

JOURNEYS THROUGH AFRICA BY PRIVATE TRAIN

ABOARD THE LUXURIOUS ROVOS RAIL
JANUARY, JULY & OCTOBER 2027

NOBLE CALEDONIA



ROVOS RAIL

We are delighted to be working with Rovos Rail and their luxury train. Since its establishment in 1989, Rovos Rail has earned an international reputation for its truly world class travel experiences. Step aboard the wood-panelled coaches and enjoy fine cuisine in five-star luxury as some of the most varied scenery imaginable unfolds beyond the windows. Recapture the romance and atmosphere of a bygone era when privileged travellers experienced the magic and mystery of Africa in a relaxed and elegant fashion.

With discreet and friendly service, top cuisine and a selection of South Africa's finest wines, Rovos Rail harks back to a simpler, more elegant era encompassing the timeless grace and high romance of African exploration. The beautifully rebuilt train, which may be hauled by diesel or electric locomotives, carries a maximum of 72 passengers in 36 superbly appointed suites.

Our associates at Rovos Rail have allocated a selection of cabins for Noble Caledonia guests for each of the journeys featured in this brochure. You will be accompanied by a Noble Caledonia Tour Manager and the remainder of the guests on board will be international.



Pullman Suite



Deluxe Suite



Royal Suite



Club Lounge



The Elegant Dining Car

Your Suite

The train carries a maximum of 72 passengers in 36 superbly appointed suites. The sleeper coaches are some of the most spacious in the world, offering every modern convenience and comfort. The epitome of luxury, with handsome wood panelling and period Edwardian features, the air-conditioned suites accommodate two people offering the option of twin or spacious double beds. All are equipped with a writing surface and, for valuables, a personal safe. There is also room service available 24 hours a day. In the en-suite bathrooms original fittings are combined with the modern technology of hot showers, hairdryers and shaver sockets. The Deluxe Suites measure 10 square metres and have a lounge area and en-suite bathroom with shower and the Pullman Suites measure seven square metres. The two Royal Suites are spacious and elegant and measure 16 square metres. Each has its own private lounge area and full bathroom with a Victorian bath and separate shower.

Your Space

On board there is a non-smoking Observation Car at the rear of the train, while the coach next to it contains a small smoking lounge. A unique feature of the Observation Car is the enlarged windows and open-air balcony. At the centre of the train there is a non-smoking Lounge Car, which also houses the Gift Shop. Deep sofas and wingback chairs make for an extremely comfortable car. As with all the service cars the lounges are air-conditioned, yet the windows can be opened allowing in the sights, sounds and scents of Africa.

Your Dining

The Rovos Rail has two 42-seater Dining Cars to accommodate the maximum complement of 72 passengers in total comfort at one sitting. An enthusiastic team of chefs are responsible for overseeing the very important task of ensuring guests' every need is catered for. There is an accent on fresh local ingredients and traditional dishes such as game are a specialty. Every morning there is a full breakfast with dishes cooked to order and a buffet selection of fresh fruits and yoghurts. Lunch and dinner are set menus and both are complemented by a selection of excellent South African wines. Dietary requests will be catered for and guests can discuss the menus with the chef prior to the meals for alternative options.

Life On Board

In maintaining the spirit of travel of a bygone era, there are no radios or television sets on board. There is no WiFi on board and the use of mobile phones, laptops and essentially anything that has the ability to disturb other passengers is confined to the privacy of your suites only. During the day, comfortable and casual attire is appropriate, and the evenings are more formal with a jacket and tie required for gentlemen while for ladies evening dresses or suits are suggested. There will also be some themed evenings on board.



Observation Car Balcony



Friendly Service



Light Salad Lunch



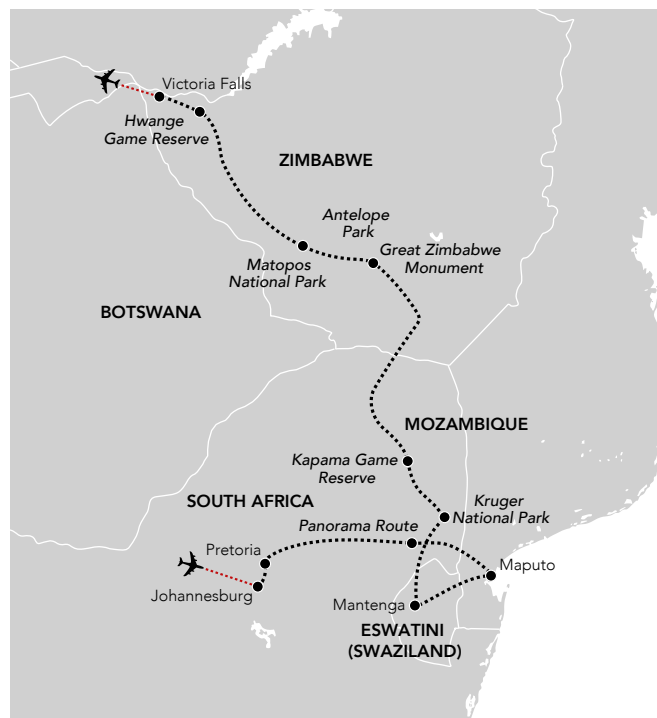
The Observation Car

JOURNEY TO VICTORIA FALLS

An escorted journey between Pretoria and Victoria Falls aboard the luxurious Rovos Rail
12th to 27th January 2027

Embark the luxurious Rovos Rail Private Train for this spectacular journey from Pretoria to Victoria Falls and witness some remarkable scenery and wonderful locations along the way in South Africa, Mozambique, eSwatini (Swaziland) and Zimbabwe. The beauty and the colours of the region truly need to be seen to be believed and are brought right to the compartment doors of your comfortable rolling hotel.

Travelling from Pretoria we can take in the awe-inspiring landscapes of the Drakensberg Mountains and continue along the Panorama Route with visits to historic Pilgrim's Rest, Bourke's Luck Potholes and God's Window, one of Blyde River Canyon's most spectacular viewpoints. Watching the changing mood and colours at sunrise is a truly memorable experience. We continue to the Kruger National Park where, for some, the highlight will no doubt be spotting the Big Five (buffalo, elephant, lion, leopard and rhino), whilst for others, it may be seeing the remarkable birdlife or the majestic giraffe that stay longest in memory. Crossing into Mozambique we visit its bustling capital Maputo before exploring the intriguing Kingdom of eSwatini (Swaziland) where we can witness the lively and colourful local culture as people go about their everyday life. Travelling back into South Africa we will enjoy a game drive in the Kapama Game Reserve and will traverse the Limpopo Province before we enter Zimbabwe, a country of astounding natural beauty and extraordinary wildlife. Here we will step back in time at the Great Zimbabwe Monument as well as visit Antelope Park, home to a lion conservation programme and Matopos National Park, the site of Cecil John Rhodes' grave. Our journey ends with an overnight stay in Victoria Falls, an awe-inspiring sight and a fitting conclusion to our fascinating and varied itinerary.





The Itinerary

Day 1 London to Pretoria, South Africa. Fly by scheduled flight to Johannesburg.

Day 2 Pretoria. Arrive this morning and transfer to our hotel in Pretoria. The remainder of the day and evening are free to relax in the hotel or explore the city at your own pace.

Day 3 Embark Rovos Rail. After breakfast we transfer to the Rovos Rail station to embark our train. After settling in we will have lunch on board and the afternoon is spent travelling on the eastern line, built by the Dutch between 1893 and 1895 to link Pretoria and Maputo, passing through Middelburg and the eMalahleni coal mining region. (B, L, D)

Day 4 Panorama Route. Today we take a full day tour of the Panorama Route. In 1873, gold was discovered in the area around the quaint town of Pilgrim's Rest, now a living museum and national monument. The find attracted 1,500 diggers and today many of the restored miners' houses serve as shops. Further along the escarpment we find the great Blyde River Canyon, a gorge 26 kilometres in length and 800 metres deep, carved into the face of the escarpment. Bourke's Luck Potholes are strange deep cylindrical cavities formed by river erosion and floodwater. From the vantage point of Wonder View we can gaze across the sweeping landscape of the Lowveld, where subtle fragrances of the lower region rise to merge with the crisp winds of the Highveld. (B, L, D)

Day 5 Kruger National Park. We spend the day in the world-renowned Kruger National Park which offers a wildlife experience second to none. Its two million hectares are unrivalled in the diversity of life forms and the park is a world leader in advanced environmental management techniques. The park is home to an impressive number of species: about 336 trees, 49 fish, 34 amphibians, 114 reptiles, 507 birds and 147 species of mammals including the big five. (B, L, D)

Day 6 Maputo, Mozambique. This morning we tour Maputo, the capital of Mozambique and a city of contrasts and an exciting mix of cultures. The city

swings along to a beat like no other in Africa offering true African hospitality. Its architecture is a blend of African, Portuguese and early colonial traditions with old Catholic churches side-by-side with mosques, fortresses, Victorian mansions and other buildings from a bygone era. This afternoon we travel to the border for formalities as we enter eSwatini. (B, L, D)

Day 7 Kingdom of eSwatini (Swaziland). Today we tour the tiny Kingdom of eSwatini (Swaziland) which covers only 17,000 square kilometres making it the second smallest country in Africa. Enjoy amazing views of the Ezulwini Valley as we drive to the Swazi Market which is a bustling hive of activity and displays a wide variety of skilfully crafted candles, woodcarvings, colourful textiles and superb basketwork for which Swazis are renowned. At Mantenga Cultural Village we will discover a living museum of traditions representing life in the 1800s. With the traditional artefacts on display, the village illustrates many facets of the ancient Swazi way of life: social, economic and religious. Lunch is served at Mantenga Lodge nestled in the mountains overlooking 'Execution Rock'. We will return to the train in the late afternoon and continue to the border to re-enter South Africa. (B, L, D)

Day 8 Kapama Game Reserve, South Africa. This morning, we take a game drive in Kapama Game Reserve which is situated in South Africa's northernmost province of Limpopo and renowned for its prolific and diverse wildlife. This private reserve is home to over 40 different mammal species, including the Big Five and approximately 350 bird species and a myriad smaller species can also be seen here in their natural environment. We then visit the Hoedspruit Endangered Species Centre, a unique African wildlife facility focusing on conservation and the sustainability of rare, vulnerable and threatened species. Founded on passion, the centre has adopted a holistic approach to its conservation activities such as the educating of surrounding communities, tourism, breeding, rehabilitation and antipoaching. (B, L, D)

Day 9 Limpopo Province. Spend a relaxing day on board as we traverse Limpopo Province, which is located in the far north of South Africa and shares borders with three neighbouring countries: Botswana, Zimbabwe



and Mozambique. The Limpopo landscape varies from one area to the other from tropical forests, bush and shrubs to semi-desert areas with small trees and bushes and mountains to flat land. It is also the only province in South Africa with more than two cultural groups staying together in their original habitat in harmony. (B, L, D)

Day 10 Great Zimbabwe Monument, Zimbabwe. Having crossed the border overnight we start to discover Zimbabwe. This morning, we tour the Great Zimbabwe Monument, a hugely impressive monument situated on the south-eastern edge of the central plateau. It is the largest pre-colonial monument south of the Egyptian pyramids and is a celebrated achievement of the African people. Magical fables such as the story of King Solomon's Mines find their origins here amongst the ruins of an ancient city built by the Rozwi people. Discover how these ancient people lived and mined gold and silver which were ultimately taken out of Africa by Arabic and Portuguese traders. (B, L, D)

Day 11 Antelope Park. Set in over 3,000 acres of open savannah grassland, Antelope Park is a unique game reserve and is also home to the famous 'African Lion and Environmental Research Trust' (ALERT) lion rehabilitation programme. This programme is a multiphase lion conservation initiative and Africa's first genuine programme working to ethically re-introduce the offspring of captive bred African lions back into the wild. Other optional activities include game drives, horse riding, elephant interaction and a birdwatching experience. (B, L, D)

Day 12 Matopos National Park. This morning, we embark on a full day tour of the Matopos National Park. 'Matopos' means 'bald headed ones' and aptly describes the dramatic hills and granite rocks of this area. A notable landmark of this UNESCO World Heritage Site will be the visit to the burial place of Cecil John Rhodes (who gave Zimbabwe its previous name of Rhodesia) which is situated on top of a hill with fantastic views of the Matopo landscape. Afterwards, we will visit one of the more accessible bushman caves, of which there are many hidden amongst the hills. (B, L, D)

Day 13 Hwange Game Reserve. Covering 1,462,000 hectares, Hwange is roughly the same size as Belgium, and we spend a full day game viewing in the reserve with a picnic stop for lunch. Situated in the northwest corner of Zimbabwe, Hwange National Park is the nation's largest wildlife area and contains a variety of animals and bird species, including Cape Buffalo and elephant, but is most well-known for its prolific lion population. (B, L, D)

Day 14 Victoria Falls. Disembark this morning at Victoria Falls Station. Forming the largest single curtain of falling water on earth (on average the

curtain is 92 metres deep), the Victoria Falls' 500 metre plume of spray can be seen from as far as 70 kilometres away. The sound of the water can also be heard from kilometres away and up close this muted 'thunder' becomes a roar. In full flood, over 550 million litres of water per minute cascade over the brink. The vast width of the falls, extending 1708 metres, allow for many safe vantage points from where you will be able to get different views of the roiling water as it crashes into the gorge and whose constant spray maintains the rain forest. The forest is an attraction on its own with many of the trees marked to help identification. These include fig, mahogany, date palm, milkwood and ebony. The bird life is prolific and species that may be seen include the colourful sunbird and large trumpeter hornbill. Check in to the Victoria Falls Hotel for an overnight stay and enjoy the remainder of your day at leisure to explore the town and falls. (B)

Day 15 Victoria Falls to London. Check out this morning and transfer to the airport for our scheduled indirect flight to London. (B)

Day 16 London. Arrive this morning

PRICES PER PERSON

Based on double occupancy

Pullman Suite	£11495
Deluxe Suite	£14495
Royal Suite	£17995
Pullman Suite for sole use	£14495
Deluxe Suite for sole use	£18995

PRICE INCLUDES: Economy class scheduled air travel • Overnight hotel accommodation in Pretoria & Victoria Falls • 11 nights aboard Rovos Rail • Meals as indicated (B - Breakfast, L - Lunch, D - Dinner) • All drinks on Rovos Rail (excluding premium brands) • Limited laundry service on Rovos Rail • Excursions as detailed • Entrance fees • Local guides • Noble Caledonia Tour Manager • Rovos Rail Train Manager • Gratuities • Transfers • Airport taxes.

Not Included: Travel insurance, Zimbabwe visa, Mozambique visa, optional excursions, drinks with included meals off the train.

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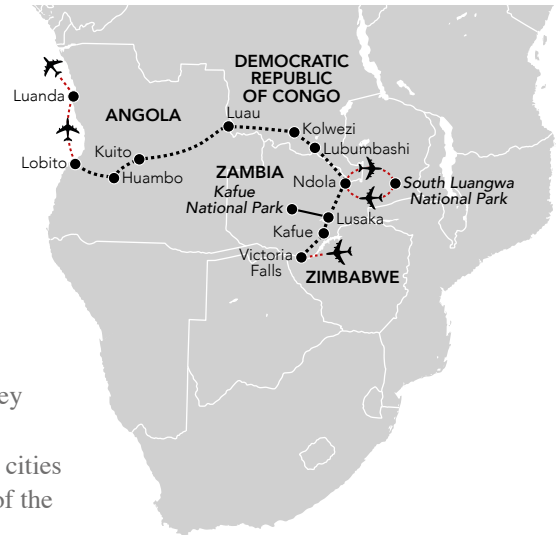


THE COPPER TRAIL

A journey from Zimbabwe to Angola including Zambia & the Democratic Republic of Congo aboard the luxurious Rovos Rail

3rd to 21st July 2027

Here is a remarkable journey including some fascinating calls to places which are largely unexplored by all but the most intrepid of travellers. After exploring the magnificent Victoria Falls, you will embark the luxurious Rovos Rail private train bound for Zambia. Here we will travel through diverse landscapes, experience a sunset cruise on the Kafue River and spend time in the country's oldest national park before flying by special charter flight to the stunning South Luangwa National Park for a three night stay. The park is renowned for its abundant wildlife and captivating landscapes and is defined by its dramatic topography, with the Muchinga Escarpment forming its western and northwestern boundaries and the Luangwa River winding along its southern edge. Re-embarking the train, the journey continues to the Democratic Republic of the Congo before following the historical copper trail into vibrant Angola. Our calls here will include the cities of Luena, Kuito and Huambo and during the guided tours you can learn of the country's intriguing history and culture.



The Itinerary

Day 1 London to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. Fly by indirect scheduled flight.

Day 2 Victoria Falls. Arrive and transfer to our hotel in Victoria Falls for an overnight stay. The remainder of the day and evening are free to relax in the hotel or explore the city at your own pace.

Day 3 Embark Rovos Rail. After breakfast we take a walking tour of the town and Victoria Falls. Forming the largest single curtain of falling water on earth (on average the curtain is 92 metres deep), the Victoria Falls' 500 metre plume of spray can be seen from as far as 70 kilometres away. The sound of the water can also be heard from kilometres away and up close this muted 'thunder' becomes a roar. In full flood, over 550 million litres of water per minute cascade over the brink. The vast width of the Falls, extending 1708 metres, allow for many safe vantage points from where you will be able to get different views of the roiling water. In the afternoon we transfer to the Rovos Rail station to embark our train. The journey begins as we cross the bridge into Zambia and the town of Livingstone, named after David Livingstone, the Scottish explorer and missionary who was the first European to explore the area. (B, D)

Day 4 Kafue River, Zambia. Venture deeper into Zambia, as we make our way toward the city of Kafue, situated on the northern bank of the Kafue River. As the train approaches town, it will cross the colossal Kafue railway bridge. This 477-metre-long bridge is constructed of 13 steel girder

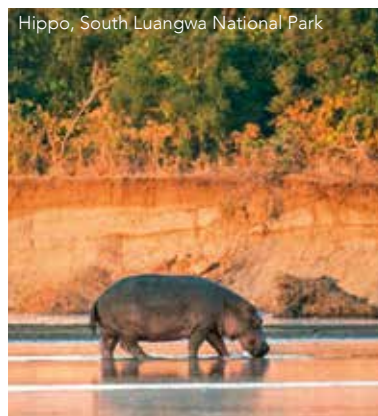
sections. Make a stop in Kafue town after lunch, where you will enjoy a sunset cruise on the river. Return to the train for dinner as we continue overnight to Lusaka. (B, L, D)

Day 5 Lusaka. This morning we will disembark the train in Zambia's capital city for a visit to the nearby Kafue National Park. The park is Zambia's oldest national park and is home to a diverse array of species and a growing population of elephants, many of whom have been protected and rehabilitated in the park's elephant sanctuary. During the visit to the sanctuary, we will learn about these fascinating creatures and the efforts of the park to conserve and protect the population for years to come. Following our visit, return to the train for lunch and enjoy a relaxing afternoon and evening on board. (B, L, D)

Days 6 to 8 South Luangwa National Park. Leave the train in Ndola and transfer by charter flight to South Luangwa National Park for a three night stay and exploration. Founded as a game reserve in 1904, and designated a national park since 1975, South Luangwa National Park is one of the best locations to see wildlife in Zambia. Enjoy game drives through the park in order to try and catch a glimpse of the many species that make their homes here. Lions, elephants, and more roam this dramatic landscape, and a vast number of bird species can also be seen in this protected area. Stay overnight in comfortable lodge accommodation within the park and relax to the sights and sounds of peaceful nature. (B, L, D)

Day 9 Ndola. Return to Ndola by chartered flight and re-board Rovos Rail. Relax and resituate yourself on board as we journey to the border of the Democratic Republic of Congo, where we will cross overnight. (B, L, D)

Day 10 Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of Congo. This morning, enjoy a driving tour of Lubumbashi, the second largest city in the Democratic Republic of Congo. The city displays a mixture of local Congolese culture and colonial architecture from the city's founding as a centre for mineral mining in the Belgian Congo during the first half of the twentieth century. See the impressive Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral, and the Belgian quarter before returning to the train for lunch. As we depart Lubumbashi and head toward Kolwezi, we will pass the old open-pit cobalt and copper mine in Luishia, a reminder of this important source of the region's mineral wealth. (B, L, D)



Hippo, South Luangwa National Park



Little bee-eater



Elephants, Kafue National Park



Cathedral, Lubumbashi



Peace memorial, Luena



Luanda

Day 11 Kolwezi. Arrive in Kolwezi, another important mining town in the region. Kolwezi sits on one of the largest known copper and cobalt deposits, which has caused a population boom in recent years. This morning, we will have the opportunity to understand more about the industry with a visit to a copper mine to learn about the extraction of this precious metal, and its importance to the region and its people. (B, L, D)

Day 12 At Leisure on Board. Enjoy a day at leisure on board Rovos Rail, and watch the lush countryside roll by from the comfort of the train. We will pass through several smaller towns and villages as we make our way to the border of Angola. (B, L, D)

Day 13 Luau, Angola. Cross into Angola, and visit the town of Luau, where the famous Benguela Railway begins. This railway is the largest and most important in Angola and was constructed by the Portuguese between 1899 and 1929 in order to bring resources and exports from the Belgian Congo to the coast at Lobito, from which it could be exported more widely. After lunch, we will continue down this famous railway and run parallel with the Cassai River. The river has a colossal catchment and encompasses a vast eco-region of 900,000 square kilometres. As we pass through several small towns, you may catch a glimpse of the local fishermen plying their trade on these incredibly rich fishing waters. (B, L, D)

Day 14 Luena. Today, visit Luena in eastern Angola. While small and off the beaten track, the town has a fascinating history and connections to Angola's more recent history. Enjoy a guided walking tour around the town and view the regional museum, as well as monuments to peace following the end of Angola's civil war. Return to the train after the tour for an afternoon at leisure. (B, L, D)

Day 15 Kuito. Continue into central Angola with a visit to Kuito. Built in the heart of the Ovimbundu Kingdoms, this city has undergone many transformations and has a long and chequered history. From its involvement in the European slave trade to a military base during Portuguese rule and during the Angolan Civil War, the city has often found itself at the heart of major events within the country. The construction of the Benguela railway also helped the city to become a major trading hub on the Bié Plateau. (B, L, D)

Day 16 Huambo. Today, visit Huambo one of the most populous cities in Angola. This city was founded in 1912 to assist with the construction of the

Benguela Railway and is now an important hub. Enjoy a tour of the city this morning, before returning to the train for a final afternoon on board. (B, L, D)

Day 17 Lobito to Luanda. After breakfast, disembark from Rovos Rail in Lobito, at the terminus of the Benguela Railway line. We will spend the day exploring Lobito before an evening transfer to the airport for the internal flight to Luanda where we will stay overnight. (B, L, D)

Day 18 Luanda to London After breakfast in the hotel we will transfer to Luanda Airport for our scheduled indirect flight to London. (B)

Day 19 London. Arrive today.

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Royal Suite	£26795
Pullman Suite for sole use	£22495
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THE CALL OF AFRICA

A journey between Cape Town & Dar es Salaam aboard the luxurious Rovos Rail

6th to 26th October 2027

Africa captures the imagination like no other continent and its varied cultures, extraordinary wildlife and perhaps most of all, the majesty of its landscape cast a lifelong spell on all who visit. For this journey through South Africa, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Zambia and Tanzania, one of the great train journeys of the world, Rovos Rail have provided us with a selection of cabins aboard their luxurious private train. Some of the most evocative journeys in the world are to be had on board a train and nowhere is this truer than in Africa where the timeless landscapes can be enjoyed from the considerable comfort of your carriage, providing an eye-level view of the absorbing scenery. From Cape Town we will travel the length of South Africa visiting the diamond town of Kimberley, the nation's capital of Pretoria and stay two nights in a private lodge in the Madikwe Game Reserve. Cross the border to the magnificent Victoria Falls and then across the mighty Zambezi River, travelling north to Zambia where we join the Tazara Railway line and visit the Chisimba Falls before we continue on to the Tanzanian border for our day in the magnificent Nyere National Park. Finally we reach the bustling city of Dar es Salaam where our epic journey concludes.



The Itinerary

Day 1 London to Cape Town, South Africa. Fly by scheduled flight.

Day 2 Cape Town. Arrive today and transfer to our hotel for a two night stay. The remainder of the day and evening are free to relax in the hotel or explore independently.

Day 3 Cape Town. This morning, enjoy a half day tour of Cape Town. On your way into the city, view famous landmarks such as the Castle of Good Hope, St George's Cathedral, and the Malay Quarter. Witness the firing of the noonday gun at Signal Hill, before proceeding to Table Mountain, where you will have the option to ascend via Cable Car. On a clear day, you can see across the bay to Robben Island and Cape Point. Weather permitting, enjoy walks around the top to view the unique flora that grows around this famous peak. Alternatively, return to the hotel and enjoy the remainder of your day at leisure. (B)

Day 4 Cape Town to Matjiesfontein. After breakfast we transfer to Cape Town train station to board Rovos Rail. Settle into your cabin and enjoy the changing landscape as we travel to Matjiesfontein, arriving in the early evening with time for a stroll through this quaint and historic little village. Of special interest is the museum on the platform and a collection of historic cars and railway carriages. (B, L, D)

Day 5 On Board. Spend the day on the train as we traverse the Karoo, a vast semi-desert region that was once an enormous inland sea. Over millions of years, volcanic matter was ground down and deposited as silt upon the seabed to form what geologists call the Karoo system. (B, L, D)

Day 6 Kimberley. Arrive today in Kimberley, the capital of the Northern Cape and well known for the discovery of diamonds that led to its establishment in 1871. A tour of the city includes the 'Big Hole' and the Diamond Mine Museum. Depart over lunch and spend a relaxing afternoon on the train. (B, L, D)

Day 7 Pretoria. This morning, we pull into Pretoria, one of the most picturesque of South African cities. Enjoy a tour of the station and locomotive workshops followed by lunch on the platform and a

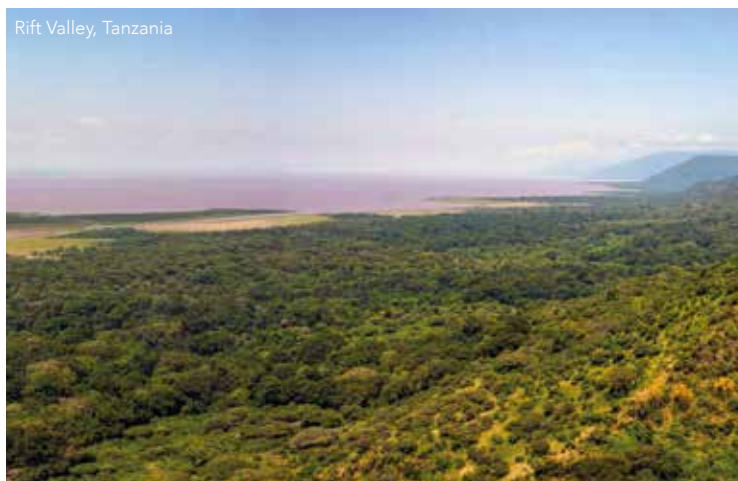
city tour of Pretoria. Return to the train in the early evening and depart for Zeerust. (B, L, D)

Days 8 & 9 Madikwe Game Reserve. Arrive this morning at Zeerust and transfer to the Madikwe Game Reserve for a two-night stay at Tau Game Lodge. Madikwe is a prime malaria-free Big Five wildlife reserve bordering Botswana. It lies within a transition zone between the Northwest Province bushveld and Kalahari thornveld with enormous volcanic intrusions, wide open plains and the riverine environment along the Marico River. As a result, the region is host to an incredible diversity of species from both ecosystems with a rich assortment of vegetation and more than 300 resident and migrant bird species. We will take part in early morning and evening game drive in addition to other activities and make the most of the lodge's excellent facilities. (B, L, D)

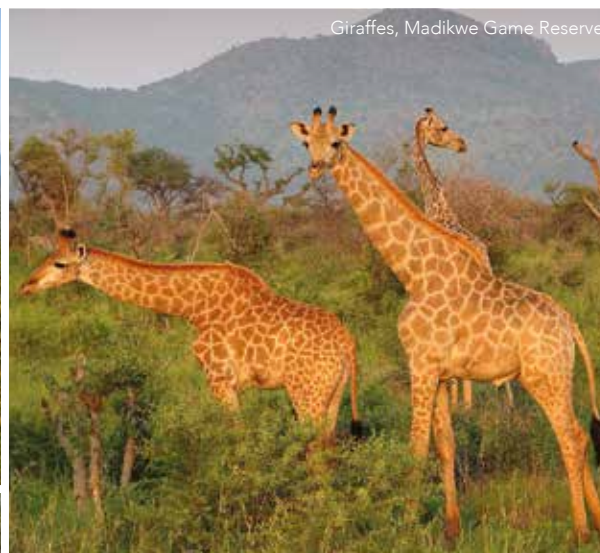
Day 10 Gaborone, Botswana. After an early morning game drive, we reboard our train in Gaborone for a mid-day departure. We will have border formalities for Botswana before lunch is served. This afternoon the train crosses the Tropic of Capricorn and the eastern edge of the Kalahari Basin. Known as 'Kgalagadi' in Botswana, the Kalahari (which covers much of Botswana, parts of Namibia and South Africa) is not a true desert as it does experience small amounts of rain, with some areas enjoying up to 250 mm per annum. The surrounding basin extends farther into Botswana, Namibia and South Africa and encroaching into parts of Angola, Zambia and Zimbabwe. It is part desert, part plateau. The only constant river, the Okavango, flows into a delta in the northwest forming marshes that are rich in wildlife. (B, L, D)

Day 11 En-route. Enjoy the day on board travelling through Zimbabwe. An expert historian will provide morning and afternoon talks. We pass Gwaai and Dete along one of Africa's longest stretches of straight railway line – 114 kilometres and along the eastern edge of the Hwange National Park. (B, L, D)

Day 12 Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. Arrive at Victoria Falls this morning and walk from the train to the 'Grand Lady' Victoria Falls Hotel where we have an overnight stay. After lunch in the hotel there will be some free time before we meet in the late afternoon for a sunset cruise on the Zambezi River, a magical experience. Dinner will be taken at the hotel. (B, L, D)



Rift Valley, Tanzania



Giraffes, Madikwe Game Reserve



Table Mountain, Cape Town



Historic ox-carts, Matjiesfontein



The 'Big Hole' at Kimberley



Chisimba Falls

Day 13 Victoria Falls. Enjoy a relaxing day at leisure at Victoria Falls. A selection of optional tours will be offered for an additional cost, for example, join a guided tour of the falls, take the 'Flight of Angels' or enjoy a round of golf. In the late afternoon re-board the train and depart for Zambia with border formalities en-route. (B, L, D)

Days 14 & 15 En-route. Two leisurely days on board our train to enjoy the good food and company whilst admiring the passing scenery as we journey through Zambia. We will cross the Kafue Railway Bridge – a 477-metre-long steel girder truss bridge of 13 spans each at 33 metres supported on concrete piers. Also pass Lusaka as we use the Tazara railway line through some remote territory. There will be lectures on board during the day. (B, L, D)

Day 16 Chisimba Falls, Zambia. Today we disembark in Kasama for an excursion to Chisimba Falls, a combination of three successive waterfalls. According to Bemba tradition, the nature spirit 'Chishimba' lives in a cave behind the falls therefore no bad behaviour is allowed in this area. Though the Bemba people arrived here in the 17th century, they weren't the first as the land surrounding the falls is dotted with evidence of Iron Age activities including kilns, smelting pipes and iron ore deposits. Return to the train for our onward journey. There will be border formalities as we cross from Zambia to Tanzania. (B, L, D)

Day 17 On board. Relax on board as the train traverses the Rift Valley and baobab forests towards Mbeya. The Southern Highlands of Tanzania are covered with grasslands, savannas, woodlands and forests. Miombo woodland and savanna predominates at lower elevations while the higher mountains are home to Afromontane evergreen forests, grasslands and shrublands, and part of the Southern Rift montane forest grassland mosaic ecoregion, which extends into the nearby mountains of Malawi and Zambia. (B, L, D)

Day 18 Makambako, Tanzania. After breakfast we will arrive in Makambako and commence our descent through the spectacular pass to Mlimba. The train travels alongside the Udzungwa Mountains as it negotiates the tunnels, switchbacks and viaducts of the escarpment.

Day 19 Nyerere National Park. Enjoy a game visit and lunch

(weather permitting) in the Nyerere National Park, the largest in Africa at 30 000 square kilometres. (B, L, D)

Day 20 Dar es Salaam to London. Disembark this morning in Dar es Salaam where we take a panoramic tour followed by lunch. Later we will transfer to the airport for our scheduled indirect flight to London. (B, L).

Day 21 London. Arrive today.

PRICES PER PERSON

Based on double occupancy

Pullman Suite	£16995
Deluxe Suite	£20995
Royal Suite	£25995
Pullman Suite for sole use	£21995
Deluxe Suite for sole use	£27495

PRICE INCLUDES: Economy class scheduled air travel • Two nights hotel accommodation in Cape Town • 13 nights aboard Rovos Rail • Two nights hotel accommodation at Madikwe Game Reserve • Overnight hotel accommodation at Victoria Falls • Meals as indicated (B – Breakfast, L – Lunch, D – Dinner) • All drinks on Rovos Rail (excluding premium brands) • Limited laundry service on Rovos Rail • Excursions • Entrance fees • Local guides • Noble Caledonia Tour Manager • Rovos Rail Train Manager • Gratuities • Transfers • Airport taxes.

Not Included: Travel insurance, visas for Zimbabwe, Zambia & Tanzania, drinks with meals off the train, optional excursions in Victoria Falls.

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