



SOUTH AFRICA & MORE

LUXURY RAIL & SAFARI: KRUGER, JOHANNESBURG & ROVOS RAIL TO VICTORIA FALLS

(TOUR CODE: 15573)

STARTS AND ENDS

Johannesburg to
Victoria Falls

TRAVEL PERIODS

01 Oct 26 - 30 Sep 27

EXPERIENCE

Wildlife
Rail

TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Journeys

Explore Southern Africa in luxury on a 14-day adventure through Kruger National Park, Johannesburg, Victoria Falls, and an unforgettable Rovos Rail journey.

Highlights

- Discover Johannesburg's vibrant culture and history with guided tours of its iconic landmarks
- Stay at a luxury safari lodge inside Kruger National Park and embark on unforgettable game drives
- Experience the elegance of vintage train travel on Rovos Rail while enjoying breathtaking African landscapes on the journey to Victoria Falls
- Experience the awe of Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, with breathtaking viewpoints, misty rainforests, and the thunderous roar of cascading water

This 14-day journey highlights the very best of Southern Africa, combining exhilarating wildlife encounters, vibrant cities, and classic rail travel. Explore Johannesburg's striking contrasts, enjoy game drives in the renowned Kruger National Park, then relax aboard the luxurious Rovos Rail to Victoria Falls, followed by a three-night stay to witness the awe-inspiring Falls. With carefully selected hotels and lodges, expert guides, and breathtaking scenery, this itinerary blends adventure, culture and sophistication for an exceptional African experience.

INCLUSIONS

- 1 night in a Standard Room at Southern Sun O.R. Tambo International Airport Hotel
- 3 nights at Mdluli Safari Lodge in a Luxury Tented Suite (or similar)
- 2 nights in Johannesburg at 54 on Bath Hotel (or similar)
- 4 nights onboard Rovos Rail from Pretoria to Victoria Falls in a Pullman Suite, including all meals and off-train excursions as per the itinerary
- 3 nights in Victoria Falls at Insika Lodge in a Luxury Room (or similar)
- Game Drives in Kruger National Park
- Return domestic flights between Johannesburg (JNB) to Nelspruit (MPQ)
- Scheduled Tour of Victoria Falls (Zimbabwean side) with an English-speaking guide
- Meals as per Itinerary
- A combination of shared and private transfers throughout the journey, including airport, hotel, lodge, and railway station connections. Full details, please see itinerary

ITINERARY

Day 1

Arrive in Johannesburg

On arrival at O.R. Tambo International Airport (JNB), an English-speaking Guest Service Officer will meet you holding a board with your name. After collecting your luggage, you will be assisted and guided to your onward service.

Enjoy a complimentary scheduled shuttle transfer (seat-in-shared vehicle) with an English-speaking driver to the **Southern Sun O.R. Tambo International Airport Hotel**.

The shuttle operates every 15 minutes, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The pick-up point is located behind the InterContinental Hotel at the bus/shuttle terminal.

Overnight in Johannesburg at **Southern Sun O.R Tambo International Airport Hotel**.



Day 2

Johannesburg Mpumalanga (Gateway to the Kruger National Park)

Begin the day with a complimentary scheduled shuttle transfer (seat-in-coach) from **Southern Sun O.R. Tambo International Airport Hotel** to **O.R. Tambo International Airport**. The shuttle operates every 15 minutes, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, with pick-up at the bus/shuttle terminal behind the InterContinental Hotel.

Fly from Johannesburg to Nelspruit (Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport). On arrival, enjoy a private transfer to **Mdluli Safari Lodge***, located inside the south-western region of the Kruger National Park – one of South Africa's most iconic safari destinations and home to the Big Five.

Settle into luxury tented accommodation featuring private patios, indoor and outdoor showers, and uninterrupted views over the park.

Overnight stay at **Mdluli Safari Lodge**.

***Mdluli Safari Lodge**

Full board at Mdluli Safari Lodge includes **two shared game drives daily** (morning and afternoon) in open 10-seater safari vehicles with lodge guests.

Private drives can be arranged at an additional cost.

Day of Arrival: Lunch, dinner, and the afternoon game drive are included if flight arrival timings allow.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 3 & 4 Mpumalanga (Gateway to Kruger National Park)

Wake up to the sounds of the African bush and enjoy a hearty breakfast before embarking on your next adventure. Over the next two days, immerse yourself in the natural splendour of Mpumalanga, aptly named “the place where the sun rises.” This province showcases some of South Africa's most breathtaking landscapes—dramatic canyons, winding rivers, majestic mountains, and cascading waterfalls.

Spend your days exploring the wonders of Kruger National Park on unforgettable game drives, with opportunities to spot the Big Five and other incredible wildlife. Between safaris, unwind at Mdluli Safari Lodge, where you can relax by the rock pool, indulge in spa treatments, enjoy fireside evenings in the boma, or savour exquisite dining in the heart of the bush.

Your luxury tented suite offers a serene retreat with private patios, indoor and outdoor showers, and uninterrupted views over the park—perfect for soaking up the magic of the African wilderness.

Overnight stay at **Mdluli Safari Lodge**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 5

Return to Johannesburg

After breakfast, enjoy a private transfer from **Mdluli Safari Lodge** to Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport for the short flight back to Johannesburg.

On arrival, a **Silver Welcome Meet & Greet Service** ensures a smooth transition. An English-speaking representative will be waiting in the arrivals hall after luggage collection to assist with onward arrangements.

From the airport, travel by private sedan transfer to **54 on Bath Hotel**, a stylish retreat in the heart of Johannesburg. Known for its striking red-brick facade and elegant interiors, this award-winning hotel blends modern design with classic sophistication. Highlights include South Africa's only **Veuve Clicquot Champagne Bar**, a tranquil fourth-floor Garden Terrace with panoramic views, a rooftop pool, and a refined lobby lounge offering complimentary tea, coffee, and canapés.

Unwind with sunset cocktails (at own expense) while taking in Johannesburg's skyline – the perfect end to a day of travel.

Overnight stay in Johannesburg at **54 on Bath Hotel**.

*Important note: Breakfast and lunch are included today at **Mdluli Safari Lodge** if flight timings allow.*

Breakfast, Lunch



Johannesburg

Enjoy a day at leisure, or choose from two Option Excursions* (additional charge) that offer an excellent introduction to and exploration of the area.

Option 1: Half-Day Johannesburg & Soweto Highlights Tour

Explore Johannesburg's rich history and the vibrant atmosphere of Soweto. Highlights include Constitution Hill and the Old Fort Prison, Walter Sisulu Square – Kliptown Open Air Museum, Hector Pieterse Memorial, the iconic Soweto Towers, and lively Vilakazi Street with its authentic street market.

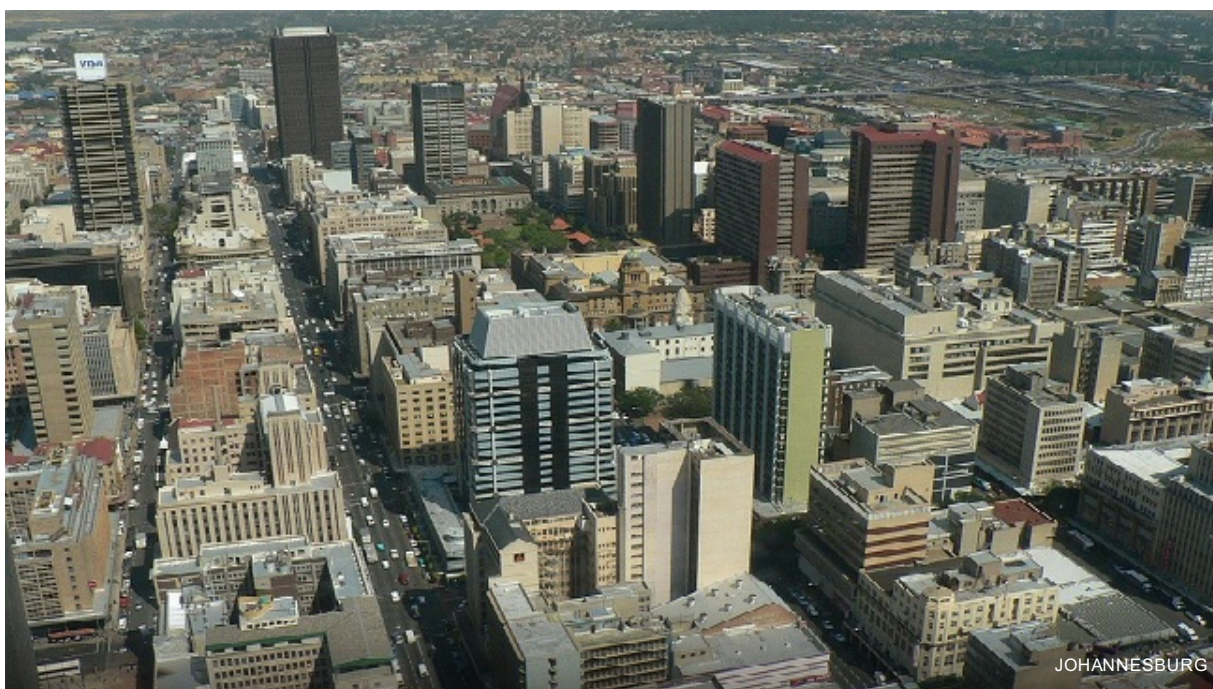
Option 2: Half-Day Soweto & Apartheid Museum Tour

Explore the historic township of Soweto and learn about South Africa's journey to democracy. Drive past notable landmarks such as Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital, Orlando Power Station, Regina Mundi Church and Walter Sisulu Freedom Square. Visit the Hector Pieterse Memorial & Museum, Mandela House Museum, Desmond Tutu's House, and experience the vibrant streets of Kliptown. Conclude the tour at the renowned Apartheid Museum, where you'll have time to explore the exhibits at your own pace.

Overnight in Johannesburg at **54 Bath Hotel**.

**This is an optional experience and is not included in your package price.*

Breakfast



Rovos Rail: Depart Pretoria

Begin the day with a seamless private transfer by standard sedan, accompanied by an English-speaking driver, from **54 on Bath Hotel** to Capital Park Railway Station, the departure point for the Rovos Rail journey.

Board the train in Pretoria and settle into a luxurious suite before relaxing in the lounge or observation car. Dinner is served on board en route to Polokwane.

Overnight aboard **Rovos Rail**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Rovos Rail: At Leisure onboard Rovos Rail

Enjoy breakfast in the dining cars as the train crosses the Tropic of Capricorn and travels through the diverse landscapes of Limpopo Province. Journey through the Soutpansberg Mountains, part of the UNESCO Vhembe Biosphere Reserve, with its striking scenery and rich natural heritage.

Return to the dining cars for lunch before enjoying afternoon tea in the elegant lounge and observation cars. The journey continues across the semi-arid Limpopo River valley, famously described by Rudyard Kipling in *Just So Stories* as the “great grey-green, greasy Limpopo River”, lined with fever trees.

Savour dinner on board as the train continues towards Gwanda.

Overnight aboard **Rovos Rail**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **9**

Rovos Rail: Matobo National Park

Breakfast is served as the train journeys through baobab country to Bulawayo, Zimbabwe's second city. After lunch onboard, transfer to UNESCO World Heritage Site, Matobo National Park to explore unique granite rock formations - associated with human occupation since the early Stone Age – and the grave of Cecil John Rhodes. Return to the train for a formal dinner as it makes its way towards Sawmills.

Overnight aboard **Rovos Rail**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



ROVOS RAIL LOUNGE AREA

Day 10 Rovos Rail: Hwange National Park

Breakfast is served as the train travels along a remarkable 114-kilometer straight railway line near Hwange National Park's eastern boundary. After lunch, enjoy an exciting game drive in Hwange, Zimbabwe's largest wildlife reserve. Dinner is served as the train heads toward Thompsons Junction.

Overnight aboard **Rovos Rail**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



ELEPHANT AT HWANGE NATIONAL PARK

Day 11 Rovos Rail: Victoria Falls

Ensure luggage is packed and ready 15 minutes before departure, with passports at hand. Breakfast is served on board until 09:30am, enjoyed from the observation car at the front of the train – a rare treat for rail enthusiasts.

The journey concludes with arrival at the spectacular **Victoria Falls**, Zimbabwe, one of the world's most awe-inspiring natural wonders.

Zimbabwe is renowned for its dramatic landscapes, exceptional safaris and rich wildlife. Home to national parks teeming with hippos, rhinos and an extraordinary variety of birdlife, it is a paradise for nature lovers.

The country's crown jewel, **Victoria Falls** – known locally as “The Smoke That Thunders” – plunges 108 metres into Batoka Gorge, creating one of the most breathtaking sights in Africa. Visitors can enjoy a range of activities, from white-water rafting and river cruises to bungee jumping, scenic picnics and birdwatching.

On arrival, a **private transfer** is waiting (5-seater vehicle with English-speaking driver) from **Victoria Falls Railway Station** to **Insika Lodge** for a **3-night stay**, perfectly positioned to explore this iconic destination.

Overnight stay in Victoria Falls at **Insika Lodge**.

Breakfast



Day

12

Victoria Falls

Discover why **Victoria Falls** is celebrated as one of the **Seven Natural Wonders of the World**. This 2-hour scheduled tour takes guests along the Zimbabwean side of the Falls, where a series of breathtaking viewpoints showcase the full width and power of this iconic landmark. Note: This is a shared tour, not a private one.

Stroll through the lush, mist-covered rainforest that borders the Falls and stop at famous vantage points including the **Main Falls**, **Horseshoe Falls**, **Rainbow Falls**, the **Boiling Pot**, **Cataract Island**, and **Livingstone Island**. Hear the thunderous roar, feel the cool spray on your skin, and witness millions of litres of water plunging into the dramatic gorges below. This unforgettable experience captures the sheer scale and beauty of one of the planet's most awe-inspiring natural spectacles.

Overnight stay in Victoria Falls at **Insika Lodge**.

Breakfast



Day 13 Victoria Falls

Enjoy a free day at leisure in Victoria Falls, relaxing at Insika Lodge or exploring the surrounding area. Insika Lodge, whose name means “Pillar of Strength” in isi-Ndebele, is beautifully situated next to the golf course and draws inspiration from the awe of Victoria Falls, which can sometimes be seen from as far as 50 kilometres away as it rises like a pillar of mist.

Guests may also choose an Optional Extra full-day excursion*:

An unforgettable wildlife experience **Chobe National Park in Botswana**, one of Africa’s premier wildlife destinations. This unforgettable excursion begins with a transfer from Victoria Falls to the **Kazungula Border Post**, where your Botswana guide will meet you and escort you to the banks of the **Chobe River**.

Start your day with a **morning river cruise**, gliding along the water as you spot elephants, hippos, crocodiles, and an incredible array of birdlife. Tea, coffee, and biscuits are served on board to enhance your experience.

At midday, enjoy a delicious lunch at the **Chobe Safari Lodge**, set on the river’s edge with stunning views. After lunch, the adventure continues with an **afternoon game drive** through **Chobe National Park**, offering up-close encounters with the park’s famous wildlife, including large herds of elephants, predators, and antelope species.

The day concludes with your transfer back across the border, arriving in Victoria Falls at approximately 6:30pm -with unforgettable memories in tow.

Overnight stay in Victoria Falls at **Insika Lodge**.

**This is an optional experience and is not included in your package price.*

Breakfast



Day 14 Farewell

Enjoy a seamless end to your journey with a **private transfer** from **Insika Lodge to Victoria Falls Airport (VFA)**. Travel in comfort in a five-seater vehicle with an **English-speaking driver**, ensuring a smooth and stress-free transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

Breakfast

OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Half-Day Johannesburg & Soweto Highlights Tour

Explore Johannesburg's rich history and the vibrant atmosphere of Soweto. Highlights include Constitution Hill and the Old Fort Prison, Walter Sisulu Square – Kliptown Open Air Museum, Hector Pieterse Memorial, the iconic Soweto Towers, and lively Vilakazi Street with its authentic street market.

Departs: 8:15am-8:30am approximately

Includes: Entrance to Constitution Hill, return transfers from Sandton & Rosebank hotels

Note: This is a shared tour, not a private one.



4 hours (Monday–Friday only)

Operates on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

Half-Day Soweto & Apartheid Museum Tour

Explore the historic township of Soweto and learn about South Africa's journey to democracy. Drive past notable landmarks such as Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital, Orlando Power Station, Regina Mundi Church and Walter Sisulu Freedom Square. Visit the Hector Pieterse Memorial & Museum, Mandela House Museum, Desmond Tutu's House, and experience the vibrant streets of Kiptown. Conclude the tour at the renowned Apartheid Museum, where you'll have time to explore the exhibits at your own pace.

Departs: 09:00am-09:15am approximately (subject to change)

Includes: Return transfers from Sandton and Rosebank hotels, entrance to Mandela House Museum, Hector Pieterse Memorial & Museum and Apartheid Museum

Note: This is a shared tour, not a private one.



Half Day (Wednesday–Sunday only as the Apartheid Museum is closed Mondays & Tuesdays)

Operates on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

Full day Chobe National Park excursion in Botswana

An unforgettable wildlife experience **Chobe National Park in Botswana**, one of Africa's premier wildlife destinations. This unforgettable excursion begins with a transfer from Victoria Falls to the **Kazungula Border Post**, where your Botswana guide will meet you and escort you to the banks of the **Chobe River**.

Start your day at approximately 7:30am with a **morning river cruise**, gliding along the water as you spot elephants, hippos, crocodiles, and an incredible array of birdlife. Tea, coffee, and biscuits are served on board to enhance your experience.

At midday, enjoy a delicious lunch at the **Chobe Safari Lodge**, set on the river's edge with stunning views. After lunch, the adventure continues with an **afternoon game drive** through **Chobe National Park**, offering up-close encounters with the park's famous wildlife, including large herds of elephants, predators, and antelope species.

The day concludes with your transfer back across the border, arriving in Victoria Falls at approximately 6:30pm -with unforgettable memories in tow.

Includes: Park fees, scheduled return transfers (seat in shared vehicle)

Excludes: Cross-border visa fees and all other services not specified.

Note: This is a shared tour, not a private one.



Full day

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ACCOMMODATION

Southern Sun OR Tambo International Airport Hotel

Located just 500m from OR Tambo International Airport, Southern Sun OR Tambo provides convenient, comfortable accommodation for leisure and travellers. Standard rooms all feature stylish decor and modern amenities. Guests can enjoy a complimentary 15-minute shuttle to the airport, dine at Bernoullis Restaurant, relax at the 24/7 wine bar, unwind in the outdoor pool, or visit Carolines Day Spa & Salon. A fully equipped gym ensures all needs are met for a seamless stay near Johannesburg's gateway.



Mdluli Safari Lodge

Set within the south-western region of Kruger National Park, Mdluli Safari Lodge immerses guests in the raw beauty of Africa. Luxury tented suites feature private patios, indoor and outdoor showers, and direct views of the park. The lodge offers unforgettable experiences including bush dining, swimming in the rock pool, fireside evenings in the boma, and spa treatments. With access to the iconic Big Five—lion, leopard, rhino, elephant, and buffalo—guests enjoy thrilling game drives and an authentic safari experience in one of South Africa's premier wildlife destinations.



54 on Bath Hotel

Rosebank, Johannesburg

54 on Bath offers Deluxe Rooms on a Bed and Breakfast basis in the heart of Johannesburg. Known for its striking red brick facade and towering columns, the hotel blends modern design with classic elegance. Highlights include South Africa's only Veuve Clicquot Champagne bar, a welcoming lobby lounge with complimentary coffee, tea, and canapés, and the Garden Terrace offering panoramic city views. Guests can relax by the pool or enjoy sunset cocktails while admiring Johannesburg's skyline. Perfect for business or leisure, 54 on Bath delivers sophistication, comfort, and exceptional service in a vibrant urban setting.



Rovos Rail

UPGRADE AVAILABLE

Enjoy the extravagant elegance of rail travel on Rovos Rail, one of the most luxurious trains in the world, combining the opulence of pre-war travel with subtle modern innovations.

The wood-panelled sleeper coaches, remodelled and refurbished to mint condition, offer every modern convenience and comfort with fittings and facilities that are of the highest standard.

The Pullmans, used on short journeys, accommodate one or two passengers and have an ensuite bathroom with shower, toilet and basin. During the day, the suites have a comfortable sofa-seat with a conversion to double or twin beds (side-by-side or upper and lower bunks) for the evening. A dedicated host/ess is available at all times and services the suites daily.

Suite configurations are subject to availability. Suite layouts may differ from images.



- Double or twin beds
- Upper and/or lower bunk
- Daytime sofa setting
- Ensuite with shower, toilet and basin
- Fold-up writing desk
- Luggage shelf
- Cupboards
- Safe
- Air conditioning
- Tea facilities
- Bespoke amenities
- Robes and slippers
- Hairdryer (fixed or plug-in)
- Shaver plugs (2-pin)
- USB ports
- Safety glasses
- Emergency torch
- Fire extinguisher
- Laundry bag
- Shoe bag
- Internal telephone system
- Room service

Room Upgrades

Deluxe Suite

The Deluxes accommodate one or two passengers in double or twin beds and have their own lounge area and en-suite bathroom with shower, toilet and basin. A dedicated host/ess is available at all times and services the suites daily.

Suite configurations are subject to availability. Suite layouts may differ from images.



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

Royal Suites

The Royals each take up half a carriage with their own private lounge area and en-suite bathroom with Victorian bath, separate shower, toilet and basin. They accommodate one or two passengers in double or twin beds. A dedicated host/ess is always available and services the suites daily.

Suite configurations are subject to availability. Suite layouts may differ from images.



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

Insika Lodge Victoria Falls

Insika Lodge is located adjacent to the golf course in Victoria Falls, offering a serene retreat with stunning views. The lodge's name, IN-SEE-KA, means Pillar of Strength in isi-Ndebele, reflecting the awe-inspiring beauty of the nearby Victoria Falls. Guests can explore this natural wonder, visible from up to 50 kilometers away at certain times of year, or simply relax in luxurious accommodations surrounded by tranquil gardens. Insika Lodge provides easy access to adventure activities, wildlife excursions, and local culture, making it an ideal base for experiencing both the falls and the vibrant surrounding region.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

***Mdluli Safari Lodge**

Full board at Mdluli Safari Lodge includes **two shared game drives daily** (morning and afternoon) in open 10-seater safari vehicles with lodge guests. Private drives can be arranged at an additional cost.

Day of Arrival: Lunch, dinner, and the afternoon game drive are included if flight arrival timings allow.

Day of Departure: Breakfast and lunch are included if flight timings allow.

Please note: Pricing is based on a "from price" which varies on each departure and is subject to change without notice. We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means we may need to offer an alternative hotel of equivalent or better quality. Our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing, and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package
- All 'Optional Extras' and 'Optional Excursions/Tours' are available for an additional charge and are subject to availability
- Champagne, gratuities and personal expenses onboard Rovos Rail