

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO CAIRO AND THE PYRAMIDS, EGYPT

LOCATION: Cairo, the capital of Egypt and Africa's largest city, is located in northern Egypt. The city is situated astride the Nile River, just south (upstream) of the beginning of the Nile Delta. Most of the city is on the eastern bank, with Giza and the western suburbs across the river. Elevations are everywhere close to sea level. Cairo is a fascinating city, completely unlike anything anyplace else in the world. It's as old as the Sphinx, and as new as the latest tourist hotel.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:28	11:07	11:59	12:53	13:39	14:02	13:52	13:14	12:23	11:29	10:42	10:16
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	7:25	8:06	8:54	9:47	10:34	12:08	11:47	11:21	10:12	9:35	8:24	6:58
AREA OF BLUE SKY	68%	70%	76%	77%	80%	91%	90%	90%	90%	82%	78%	70%
LOW FOR MONTH	5°	6°	7°	10°	14°	17°	20°	20°	18°	15°	10°	7°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	9°	9°	11°	14°	17°	20°	22°	22°	20°	18°	14°	10°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	19°	21°	24°	28°	32°	35°	35°	35°	32°	30°	25°	20°
HIGH FOR MONTH	24°	28°	33°	38°	40°	42°	39°	38°	37°	36°	31°	26°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 32 °C	0%	1%	6%	25%	47%	83%	94%	92%	62%	30%	4%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	43%	37%	31%	26%	23%	25%	30%	33%	35%	35%	42%	46%
DRY DAYS	91%	93%	95%	98%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	98%	98%	92%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	98%	98%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	98%
5-DAY RAINFALL (MM)	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	6%	4%	5%	5%	2%	4%	10%	9%	9%	8%	8%	7%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 79% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a "low" of 68% in December, to a high of 86% from June through August. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to 4°C on some calm and clear winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 43 C on some sunny and windless summer afternoon. Sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 6° cooler than actual ones, due to the low afternoon humidity. Cairo's reputation for summer heat is much exaggerated. The trick is to follow local custom and confine your vigorous activities to the early morning hours and the late evening hours. In the afternoon, you take a nice refreshing nap. Winds will normally be from the north, and will be fairly steady.