

**Rovos: 13D12N African Collage : Cape Town – Pretoria**

**Price per person  
from  
MYR 41400**



## **Tour Description**

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## **Tour Itinerary**

## DAY 1 :- CAPE TOWN

**14:30 pm** Check-in at Rovos Rail Lounge, 1 Adderley Street, Cape Town.

**16:00 pm** Depart from Cape Town Station. Guests may freshen up in their suites before joining fellow travellers in the lounge car or observation car for tea at 16:30. The train travels towards the Worcester.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served in the dining cars. **Dress: Formal**

Please ensure the Train Manager or Administration Deputy is in possession of your passport. It will be returned to you before the end of the trip.

## DAY 2 :- MATJIESFONTEIN

**07:00 am** Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10:00. Trundle through the Hex River Valley and Cape Winelands. The train arrives at the first of four tunnels on the pass. The last tunnel is 13.5km long so guests are to be careful when walking through the train and may wish to turn on necessary lights. The train arrives in Matjiesfontein where you can enjoy a stroll through the historic village. Of special interest is the museum on the platform and a collection of historic cars and railway carriages next to the Lord Milner Hotel.

**13:00 pm** Lunch is served in the dining cars. The train departs for Prince Albert Rd Station.

**16:30 pm** Tea in the lounge and observation cars.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served in the dining cars. **Dress: Formal**

## DAY 3 :- OUDTSHOORN

Please pack an overnight bag for your stay at Fancourt. Tog bags have been placed in your suites for your convenience.

**06:00 am** Breakfast is served in the dining cars.

**08:30 am** Transfer ( $\pm 150$  min) to the Cango Caves for a visit. Transfer ( $\pm 30$  min) to Oudtshoorn for lunch and a visit to an ostrich farm. Enjoy the scenic drive ( $\pm 60$  min) over the spectacular Outeniquas to Fancourt.

**19:00 pm** Dinner and overnight at Fancourt. **Dress: Smart Casual**

This semi-desert region is situated at the foot of the majestic Swartberg mountain range where many rivers, streams and falls have their origins. The great natural wonder of the Cango Caves has colourful underground chambers with breathtaking limestone formations. Oudtshoorn is regarded as the centre of the Klein Karoo and is famous for feathering the world in the time of the boa and grand hats. The ostrich boom of the early 20th century turned out many millionaires who, in turn, created elaborate lifestyles in this remote part of Africa.

## DAY 4 :- KNYSNA

You may call Reception to collect your bag or take it to check-out on departure.

**06:30 am** Breakfast is served. Check out.

**08:30 am** Transfer ( $\pm 60$  min) along the coast to Knysna and enjoy a ferry ride on the lagoon with lunch.

**14:00 pm** Transfer ( $\pm 90$  min) from Knysna to Oudebosch.

**15:30 pm** Enjoy a refreshment stop at Oudebosch.

**16:00 pm** Transfer ( $\pm 90$  min) to the train in Port Elizabeth.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served. **Dress: Smart Casual**

The Garden Route is a narrow coastal terrace lying between the deep-set coastal cliffs rising sheer out of the sea and the mountains a short distance inland – a topology that facilitates for heavy rainfall, hence the name as it is always lush and green. George and Knysna sit between the majestic Outeniqua Mountains to the north and the Indian Ocean to the south. The Knysna Heads – two sandstone cliffs guarding the mouth of the lagoon connecting the estuary with the sea – is a dramatic viewpoint.

## DAY 5 :- ADDO ELEPHANT PARK

**06:00 am** Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 09:00.

**10:00 am** Enjoy a tour of Port Elizabeth.

**12:30 pm** Depart for Coerney. The observation car will be at the front of the train until tomorrow evening – a different aspect that our rail enthusiasts enjoy.

**13:00 pm** Lunch is served in the dining cars.

**14:30 pm** Game drive in Addo Elephant Park, South Africa's third largest national reserve stretching from the semi-arid Karoo, over the Zuurberg Mountains and down through the Sundays River valley to the coast. The park is home to one of the densest African Elephant populations on earth – roughly 600.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served in the dining cars. **Dress: Formal**

## DAY 6 :- BLOEMFONTEIN

**06:30 am** Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 09:30.

**12:00 pm** Early lunch is served in the dining cars.

Afternoon tour of Bloemfontein including the Women's Memorial and Anglo Boer War Museum.

**15:00 pm** Traverse the Karoo, a vast and beautiful semi-desert stretching across the great South African plateau inland from the Cape coast with scattered towns and villages. Ascend the Great Escarpment and cross the dry southeastern region with its variety of grasses, hardy shrubs, tumbleweeds and succulents.

**16:30 pm** Tea in the lounge and observation cars en route to Kroonstad where the train is turned.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served in the dining cars en route to Bethlehem. **Dress: "Africa" Theme or Smart Casual**

Bloemfontein is the seat of the South African judicial system. At the end of the 19th century it was also the capital of the old Boer Republic of The Orange Free State. Bloemfontein is capital of the Free State Province and also known as the Rose City. Loch Logan Waterfront is next to the city's newly renovated stadium, which was one of the venues during the 2010 Soccer World Cup. The Women's Memorial at the Anglo Boer War Museum is a reminder of life in the concentration camps and commemorates the 27 000 women and children who died in these camps. The Museum itself is a graphic depiction of the hardship endured by all during the war and relates the history of South Africa from 1652.

## DAY 7 :- CLARENS & GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL PARK

**06:00 am** Breakfast is served in the dining cars.

**08:00 am** Transfer ( $\pm 75$  min) to the Sandstone Heritage Trust, a large agricultural estate that houses an impressive collection of heritage trains, tractors, busses, cars and military vehicles.

**12:00 pm** Transfer ( $\pm 60$  min) to the the small and picturesque town of Clarens situated in the foothills of the Maluti Mountains. Enjoy lunch (own account).

**15:00 pm** Take a drive through the Golden Gate Highlands National Park. The park's most notable features are its golden ochre and orange-hued deeply eroded sandstone cliffs and outcrops, especially the Brandwag Rock.

**18:00 pm** Return to the train at Harrismith and depart for Ladysmith.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served in the dining cars. **Dress: Formal**

## DAY 8 :- SPIONKOP

**06:00 am** Breakfast is served until departure.

**09:00 am** Transfer ( $\pm 30$  min) to Spionkop Lodge to hear the historic tale of the Battle of Spionkop and walk in the footsteps of Churchill and Gandhi.

**12:45 pm** Enjoy lunch at the lodge.

**14:00 pm** Afternoon game drive in the 11 000-acre reserve OR relax at the lodge.

**16:00 pm** Return to the train. Depart for Estcourt.

**16:30 pm** Tea in the lounge and observation cars.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served in the dining cars. **Dress: Formal**

The Drakensberg Mountains were first named by the Voortrekkers who thought the unbroken chain of heavily weathered peaks reminded them of the spines on a dragon's back, hence the name 'Dragon Mountain' or Drakensberg in Afrikaans.

## DAY 9 :- DURBAN

**06:00 am** Breakfast is served in the dining cars.

**09:00 am** Enjoy a Durban city tour, a visit to the botanical gardens and lunch at Umhlanga's beachfront with an afternoon at leisure. Durban is the third largest city in South Africa and enjoys great importance due to its industry and very large port.

**16:30 pm** Tea in the lounge and observation cars. Travel north along the Indian Ocean coastline.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served in the dining cars. **Dress: Formal**

## DAY 10 :- HLUHLUWE-IMFOLOZI PARK

**05:00 am** Continental breakfast is served until departure.

**06:00 am** Transfer ( $\pm 30$  min) to Hluhluwe for a game drive. As the oldest proclaimed reserve in Africa, Hluhluwe encompasses 960km<sup>2</sup> of hilly topography in central Zululand and is known for its rich wildlife and conservation efforts. It is the only state-run park in KwaZulu-Natal with all the Big Five game animals and is also a prime birding destination.

**12:00 pm** Early lunch is served in the dining cars. The train travels towards eSwatini. Border formalities take place.

**16:30 pm** Tea in the lounge and observation cars en route to Mpaka.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served in the dining cars. **Dress: Formal**

## DAY 11 :- ESWATINI

**06:00 am** Breakfast is served in the dining cars.

**08:30 am** Transfer ( $\pm 90$  min) to Swazi Candles and Mantenga Cultural Village for a visit with lunch.

**16:30 pm** Tea in the lounge and observation cars.

**19:30 pm** Dinner is served in the dining cars. **Dress: Formal**

Border formalities take place.

The tiny Kingdom of eSwatini (Swaziland) covers only 17 000km<sup>2</sup>, most of which is mountainous. For such a small country, it is surprising that it sustains two capital cities: Mbabane is the administrative capital and Lobamba is the royal and legislative capital. In April 2018, Swaziland changed its name to the Kingdom of eSwatini (meaning "place of the Swazi") and is an absolute monarchy. It is landlocked and borders South Africa and Mozambique. At Swazi Candles, guests are invited to interact with the artisans as they make a variety of candles. Woodcarvings, colourful textiles and superb basketwork are also on display. Mantenga Lodge is nestled in the mountains overlooking 'Execution Rock'. The village is a living museum of old traditions that represents a classic Swazi lifestyle during the 1800s.

BORDER: KOMATIPOORT, SOUTH AFRICA

## DAY 12 :- KRUGER PARK

**05:00 am** Breakfast is served in the dining cars.

**06:30 am** Game drive in the Kruger National Park with tea, lunch and an opportunity for curio shopping.

**15:00 pm** Return to the train.

**16:30 pm** Tea in the lounge and observation cars. The train travels west across the Drakensberg Mountains.

**Dinner is served. Dress: "1920s" Theme or Smart Casual**

The famous Kruger Park (2-million hectares) is a world leader in advanced environmental management techniques and home to an impressive number of species, e.g. 336 species of trees, 49 species of fish, 34 species of amphibians, 114 species of reptiles, 507 species of birds and 147 species of mammals including the Big Five.

## DAY 13 :- PRETORIA

Please ensure luggage is ready for collection 15 minutes before arrival and that you have your passport.

**07:00 am** Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10:00.

**13:00 pm** Lunch is served in the dining cars.

**18:00 pm** Arrive at journey's end at Rovos Rail Station, Pretoria.

## Tour Prices

Category	Travel Period	Twin	-	Single	-
Pullman Gold Suite	31 Oct - 12 Nov 24	RM 41400	RM 62100		
Pullman Gold Suite	5 - 17 Nov 25	RM 45000	RM 67500		
Deluxe Suite	31 Oct - 12 Nov 24	RM 57600	RM 86400		
Deluxe Suite	5 - 17 Nov 25	RM 62400	RM 93600		
Royal Suite	31 Oct - 12 Nov 24	RM 74400	POR		
Royal Suite	5 - 17 Nov 25	RM 80700	POR		

## What's included

**Destination** [South Africa](#)

**Departure Location** Cape Town

**Return Location** Pretoria

### Price includes

- Accommodation
- All meals and beverages
- Room service
- Limited laundry
- Guided excursions (where applicable)
- Entrance fees as per itinerary
- Government tax

### Price does not include

- Off-train beverages
- International sparkling wine
- Gratuities
- Personal expenses
- Visa
- Travel insurance
- Pre and post tour accommodation
- Flights and transfers

# **Additional Information**

## **Suites & Coaches**

### **Royal Suites**

(±16m<sup>2</sup> /±172ft<sup>2</sup> ) each take up half a carriage and are spacious and elegant. Each has its own private lounge area and en-suite bathroom with Victorian bath, separate shower, toilet and basin. BEDS: Double 200x189 • Split Twin 200x75.

### **Deluxe Suites**

(±10m<sup>2</sup> /±108ft<sup>2</sup> ) have a lounge area and en-suite bathroom with shower, toilet and basin. BEDS: Lengthways Double 189x189 • Crosswise Double 189x160 • Split Twin 189x75.

### **Pullman Gold Suites**

(±7m<sup>2</sup> /±76ft<sup>2</sup> ) on LONG journeys only (dependent on capacity) have an en-suite bathroom with shower, toilet and basin. During the day the suite is setup with split twin beds configured as couches. BEDS: Double 189x189 • Split Twin 189x75.

## **Children**

We do accommodate children but we kindly ask parents to be sensitive to the adult nature and atmosphere of the train by keeping them respectful and quiet. Long journeys are not recommended for under 13s. Children between 0-2 years old are not permitted to travel. There are no child-minding facilities or activities available for children on board.

## **Dress Codes**

### **Acceptable clothing**

Shirts with collars and sleeves must be tucked in

Traditional long or short golf trousers

Short trousers with knee-length stockings or short white socks

Ladies skirts or culottes must be knee-length

### **Not acceptable**

T-shirts, vests or sleeveless shirts

Denim jeans

Sweatpants or cargo pants

Drawstring shorts

Shoes without socks

Cross-trainer sports shoes

**Excursions may be changed according to schedule achieved. Times are approximate and cannot be guaranteed**