FIRST-CLASS TRAVEL

Since its establishment in 1989, Rovos Rail has earned an international reputation for its truly world-class travel experiences. Bespoke train safaris through the heart of Africa combine magnificent scenery with the glamour and excitement of the golden age of leisure travel. In a series of journeys lasting from 48 hours to 15 days, Rovos Rail links some of the subcontinent’s greatest destinations. The beautifully rebuilt trains carry a maximum of 72 passengers in 36 superbly appointed suites and are also available for charter, while the Events Train caters for up to 250 guests and is suitable for daytime journeys.
VICTORIA FALLS JOURNEY

Relive the romance of a bygone era on an expedition to one of the natural wonders of the world. Travel north through Modimolle, thought by early pioneers to be the source of the Nile. Cross the Tropic of Capricorn into bushveld country and Bulawayo, capital of Matabeleland and industrial capital of Zimbabwe. Travel along one of the world’s longest stretches of straight railway line (114km) to Hwange for a game drive. Arrive at the incomparable Victoria Falls on the mighty Zambezi River.

PRETORIA-VICTORIA FALLS or reverse
• 4 DAYS • 1400km

VICTORIA FALLS HIGHLIGHTS
• Hwange National Park Game Drive
A rich and diverse wildlife sanctuary with over 100 species of mammals and nearly 400 bird species.

• Victoria Falls and the surrounding areas offer various recreational opportunities including river cruises, whitewater rafting and superb game viewing and photo safaris.

CAPE TOWN JOURNEY

Rediscover the old pioneering trail of the Karoo. Travel the grasslands of the gold-rich Highveld to the haunting barrenness of the Great Karoo. Trundle through the spectacular mountain ranges and scenic winelands of the Cape. Journey’s end is Cape Town, the Mother City of South Africa, cradled by the imposing bulk of Table Mountain.

PRETORIA-CAPE TOWN or reverse • 3 DAYS • 1600km

CAPE TOWN HIGHLIGHTS
• Kimberley Tour the city, the Diamond Mine Museum and the world’s largest man-made excavation, the Big Hole.
• Matjiesfontein Visit this quaint and authentic, perfectly preserved Victorian village founded as a refreshment stop in 1890. See the impressive museum and collection of classic railway carriages and vintage cars.

DURBAN SAFARI

Journey into the Valley of a Thousand Hills and the heart of the African bushveld. Take in the Big Five at Nambiti with its incredible biodiversity. Explore the mountains, birds and battlefields of Spionkop. Visit Ardmore Ceramics, a story about the Zulu people whose sense of rhythm, colour, dance and song is exerting its influence around the world.

PRETORIA-DURBAN 3 DAYS • 800km

DURBAN SAFARI HIGHLIGHTS
• Nambiti Game Drive A Big Five bush retreat set on 20 000 acres of malaria-free bushveld with an incredible biodiversity including savannah, grasslands, thornveld and tall acacia trees. Spionkop Battlefields Tour or Game Drive Spionkop is situated on an extensive game farm and nature reserve boasting views over the Tugela River and impressive mountains. Visit Ardmore Ceramics Gallery in the foothills of the Drakensberg Mountains to experience the spirit of the African imagination.

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THE MOST LUXURIOUS TRAIN IN THE WORLD

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GOLF SAFARI
A kaleidoscope of golf, game and scenic beauty to entertain the most discerning players with optional excursions for leisure guests at all venues. Travel from Pretoria to Sun City in the hills of the Pilanesberg for game viewing. Cross the spectacular Drakensberg Mountains to Spionkop to explore the bush and battlefields. Traverse the scenic Valley of a Thousand Hills to Durban for a tour. The game drives continue at Hluhluwe, Mkhaya and Kruger, after which this memorable journey ends in Pretoria.

PRETORIA-DURBAN-SWAZILAND-PRETORIA • 9 DAYS • 2100km

GOLF SAFARI HIGHLIGHTS
• Enjoy game viewing in Pilanesberg with an afternoon at the renowned Sun City.
• Cross the majestic Drakensberg Mountains.
• Listen to the historic tale of Spionkop’s battlefields followed by lunch and an afternoon game drive.
• Tour Durban city and the botanical gardens with lunch in the coastal resort town of Umhlanga.
• Visit one of the oldest reserves in the country, Hluhluwe, for a morning game drive.
• Arrive at Mkhaya for game viewing, Swaziland’s refuge for endangered species.
• See the decorative Swazi Candles and visit craft and curio shops.
• Enjoy a morning game drive in the world-famous Kruger Park with lunch.

*Golf Courses: Gary Player/Lost City, Champagne Sports Resort, Durban Country Club, Beachwood/Zimbali, Royal Swazi and Leopard Creek/White River/Nelspruit.
Dependent on availability.

AFRICAN COLLAGE
A rich tapestry of landscape, game, history and culture covering SA’s top destinations. After a game drive in Kruger*, travel through Swaziland to Hluhluwe for game viewing and Durban* for a tour. Traverse the rolling hills of the Midlands to explore the bush and battlefields of Spionkop*. Continue to Addo* to see the elephants and Oudtshoorn’s ostriches followed by an impressive descent to the natural paradise of Knysna*. Traverse the spectacular Garden Route to the winelands before this magnificent expedition ends in Cape Town.

PRETORIA-CAPE TOWN or reverse • 10 DAYS • 3700km

AFRICAN COLLAGE HIGHLIGHTS
• Visit Kruger* for a game drive and lunch.
• Cross the Pilanesberg Mountains.
• Enjoy game viewing in Hluhluwe.
• Tour Durban* and the botanical gardens with lunch.
• Travel the Valley of a Thousand Hills.
• Cross the Drakensberg Mountains.
• Visit the Spionkop battlefields with lunch and a game drive.
• Tour Port Elizabeth, a major seaport (north only).
• Enjoy game viewing at the ecologically diverse Addo Park.
• Visit Oudtshoorn whose surge in prosperity was the ostrich and its feathers.
• Cross the Outeniquas.
• See George’s Railway Museum with dinner at Fancourt.
• Cruise the Knysna lagoon followed by shopping or a guided walk.
• Travel the Garden Route to the Cape winelands.


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From left: Rhino; game drive at Madikwe. Opposite from top left: Dinner in the Dining Car; baobab tree; a dhow in Dar es Salaam; crossing the Victoria Falls Bridge.

DAR ES SALAAM HIGHLIGHTS

• Tour Kimberley, the Diamond Mine Museum and the world’s largest man-made excavation, the Big Hole. Visit Matjiesfontein, a quaint and perfectly preserved Victorian village. See the museum and collection of vintage cars and classic railway carriages. • Traverse the Karoo. • Tour Rovos Rail Station with lunch. • Tour the capital, Pretoria. • Enjoy two nights at a lodge in the Madikwe Big Five Reserve with game drives. • Travel on one of the world’s longest stretches of straight railway line (114km) between Gwai and Dete. • Overnight at Victoria Falls Hotel with a sunset cruise on the Zambezi (a variety of recreational activities are available). • Cross the Zambezi River on Victoria Falls Bridge. • Cross Kafue Railway Bridge, a 477m-long steel girder truss bridge of 13 spans each at 33m supported on concrete piers. • Enjoy a bush walk at Chisimba Falls. • Take an optional walk at Makambako. • Traverse the Udzungwa Mountains and Rift Valley. • Enjoy game viewing in the Selous. • On-board doctors, hair stylist and historian giving informative lectures.

DAR ES SALAAM JOURNEY

This epic expedition is one of the most famous train journeys in the world. From Cape Town, traverse the Karoo with visits to the historic village of Matjiesfontein, Kimberley’s Diamond Mine Museum and the extraordinary Big Hole. Tour the capital city of Pretoria and enjoy the Big Five at Madikwe. Explore one of the natural wonders of the world, the Victoria Falls, before crossing the mighty Zambezi into Zambia for a bush walk at Chisimba Falls. Descend into the Rift Valley and witness spectacular scenery as the train negotiates the tunnels, switchbacks and viaducts of the escarpment. Pass the Selous – the largest reserve on the continent and a vision of timeless Africa – shortly before the bustling arrival in Dar es Salaam.

CAPE TOWN-DAR ES SALAAM or reverse • 15 DAYS • 5800km
TRAIL OF TWO OCEANS

A pioneering trans-African adventure uniting the Atlantic and Indian Oceans—the first time in history a passenger train will travel the famous east-to-west copper trail. Set off from Dar es Salaam (Tanzania) with a game visit in the Selous, a fly-in two-night safari in South Luangwa (Zambia) and a tour of Lubumbashi (DRC). Join the Benguela line for short walking tours detailing Angola’s recent history with journey’s end in Lobito.

DAR ES SALAAM-LOBITO or reverse
• 15 DAYS • 4300km

TRAIL OF TWO OCEANS HIGHLIGHTS
• Enjoy a game drive at Selous, the largest reserve in Africa.
• Traverse the Rift Valley and Udzungwa Mountains.
• Take an optional stroll through Makambako.
• Pass baobab forests.
• Enjoy a bush walk at Chiombola Falls.
• Take a short flight to South Luangwa for a two-night lodge stay with game drives.
• Tour Lubumbashi.
• Join the historical east-west Copper Trail.
• Visit an area that holds one of the world’s largest known copper and cobalt resources.
• Enjoy a walking tour of Luena, the historical heart of the Ovimbundu kingdom.
• Enjoy a walking tour of Huambo, one of the old kingdoms on the central plateau.
• Benguela (optional extension).
• On-board doctor, hair stylist and historian giving informative lectures.

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HOME & HEADQUARTERS
Rail enthusiasts will be drawn to the vast carriage and loco sheds where teams of dedicated personnel keep the rolling stock in order. This 10,000m² roofed workshop straddles 15 railway lines with concrete inspection pits below and is the ultimate repair and maintenance facility for any train operation. The low, red-bricked buildings alongside the 300m platform house laundries, gleaming stainless-steel kitchens and well-stocked storerooms.

PRIVATE CHARTERS & EVENTS
From our headquarters in Pretoria, successful charters from one to 10 days have been undertaken with incentive groups, historical expeditions, cycling tours, bird shoots and private family gatherings. There are many configurations combining our 42- or 72-bed train with other entertaining products and we are happy to construct exciting and practical itineraries to suit. Within reason, and subject to availability, the chartered train can go wherever there is a railway line in Southern Africa. The Events Train can accommodate up to 250 guests and is an ideal venue for weddings, launches, conferences, and private functions.

THE EVENTS TRAIN
• Perfect venue for private functions, launches, and wedding couples looking for something old-world and romantic.
• Take a three-hour circular trip around Pretoria or a one-way journey to any destination within eight hours’ rail travel time from Pretoria (no overnight journeys). Depending on the number of guests, the train can host, with full bar facilities: a four-course sit-down lunch/dinner for up to 200 guests OR for up to 250 guests, hot snacks, canapés, and cocktails. Dinner runs are popular and fine-dining, elegant affairs. Example: Guests are greeted at our private station by a Champagne reception; musicians play light classical music; our steam loco idles on the platform; time for intros and photos; time for speeches while the loco collects the coaches; depart for a circular tour of Pretoria; drinks served in the bar cars; dinner is presented in the opulent dining cars; return to the station.

ROVOS RAIL STATION
A highlight of any journey is a visit to Rovos Rail’s private station in Pretoria. This is the busy hub of a provisioning operation, which rivals that of a world-class hotel in terms of efficiency and attention to detail. The 60-acre property boasts a small railway museum in addition to its other comprehensive facilities and will, with the addition of semaphore signals and a footbridge, recreate the atmosphere of a fully fledged railway system.
**LIFE ON BOARD**

Recapture the romance of a bygone era when travellers experienced the magic and mystery of Africa in a relaxed and elegant fashion. The classic wood-panelled coaches are the epitome of luxury with period Edwardian features combining with modern technology. The 24-hour service is discreet and friendly with an enthusiastic team of chefs ensuring guests’ every need is catered for. There is an accent on fresh local ingredients and traditional dishes are a specialty. Every morning there is a full breakfast with dishes cooked to order. Meals are served in one sitting only and are complemented by South Africa’s finest wines. For days on the train dress is smart casual while evening attire is more formal. In maintaining the atmosphere there are no radios or television sets on board and the use of technology that has the ability to disturb other guests is confined to the privacy of suites.

**THE SUITES & COACHES**

Each train has accommodation carriages, dining cars, a lounge car (±26 seats), small gift shop, smoking lounge (±11 seats) and observation car (±32 seats) with open-air balcony. The three types of suites are elegant and spacious offering passengers privacy, comfort and luxury with double or twin beds and fittings and facilities that are of the highest standard. All have en-suites with shower, toilet, basin and bath (Royal only), tea facilities, safes, air conditioning, linen and amenities and are serviced daily. There is adequate storage and small cupboards with hangers and shelves. Suite layouts may differ from images.

**ROYAL SUITES**

- ±16m²
- ±172ft²

Minibar, air conditioning, writing desk, luggage shelf, cupboards, safe, en-suite bathroom with toilet, bath and shower.

**DELUXE SUITES**

- ±10m²
- ±108ft²

Minibar, air conditioning, writing desk, luggage shelf, cupboards, safe, en-suite bathroom with toilet and shower.

**PULLMAN SUITES**

- ±7m²
- ±76ft²

Minibar, air conditioning, writing desk, luggage shelf, cupboards, safe, en-suite bathroom with toilet and shower.

**Bed Dimensions: LxW in CM**

- **Double Lengthways:** 200x189
- **Double Crosswise:** 199x160
- **Split Twin:** 201x75

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- **Double Crosswise:** 189x160
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**Bed Dimensions: LxW in CM**

- **Double:** 189x150
- **Side-by-side Twin:** 189x75
- **Single lower:** 189x94
- **Single upper:** 189x60

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