



Friday · November 19th, 2021 - Sunday · November 21st, 2021

# Life's Journey Travel - Rovos Rail Post Itinerary

Itinerary for VIP Clients of Debra Harris

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## Important Information - Passport and Visa Information - South Africa, Namibia, Zimbabwe, Zambia (US Passport Holders)

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION** - US passports do not require visas to enter South Africa or Namibia BUT must have at least two empty pages in their passports for each country visited. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of departure from the last country visited.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** - US passports do require visas to enter Zimbabwe and Zambia and must have at least two empty pages in their passports for each country visited. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of departure from the last country visited. **On arrival into Victoria Falls**, you should ask for a **Kaza Visa** to cover entry into Zimbabwe and Zambia.

**KAZA Visa costs:** USD 50 per person, valid for 30 days.

Please have exact cash as no change will be given.

***NOTE:** In the event the Kaza visa is NOT available, please be prepared to purchase a separate Zambia and Zimbabwe tourist visas*

**Zimbabwe Tourist Visa costs:** USD30 per person, single entry.

**Zambia Tourist Visa costs:** USD50 per person, single entry.

Please have exact cash as no change will be given.

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## Important Information - Health - South Africa, Zimbabwe, Namibia and Zambia

There are no mandatory vaccinations required for traveling to South Africa, Zimbabwe, Namibia and Zambia. We do recommend you speak with your doctor for advice based on your medical history.

**Malaria is always a concern when traveling to Africa.** Your doctor will best prescribe the necessary medications based on the areas you are traveling to.

## Important Information - Yellow Fever Advisory

### Yellow Fever Advisory

The yellow fever virus is found in tropical and subtropical areas of Africa and South America. The virus is spread to people by the bite of an infected mosquito. Yellow fever is a very rare cause of illness in U.S. travelers, however to prevent getting sick from yellow fever, use insect repellent, wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants, and get vaccinated.

The International Certificate of Vaccination for Yellow Fever is:

•**required in all countries** **IF** you have traveled from/through a known Yellow Fever area/country in the past 6 months. This includes travel in Africa or Central/South America.

Please be certain to arrange for Yellow Fever vaccination at least two weeks prior to travel. You will want to keep your Yellow Fever vaccination certificate with your passport at all times.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Countries may change their vaccination requirements with out notice In some instances border agents may use their discretion to require on-site vaccination, despite officially stated requirements.

Further details can be found via Centers for Disease Control at [www.cdc.gov/yellowfever/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/yellowfever/index.html) or the International Association of Medical Assistance for Travellers at [www.iamat.org/risks/yellow-fever](http://www.iamat.org/risks/yellow-fever)

## Important Information - Luggage Requirements (Light Aircraft Charter Flights)

On ALL light aircrafts, only soft bags will be accepted - no hard suitcases, as they physically cannot fit into the aircraft. Duffel bags without wheels are preferred. This includes camera equipment and hand luggage.

**Weight Limits:** Luggage, including camera equipment and hand luggage, is restricted on charter flights to 20kg (44 lbs) per person.

**Luggage Dimensions:** The maximum dimensions of the soft bags are as follows: 25cm (10 in) wide x 30cm (12in) high x 62cm (24in) long (to fit through the opening of the cargo hold). Please keep in mind that the baggage compartments on the light aircraft are only 25 cm (10in) high, so the pilots must be able to manipulate the bag into the compartment.

**Passenger Weight Limits:** Passengers exceeding the personal weight limits indicated below **MUST** advise us in advance to confirm if an extra seat must be purchased. *Please remember that these restrictions are imposed by the airline to ensure the safety of all passengers and crew.*

**Southern Africa -** Passengers weighing 100kg (220lbs) or more, please advise us in advance

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## Important Information - Local Currencies

*Prior to travel it is important to be certain your bank and credit card issuers know you will be traveling abroad so your cards are not locked due to security concerns.*

### Southern Africa

USD is accepted throughout Southern Africa for tips. Please see specific country notes below to see if USD is accepted for other purchases. In the event you need to obtain local currency, you can easily use local ATM's to withdraw cash. Your hotel/lodge may also be able to assist, or can suggest a nearby bank or Bureau de Change you may wish to visit.

**Namibia:** Namibian Dollar - South African Rand is also accepted. USD is accepted for tipping, but not for other cash purchases.

**South Africa:** South African Rand USD is acceptable for tipping, but other cash purchases/payments should be made in Rand.

**Zambia:** Zambian Kwacha- USD is acceptable for tipping, but other cash purchases/payments should be made in Kwacha.

**Zimbabwe:** US Dollar and Zimbabwe BOND NOTE: While it is not advised to carry large amounts of cash, please note that credit and debit cards are not widely accepted. It is possible to withdraw cash from some ATMs, however, IT IS NOT advisable to rely on this service being available throughout Zimbabwe. Be sure you enter the country with sufficient funds to cover restaurants and extra activities as there is not always access to cash. We recommend USD200 to cover extra activities & park fees not pre-booked, and USD200 to cover any shopping and additional charges per person while at Victoria Falls. It is advisable to have small denomination notes, as change is rarely available (\$1s, \$5s, and \$10s).

*Zimbabwe has recently adopted the ZIMBABWE BOND NOTE, in addition to keeping the US DOLLAR. Please try not to use the ATMs, as ZIMBABWE BOND NOTES are not used outside of Zimbabwe borders.*

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## Arrival at Johannesburg Airport - Arrive by 9am

You should aim to arrive into Johannesburg Airport at about 9am, no later.

\*\*\*This could change - depends on the Rovos Rail schedule \*\*\*

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## VIP Assistance, Johannesburg Airport · VIP Assistance

Welcome back to Johannesburg. Once you land at Johannesburg International Airport, you will be met at the end of the aircraft tunnel and assisted by VIP Assistance.

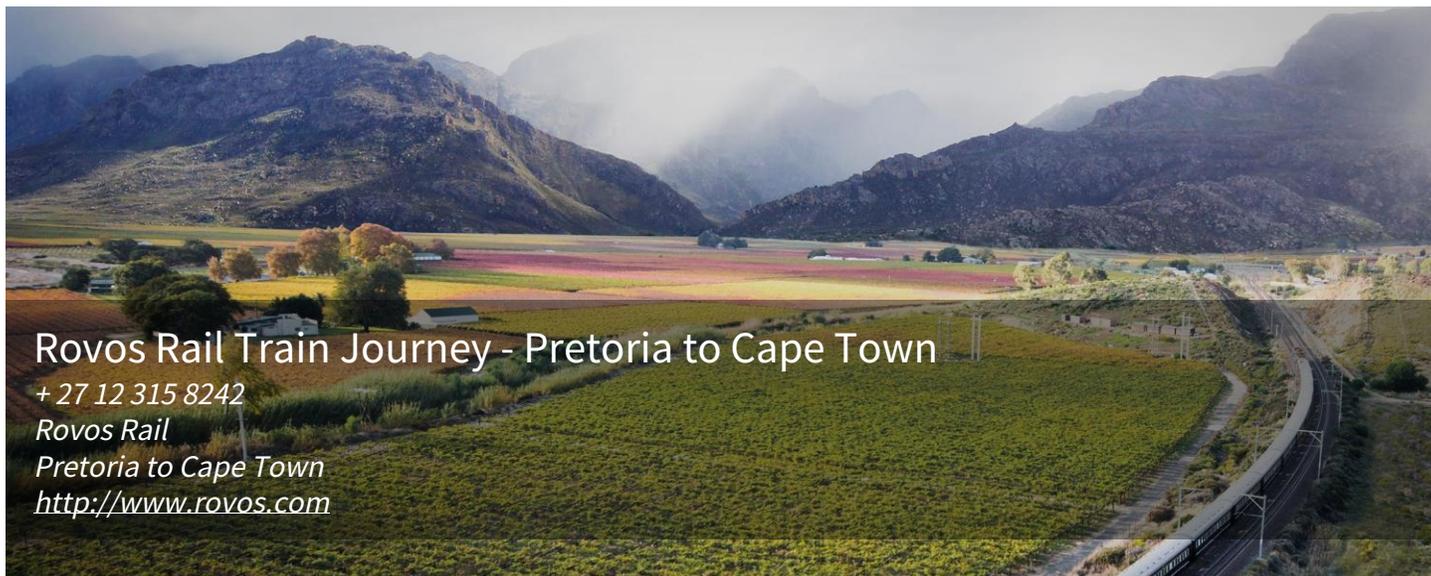
You will then be helped to collect your luggage and proceed to the Arrivals Hall.

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## Transfer · Johannesburg Airport to Pretoria Train Station

## Notes

In the arrivals hall, you will be met by your Hills Of Africa Travel representative (look for your name on a sign) who will transfer you to Pretoria Train Station.



### Rovos Rail Train Journey - Pretoria to Cape Town

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Rovos Rail

Pretoria to Cape Town

<http://www.rovos.com>

Nov 19

Check-in

Nov 21

Check-out

2 nights

Duration

This 1,600-kilometre meander is a perfect illustration of South Africa as a world in one country. 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, Devil's Peak and Lion's Head. The journey can also be done in reverse!

Highlights of route include a visit to the historic village of Matjiesfontein; this authentic perfectly preserved Victorian Village founded by Mr Logan as a refreshment stop in 1890 also boasts an impressive museum on the platform. Another stop is made in Kimberley providing an opportunity to enjoy a city tour and a visit to the Diamond Mine Museum and the world's largest man-made excavation, the Big Hole.

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

**NOTE: DINNER DRESS REQUIREMENT - DRESS IS FORMAL**

#### Meal times:

Breakfast: 7:00am to 10:00am

Lunch: 1:00pm

Tea: 4.30pm

Dinner: 7.30pm

## Notes

1 x Pullman Suite on all inclusive basis

Includes: accommodation, all meals, all alcoholic and other beverages, room service and bar facilities, limited laundry service, guided excursions (where applicable), entrance fees as per itinerary and government tax

Excludes: Pre/post tour accommodation, flights and transfers, visas, gratuities, international/French Champagne, souvenirs

## Rovos Rail - Pretoria to Cape Town - Day 1

10:00am - Check in for Rovos Rail

11:00am - Depart Rovos Rail Station, Pretoria. Travel across the goldfields of the Watwatersrand. You may freshen up in your suites before joining fellow travelers in the lounge car or observation car

7:30pm - Dinner is served in the dining cars. Overnight on board. *Dress for dinner is formal.*

## Saturday · November 20th

### Rovos Rail - Pretoria to Cape Town - Day 2

7:00am Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10:00am

Arrive Kimberley. Disembark for a tour of the City, Diamond Mine Museum and the Big Hole.

After your tour, you will depart Kimberley and travel through the Karoo.

1:00pm, Lunch is served in the dining cars.

4:00pm, Tea is served in the lounge and observation car.

6:00pm, Dinner is served in the dining cars. Overnight on board. *Dinner dress code: Formal.*

## Sunday · November 21st

### Rovos Rail - Pretoria to Cape Town - Day 3

7:00am Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10:00am

During breakfast, there is a chance for guests to disembark the train at Whitehill Siding and walk the 5km into Matjiesfontein. A member of staff will accompany the group. Comfortable walking shoes are essential.

Disembark at Matjiesfontein for an opportunity to stroll through the historic village. Of special interest is the museum on the platform and a collection of historic cars and railway carriages to the right of the Lord Milner Hotel.

About an hour after departure from Matjiesfontein, the train arrives at the first of four tunnels of the pass. The first tunnel is 13.5 kilometers long so guests are to be careful when walking through the train and may wish to turn on necessary lights.

1:00pm, Lunch is served in the dining cars. The train climbs to about 750 meters down the escarpment through the Hex River Valley.

4:00pm, Tea is served in the lounge and observation car.

6:00pm, The train arrives at Cape Town Train Station, Platform 24.

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## Transfer · Cape Town Rail Station to Cape Town Airport

### Notes

On arrival at Cape Town Rail Station, you will be met by your Hills of Africa guide who will transfer you to Cape Town's international airport for your flights home.

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## Thank you from Life's Journey Travel and Hills of Africa Travel

Thank you for traveling with Life's Journey Travel and Hills Of Africa Travel. Safe travels and we hope you have experienced the true magic of Africa!

## Hills of Africa Notes

- 1 Please note that your itinerary is PROVISIONAL. We are holding space on this itinerary.
- 2 Please note that due to fluctuating costs, prices may increase as we get closer to departure, for example and not limited to increase in National Park Fees, Value Added Tax, Transfer Costs, Accommodation Rates, etc. We apologize but we will need to pass on any increase in costs to client.
- 3 Please note that once the itinerary is CONFIRMED and we have received a completed RESERVATION FORM we will send a new itinerary showing that THE ITINERARY IS CONFIRMED.
- 4 Please note that once the itinerary is CONFIRMED, a non-refundable DEPOSIT must be paid to Hills of Africa Travel to secure all arrangements.
- 5 Please note that FINAL PAYMENT is due to Hills of Africa Travel at 90 days prior to departure. At FINAL PAYMENT, trip costs are 100% non-refundable.
- 6 Please note that once the itinerary is CONFIRMED, a \$50 per person service fee will be charged for any requested changes to air or land arrangements after confirmation of itinerary. In addition to any carrier penalties, Hills of Africa Travel, Inc. will charge a \$50 processing fee for any refunds required on all ticketed flights.
- 7 Please note that air prices are subject to change until confirmed and paid for.

## Hills of Africa Itinerary Pricing

Land Itinerary Costs x 2 travelers on sharing basis:

Per Person Costs: \$ 2,768.00

Total Itinerary: \$ 5,536.00

Land Itinerary Payments:

25% Deposit due on booking: \$ 1,384.00

Final Payment due on August 01, 2021: \$ 4,152.00

## Hills of Africa Inclusions

HOA Service

- Hills of Africa Travel detailed travel planning and itinerary guidance

Accommodations

- 2 Nights on Rovos Rail Journey - Pretoria to Cape Town - on all inclusive basis

VIP Meet and Greet

- Meet & Greet - Johannesburg ORTIA (JNB) on arrival from Hoedspruit

Road Transfer

- Johannesburg International Airport to Pretoria Train Station
- Cape Town Train Station to Cape Town Airport

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## Hills of Africa Exclusions

- International flights and domestic flights
- All meals not mentioned above
- All activities not mentioned above
- Travel Insurance
- Gratuities
- Items of a personal nature