned sights and venues that you could be visiting during your stay at Sofitel Legend Old Cataract Aswan.



### Philae Temple

A magnificent temple complex built in Ptolemaic times, the last of the pagan temples built by the Mediterranean world. Stroll through majestic granite chambers and admire soaring columns,

gracefully carved nearly 2500 years ago and restored by UNESCO. The main temple was once dedicated to the worship of the goddess Isis, said to have discovered the heart of Osiris here after his murder.



## Kitchener Island

A tropical paradise of exotic flora and tranquil walkways, a place to forget time and delight in colors, scents, and sensations. Conceived and named for Britain's Lord Kitchener at the turn of the century, a refreshing spot that Egypt generously shares with visitors.

## Nubian Museum

Perched on a cliff, surrounded by gardens, and offering access to thousands of years of Nubian art, history, and culture. Discover the great African civilization, Egypt's neighbor and rival in past richness.

## So Spa



So Spa offers rejuvenating traditions from around the world where our skilled therapists create an exhilarating spa experience. So Spa also includes an indoor pool, Jacuzzi, hammam and gymnasium.



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