



Rovos Rail – Shongololo Express

14 Nights

Good Hope/Golf - Cape Town to Pretoria

20 March –03 April 2018



Booked before the 30th of November and benefit from up to 10% discount!

Summary

Starting in Cape Town with a city tour, guests board the train and traverse the winelands to Ashton. Travel by road over scenic mountain passes to Hermanus, once a renowned whaling station, followed by a spectacular meander along the Garden Route to the natural paradise of Knysna where guests enjoy a lagoon ferry ride to Featherbed Nature Reserve. Crossing the Outeniqua Mountains, guests arrive in Oudtshoorn to visit an ostrich farm and the incredible Cango Caves. After tours around the historic town of Graaff Reinet, Kimberley's Diamond Museum and Bloemfontein, the train arrives at Ladysmith for a battlefields tour. Day nine sees the train arriving in Durban where guests can feel the rhythm of Africa at PheZulu Safari Village before visiting the world-heritage site, St Lucia Wetland Park. Then it's on to explore Hluhluwe wildlife reserve and the Kingdom of Swaziland after which this magnificent sojourn takes guests through the Drakensberg Mountains to the Kruger Park and the historical areas of Pilgrim's Rest, Bourke's Luck Potholes and God's Window.

Prices Include

14-night accommodation on board of the train
Meal: full board
All alcoholic and other beverages
24-hour full room service and bar facilities
Excursions accompanied by a qualified tour guide
Government tax
Assistance of our representative in South Africa

Overview

Interest: group - family - couple
Level of Comfort: 3/5
Minimum # of passengers: none
Maximum # of passengers: none

Prices Exclude

International airfare
DIP surcharge \$5/ticket
Staff gratuities
French Champagne
Visa fees
Travel insurance
All other expenses

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**Day 1: Cape Town Tour and Train Departure**

08h00 Check-in at Rovos Rail Lounge, Cape Town Station
09h00 Full-day tour of Cape Town
14h30 Transfer to the train at Cape Town Station
16h00 Train departs Cape Town for Worcester

Day 2: Drive to Hermanus over Scenic Mountain Passes

09h00 Drive the scenic route to Hermanus (120km).
16h00 Return to train at Robertson and depart for Voorbaai for the overnight stop.

Optional: Golfers can play at Arabella (100km)

Day 3: Knysna Visit and Fancourt Dinner / Play at Ernie Els Oubaai

09h00 Transfer to Knysna with a lagoon ferry ride to Featherbed Nature Reserve OR enjoy shopping.
18h30 Dinner at Fancourt Golf Estate. Overnight George

Day 4: Cango Caves and Ostrich Farm Visit / Play at Fancourt Golf Estate

09h00 Drive the Outeniqua Pass to visit the Cango Caves. Afternoon visit to an ostrich farm.
15h30 Board train in Oudtshoorn. Depart for Graaff Reinet.

Golfers

09h00 Tee off at Fancourt Golf Estate.
14h00 Drive the Outeniqua Pass to Oudtshoorn.
15h30 Board train in Oudtshoorn. Depart for Graaff Reinet.

Day 5: Graaff Reinet Walking Tour

09h00 Enjoy a guided walking tour of Graaff Reinet.
11h00 Return to train for lunch and depart for Kimberley.

Day 6: Kimberley Tour / Play At Kimberley Golf Club

09h00 Visit to the Big Hole and Diamond Museum.
Afternoon visit to the William Humphreys Art Gallery and McGregor Museum.
17h00 Return to train and depart for Bloemfontein.

Golfers

09h00 Tee off at Kimberley Golf Club.
17h00 Return to train and depart for Bloemfontein for the overnight stop.

Day 7: Bloemfontein Tour

09h00 Morning tour of Bloemfontein including the Women's Memorial and Anglo Boer Museum.
11h00 Return to train and depart for Ladysmith.
13h00 Enjoy lunch on board.

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**Day 8: Battlefields Tour / Play at Champagne Sports Resort**

09h00 Battlefields tour taking in the Siege Museum and Wagon Hill.

12h30 Return to train for lunch and depart for Durban.

Day 9: Durban Tour / Play at Durban Golf Course

09h00 Disembark in Durban for a cultural visit to PheZulu Safari Village and uShaka Marine World.

16h00 Return to train and depart for Empangeni.

Golfers

09h00 Tee off at Durban Country Club.

16h00 Return to train and depart for Empangeni for the overnight stop.

Day 10: St Lucia Wetland Park Visit

09h00 Tour of the world-heritage site, St Lucia (iSimangaliso) Wetland Park.

15h30 Board train and depart for Hluhluwe.

Optional: Golfers can play at Zimbali (128km).

Day 11: Hluhluwe Game Drives

06h30 Early morning and afternoon game drives in Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Park.

15h00 Board train and depart for Mpaka, Swaziland, where border formalities take place.

Day 12: Swaziland Tour / Play at Nkonyeni Golf Estate

09h00 Depart in vehicles from Mpaka, Swaziland. Visit Manzini, Mbabane and Ngwenya Glass.

16h00 After border formalities at Jeppes Reef, rejoin the train in Malelane.

Golfers

08h00 One-hour transfer to Nkonyeni Golf Estate for tee off.

16h00 After border formalities at Jeppes Reef, rejoin the train in Malelane.

Day 13: Kruger Park Game Drive / Play at Leopard Creek, Nelspruit or White River

06h30 Full-day game viewing in the Kruger Park.

17h00 Rejoin train in Malelane.

19h00 Depart for Nelspruit.

Golfers

09h00 Tee off at Leopard Creek, Nelspruit or White River.

17h00 Rejoin train in Malelane.

19h00 Depart for Nelspruit.

Day 14: Panorama Route

09h00 Full-day tour of historical areas Pilgrim's Rest, Bourke's Luck Potholes and God's Window.

17h00 Rejoin train in Nelspruit and depart for Witbank.

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Golfers

09h00 Tee off at Leopard Creek, Nelspruit or White River.

17h00 Rejoin train in Nelspruit.

19h00 Depart for Witbank for the overnight stop.

Day 15: Arrival In Pretoria With A Tour Of Soweto And Pretoria

10h00 Arrive at Rovos Rail Station, Pretoria. Check out of train. Luggage will be stored at the station.

11h00 Tour of Pretoria and Soweto.

18h00 Return to Rovos Rail Station. Tour ends.

Starting price per person in US\$

Room Type	Double
Gold	6055
Emerald	7700

- *Prices may change without prior notice and subject to availability at time of booking*

General Information

Accounts

Guests will be requested to sign for on-board purchases throughout the trip. This includes signing for drinks, additional excursions, optional extras, purchases of a personal nature etc. All accounts are to be settled on the evening before departure. Please note that drinks purchased on the last night of the trip will be settled on a 'cash bar' basis. Accounts may be settled by means of: South African Rand, major foreign currencies or credit cards. Regrettably debit cards are not accepted.

Air-Conditioning

Air-conditioning (where available) is operational at all times, except when the generator requires servicing.

Arrival And Departure

It is very important that we have your arrival and departure details. Should you be delayed in any way, kindly contact the Train Manager using the details under 'Telephone'. The train will be located at the following stations at the start or end of trips: Cape Town Station; Rovos Rail Station in Capital Park, Pretoria; Victoria Falls Station; Walvis Bay Station.

Banking

Banks and ATMs can be found in most of the towns we travel through. Should you wish to go into a bank or foreign exchange provider, a nominal transportation fee will be levied.

Bar

The bar is open daily from early in the morning until midnight.

Children

Shongololo Express cannot accommodate children under the age of 10 years old. Children over 10 pay the full rate.

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Corkage

As Shongololo Express is a licensed establishment, a corkage fee applies: R150 per bottle of wine and spirits and R20 per can/bottle of minerals and water. If you have special requests with regard to liquor, please notify your reservations agent or Shongololo Express in advance. If notified timeously, we will make every effort to obtain the requested brand.

Currency

We suggest you bring Rands, US Dollars (in small denominations) or Euros (bank notes). In South Africa only Rands may be used. In Zimbabwe, Namibia, Mozambique, Swaziland and Botswana it is possible to use US Dollars. In Namibia it is possible to use Rands. Euros are not recommended.

Dietary Requirements

Please inform your reservations agent or Shongololo Express directly of any special dietary requirements.

Dining

The dining carriages are air-conditioned and non-smoking. The total seating capacity is 72 and dress code for meal times is casual. Lunch is for guest's own account except when otherwise stated. Meal times depend on the activities planned for the day, but are generally served at the following times: Breakfast 07h00-08h30; Lunch 13h00; Dinner 19h30.

Dress Code

As a relaxed atmosphere prevails on board, comfortable clothing is recommended. Winter in Southern Africa can be very cold and it is therefore advisable to bring along warm clothing for early mornings and evenings.

Drinking Water

We strongly advise against drinking the water in the cabins or bathrooms. Bottled water can be purchased from the bar. Each cabin receives a complimentary 1-litre bottle of water per day.

Electricity

The electric current on board is 220V. Each compartment is fitted with a round 3-pin socket (South African). Adapter plugs are available from the Assistant Train Manager. Please treat sockets as live at all times. A generator supplies power. Please be aware that certain breaks in power are necessary when servicing is required.

Game Drives

Game drives are carried out in open 4x4 safari vehicles. We recommend warm clothing as the early mornings and evenings can become rather chilly. Some safari vehicles do not have a shade cover so a hat and sun block is essential.

Guests Responsibility

All guests are solely responsible for ensuring they are physically and mentally capable of undertaking the tour and activities.

Hairdryers

Hairdryers are supplied in each cabin.

Heating

The lounge and dining room can be heated via the air-conditioning units.

Internet

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There are no Internet facilities on the train. Internet cafes are available in most towns we travel through.

Laundry

A laundry service is offered on board. A laundry bag is provided in your cabin as well as a laundry list. Items cost between R10.00 and R35.00. Clean laundry is returned within 24 to 48 hours, dependent on weather conditions and the travelling time of the train.

Library

A small library is located in the smoking lounge. Guests are free to make use of the books and guidebooks, but kindly return them before the end of the trip.

Linen, Towels And Pillows

Bed linen is changed every third day and towels are changed every second day. Extra pillows and blankets are available on request.

Luggage

It is possible to store luggage in your cabin under the bed or above the door, depending on the category of accommodation you are in. It is not recommended to bring excess luggage as space is limited.

Observation & Bar Carriages

Accommodating approximately 40 guests, the observation and bar carriages have the following features:

Mail

Mail can be sent via our post box in the lounge area or handed to the Assistant Train Manager. Wherever possible, mail is posted daily except when in Zimbabwe and Mozambique. If you do not have stamps, please put your cabin number where the stamp will be affixed and this will be charged to your cabin.

Maintenance

Should you discover that something in your carriage or cabin does not work, please advise the Train Manager in order for it to be repaired or replaced as soon as possible.

Medical And Precautions

First-aid boxes are carried on board as well as first-aid equipment, although limited medical facilities are available in some areas. We therefore request that the Train Manager be immediately advised of any possible medical requirements in order to assist effectively. It is strongly recommended that guests take Malaria prophylactics for all our journeys. A Yellow Fever/Medical Exemption Certificate is essential if travelling to/from Tanzania.

Passports & Visas

The onus is upon guests to ensure passports and visas, as may be required, are valid prior to departure for Africa. Visas available through booking agents; please check with relevant embassies for requirements. Visitors to South Africa are required to have at least three blank VISA pages in their passports to receive an entry visa. Passports must be valid for at least six months from the guests' return-home date.

Pre And Post Tours

Pre and post packages are available on request.

Safe

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There is a small safe located in each cabin.

Showers and Toilets

The water used on the train is carried in tanks under each coach. These tanks are filled every day, but they cannot be topped up while the train is travelling. Please assist us by using water responsibly.

Smoking

In accordance with the Southern African Smoking Act, designated smoking areas are provided. The train has a smoking lounge, which can only be used when the train is moving. When the train is stationary you may only smoke outside on the platform. Smoking is not permitted in the dining car, bathrooms, your cabin, passageways or touring vehicles on any tour. Smoking of pipes/cigars is not permitted in the designated smoking area.

Tipping/Gratuities

This is entirely at your own discretion. Tips are divided on a pro-rata basis between members of staff. Our recommended gratuity is between US\$5 and US\$15 per guest per day. Gratuities may be added to the final account or can be handed to the Train Manager. Please do not tip staff members individually.

Toiletries

While on board, please feel free to ask the Train Manager for assistance with regards to amenity items you may need.

Transfers

We can arrange transfers at an additional cost.

Travel Insurance

It is compulsory for all guests to provide proof of comprehensive travel insurance including but not limited to medical cost, emergency evacuation and repatriation, cancellation or curtailment, loss of baggage, personal possessions or money.

Upgrades

The Train Manager will gladly discuss upgrading your accommodation, provided that it is available. The cost for the upgrade is payable directly to the Train Manager. Payment must be secured before the upgrade is granted.

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