

JOURNEY INFORMATION

Dar to Cape Town

2018-2019

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The Most Luxurious Train in the World



DAR ES SALAAM TO CAPE TOWN

	DAY 1					
12h00 13h00 16h30 19h30	The Pride of Africa departs Dar es Salaam and travels the TAZARA line. Guests may freshen up in their suites before joining fellow travellers in the midway lounge car or observation car at the rear of the train. Lunch is served in the dining cars as the train travels the fertile lands of Tanzania towards the Selous. Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car at the rear of the train. Dinner is served in the dining cars. Overnight at Fuga Halt.					
	DAY 2					
05h30 07h00 12h30 13h00 16h30 19h30	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure at 07h00. Game visit in the Selous Game Reserve, the largest in Africa at 55 000km² (time permitting). Return to the train. Lunch is served in the dining cars as the train passes the Udzungwa Mountains. Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car at the rear of the train. Dinner is served in the dining cars. Overnight at Mlimba.					
	Victoria Falls: It would be a good idea to familiarise yourself with the list of activities available • Tour of Falls • Helicopter over Falls • Elephant-back safari • A walk with lions • Whitewater rafting • Bungee-jumping • Golf. You may book these excursions yourself at the hotel OR beforehand on the train through the on-board lecturer – today between 17h00 and 18h30. Cash accepted.					
	DAY 3					
	Please ensure the Manager/Gift Shop is in possession of passports and ALL completed forms.					
	Lectures will be given during the course of the morning and/or afternoon in the midway lounge car. Please consult your Lecture Sheet for details.					
07h00 09h00 13h00 16h30 19h30	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10h00 as the train ascends the escarpment negotiating the hills and valleys with dramatic tunnels, switchbacks and viaducts. Arrive at Makambako where guests may enjoy a stroll through the town – time permitting. Lunch is served in the dining cars as the train passes forests of Baobabs. Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car at the rear of the train. Dinner is served in the dining cars as the train travels via Mbeya to Tunduma for the overnight stop.					
	PLEASE RETARD YOUR WATCHES BY ONE HOUR BEFORE RETIRING FOR THE EVENING.					
	DAY 4					
07h00 13h00 14h30 19h30	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10h00. Tanzanian and Zambian border formalities take place. Lunch is served in the dining cars as the train travels in a southwesterly direction. Disembark at Kasama for an excursion to Chisimba Falls. Depart Kasama at 18h00. Dinner is served in the dining cars. Overnight at Mununga.					
	DAY 5					
	<u>Victoria Falls:</u> If you have decided to book activities through the on-board lecturer, please ensure you have done so before dinner. Cash accepted.					
	Lectures will be given during the course of the morning and/or afternoon in the midway lounge car. Please consult your Lecture Sheet for details.					
07h00 13h00 16h30 19h30	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10h00. Lunch is served in the dining cars. Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car while the train is turned at Kapiri Mposhi. Dinner is served in the dining cars. Overnight at Ngwerere.					

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	DAY 6						
	Lectures will be given during the course of the morning and/or afternoon in the midway lounge car. Please consult your Lecture Sheet for details.						
07h00 13h00 16h30	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10h00 as the train departs Lusaka, capital of Zambia. After breakfast the train crosses the Kafue railway bridge – a 477-metre long steel girder truss bridge of 13 spans each at 33 metres supported on concrete piers. Lunch is served in the dining cars as the train makes its way to Zimbabwe.						
19h30	Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car at the rear of the train. Dinner is served in the dining cars. Overnight at Makoli.						
	DAY 7						
	Please pack a small overnight bag for the stay at Victoria Falls Hotel. For your convenience we have placed bags in your suite. Currency exchange is available at the hotel (passports are not required); an ATM is within walking distance; there is a business centre and WiFi. Lunch and dinner today and breakfast and lunch tomorrow are at Jungle Junction Restaurant – these meals are included in the overall journey price. All alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, or any meals taken in other venues, are for your own account.						
07h00 10h00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10h00. Arrive at Livingstone for Zambian border formalities. Cross the bridge and arrive at Zimbabwean border for passport formalities.						
	If you are crossing the border into Zambia during your stay, please obtain your passport from the Train Manager/Gift Shop.						
11h00	Arrive at the incomparable Victoria Falls. Disembark with overnight bag and walk across to the hotel.						
15h45 19h30	Welcome speech on the lawn followed by lunch. Luggage will be delivered to the rooms. Guests to meet in the hotel foyer before departure for the Sunset Cruise on the Zambezi River. Please bring warm clothing. Light snacks and drinks are included in the cruise.						
191130	Buffet dinner at the hotel's Jungle Junction Restaurant. Seating is reserved for Rovos Rail guests.						
06h30	DAY 8 Breakfast is served at the Jungle Junction Restaurant until 10h00. Day at leisure in the Victoria Falls.						
001130	Check-out time is normally at 10h00 (to be advised). If you have organised morning activities, please ensure you have checked out beforehand. Reception has a storage room for luggage. Please call the Front Desk and they will send a porter to collect your luggage for storage at Reception until afternoon departure.						
12h00 16h00	Lunch at the hotel. Meet on station platform.						
	Please ensure the Train Manager/Gift Shop has your passport for border formalities.						
17h00 19h30	Depart Victoria Falls. Dinner is served in the dining cars as the train heads southeast towards Bulawayo.						
	DAY 9						
	Lectures will be given during the course of the morning and/or afternoon in the midway lounge car. Please consult your Lecture Sheet for details.						
07h00 11h20 13h00 16h30 19h30	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10h00 as the train travels towards Botswana. Border formalities take place at Plumtree. Lunch is served in the dining cars. The train heads southwards through Francistown and Serule, crosses the Tropic of Capricorn and continues via Mahalapye to Gaborone (the capital of Botswana). Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car at the rear of the train. Dinner is served in the dining cars.						
	Please pack a small overnight bag for the two-night stay at the game lodge. Please note that beverages, phone calls and laundry are for your own account. Bottled water and a limited wine selection will be available during lunch and dinner compliments of Rovos Rail. Internet/WiFi is available in the main house. There are spa facilities. Time of game drives will be confirmed on arrival.						

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	DAY 10					
07h00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 09h30.					
10h00	Disembark at Gaborone and transfer by coach to Madikwe Game Reserve for a two-night stay.					
	Border formalities will take place en route and guests are required to present themselves to the officials.					
	Lunch is served upon arrival at the lodge. Afternoon to a and game drive (approximately 3 hours)					
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	DAY 11					
	Early morning game drive (approximately 3 hours).					
07h00	Breakfast is served at the lodge until 09h30.					
12h30	Lunch at the lodge. Afternoon tea and game drive (approximately 3 hours).					
19h00	Dinner at the lodge.					
	DAY 12					
07h00	Early morning game drive (approximately 2 hours).					
071100	Breakfast is served at the lodge until 09h30. Please ensure that your bags are ready for collection by 10h30 and proceed to check out.					
11h00	Depart the lodge and transfer to the train at Zeerust.					
13h00	Lunch is served in the dining cars.					
16h30	Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car as the train traverses the Magaliesberg					
19h30	Mountains – a range of low hills stretching 120 kilometres due east-west from Pretoria to Rustenberg.					
191150	Dinner is served in the dining cars. Overnight at Krugersdorp.					
	DAY 13					
07h00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 09h45 as the train travels north through the goldfields.					
10h00	Arrive at Rovos Rail's private station in Capital Park. Disembark for city tour of Pretoria.					
13h00	Lunch on the Rovos Rail platform followed by a walking tour of the station and the locomotive workshops (weather permitting).					
15h00	Depart Pretoria and travel south towards Kimberley.					
16h30	Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car at the rear of the train.					
19h30	Dinner is served in the dining cars. Overnight at Kingswood.					
	DAY 14					
07h00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 09h45.					
09h30	Ten minutes before arriving in Kimberley a shallow lake appears on the right-hand side of the train					
09h45	where, on most occasions, there are spectacular flocks of Lesser Flamingos (approximately 23 000). Arrive at the atmospheric railway station of Kimberley. Disembark and proceed via coach/combi for					
031143	a tour of the renowned city, the Diamond Mine Museum and the extraordinary Big Hole.					
12h30	Depart Kimberley and continue on overnight through the Karoo via Beaufort West to Matjiesfontein.					
13h00	Lunch is served in the dining cars.					
16h30	Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car at the rear of the train.					
19h30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.					
	DAY 15					
07h00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 10h00.					
08h00	There is a chance for guests to disembark the train at Whitehill Siding and walk the five kilometres into Matjiesfontein. A member of staff will accompany the group. Comfortable walking shoes are essential.					
08h25	Disembark at the quaint little village of Matjiesfontein for an opportunity to stroll through this					
	historic settlement; of special interest is the museum on the platform and a collection of vintage					
	cars and classic railway carriages to the right of the Lord Milner Hotel.					
11h00	Depart Matjiesfontein and pass through Touws River before descending the Hex River Pass.					
12h00	The train arrives at the first of four tunnels on the pass. The second tunnel is 13.5 kilometres long so guests are to be careful when walking through the train and may wish to turn on necessary lights.					
13h00	Lunch is served in the dining cars as the train climbs down the face of the escarpment through the					
	Hex River Valley and the town of Worcester. The broad valley hosts hundreds of grape-producing farms.					
16h30	Tea is served in the midway lounge car and observation car at the rear of the train.					
18h00	The train arrives at journey's end: Platform 24 at Cape Town Station.					

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Thank you for travelling with us across Southern Africa. We look forward to hosting you again in the not too distant future.



DAR ES SALAAM TO CAPE TOWN DISTANCE CHART

DISTANCE BETWEEN	STATIONS		(KMS) TOTAL DISTANCE	EXCURSIONS
0	DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA	•	0	Depart TAZARA Station
76	Mzenga	•	76	
60	Kidunda	•	136	
86	Kisaki	•	222	Selous Reserve, time permitting
116	Kiberege	•	338	
163	Mlimba	•	501	
156	Makambako	•	657	Walk through town, time permitting
197	Mbeya	•	854	
121	Tunduma	•	975	Border formalities Tanzania
1	Nakonde	•	976	Border formalities Zambia
250	Kasama	•	1226	Chisimba Falls
193	Mpika	•	1419	
170	Kanona	•	1589	
70	Serenje	•	1659	
199	Kapiri Mposhi	•	1858	TAZARA Terminus
183	Lusaka	•	2041	
47	Kafue	•	2088	
417	Livingstone	•	2505	Border formalities with Zimbabwe
10	Victoria Falls	•	2515	Overnight at Victoria Falls Hotel
204	Dete	•	2719	
265	Bulawayo	•	2984	
101	Plumtree	•	3085	Border formalities with Botswana
94	Francistown	•	3179	
228	Mahalapye	•	3407	
193	Gaborone	•	3600	Transfer for two nights at game lodge
110	Rahkuna	•	3710	Train only: border formalities BOT
10	Ramatlabama	•	3720	Train only: border formalities SA
25	Mafikeng	•	3745	
50	Zeerust	•	3795	Return to train
38	Groot Marico	•	3833	
173	Krugersdorp	•	4006	
122	Rovos Rail Station, Pretoria	•	4128	City tour/Lunch
66	Germiston	•	4194	
206	Klerksdorp	•	4400	
306	Kimberley	•	4706	City Tour/Big Hole/Diamond Museum
234	De Aar	•	4940	
259	Beaufort West	•	5199	
229	Matjiesfontein	•	5428	Town Tour/Museum
57	Touws River	•	5485	
82	Worcester	•	5567	
175	CAPE TOWN - SOUTH AFRICA		5742	Arrive Cape Town Station

TOTAL DISTANCES TRAVELLED - 5742 KILOMETRES - 3568 MILES					
SOUTH AFRICA	•	2022km - 1256mi			
BOTSWANA	•	635km - 395mi			
ZIMBABWE	•	570km - 354mi			
ZAMBIA	•	1539km - 956mi			
TANZANIA	•	976km - 607mi			



DAR ES SALAAM TO CAPE TOWN MAP

