

## TOUR CONDITIONS

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Economy class jet connecting IATA and ATC carriers. Airfare is based on SUPER APEX 6-21 days plus domestic add-on fares where applicable. Airfares are based on Sept. 1, 2007 rates and are subject to change without prior notice.

**BAGGAGE:** Limited to one normal size suitcase, the weight of which should not exceed 50 pounds. Flight bags, cosmetic bags, briefcases, and camera cases remain in the personal care of tour members and are not included in the 50 pounds.

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:** Deluxe Hotels; two persons sharing a twin bedroom with private bath. A limited number of single rooms are available at \$525.00 supplemental cost. Confirmation required before departure.

**MEALS:** TWO MEALS PER DAY: Full breakfast and dinner daily.

**SIGHTSEEING:** As detailed in the itinerary, using comfortable and convenient transportation. English speaking government licensed guide. All entrance fees are included when applicable to specified sites.

**TIPS:** Tips associated with portage at the hotels, meal gratuities, GUIDES and DRIVERS rendering services are included.

**TAXES:** Service charges as imposed by lodging facilities, taxes by local administrations and government authorities on lodging are included on all services rendered to the group. Airport taxes, and fuel surcharge totaling \$232.00 are included in the price of the tour and are subject to change without prior notice. Visa fee \$30.00 is included in the price of the tour.

**THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:** Expense of passports, laundry, wines, liquors, mineral water, lunches and after supper coffee or tea or items not found on the menu, excessive baggage expenses, and all items of a personal nature, plus those not listed as being included in the tour price.

### *Tour Planned and Operated By*

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**BOOKING AND CONDITIONS:** Deposit and payment. A deposit of \$500.00 per person is required at the time of booking. Final payment must be made no later than 60 days prior to departure. Payments received after the dead line date will be subject to \$50.00 administrative fee, CTO reserves the right to cancel any passenger NOT paid in full 60 days prior to departure. Reinstatement of a passenger is considered a last minute booking. Last minute booking, 60 days or less prior to departure will have to pay the applicable airfare at the time of booking and \$150.00 to cover administrative cost.

**CANCELLATIONS:** Cancellations must be made in writing. Cancellations made up to 60 days prior to departure, refunds will be made less \$100.00 per person administrative fee. Cancellations made 59-35 days prior to departure will be subject to \$300.00 per person administrative fee. Cancellations received 35 days or less prior to departure have to pay a charge equivalent to 75% of the cost of the basic tour from the Gateway City. **NO SHOW NO REFUND.** Cancellation charges with medical reasons certified by a hospital and accepted by the airlines and suppliers will only be made based on refunds from suppliers and less \$300.00 per person administrative fee. **CANCELLATION INSURANCE IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.** No refunds for services or sightseeing rendered and not used by tour members. Consolidated Tours Org. Inc. RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL, withdraw or change the tour in whole or in part at any time in the event a change is deemed necessary by CTO, Inc. The sole obligation of CTO, Inc. is to refund payments received in connection herewith if not acceptable to tour members.

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## Join the Southern Snow Seekers Ski Club Celebrating the 25th Anniversary With a magical excursion to Egypt September 1-14, 2008

Under the Leadership of:  
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Camear Baxter & Myron Johnson (Co-Trip Leaders)

**\$3,285.00 From New York**  
**(All Inclusive of Tips, Taxes, Fuel Surcharge and Visa Fees)**

Learn/ See/ Explore with  
Dr. Charles S. Finch III  
Egyptologist—Scholar-SSS Guide  
Friends, family... all invited to come along for our  
Incredible & Unforgettable Egyptian Adventure!



**CHARLES S. FINCH III – BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY**

Charles S. Finch III is currently Director of International Health at the Morehouse School of Medicine. He is a 1971 graduate of Yale University and a 1976 graduate of Jefferson Medical College. He completed a family medicine residency at the University of California Irvine Medical Center in 1979.

Dr. Finch joined the Department of Family Medicine at the Morehouse School of Medicine in 1982 and then the Office of International Health in 1989, eventually becoming the principal investigator of a traditional healer survey among the Serer people of Senegal, 1991-1992. Dr. Finch led three additional traditional healer projects in Senegal, ending October, 1995. Between 1992-1995, he led groups to traditional healing ceremonies in Senegal.

Dr. Finch has conducted independent studies in African antiquities, comparative religion, anthropology, and ancient science since 1971. Since 1982, he has published more than a dozen articles, including *The African Background of Medical Science* and *Science and Symbol in Egyptian Medicine*. A collection of Dr. Finch's essays, **The African Background to Medical Science**, was published by Karnak House (London) in November, 1990. **His Echoes of the Old Dark Land** (August, 1991) was published by Khenti Inc. (Decatur) and his most recent book, **The Star of Deep Beginnings: Genesis of African Science & Technology**, was published in February, 1998.

Dr. Finch has lectured more than 800 times in the U.S., Senegal, England, Switzerland, Guatemala, Jamaica, Trinidad, the Bahamas, and Egypt on diverse topics. He has led seven study tours to Egypt since 1989 and traveled to Africa 60 times. He was a co-organizer of **Coumba Lamba USA**, an 8-day African healing ceremony on St. Helena Island, South Carolina in 1996.

**Suggested Reading List**

*The books cited below supply important background material for this tour. It will be very helpful to each participant to read at least one book on this list, which can be found in bookstores specializing in African-American topics.*

- Diop, Cheik Anta  
[The African Origin Of Civilization: Myth or Reality](#)
- Diop, Cheik Anta  
[Civilization Or Barbarism](#)
- Finch, Charles S.  
[Gift of the Nile Course Outline.](#)
- Finch, Charles S.  
[Echoes of the Old Darkland: Themes from the African Eden.](#)
- Jackson, John G.  
[Introduction to African Civilization](#)
- Van Sertima, Ivan (editor)  
[Egypt Revisited](#)
- Williams, Chancellor  
[Destruction of Black Civilization](#)



**REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVEL**

**PASSPORT** – American citizens traveling abroad must have a valid passport. Apply at your nearest passport office or clerk of superior court immediately. Non-American citizens need to check with CTO for requirements.

**VISA:**  
**EGYPT** – Visa is required.  
CTO will process the visas for you.  
NON US Citizens Check with CTO for requirements and Visa Fee.

**VACCINATION:** None at this time.

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**KEMET STUDY TOUR**

**DAY 01: THE BEGINNING OF OUR STUDY TOUR** Depart JFK International Airport via EgyptAir jet service to KMT (Egypt). Meals will be served on board before your arrival in Cairo the next day.

**DAY 02: INTO THE LAND OF THE PHARAOHS** Upon your arrival in Cairo, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

**DAY 03: MEMPHIS/SAKKARA/GIZA** Morning tour to Hi-Ku-Ptah (Memphis) and Sakkara. Located twenty miles southwest of Cairo, Memphis was one of the most important cities through the history of ancient KMT and was once the ancient capital of KMT. Sakkara's step pyramids are the oldest in existence and are the world's first stone tombs. Visit the Tomb of Ptahotep, author of the oldest surviving book in the world, circa 2350 BC. Proceed to Giza. Visit one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, the Khufu, Khafre, and Men-ka-ra Pyramids, and Hor-em-Aket (commonly called the Sphinx). See the 140 foot long ship of Pharaoh Khufu, the oldest surviving ship in the world. Return to your hotel. *Evening lecture.*



**DAY 04: THE EGYPTIAN MUSEUM/OLD CAIRO** Morning visit to the Egyptian Museum with its renowned collection of well-preserved Pharaonic antiquities. The museum contains the world's most important collection of Egyptian antiquities, dating from the earliest times to about 6th century AD. The collection also includes some of the artistic masterpieces of the world, including the treasures of Tut-Ankh-Amon. This afternoon, tour Old Cairo: coptic museums, churches, and synagogues. Continue to the Mosques of Sultan Hassan built in the 14th century, the Citadel of Salah El-Din, and the Alabaster Mosque. Return to your hotel. *Evening lecture.*

**DAY 05: THE PYRAMIDS OF MEIDUM AND DAHSURE** Morning visit the remains of the pyramid at Meidum, it is believed to have been begun by Huni, the last king of the 3rd Dynasty and completed by Sneferu founder of the 4th Dynasty and the immediate predecessor of Khufu, but probably never used as a burial place. Also, visit the Ra-Hotep and Nofret mastaba, the site of the famous statues. Continue to visit the Dahsure pyramids and the remains of subsidiary tombs and temples. Visit the Northern stone or Red pyramid, the Northern Brick or Black pyramid, the White pyramid the Southern Brick pyramid and the Bent pyramid. Return to your hotel. *Evening lecture.*



**DAY 06: CAIRO/WASET (LUXOR OR THEBES)/IPET ISUT (KARNAK) & SOUTHERN IPET (LUXOR) TEMPLES** Transfer to the airport for your flight to Waset (Luxor). Upon your arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel for a brief rest stop. Continue to visit the Avenue of the Sphinxes at Ipet Isut (Karnak). View the gorgeous Hypostyle Hall, the Tekenu (obelisks) of Queen Hatshepsut, and the Sacred Lake. Continue to the Southern Ipet (Temple of Luxor). Visit the White Chapel, Temple of Khonsu and Mout and the Temple of Amon. Return to your hotel. *Evening lecture.*

**DAY 07: WASET (LUXOR OR THEBES) (THE VALLEY OF THE KINGS, QUEENS AND NOBLES; HATSHEPSUT TEMPLE, AND THE COLOSSI OF MEMNON)** This morning drive to the West Bank of the Nile to visit the Necropolis of Waset (Thebes); drive to the Valley of the Kings; visit the tombs of Tut-Ankh-Amon, Seti I, and Ramses II. Continue to the Valley of the Queens to visit the tomb of Thutmosis III, and proceed to visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, the two Noble Tombs, and return to the hotel via the "Colossi of Memnon." Return to your hotel. *Evening lecture.*



**DAY 08: TANTERA (DENDERA) (THE TEMPLE OF HT HR/ABDU (ABYDOS))** Leave Waset early in the morning by bus to visit Tantera (the Temple of Ht Hr [Hathor]), drive to the ancient city of Abdu, and visit the Temple of Seti, the site of the grave of the head of Asar (Osiris). Return to Waset in the late afternoon. *Evening lecture.*

**DAY 09: WASET/EDFU (THE TEMPLE OF HERU [HORUS])/KOM OMBO (THE TEMPLE OF SOBEK)/ASWAN** Leave Waset and journey towards Edfu on the Left Bank. Visit the Temple of Heru (Horus) which was excavated by Mariette and is one of the best preserved in KMT. Resume your journey to Kom Ombo, 103 miles. On the hill, which you see long before you arrive in Kom Ombo, is the Temple, with a double dedication to the Crocodile-headed Sobek and the Sparrow-headed Haroeris. In the middle of the temple area, a sanctuary was built for each of these divinities. Double entrances lead through the pylons to the court, vestibule, pillared hall and the three antechambers to the Sanctuaries of the Gods. Continue your journey towards Aswan arriving in the afternoon. Drive alongside the Hapi to your hotel. *Evening lecture.*

**DAY 10: THE HIGH DAM/PILAK (PHILAE) TEMPLE & UNFINISHED TEKENU (OBELISK) OF HATSHEPSUT/ROCK TOMBS OF THE NOBLES** Morning visit to the High Dam. Some 4 1/2 miles south of the earlier Dam, the High Dam rises up on a colossal scale. The Pyramid of Kufu could be lost 17 times over in this modern marvel. The inland lake created by the Dam is more than 375 miles long, penetrating some 155 miles into the Sudan. Proceed to Pilak (Philae). When the Aswan Dam was opened from July to November, the resulting drop in water level was such that the Temple of Isis on the Island of Philae rose up out of the waters. During the remaining months of the year, only pylons and the upper sections of the building could be seen. In the recent past, all monuments on the Island of Philae were transferred to the small island of Agilkia nearby and rebuilt there. Visit the Temple, the oldest parts of which date from the 4th century BC. Ptolemies and Romans added to the Temple over the years until the 2nd century AD. Other buildings are Het Heru (Hathor Temple), Hadrian's Pylon, Horendotes Temple, the remains of the Temple of Augustus, and the lovely and famous Kiosk of Trajan. Return to the hotel via the Red Granite Quarries where the ancients obtained their fine reddish granite. See the unfinished tekenu (obelisk) of Queen Hatshepsut, had it been completed, it would have been the largest ever hewn. It was abandoned when a flaw as discovered in the stone. Return to your hotel. In the afternoon, visit the Rock Tombs of the Nobles which date from the Middle Kingdom. Return to your hotel. *Evening lecture.*



**DAY 11: ABU SIMBEL (THE TEMPLE OF RAMSES II)** Morning flight from Aswan to Abu Simbel which is situated on the West bank of the Hapi, 180 miles south of Aswan and some 27 miles north of Wadi Haifa. There lies the Great Temple, hewn in the rock, with the four colossal seated statues of the King in front of the entrance. It was dedicated to Amun-Ra, the Horkhti, and Ramses II. The figures are 65 1/2 feet high and wear the double crown. Nearby, to the north, is a second temple, also built by Ramses II, and dedicated to Nefertari, the King's wife. The temples, which were threatened by the waters on the completion of the Aswan High Dam have been preserved by international action organized by UNESCO. The most important parts of the temples (statues, inscribed slabs, etc) have been rebuilt on a plateau above the former site. Return to Aswan. *Evening lecture.*



**DAY 12: YEBU (ELEPHANTINE ISLAND)/NUBIAN DAY** Board a felucca and sail past Yebu (Elephantine Island) for a full day visit to a Nubian Village and School. Some tour members may want to swim in the Hapi. Return to your hotel. This evening enjoy a special Farewell Dinner with Nubian entertainment.

**DAY 13: ASWAN/CAIRO** *Summation lecture.* Balance of the morning at leisure for personal relaxation or last minute shopping. Afternoon transfer to the airport to connect with your flight to Cairo.

**DAY 14: CAIRO/NEW YORK** Depart Cairo on your return flight to New York. Arrival in New York in the early morning local ti