

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE MERSA MATRUH RESORT AREA, EGYPT

LOCATION: The resort community of Mersa Matruh is located on the Mediterranean shores of northwestern Egypt. The town is situated on a beautiful bay, whose waters are usually a rich, sparkling blue. Elevations are everywhere close to sea level. The resort is immensely popular with Egyptians, and is densely crowded in the summer months. During the high season (July and August), many visitors find that the beaches in town are too crowded to be enjoyable. The crowds are almost 100% male, and most women will feel uncomfortable using these beaches. Try the more remote beaches west of town, especially Agiba Beach. It is at Matruh that the highway to Siwa Oasis departs from the coast highway and heads south into the desert.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:22	11:04	11:58	12:56	13:44	14:10	13:59	13:18	12:24	11:27	10:36	10:10
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	6:25	7:39	8:11	9:03	10:17	11:49	12:01	11:35	10:26	8:39	7:38	6:21
AREA OF BLUE SKY	75%	76%	76%	79%	82%	91%	91%	91%	88%	81%	78%	75%
LOW FOR MONTH	5°	5°	6°	9°	11°	15°	18°	19°	17°	14°	10°	6°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	9°	9°	10°	13°	15°	19°	21°	21°	20°	18°	14°	10°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	18°	19°	20°	23°	25°	28°	28°	29°	29°	27°	23°	20°
HIGH FOR MONTH	23°	25°	30°	35°	36°	36°	31°	33°	34°	33°	29°	25°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 32°	0%	0%	2%	6%	8%	8%	2%	3%	6%	5%	1%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	54%	55%	55%	57%	60%	66%	70%	68%	65%	61%	61%	57%
NEARBY WATERS	17°	16°	16°	17°	20°	23°	25°	26°	25°	24°	22°	19°
DRY DAYS	71%	74%	85%	94%	96%	99%	99%	99%	98%	90%	83%	79%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	88%	90%	95%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	96%	92%	91%
5-DAY RAINFALL (MM)	6	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	5
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	3%	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%	2%	2%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	1%	1%	2%	4%	4%	5%	3%	3%	2%	1%	1%	0%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 75% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 62% in January, to a high of 87% in 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 40°C on some sunny and windless summer afternoon. Sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 2° cooler than actual ones during the cooler months, and up to 2° warmer than actual ones during the summer months. The weather is pretty nice all year around, but is at its best from May through September.