

Safaga, Red Sea, Egypt

Safaga is a working Red Sea port that punches far above its size — it's the closest seaport to the wonders of Luxor, and it sits atop some of Egypt's finest coral reefs. The real Egypt starts the moment you step off the ship.

-  Pier (docked)
-  Typical call: 8–12 hrs
-  Egyptian Pound (USD/EUR widely accepted)
-  Arabic (English at tourist sites)

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier — ships dock directly; new AD Ports terminal opened 2025

Best For: Luxor day trips, snorkeling/diving, desert safari

Walk to Center: Port area is industrial; taxis needed for town or excursions

Don't Miss: Valley of the Kings & Karnak Temple (full-day excursion)

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  \$3–\$5

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Luxor Full-Day: Valley of the Kings & Karnak Temple** — Egypt's crown jewel is 215 km west across the desert — a 3-hour drive each way.
- **Snorkeling & Diving — Hurghada Reefs** — Hurghada (63 km north) is the Red Sea's dive capital.
- **Soma Bay Beach Day** — Soma Bay is a luxury resort peninsula 25 km north of Safaga.
- **Desert Safari & Bedouin Village** — Head into the Eastern Desert for a quad-bike or jeep safari over sand dunes, a camel ride, and tea with Bedouin hosts...
- **Luxor by Air — Fly & See** — Some operators offer charter flights from Hurghada Airport to Luxor for a faster Nile Valley day.

BEST WALKS

- **Safaga Corniche Stroll** ~1 km • Easy • 15–20 min — A short walk along the seafront past local tea shops and the fish market.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

🌤️ CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				🇪🇬 DAYLIGHT & 💰 MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 5:20AM–6:08PM · Jun 5:50AM–7:39PM · Aug 6:16AM–7:20PM · Sep 6:30AM–6:48PM · Oct 6:43AM–6:15PM	
Apr	86°	70°	0d	🇪🇬 Egyptian Pound (USD/EUR widely accepted)	
Jun	97°	83°	0d		
Aug	100°	86°	0d		
Sep	97°	82°	0d		
Oct	90°	76°	0d		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Luxor is the reason to come here. Book a full-day tour well in advance — it's a 6-hour round-trip drive. Don't attempt it independently unless you have a vetted private driver.
- Agree on taxi fares before you get in. There are no meters. For Hurghada expect 200–350 EGP one-way; always confirm what currency the driver wants.
- Bring water and cash. The port area has no ATMs and temperatures regularly exceed 35°C (95°F). Stock up on ship before disembarking.

Safaga, Red Sea, Egypt — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



1 Tobia Arbaa

Tobia Arbaa is a vibrant coral reef and popular dive site.

P Cruise port / terminal