

EXCLUSIVE PRIVATE CHARTER

NEW ROUTE & DESTINATIONS

ONLY 24 SUITES PER DEPARTURE



## Rovos Golf Adventure

6 Nights | 5 Stops | 4x18 holes Golf | All Meals & Drinks  
PRETORIA - WATERBERG - BELA BELA - SUN CITY - KRUGER

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## *Souvenirs.... from Destination Delight*



*where the Journey itself  
becomes the Destination*

There was a time when you returned from every journey with a souvenir. A postcard, a pendant or perhaps just a stamp in your passport - something small and simple that served to summon up the memory of a time and place.

Yet there are some journeys so poignant, so brimming with delight that they become their own mementos. So much that by simply closing your eyes you can recall the color, scent and sensation of every moment. A sun-kissed breeze ruffling your hair through an open window, a flash of spotted fur ducking into the bush, the exotic aroma of a delicate Karoo Lamb trickling your senses and a smile so disarmingly honest that you can only return in kindness.

These are the truest souvenirs. Inspiring nostalgia full of fond remembrances. Occasions where the journey itself becomes the destination. It does not matter what the itinerary is and where you are going next. You simply relish every moment of time well spent, in the company of interesting people like yourself, while getting pampered in unique and sincere hospitality.

That is our destination. Beyond satisfaction, beyond expectations, beyond mere excellence — there waits an experience called delight. The *Rovos Golf Adventure* - an incredible week in two great pursuits - golf and game. Only for the lucky few.

# Rovos Golf Adventure | Annual Departures: February & October

- 6x Nights on Rovos Rail
- All Meals and Unlimited Drinks
- 4x18 Holes Championship Golf
- Extreme 19<sup>th</sup> Experience with ZAR 100,000 Hole-in-1 prize
- Daily Fun Contests & Great Prizes



<b>Day 1</b>	<b>Day 2</b>	<b>Day 3</b>	<b>Day 4</b>	<b>Day 5</b>	<b>Day 6</b>	<b>Day 7</b>
Depart Pretoria	Naboomspruit <i>Signature GC</i>	Bela Bela <i>Zubela CC</i>	Rustenburg <i>Gary Player CC</i>	On Board (En Route)	Malelane - Kruger <i>Leopard Creek GC</i>	Arrive Pretoria

## Golfers Package

- 6x nights accommodation aboard Rovos Rail
- All meals and drinks on board including liquor, wines, beer and soft beverages
- Cocktail Reception with Classical Music, Steam Locomotive, Porterage and Welcome Gift
- 4x 18 holes golf on Signature, Zebula, Gary Player (#3 in SA) and Leopard Creek (#2 in SA)
- All Carts, Caddies and Halfway House Lunch
- Extreme 19th Experience with helicopter flight and ZAR 100,000 Hole-in-One prize
- Elephant Interaction and Photo Shoot
- Private transfers to golf courses and Tour Co-ordinator throughout the trip
- Daily fun contests and fantastic prizes
- Meet and Greet and return transfers from Johannesburg airport
- All local taxes and service levies



## Non-Golfer Package

- 6x nights accommodation aboard Rovos Rail
- All meals and drinks on board including liquor, wines, beer and soft beverages
- Cocktail Reception with Classical Music, Steam Locomotive, Porterage and Welcome Gift
- White Lion, Wild Dogs, Antelopes and Reptiles tour at the Wildlife and Cultural Center
- Lunch at Rooikat Treehouse and Scenic Helicopter Flight over Entabeni Conservancy
- Adventure with Elephants and Cheetah Run
- Game Drive adjacent to Zebula Estate & Spa
- Valley of Waves entertainment at Sun City
- Game Drive at Kruger National Park with lunch at Buhala Game Lodge
- Meet and Greet and return transfers from Johannesburg airport
- All local taxes and service levies





## Why the Rovos Golf Adventure?

### privately chartered with just 24 suites for exclusive small-group travel

Rovos Golf Adventure is like a private club for a select few; who share expansive social spaces and indulge in the epitome of hedonistic luxury

### luxurious cabins with windows that open and personal suite hostess

All suites are meticulously appointed for every necessity and come with their own dedicated stewardess & butler for 24-hours room service

### award-winning cuisine and unlimited fine wines throughout the journey

Exotic dishes conjured with the freshest produce that are only rivaled by the best South African wines poured before, during and after all meals

### legendary hospitality from a crew passionate about delight

What you will appreciate most is the intuitive, gracious service provided by the on-board team of highly efficient and attentive crew

### extreme golf with wild animals moving freely on the fairways

South Africa's signature bushveld courses are often home to many zebras, giraffes and hippos who add a unique experience to your round

### numerous fun contests and attractions including the grand hole-in-1 prize

Not only will you play on the #2 and #3 ranked golf courses of South Africa, but can take home the ZAR 100,000 jackpot on the Extreme 19th.



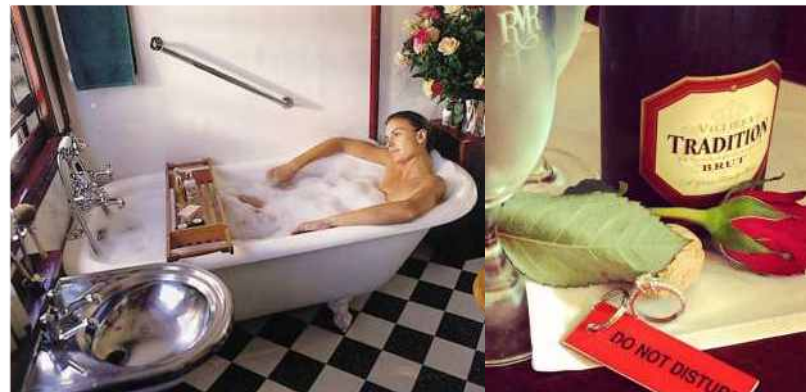
## Royal Suites

±16 square meter (±172 sq. ft.)

With only two cabins per train carriage, the Royal Suites are the most spacious rail cabins in the world - filled with myriad details for every convenience & comfort.

All refurbished sleeper coaches are finished with dark teak paneling, gleaming period decor and thick carpets. Twin or double beds, with down pillows, fluffy duvet and brass reading lamps, a sitting lounge with two armchairs, writing surface, a personal safe for valuables, double wardrobe and ample storage space makes it an intimate home away from home, just for you.

In suite amenities include minibar; fully stocked your requested wines and spirits along with a checklist to be replenished by the 24-hour room service. Smoking and electronic devices are allowed in the suite.



### Luxury Bath Facilities

The en-suite bathroom features a full Victorian claw-foot bathtub - perhaps best enjoyed with a glass of wine to relax after a long day on the course. Marble vanity basin, heated towel rail, sparkling mirrors and designer luxury bath toiletries complete your private sanctuary.





## *Deluxe Suites*

*±11 square meters (±118 sq. ft.)*

For years, these were Rovos Rail's standard cabins, with three suites to each carriage. The Deluxe Suites measure 11 square meters (about 118 feet square) and have been rebuilt from wood-paneled sleeper coaches that magically transform from a relaxing lounge by day, to an ultimate haven of slumber at night. All Deluxe Suites feature a sitting area, private safe, writing table and a fully stocked minibar. Gleaming period brass fittings combine with modern hot showers, hair dryers and shaver plugs in the en suite bathroom.

And the best surprise - a pair of goggles! Since Rovos Rail is the only luxury train in the world where the windows fully open, the goggles offer protection while leaning out of the windows. Not just for the wind in your hair feeling, but for photography too!

### *Alternate Layouts*

Select Deluxe Suites also have beds configured in an L-shape, offering greater mobility than the standard layout, while one cabin in each carriage have bed facing the window. Book well in advance if you want these.





## *Pullman Suites*

(±7 sq metres/±76 sq feet)

The Pullman Suites are equipped with a comfortable sofa-seat during the day which converts to double or twin beds for the night. The wood-panelled sleeper coaches, that have been remodelled and refurbished to mint condition, offer every modern convenience and comfort. In the en-suite bathrooms, original fittings combine with the modern technology of hot showers, hair dryers and shaver plugs.

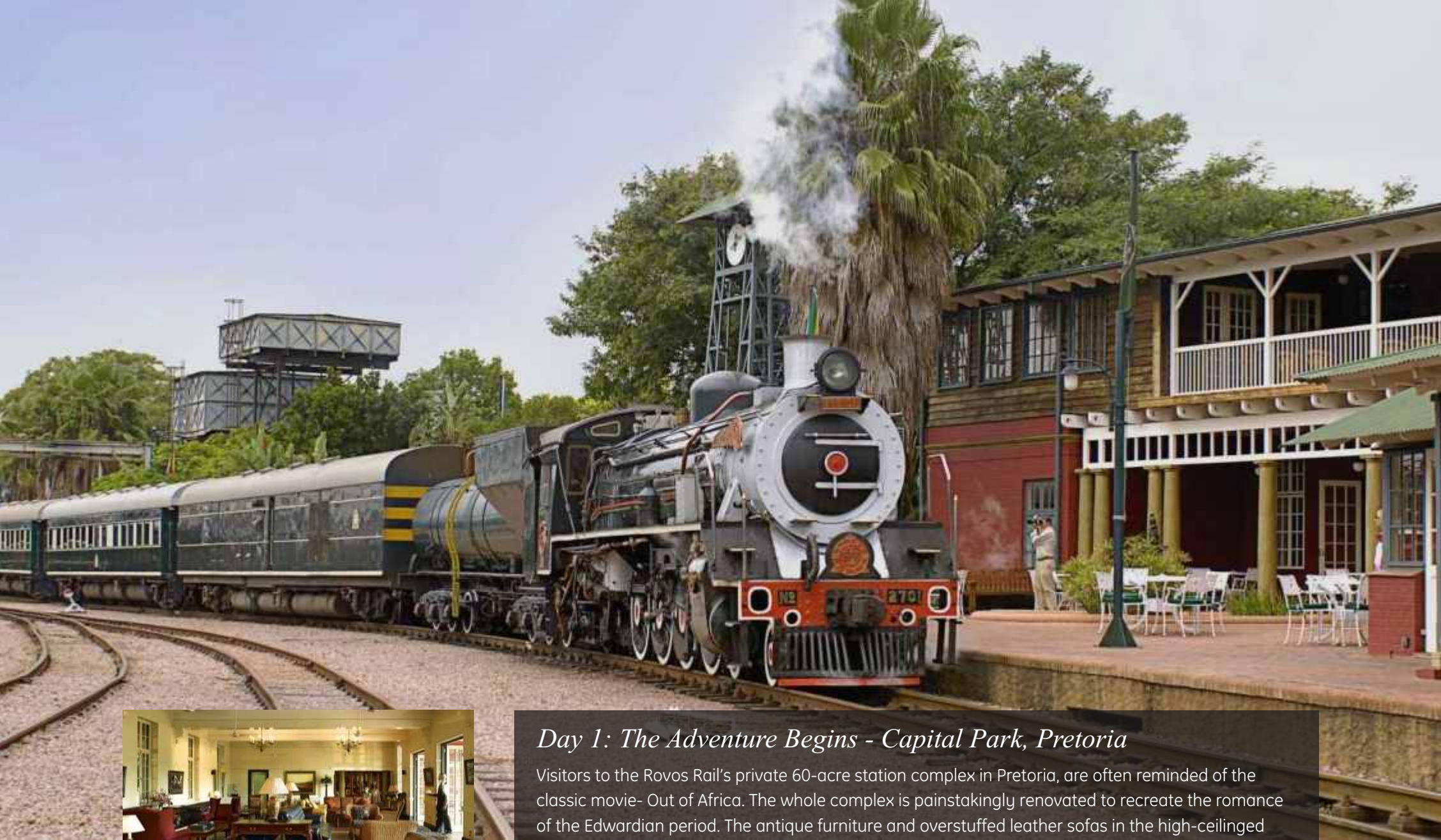
The spacious suites offer discerning passengers the opportunity to travel in privacy, comfort and luxury, with top-notch fittings and facilities. Passengers can record the precious moments of their travels on a writing surface and use the personal safe to store their valuables. There is also a bar fridge filled with beverages of the passengers' choice and room service is available 24 hours a day.



### *Luxury Uncompromised*

Don't let the smaller size of the Pullman suites beguile you. The entry lever suites are uniquely en-suite, complete with shower. In fact, the bathrooms are identical to those of the Deluxe suites, with every attention to luxury that you would expect from a Pride of Africa railjourney.





### *Day 1: The Adventure Begins - Capital Park, Pretoria*

Visitors to the Rovos Rail's private 60-acre station complex in Pretoria, are often reminded of the classic movie- *Out of Africa*. The whole complex is painstakingly renovated to recreate the romance of the Edwardian period. The antique furniture and overstuffed leather sofas in the high-ceilinged waiting room, the cello and violin duet playing Bach or Verdi, the sparkling champagne flutes that appear by your side or the compass in tiled mosaic on the red-brick terrace just outside the French windows takes one back to the golden days of rail travel, with nothing but time on hand.





Day 01

 PRETORIA

## *Aboard the Most Luxurious Train in the World*

Step back in time and relive the charm of 19th century rail travel, when the journey was more important than the destination with nothing but time on hand.

### midday: welcome reception

Arrive at the headquarters of Rovos Rail at the Capital Park station in Pretoria for a short orientation by the train manager or even a personal welcome by Rohan Vos, the charming owner of Rovos Rail.

As your luggage is received, tagged and whisked away, an original 1929 Steam Locomotive glides into the adjoining platform; happily puffing the distinct smell of coal-fired smoke in the air. This is a great photo opportunity and you can stand on the footplate to chat with the drivers, before the grand old lady chugs back to the yard to haul in your train.

After being escorted to your suite, the train soon starts to pull out of the Capital Park station. The engine swaps from steam to diesel just outside Pretoria as South African railway authorities do not permit use of steam hauled locomotives on their narrow gauge tracks.

### late afternoon: discover the pride of africa

Your fondest memory of this journey will be your personal hostess who will pamper you with near infantile care throughout the journey. Like a ray of sunshine, she will guide you through every detail in your suite - from how to turn on the taps to optimal settings for air-conditioner. You may not see her much in days to come unless you need her. But be assured of her presence to welcome you back with a damp towel and an iced drink when you return from the outdoors.

As the sun begins to set, meet up with your travel companions in the midway Lounge Car or the open Observation Deck at the rear of the train. The latter is also a firm favorite of keen photographers and you may have to politely request for a slot at this coveted place. As night falls, get ready to be blown away by the lavish multi-course dinner paired with many fine wines.



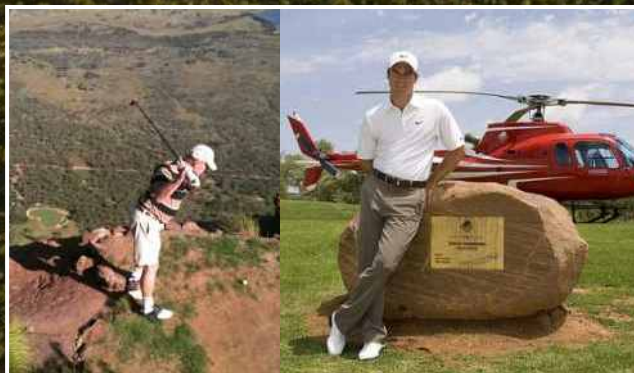


### *Day 2: Extreme 19th. Experience*

The toughest golf hole on earth has its tee on top of the Hanglip Mountain that can be reached only by a helicopter. From the summit at 400m, golfers play to an Africa shaped green set 430m below. It takes almost 30 seconds for the ball to reach the ground - a truly unique experience!

**So far, no one has scored a Hole-in-One on the Extreme 19<sup>th</sup> and we have an exclusive prize of ZAR 100,000 for the lucky winner.**

Will you be the one to take home the jackpot?







## Day 02

 NABOOMSPRUIT (ENTABENI)

### *Highest and Longest Par-3 Hole on Earth*

The Waterberg region in Limpopo province is a land of myths where the Big Five roam free. It is also the home of Legend Golf & Safari Resort; famed for its extreme golf facilities!

#### morning: golf on the wild side

After a made to order hearty breakfast, board the luxury coach for transfer to the heart of Entabeni private reserve - home of the unique Legend Golf and Safari Resort.

On arrival, golfers will be divided into two groups with one heading to the Signature Golf Course, while the other group gets ready for a thrilling helicopter ride to the Extreme 19th!

Each group will swap their activities with the other after completion so that everyone enjoys both experiences.

#### golfers: signature golf course

A true collaborative masterpiece designed by 18 PGA-Tour Professionals is your challenge today. With wild game moving freely on the fairways the course meander through the open bushveld and strategic bunkers and occasional water.

#### non golfers: white lions & helicopter ride

Today, come face to face with the gatekeepers of the ancient kingdoms at the Wildlife and Cultural Center set within the Legend complex. The majestic white lions are in fact a biological anomaly and can only be bred in captivity. Learn about the mythical beasts and also about wild dogs, roan antelopes and a variety reptiles.

There is also lunch at the Rooikat Treehouse and a scenic helicopter flight over the legendary Entabeni Safari Conservancy to complete a truly memorable day!

#### evening: homeward bound

As the sun begins to set, meet up with your fellow travelers as you return to the now familiar comfort of your cabin. After another fantastic dinner, share anecdotes from the day over dessert wines like Kahlua or Frangelico.





### *Day 3: A Walk in the Park - Zebula Country Club*

The Peter Matkovich designed Zebula Golf Course is a masterful symphony with the surrounding bushveld. Water supply is both abundant and sustainable, which ensures that the quality of the greens is unrivaled and playing surfaces are always in top condition.

A featured hole on the back nine is the par-five 15th, with a split fairway, but the signature par-three 8th hole has a raised green sheltered by both sand and water. And don't forget to take in the magnificent views from the clubhouse terrace with a sundowner as the warm African sun sets over the course in a riot of colors.







## Day 03

 BELA-BELA (WARMBATHS)

# Golf & Game - A Great Pursuit

South Africa provides the unique opportunity of up close and personal encounters with a wide variety of wildlife species - both on and off the course

### morning: adventure with elephants

After breakfast, take the short transfer to the very special Zebula Golf Resort in Bela-Bela ('the pot that boils' in the local Shona language).

Offering way more than the usual 'Touch and Feed' cosmetic tours; *Adventures with Elephants* provide thrilling hands-on interactions with the largest mammal on earth. The guides will tell you about the anatomy, intelligence, training and compassion of the resident elephants and allow you to feel the magnificent pachyderms from trunk to tail. Adventure with Elephants is a deeply inspiring, personal experience.

Stand in awe as they recall your shoe scent, sit on their knees for a photoshoot, play with their feet and even feel their body vibrate when they rumble through their belly fat!

### golfers: zebula country club

The host for South Africa's biggest amateur golf tournament, the Africa Golf Safari Invitational 2016, will be your challenge today.

Built to stringent USGA specifications with kikuyu fairways and bent grass greens, the layout is such an organic part of the bushveld experience that it is common to run into an amused zebra or giraffe during your round.

### non golfers: game drive

With your golfing partners heading for the course, set off on 4WD custom-built vehicles with expert rangers in the neighboring reserve. Keep your camera handy as you are likely to spot a wide variety of plains game and birds.







### *Day 4: Gary Player CC*

Every December, the world's top golfers come to Sun City to compete in one of the richest tournaments in the world- the Nedbank Golf Challenge. Played annually on the Gary Player Country Club and boasting a staggering prize fund of US\$ 5million, the course is widely known as a true test of championship golf.

Built on an extinct volcanic crater, this perfectly groomed layout has received rave reviews from the topmost golfers. Known for being both demanding and fair, the course stretches over 7000 meters against the dramatic backdrop of the Pilanesberg Mountains. The interesting pin positions on the clover-shaped putting surfaces that are protected by strategic bunkering is a firm favorite among international golfers. The walking-only course has wonderful caddies and request for a cart must be accompanied by a medical certificate.







Day 04

 RUSTENBERG (SUN CITY)

## *South Africa's Kingdom of Pleasure*

The sprawling Las Vegas style Sun City Resorts features an array of dazzling entertainment options and two championship golf courses, including the #3 ranked in South Africa!

### morning: play the africa's major

Enjoy a sumptuous breakfast before heading to the dramatic Sun City complex, at the foot of the Pilaesburg Mountains. Widely known as Africa's Kingdom of Pleasure, this extravaganza features four world class hotels, a glitzy casino, several leisure facilities and two championship courses of the highest caliber - both designed by the Black Knight, Gary Player.

Home to the million dollar Nedbank Challenge, fondly known as the Africa's Major, the Gary Player Golf Course is also home to a number of baboons, warthog and antelope, who will share the fairways with you. Don't forget to take your camera, else friends back home will not believe your surreal experience.

Golfers' lunch at the Halfway House is included.

### non-golfers: valley of waves

Conceived on an ancient lost civilization, Sun City's Valley of Waves is a legendary waterpark just across the Bridge of Time, that is guarded by mighty elephants. The Bridge erupts every hour in an exciting, theatrical display of vibrations, rumbling volcanic sounds and smoke.

The main attraction at the Valley of Waves is the Roaring Lagoon - a 6,500 square meter wave pool bordered by a beach with sea sand and palm trees. Every 90 seconds, a siren precedes a 1.8 meters waves that crashes into the beach at 35 km/hour. You can also opt for the Sacred River, a 500 meter lazy ramble in colorful tubes around an island in the underground river, or just chill out with a cocktail beside the Royal Pool.







*Day 5: Must Try Wines*

- Southern Right Sauvignon Blanc
- Hamilton Russell Chardonnay
- Meerlust Reserve Pinot Noir 2009
- Meerlust Rubicon 2006
- Rustenberg John X Merriman 2007
- Raka Cabernet Franc 2008
- Van Ryn's Reserva Brandy 2004

There's also a fine collection of South African champagne (Method Cap Classic), dessert wines and cognacs.







## Day 05



# Gourmet Cuisines & Exquisite Wines

Take a break from your golfing adventure and spend an indulgent day, idling in the very lap of luxury as the train travels from west to east arriving in Malelane late in evening.

### morning: a glorious day

Wake up in the comfort of your splendid suite and marvel at the scenery unfolding just outside. Post breakfast, you'll be spoilt with choices to spend the day. Light up a Monte Cristo cigar in the Lounge Car, play a game of chess or catch up with friends. All yours, as you like it.

### afternoon: a taste of perfection

A mellifluous chime at 1300 hours heralds lunch - a slow 2 hour adventure over five courses that explode into a mouth watering variety of tastes.

Following a starter (perhaps an entree of leek and broccoli tarts) is the main course, which can be ostrich/kudu fillet and jacket potatoes, grilled prawn or even the national dish - the Bobotie. A cheese and wine pairing follows before desserts like sago pudding and dark chocolate fondant!

### evening: expedition gastronomy

After a grand high-tea at 4:30 pm, you will hear the familiar gong yet again at 7:30 pm, inviting you to a grand dinner in opulent Victorian settings.

Dinner is most certainly an important highlight of this journey. Highly polished gleaming decor, exceptional service and award-winning wines paired with exotic dishes is something to look for. You will particularly enjoy dressing up for this meal, with the formality of fine china, crisp linen and silver adding to the charm and romance.

After dinner, the Observation car is where most head to for a nightcap; as the train reaches malelane in the heart of big cat country. Free flowing spirits and great storytelling by a member of the fantastic crew creates a magical ambience beneath the starlit African sky.







### *Day 6: Augusta of the Bushveld - Leopard Creek Golf Course*

Designed by John Rupert and Gary Player, with later touch ups by Jack Nicklaus, Leopard Creek is the #2 ranked golf course in South Africa and is the permanent home of the prestigious Alfred Dunhill Championship. It's not uncommon to see a buffalo snort or a giraffe munch during your round, while the pitch shot might need a hit over a lake full of crocodiles and hippos. Gary Player is especially proud of the par-five 18th with its island green and the par-four 9th with its peninsula green jutting out of the same body of water and overlooking the clubhouse. The 13th is another great hole where the green hangs above the river at a height of more than seven stories.



Day 06

 MALELANE (KRUGER)

*In the heart of Big Cat Country*

The hallowed Augusta National is often mentioned by visitors to Leopard Creek. Both very exclusive with an air of mystique about them.

**morning: leopard creek golf course**

After breakfast transfer to the southern border of the legendary Kruger National Park. Here, hugging the banks of the Crocodile River sits the Leopard Creek Country Club surrounded by rocky hills that provides a dramatic contrast to the emerald green fairways. Numerous animals will stroll the course with you including giraffes, kudus, zebras and variety of antelopes.


After your round, make sure not to miss the thatched roof clubhouse - a brilliant piece of architecture that is filled with golf memorabilia.

**non-golfers: big five safari**

The Kruger National Park is rightly legendary for its abundance of predatory big cats - the lion, leopard and cheetah and an amazing diversity of plains game. Prepare to be awed as you see an elusive leopard dozing in the bough of a tree, spot a black rhino with its magnificent horns and bad temper half-hidden in thick shrubs, come across a pride of lions stalk their prey or a large herd of elephants silently crossing the road. The thrilling Kruger safari concludes with a superb lunch at the Buhala Game Lodge.

Day 07

*morning: arrive pretoria - au revoir*

 Your last day of this remarkable journey (or Destination) may well usher in some sadness. Like all good things that must come to an end, bid farewell to your new found mates and the wonderful staff who have made the past week a sheer dream vacation. Have a safe trip and see you soon!



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