



## 2-Night Rovos Rail Cape Town / Pretoria

### Overview

The most luxurious train in the world. The trains - which may be hauled by diesel or electric locomotives at various stages of the journey - carry a maximum of 72 passengers in 36 superbly appointed suites. Pride of place in the Rovos stable goes to the historic and restored Capital Park Station and locomotive yard, which is the heart and headquarters of this private railway company.

### Itinerary

Travel the windswept grasslands of the gold rich Highveld to the haunting barrenness of the Great Karoo, the spectacular mountain ranges and scenic wine lands of the Cape to the Mother City of South Africa, Cape Town, cradled by the imposing bulk of Table Mountain, Devils' Peak and Lions Head.

Highlights of the north and southbound routes include a visit to the historic village of Matjiesfontein. This authentic, perfectly preserved Victorian Village, which was founded by Mr. Logan as a refreshment stop in 1890, also boasts an impressive museum on the Station platform. A stop is also made in Kimberley with an opportunity to enjoy a city tour, the Mine Museum and visit the world's largest man-made excavation, the 'Big Hole'.

### ITINERARY: PRETORIA TO CAPE TOWN

#### Day 1

15h00 The Pride of Africa departs Rovos Rail's Station in Capital Park. Guests may freshen up in their suites before joining fellow travellers in the midway Lounge car or Observation carriage at the rear of the train.

19h30 Dinner is served in the dining car/s.

#### Day 2

07h00 Breakfast is served in the dining car/s until 09h45.

09h30 Ten minutes before arriving in Kimberley there is a shallow lake on the right hand side facing forward. On most occasions there are spectacular flocks of Flamingos (approx. 23 000).

09h45 Arrive in Kimberley. Guests disembark and proceed by coach/combi

### Tour at a Glance

- **Regions:** Cape Town, Karoo, Kimberley, Pretoria
- **Duration:** 3 Days
- **Validity:** 2014-15
- **Min Pax:** 1
- **Highlights:** Rovos Rail Luxury, Off-train excursions
- **Departure Dates:** As per additional information
- **Meals:** Full Board

**FROM**  
**R 16 949.00**  
**PER PERSON**



for a tour of the city, the “ Big Hole “ and the Mine Museum. A ride through the city in an historic tram will be undertaken time and weather permitting.

12h30 Depart Kimberley.

13h00 Lunch is served in the dining car/s.

19h30 Dinner will be served in the dining car/s.

### Day 3

08h00 There is an opportunity to disembark the Train at Whitehill siding and walk or jog the 5 kilometres into Matjiesfontein. The Train Manager or a member of staff will accompany you. Comfortable walking or running shoes are essential.

08h25 The train arrives at Matjiesfontein where you will have a chance to stroll through this historic settlement. Of special interest is the museum on the platform and a collection of historic cars and railway carriages to the right of the Hotel. Breakfast will be served in the dining car/s between 07h00 and 10h00.

10h30 You depart Matjiesfontein passing through Tweedside and Touws River. At 12h00 you reach the first of four tunnels which take us through the Hex River Pass. The second tunnel is 13.5kms long so please be careful if you are walking through the train. If you are in your suite you may wish to turn on a light.

13h00 Lunch will be served as you pass through the Hex River Valley and the town of Worcester.

18h00 Arrival at Platform 24 Cape Town Station where our journey ends.

## **REVERSE ITINERARY: CAPE TOWN TO PRETORIA**

### Day 1

11h00 The train departs from Platform 23 Cape Town Station.

Guests may freshen up in their suites before joining other guests in the midway Lounge car or the Observation carriage at the rear of the train.

13h00 Lunch will be served in the dining car/s.

15h00 You pass through Worcester on the way to the village of Matjiesfontein.

At 15h30 you reach the first of four tunnels which take us through the Hex River Pass. The third tunnel is 13.5kms long so please be careful if you are walking through the train. If you are in your suite you may wish to turn on a light.

17h45 Guests may disembark at Matjiesfontein 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 to the right of the Hotel. (For refreshments you recommend the pub in the Lord Milner Hotel).

19h00 You depart Matjiesfontein.

19h30 Dinner will be served in the dining car/s.

### Day 2

07h00 Breakfast will be served in the dining car/s until 10h00.

12h30 Lunch is served in the dining car/s.

14h30 The train arrives in Kimberley. Here you disembark and proceed by coach/combi for a tour of the city, the “ Big Hole ” and the Mine Museum. A ride through the city in an historic tram will be undertaken time and weather permitting.

16h00 Rejoin the train at Kimberley station.

16h10 Ten minutes after departing Kimberley there is a shallow lake on the left hand side facing forward. On most occasions there are spectacular flocks of Flamingos (approx. 23 000).



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19h30 Dinner will be served in the dining car/s as you pass through Bloemhof and Leeudoringstad en route to Klerksdorp.

### **Day 3**

07h00 Breakfast will be served in the dining car/s until 10h00.

The train continues the journey towards Pretoria passing through Krugersdorp, Johannesburg and Germiston.

10h45 You arrive at Centurion where one or two of our Rovos locomotives will collect us for the final leg of our journey.

12h00 Arrive Rovos Rail Station in Capital Park, Pretoria

### **Price**

#### **01 Aug - 30 Sep 2014**

R16 949 per person sharing twin / double Pullman Suite

R8475 single supplement

#### **01 Oct - 30 Sep 2015**

R18 016 per person sharing twin / double Pullman Suite

R9008 single supplement