

16 DAY BUCKET LIST TOUR

# LUXURY AFRICAN RAIL

\$7999

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VICTORIA FALLS • PILANESBERG GAME RESERVE • PRIDE OF AFRICA TRAIN

## THE OFFER

Southern Africa is home to some of the world's most striking landscapes. From its highest peaks to the deepest valleys, bustling cities to endless grasslands where wild animals outnumber the people, every inch of the land has the power to inspire and transform.

Witness the awe-inspiring power of Victoria Falls, a true world wonder; enjoy a sunset cruise along the mighty Zambezi River; and unwind at the gorgeous Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, surrounded by wild bushland frequented by elephants and other wildlife. Search for wild lions, rhinos, leopards and more on up to six safari drives within the biodiverse Pilanesberg Game Reserve, staying at the beautiful 5-star Ivory Tree Game Lodge. Experience one of South Africa's most famous rail journeys with two nights aboard the Rovos Rail 'Pride of Africa' train, stopping to visit historic Kimberley and Matjiesfontein. Stay in a Pullman Suite or Deluxe Suite aboard the train, depending on your option chosen. Continue on to vibrant Cape Town where you'll get to unwind with free time and also enjoy a guided tour of the scenic Cape Peninsula. Package includes return international flights, 11 nights 4-5 star hotel and lodge accommodation, a two night rail journey and more. Have more time? Choose the 18 day package.

16 DAY PACKAGE

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18 DAY PACKAGE

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## 16 Day Standard Package

### Day 1 Australia - Johannesburg - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Today depart from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or \*Perth for Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (via Johannesburg).

*Please note:*

Some customers may have up to a 7 hour layover in Perth during the day time.

Some customers may require an overnight stay in Johannesburg on Day 1, and complimentary airport hotel and accommodation will be provided.

**Meals included: In-Flight**

### Day 2 Welcome to Victoria Falls

Upon arrival into Victoria Falls you will be met and transferred to your safari lodge. Check-in will be from 2pm onwards. The remainder of the day is free at leisure.

Situated on a plateau just 4km from majestic Victoria Falls, the award-winning Victoria Falls Safari Lodge is surrounded by the wilds of Africa and offers an unforgettable experience. The sunset facing rooms offer endless views of the African bush stretching to the horizon, which includes a waterhole frequented by elephants, buffalo, kudu and other wildlife, as well as a rich variety of birds.

**Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe**

**Meals included: None**

### Day 3 Victoria Falls - Guided Tour of the Falls

This morning you will be collected from the lodge and transferred to the Falls. Visiting Victoria Falls is a truly awe-inspiring experience – the sight, the sound, the smell; the humbling feeling that you are witnessing one of nature's supreme masterpieces. No photograph can begin to depict the reality and nothing prepares you for your first sight.

The tour is conducted in the morning (approx. 3 hours). En route, you may be taken past the 'Big Tree', where you may stop and take photos. You will be accompanied through the rainforest by a qualified guide who will give a brief history of the falls themselves, as well as detailing the flora, fauna, bird and wildlife and other points of interest. Guides are also happy to assist travellers with photographs whilst visiting this most spectacular of waterfalls. Raincoats are provided when needed.

Enjoy the afternoon at leisure.

**Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

### Day 4 Victoria Falls - Zambezi Sunset Cruise

Today you will have the morning and early afternoon at leisure. In the late afternoon, you will be picked up and transferred to the jetty for a Zambezi Sundowner Cruise.

The Zambezi Sunset Cruise is a superb way to relax and enjoy the spectacular beauty of the Zambezi River. You may have the opportunity to see a variety of game; including hippo, crocodile and elephant as well as enjoy the many different bird species. The cruise includes finger snacks, beer, wine, local

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spirits and soft drinks.

Alternative Activity - Full Day Chobe Tour - \$200 AUD per person

A Chobe Day Trip is the ideal opportunity to experience the amazing fauna and flora that Africa has to offer, with the world renowned Chobe National Park only a mere 80km away. Guests will get a chance to experience the Park on a game drive and a boat cruise. Chobe National Park is well known for its large herds of elephant that frequent the Chobe River on a daily basis. In the dry season an estimate of up to 85,000 elephants can be dispersed within the Chobe National Park, where the majority of them can be found along the river. Apart from the herds of elephants, Chobe also has lots more to offer. The Park has lion, leopard, buffalo and a whole host of antelope like sable, puku, kudu, eland, roan and many others which you can get to see. The river is filled with big pods of hippos and some of the biggest crocodiles in Africa.

You will be picked up from your Victoria Falls hotel and transferred to the Kazungula border where a Botswana guide will meet you. You will proceed straight to a morning cruise where you will spend the morning game viewing along the Chobe River. The cruise will end at around midday and you will go to a hotel on the riverbank for lunch. After lunch, you will board safari vehicles for an afternoon game drive in the Chobe National Park. Following this you will be taken back to the Kazungula Border where they will be met by their Zimbabwean guide for your return transfer to Victoria Falls arriving in the evening.

*Please note: Customers who purchase this tour will be forfeiting the Zambezi Sunset Cruise as there is not enough time for both activities.*

**Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

**Day 5 Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - Johannesburg, South Africa**

Today after breakfast you will check out of the lodge and be transferred to the airport for your flight to Johannesburg, South Africa. Upon arrival you will take the complimentary hotel shuttle to the hotel where you may enjoy an evening at leisure.

**Overnight: Protea Hotel O.R Tambo Airport or similar, Johannesburg, South Africa**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

**Day 6 Johannesburg - Ivory Tree Game Lodge**

Depart early today and travel onwards to your five-star safari lodge in the Pilanesberg Game Reserve (approx. 2.5-3 hours). Arrive in time for lunch followed by your first afternoon game drive.

Pilanesberg Game Reserve is set in the crater of a long extinct volcano, and ranks among the largest of the parks in South Africa. It's situated within the transition zone between the dry Kalahari and the wetter Lowveld vegetation, commonly referred to as Bushveld. Unique overlaps of mammals, birds and vegetation occur because of this transition zone. The fascinating combination of geology, landscape and rainfall gives rise to different patterns of vegetation - wide open grasslands, steep hill slopes, rocky outcrops, wooded valleys, thickets and thickly wooded gorges. Pilanesberg accommodates virtually every mammal of southern Africa and is also home to healthy populations of lion, leopard, black



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and white rhino, elephant and buffalo. A wide variety of rare and common species exist here such as the nocturnal brown hyaena, the fleet-footed cheetah and the majestic sable. Bird watching is excellent with over 300 species recorded.

Ivory Tree Game Lodge is a five-star game lodge located inside the Pilanesberg Game Reserve. The lodge's thatched rooms are elegantly furnished with African themes and each comes with a patio, air-conditioning and en-suite bathroom with bath and shower. The main area consists of two lounges, a cocktail bar, dining room, outdoor pool and a fire pit. The safari lodge experience includes guided game drives in a 10-seater safari vehicle through the magnificent game reserve. Other activities offered in the surrounding area include archery, quad biking and bird watching (not included - available at extra cost).

**Overnight: Ivory Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg Game Reserve, South Africa**

**Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner**

### Day 7 Ivory Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg National Park

Begin the day with an early morning game drive through the reserve. Game drives are conducted in comfortable, open 4X4 Land Rovers accompanied by professional English speaking field rangers and trackers, ensuring an informative and detailed safari experience. Keep your cameras ready for some incredible photo opportunities. Return to the lodge mid-morning for breakfast and a little R&R before heading out again to spot more wildlife on an evening safari. Afterwards, wind down your evening with a few sundowners before dinner.

**Overnight: Ivory Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg Game Reserve, South Africa**

**Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner**

### Day 8 Ivory Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg National Park

Discover new and exciting areas of Pilanesberg Game Reserve and its diverse wildlife with another early morning and evening game drive.

**Overnight: Ivory Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg Game Reserve, South Africa**

**Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner**

### Day 9 Ivory Tree Game Lodge - Pretoria - Begin Rovos Rail Journey

This morning you will be picked up and transferred to Pretoria where you will begin your luxury two night rail experience on board the famous Rovos Rail 'Pride of Africa' train in a Pullman Suite. The train will depart at approx. 11:00am.

The Rovos Rail company operates two restored classic trains each with 20 renovated original coaches; some from before the 1920s! Each train accommodates a maximum of 72 passengers in luxury and style. The trains feature traditional authentic furnishings and classic decor with classic wooden panelling a feature throughout. Elegance and grandeur are evident throughout all the coaches and are matched by exceptional service and cuisine.

*Please note there is a dress code for Rovos Rail journey. Days on board are smart casual: Neat, conventional yet relatively informal in style combining casual and formal clothing pieces whilst evening attire is more formal: For gentlemen a jacket and tie is a minimum requirement while for ladies we suggest cocktail/evening dress.*

Please note: Customers interested in a Deluxe Suite upgrade, please contact TripADeal to inquire about pricing and availability.

**Overnight: Rovos Rail's Pride of Africa - (In chosen suite**

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**Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner**

#### Day 10 Kimberley

Today enjoy the scenery as you travel to Kimberley. Breakfast is served between 7:00am and 9.45am. At approx. 10am you will arrive in Kimberley where you will board a bus for a guided tour of this historical city, including its Diamond Mine Museum and the extraordinary Big Hole on the outskirts of the city. Return to the train at around 12.30pm and enjoy lunch in the dining cars. Continue west onwards to Matjiesfontein this evening.

**Overnight: Rovos Rail's Pride of Africa - (In chosen suite category)**

**Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner**

#### Day 11 Matjiesfontein - Cape Town

This morning enjoy breakfast aboard the train until 10:00am. At approx. 8:00am there is a chance for guests to disembark the train at Whitehill Siding and walk the five kilometres into Matjiesfontein with a member of staff accompanying them.

Alternatively, at approx. 8.30am the train will arrive into the historic village of Matjiesfontein where you may enjoy a scenic stroll at leisure. Of special interest is the local museum on the platform and a collection of historic cars and railway carriages to the right of the Lord Milner Hotel. The train will depart Matjiesfontein at approx. 10:30am for Cape Town. You may enjoy lunch and afternoon tea before arriving at approx. 6:00pm. Upon arrival into Cape Town, you will be met and transferred to the hotel where you may enjoy an evening at leisure.

The Cape Milner is an oasis in Cape Town where you can enjoy modern comforts away from home. Situated in the trendy central suburb of Tamboerskloof at the foot of Table Mountain, The Cape Milner Hotel is close to the V&A Waterfront as well as the pristine white beaches of Camps Bay and Clifton. The Cape Milner Hotel is a 10-15 minute complimentary shuttle ride away to the V&A Waterfront and a short 5-10 minute drive/taxi to the pristine white beaches of Camps Bay and Clifton.

**Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa**

**Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch**

#### Day 12 Cape Town Free Day

Enjoy a free day at leisure to experience the vibrant city of Cape Town. Alternatively, you can take part in an optional activity to see the highlights of Cape Town on a half day city tour (not included).

Optional Activity: Cape Town Half Day City Tour: \$80 per person

Situated below Table Mountain, Devil's Peak and Lion's Head, Cape Town offers a rich cultural and industrial heritage, grand splendour and an assurance of activity & excitement. This optional tour is a geographical and cultural extravaganza, showing you Cape Town, from its historical beginnings to the dazzling, modern city it is today.

The tour commences with a visit to Table Mountain (weather permitting; cable car fee not included). Enjoy panoramic views over the Mother City and Robben Island in the distance lying sleepily in Table Bay harbour. In the heart of the city enjoy for a short walk through the Company Gardens. From squirrels to a variety of plant life, it's just a happy place to soak up some

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'Cape Town vibes' and enjoy the aviaries and fishponds. On the Wale Street end of the garden you will find a monument which was created to commemorate the life and work of Desmond Tutu – lovingly referred to by South Africans as “The Arch” and a tribute to the values of the South African Constitution. Arch for Arch was installed beside historic St. Georges Cathedral aka “People’s Cathedral” for its role in the resistance against apartheid. Step inside the Slave Lodge which explores the history of these unwilling immigrants and how they have contributed to the richness and diversity of South African history. As you drive through the city you shall get a feel for the cultural melting pot that it is. End the tour with a stop at Truth Café a ‘steampunk inspired’ artisan coffee shop serving all hand-roasted coffees in a vintage cast-iron drum (any meals for own account). Return to your hotel upon completion of the tour where you may enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

**Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

#### Day 13 Cape Town - Full Day Peninsula Tour

This awe-inspiring tour (approx. 9 hours) to the towering headland known as Cape Point encompasses magnificent beaches, breathtaking views, and picturesque coastal villages. The Cape Peninsula is one of the world’s most scenic areas and stretches from the city centre all the way to Cape Point. In Simon’s Town you will stop for the chance to see penguins and enjoy some lunch (not included). On the way back you will also visit the beautiful Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden. Note: The drive via Chapman’s Peak is subject to the road being open. Ou Kaapse Weg (mountain pass in Cape Town) will be used as an alternative route when necessary.

**Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

#### Day 14 Cape Town Free Day

Enjoy a free day at leisure to experience the vibrant city of Cape Town. Alternatively, you can take part in an optional Cape Winelands Tour (not included).

Optional Activity: Full Day Cape Winelands Tour - \$130 per person

This morning after breakfast depart on a full day Cape Winelands Tour. This delightful drive winds its way to the heart of the Cape Winelands, through superb mountain ranges, vineyards and Cape Dutch homesteads. Head to the heart of South Africa’s wine industry, Stellenbosch. Beautiful and culturally rich, the region is steeped in South African history. Walk down the canal-lined avenues, in the shade of giant oak trees and beautifully preserved historic buildings. Enjoy the first wine tasting of the day at the Waterford Estate or similar. Travel over the Helshoogte Pass to the town of Franschoek, historically dating back to the 17th century when the French Huguenots arrived. Billed as the Gourmet Capital of South Africa, this charming town in a most picturesque valley retains a French Huguenot style. Enjoy a wine tasting before enjoying the fabled culinary skills of the Franschoek chefs at one of the many award winning restaurants (lunch not included). Onward to Paarl, one of the Cape’s first farming districts. The town is set at the foot of the cluster of remarkable granite domes from which it takes its name. The last stop for the day is at a wine estate on the Paarl wine route. Return to the bustle of city life after an enthralling day in the countryside, arriving back at the hotel early evening.

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**Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

#### Day 15 Cape Town, South Africa - Australia

Today you will be transferred to Cape Town Airport for your return flight back to Australia.

**Meals included: Breakfast;In-Flight**

#### Day 16 Arrive in Australia

*Please note: some flights may arrive in Australia +1 day later.*

#### 18 Day with Stellenbosch Extension Package

##### Day 15 Cape Town - Stellenbosch

This morning transfer to the nearby town of Stellenbosch where you will spend the next two nights in your boutique 4-star guesthouse accommodation. Check in will be available from 2pm onwards and luggage storage will be available until check in. The remainder of the day is free at leisure.

Stellenbosch is a university town in South Africa's Western Cape province. It's surrounded by the vineyards of the Cape Winelands and the mountainous nature reserves of Jonkershoek and Simonsberg. The town's oak-shaded streets are lined with cafes, boutiques and art galleries. Cape Dutch architecture gives a sense of South Africa's Dutch colonial history, as do the Village Museum's period houses and gardens.

If there's one thing that Stellenbosch is renowned for, it's wine. There are hundreds of estates scattered around the outskirts

of the town, many of which produce world-class wines.

**Overnight: Hunneyball House or Roosenwijn Guest House, Stellenbosch**

**Meals included: None**

##### Day 16 Stellenbosch Free Day

Today is free at leisure or alternatively take part in an optional wine tour offered by your hosts (not included).

**Overnight: Hunneyball House or Roosenwijn Guest House, Stellenbosch**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

##### Day 17 Stellenbosch to Cape Town, South Africa - Australia

Today you will be transferred to Cape Town Airport for your return flight back to Australia.

**Meals included: Breakfast;In-Flight**

##### Day 18 Arrive in Australia

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## TOUR INCLUSIONS

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Witness the awe-inspiring beauty of Victoria Falls
- Stay at an awards winning Safari Lodge in Victoria falls
- Look for hippos, crocodiles and elephants on a sunset cruise along the Zambezi River
- Stay a night in Johannesburg, South Africa's capital city
- Go on safari within the magnificent Pilanesberg Game Reserve
- Experience up to 6 safari game drives with qualified rangers
- Search for elephants, rhinos, lions, buffalo and leopards in open air 4x4 vehicles
- Travel on Rovos Rail's luxurious 'Pride of Africa' train
- Travel by rail to Kimberley in the Northern Cape Province
- Visit the Diamond Mine Museum and Kimberley's 'big hole'
- Discover the historical village of Matjiesfontein
- Experience a full day Cape Peninsula Tour
- Explore the beautiful Kirstenbosch Botanical Garden
- Visit Cape Nature Reserve and Simon's Town Penguin Colony
- Relax with 2 days at leisure in vibrant Cape Town

### FLIGHTS

- Return international flights (economy class) ex SYD/MEL/BNE/ADL/\*PER
- 1 x international flight (economy class): Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe to Johannesburg, South Africa

### ACCOMMODATION

- 3 nights 4-star accommodation at Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls
- 4 nights 4-star accommodation at Cape Milner Hotel, Cape Town
- 2 nights luxury rail experience on board Rovos Rail's 'Pride of Africa'
- Stay in a beautiful Pullman Suite or Deluxe Suite, depending on your

option chosen

- 3 nights 5-star accommodation at Ivory Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg Game Reserve
- 1 night 4-star accommodation in Johannesburg

### DINING

- Enjoy 23 meals including daily breakfast
- All alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages while on the 'Pride of Africa'

### TOUR ESSENTIALS

- National Park entrance fees
- English-speaking guides
- Qualified safari field rangers and trackers
- Airport taxes and surcharges

### TRANSPORT

- Transportation by private A/C vehicles
- Transportation by open air 4x4 vehicles (safari drives)

### TRANSFERS

- Return airport transfers

### 18 DAY WITH STELLENBOSCH EXTENSION

- All of the above, plus the following:
- 2 additional nights accommodation in 4 star boutique guesthouse accommodation
- 2 additional meals
- Enjoy a day at leisure in the Stellenbosch area
- Experience the Cape Winelands and the mountainous nature reserves of Jonkershoek and Simonsberg



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

\*Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.

## BOOKING INFORMATION

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. The Passenger Information Form must be completed within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer you are bound by the General Terms and Conditions, in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

*Please note: all additional charges are payable direct to your Travel Consultant in AUD (unless otherwise stated).*

## OFFER ESSENTIALS

Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 9th of September 2021.

This travel offer is priced for one person based on twin share.

## Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers a mandatory single supplement applies:

16 Day Package: \$2350

18 Day Package: \$2550

## Departure Dates

Please see the TripADeal website for current departure dates.

## Surcharges

*Please note: dates/months with a \* incur a land high season surcharge of \$250 per person.*

## Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or \*Perth

## Departure City Surcharges

\*Perth: \$150 per person

## FLIGHTS

### Full Service Airline(s) Used

South African Airways, Singapore Airlines, Qantas Airways, British Airways and airline partners (subject to availability).

*Please note: One way flights can not be accommodated. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.*

## Arrive early in Victoria Falls

\$200 per person, subject to availability

*Please note:*

- This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.

- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.

- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

- Blackout dates apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

\* 17th September 2020 - 11 October 2020

\* 10 December 2020 - 20 January 2021

\* 1 April 2021 - 25 April 2021

\* 20 June 2021 - 22 July 2021

\* 17 September 2021 - 11 October 2021

\* 6 December 2021 - 30 January 2022

## Stay behind in Cape Town

\$200 per person, subject to availability

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## Stopover Packages

Not Available

## Flight Class Upgrades

Premium Economy (International Long Haul Sectors Only): Starting from: \$1899

Business Class (International Long Haul Sectors Only): Starting from: \$4599

*Please note:*

- \*Starting from quotes will be processed and returned for your consideration.

- All Premium Economy and Business Class upgrades are subject to availability (if we are not able to fulfill your business class request the upgrade cost will be refunded).

- On any upgrade purchase, short haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed in a Premium or Business cabin; subject to aircraft configuration.



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## ACCOMMODATION

### Accommodation Used

#### 16 Day Package

4-5 Star (self-rated)

- Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge

- Johannesburg, South Africa: Protea Hotel O.R Tambo Airport or similar

- Pilanesberg Game Reserve, South Africa: Ivory Tree Game Lodge

- Rail: Rovos Rail's 'Pride of Africa' train

- Cape Town, South Africa: Cape Milner Hotel

#### 18 Day Package

4 Star (self-rated)

- Stellenbosch: Hunneyball House or Roosenwijn Guest House

*Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed, no later than two weeks prior to travel.*

### Extra Nights

Not Available

### Maximum Room Capacity

2 people

### Child Policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.

- Valid for Children 12 years old and over.

*Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.*

### Triple Share

Not Available

### Bedding Configuration

2 x Single or 1 x King/Queen (subject to availability).

## Adjoining / Interconnecting Rooms

Subject to availability and at the hotels discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

## GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Minimum group size 2, maximum group size 14 per vehicle.

## Rovos Rail Information

Pullman Suites (7 m<sup>2</sup>) are equipped with a comfortable sofa-seat during the day, with a conversion to double or twin beds for the evening, and also have an en-suite bathroom with shower. The wood-panelled sleeper coaches, remodelled and refurbished to mint condition, offer every modern convenience and comfort. Please note twin bedding configuration in the Pullman Suite comes in the form of bunk beds.

Deluxe Suites (10 m<sup>2</sup>) accommodate two passengers in either twin or double beds and have a lounge area and en-suite bathroom with shower. The wood-panelled rebuilt sleeper coaches, remodelled and refurbished to mint condition, offer every modern convenience and comfort.

In both Pullman and Deluxe suites en-suite bathrooms, original fittings combine with the modern technology of hot showers, hair dryers and shaver plugs. The spacious suites offer passengers the opportunity to travel in privacy, comfort and luxury, with fittings and facilities that are of the highest standard. They are also equipped with a writing surface and a personal safe for valuables. There is also a bar fridge filled with beverages of the passengers' choice and room service is available 24 hours a day.

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*tie is a minimum requirement while for ladies we suggest cocktail/evening dress.*

## Optional Tours / Activities

Day 4: Full Day Chobe Tour - \$200 AUD per person

Day 12: Cape Town Half Day City Tour - \$80 AUD per person

Day 14: Cape Winelands Tour - \$120 AUD per person

Rovos Rail: Deluxe Suite Upgrade - Please inquire with TripADeal about pricing and availability

### *Please note:*

- prices are based on per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions

- The optional tours listed above must be purchased on checkout or over the phone prior to submitting your passenger information form (subject to availability)

- Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.

## EXCLUSIONS

- Visa fees and requirements (A visa for South Africa is not required if travelling on an Australian passport but a visa is required for Zimbabwe - purchased on arrival into Victoria Falls)

- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary

- Optional gratuities/tipping

- Optional activities/tours

- Personal expenses

- Travel insurance (Mandatory)

*Please note: A comprehensive travel Insurance policy must be organised BEFORE all details can be finalised.*

## OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

#### Tour Guide:



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Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction in which he or she is guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves the group at the end of the tour, they do not travel with the group.

## Tour Leader:

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides in each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village, and offer information on the place visited on the bus, however they are not required to have specific knowledge on art, architecture, or history. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and if caught doing so, can be fined.

*Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when particularly required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.*

## CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

### Victoria Falls:

In the area of Victoria Falls, the climate is sub-tropical, with a mild and dry winter from mid-May to mid-August (during which, however, nights are cold), and a hot, muggy and rainy summer from mid-November to mid-March. The rains occur in the form of downpours or thunderstorms. Between September and

November, before the rainy season, there is a hot period, which is in fact the hottest of the year, with temperatures easily reaching 35°C, and sometimes up to 40°C, even though the humidity is not as high as in summer. October is the hottest month of the year. On the contrary, in winter, when during the day the weather is nice, the temperature at night may approach freezing (0°C).

### Johannesburg Area:

Johannesburg is situated on the highveld plateau, and has a subtropical highland climate. The city enjoys a sunny climate, with the summer months (October to April) characterised by hot days followed by afternoon thundershowers and cool evenings, and the winter months (May to September) by dry, sunny days followed by cold nights. Temperatures in Johannesburg are usually fairly mild due to the city's high elevation, with an average maximum daytime temperature in January of 25.6°C, dropping to an average maximum of around 16°C in June. The UV index for Johannesburg in summers is extreme, often reaching 14-16 due to the high elevation and proximity to the equator.

### Cape Town:

Cape Town has a Mediterranean-style climate: wet and cool winters, dry and warm summers. The annual average temperature in Cape Town is a delightful 17°C. Cape Town lies on the 34th latitude South, together with Casablanca, Los Angeles and Sydney.

## FLIGHTS

### Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points:

At TripADeal we do not arrange seat selection. It is important to highlight that some Airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the Airline directly with seating allocation requirements and or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your

seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the Airline once you have your flight information.

### Passport Validity:

Customers are required to provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase, or no later than 45 days prior to departure date. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of the booking. In this instance customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred.

## COACH TOUR

### Meals:

23 meals are included in the tour, for all other meals; lunches and dinners the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify TripADeal of any dietary requests/requirements. Please note; we will do our best to meet your requests/requirements, however cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

### Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. With regards to luggage, you must carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the uploading and off-loading of the luggage from the coach.

## OTHER

### Fitness Level Required / Mobility:

Our vehicles are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.

Please note: a general level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

prior to purchase/travel.

## Gratuities / Tipping:

Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour and are optional and are at the customer's discretion..

Tipping for all services provided on tour is always a matter of personal discretion, however please be aware that tipping is considered by many locals to be a part of their normal remuneration and they may approach you for payment and there is no need to be intimidated by the request.

## Sightseeing:

*Please note: In the event entrance to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary where possible, will be adjusted or an similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).*

## Shopping:

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all of your receipts.

Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader.

Please refer to our Terms and Conditions in regards to shopping for further information.

## VISAS

### South Africa

- A tourist visa is not required if travelling to South Africa on an Australian Passport.

### Zimbabwe

- Passengers travelling on an Australian passport entering Zimbabwe for tourism purposes are required to pay for a single entry, 30-day visa on point of entry into Victoria Falls and costs \$50 USD (subject to change). This is to be paid in cash on arrival in exact bills as change is not always available.

*Please note: Passengers who are not Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required. It is also important to note, some areas of employment such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations may have additional restrictions in applying for Visas. This may in turn affect the type of application required.*

## INSURANCE

We are proud to offer a range of travel insurance products - please ask your Travel Consultant for more information.

## SCHEDULE OF FEES

### Voluntary Changes

· Changes - \$100.00 per booking + any additional charges applied by the airline/ accommodation/other travel provider.

### Supplier Fees

In the event the Travel Offer you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the Travel Offer due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. TripADeal has committed to these costs as your Agent and will endeavour to recover all funds committed and/or paid for your Travel Offer, but this may

not be possible in all circumstances. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event, TripADeal is unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee. This fee is not revenue-raising and is paid to or withheld by our suppliers when recovering payments.

