



GOOD HOPE
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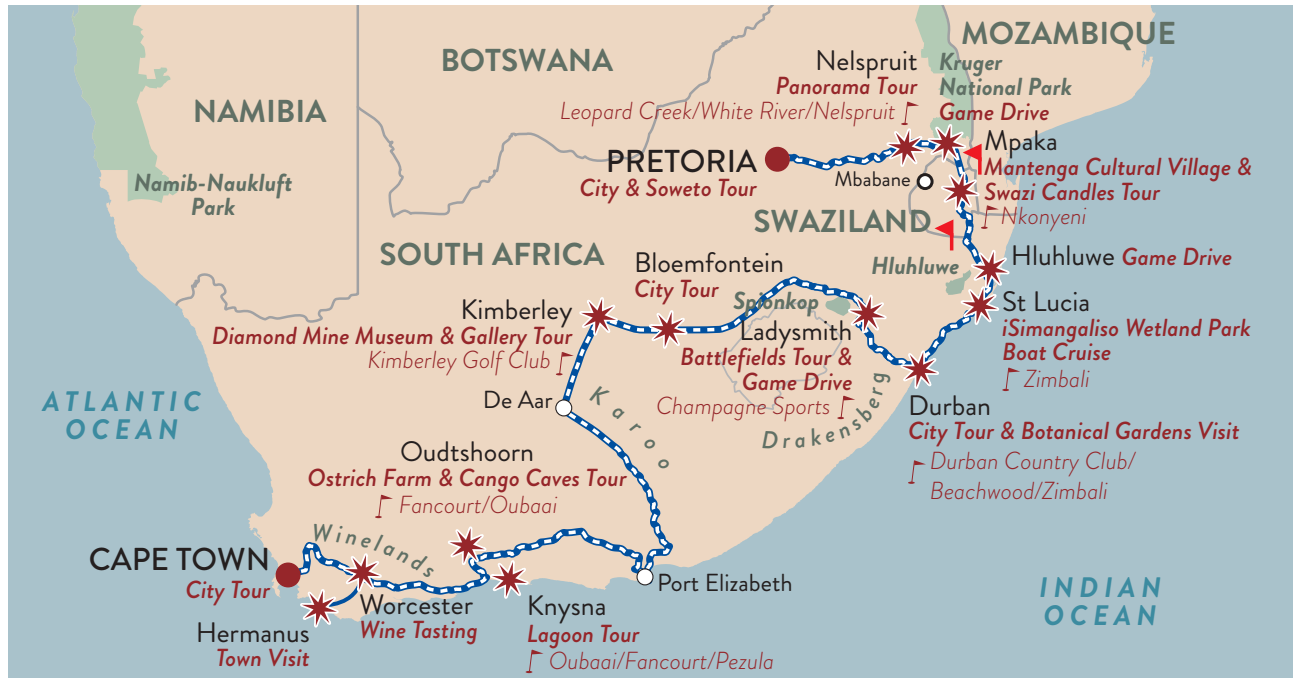
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GOOD HOPE ITINERARY

SOUTHBOUND PRETORIA-CAPE TOWN • 15 DAYS • 3900km



MEALS INCLUDED: Breakfast (B), Lunch (L), Dinner (D). Golf courses dependent on availability.

DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN PRETORIA WITH A TOUR OF THE CITY AND SOWETO (D)	
08:00	Check-in at Rovos Rail Station, Pretoria.
09:00	Full-day tour of Pretoria and Soweto.
15:30	Return to Rovos Rail Station. The train departs for Waterval Boven.
16:30	Tea is served in the lounge and observation car.
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.
<p>Soweto comprises one-million people and was made famous by the Apartheid laws. Pass the Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital (the largest hospital in the Southern Hemisphere) and drive past the only street in Africa that once housed two Nobel Peace laureates, Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Nelson Mandela. Visit the Hector Petersen Memorial, named after one of the first students to be killed in the 1976 uprising against the Apartheid government. Spend the afternoon in Pretoria, the administrative capital of South Africa, visiting the Union Buildings. Designed by the famous colonial English architect, Sir Herbert Baker, and completed in 1913, the Union Buildings house the offices of the President and Ministers. Before leaving the capital behind visit the Voortrekker Monument that commemorates the 'Great Trek' of the 1830s.</p>	
DAY 2: PANORAMA TOUR (B,D)	
07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.
09:00	Full-day tour of historical areas Pilgrim's Rest, Bourke's Luck Potholes and Graskop. The Graskop viewing lift takes visitors 51m down the face of the gorge into the forest below where wooden walkways and suspension bridges meander along a 600m trail through the indigenous forest with an interactive exhibit (<i>lift for own account</i>).
16:30	Return to the train in Nelspruit (140km). Depart for Malelane.
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.
<p>Pilgrim's Rest is a living museum and declared a National Monument. Gold was discovered here in 1873 attracting 1500 prospectors. Today many of the restored miner's houses serve as shops and restaurants. Bourke's Luck Potholes are strange deep cylindrical cavities formed by river erosion and floodwater. Blyde River Canyon has astonishing views over South Africa's Lowveld (so-named because it is much lower than the high escarpment along which the Panorama runs).</p>	
DAY 3: KRUGER PARK (B,D)	
05:30	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.
07:00	Full-day game viewing in the Kruger Park.
16:00	Return to the train.
16:30	Tea is served in the lounge and observation car.
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars. The train departs for Mpaka, Swaziland.
<p>The world-renowned Kruger Park has 2-million hectares of an unrivalled diversity in life forms. It is a world leader in advanced environmental management techniques and home to an impressive number of species, e.g. 336 species of trees, 49 species of fish, 34 species of amphibians, 114 species of reptiles, 507 species of birds and 147 species of mammals including the Big Five.</p>	
DAY 4: GOLFERS (B,D)	
07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure. Transfer to Leopard Creek/White River/Nelspruit Golf Club for tee off.
16:30	Return to the train. Depart for Malelane.
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.
DAY 5: GOLFERS (B,D)	
07:00	Breakfast is served until departure. Transfer to Leopard Creek/White River/Nelspruit for tee off. Return to the train.
16:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.
19:30	Depart for Mpaka.

DAY 4: SWAZILAND (B,D)		GOLFERS (B,D)	
07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.	07:00	Breakfast is served until departure.
08:30	Depart in vehicles for Swazi Candles (90 minutes) and visit Mantenga Cultural Village.		Transfer to Nkonyeni for tee off.
13:45	Return to the train (75 minutes).	14:00	Return to the train.
16:30	Tea is served in the lounge and observation car. Depart for Golela for border formalities.	16:30	Tea is served.
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.	19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.
<p>This tiny kingdom covers only 17 000m² making it the second smallest country in Africa. Experience Swazi Candles: a hive of activity displaying decorative candles, skillfully crafted woodcarvings, colourful textiles and superb basketwork for which Swazis are renowned. Continue through the Ezulwini Valley passing the Ludzidzini Royal residence en route to Mantenga Cultural Village, a living museum of old traditions representing a classical Swazi lifestyle during the 1850s.</p>			
DAY 5: HLUHLUWE (B,D)			
05:30	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.		
07:00	Game drives in Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Park.		
16:00	Return to the train. Depart for Empangeni.		
16:30	Tea is served in the lounge and observation car.		
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.		
<p>As the oldest proclaimed nature reserve in Africa, Hluhluwe consists 960km² of hilly topography 280km north of Durban in central Zululand and is known for its rich wildlife and conservation efforts. The park is the only state-run park in KwaZulu-Natal with all the Big Five game animals. Due to conservation efforts, the park now has the largest population of white rhino in the world. It is also one of the world's top spots for viewing Nyala and is a prime birding destination for 340 species.</p>			
DAY 6: ISIMANGALISO WETLAND PARK (B,D)		GOLFERS (B,D)	
07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.	07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.
08:30	Transfer (75 minutes) to the world-heritage site, St Lucia (iSimangaliso) Wetland Park. Enjoy a two-hour boat cruise with lunch (<i>own account</i>) in St Lucia town.		Transfer to Zimbali for tee off.
15:00	Return to the train.	15:30	Return to the train.
16:30	Tea is served in the lounge and observation car. Depart for Durban.	16:30	Tea is served in the lounge car and observation car.
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.	19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.
<p>The park covers over 2400km² from St Lucia in the south to the Mozambique border in the north and has spectacular diversity. Declared a World Heritage site in 1999, the park covers a mosaic of landforms that have created a vast array of biomes to support a wide variety of animals, plants and birds. The park boasts the highest bird count in all of Africa, the southern-most breeding spots for turtles in Africa, Africa's tallest forested dunes, the largest remaining stands of sand forest and the biggest peat beds in the Southern Hemisphere.</p>			
DAY 7: DURBAN (B,D)		GOLFERS (B,D)	
07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.	07:00	Breakfast is served until departure.
09:00	Disembark for a Durban city tour and a visit to the botanical gardens and uShaka Marine World.		Transfer to Durban Club/Beachwood/Zimbali for tee off.
16:30	Return to the train. Depart for Ladysmith.	16:00	Return to the train.
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.	16:30	Tea is served.
<p>Durban is the third largest city in South Africa and enjoys great importance due to its industry and very large port. Drive along the 'Golden Mile' promenade where numerous hotels and restaurants are situated. Visit the botanical gardens and uShaka Marine World – Africa's largest marine theme park. Entrance fee to waterpark: Guest's own account.</p>		19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.
DAY 8: LADYSMITH BATTLEFIELDS (B,L*,D)		GOLFERS (B,D)	
07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.	07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.
09:00	Transfer (45 minutes) to Spionkop Lodge for a battlefields tour and light refreshments before moving to Spionkop hill to finish this historic story.		One-hour transfer to Champagne Sports for tee off.
12:30	Return to the lodge for lunch.	15:00	Return to the train.
14:00	Afternoon game drive <u>OR</u> relax at the lodge.	16:30	Tea is served.
16:00	Return to the train. Depart for Kroonstad.	17:00	Depart for Kroonstad.
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.	19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.
<p>Walk in the footsteps of three great leaders Winston Churchill, Mahatma Gandhi and General Louis Botha – a story on which the sun never sets. Britain marched into the South African war in the spring of 1899, confident that it "would all be over by Christmas!" It lasted three years and was to become the costliest Britain had ever fought. *Lunch provided; beverages for own account.</p>			
DAY 9: BLOEMFONTEIN (B,D)			
07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 09:00.		
12:00	Tour of Bloemfontein including the Women's Memorial, Anglo Boer Museum, Oliewenhuis Art Museum and Naval Hill.		
17:00	Return to the train. Depart for Kimberley.		
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.		
<p>Bloemfontein is the seat of the South African judicial system. At the end of the 19th century it was also the capital of the old Boer Republic of The Orange Free State. Bloemfontein is capital of the Free State Province and also known as the Rose City. Loch Logan Waterfront, next to the city's newly renovated stadium, was one of the venues during the 2010 Soccer World Cup. The Women's Memorial at the Anglo Boer War Museum is a reminder of life in the concentration camps and commemorates the 27 000 women and children who died in these camps. The Museum itself is a graphic depiction of the hardship endured by all during the war and relates the history of South Africa from 1652.</p>			
DAY 10: KIMBERLEY (B,D)		GOLFERS (B,D)	
07:00	Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure.	07:00	Breakfast is served until departure.
09:00	Visit to the Big Hole, Diamond Mine Museum, Noord-Kaap Mall, William Humphreys Art Gallery and the McGregor House Museum.		Transfer to the Kimberley Golf Club for tee off.
16:00	Return to the train. Tea is served in the lounge and observation car at 16:30. Depart for Noupoot.	16:00	Return to the train.
19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.	19:30	Dinner is served in the dining cars.
<p>Capital of the Northern Cape, Kimberley is well known for the discovery of diamonds that led to its establishment in 1871.</p>			

DAY 11: DAY AT LEISURE ON BOARD (B,L,D)	
Enjoy a day at leisure on board as the train travels to Willowmore. All meals enjoyed on board.	
DAY 12: CANGO CAVES AND OSTRICH FARM (B,D*)	GOLFERS (B,D*)
07:00 Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure. 09:15 Transfer (60 minutes) to the Cango Caves and an ostrich farm. 16:15 Return to the train (90 minutes). 18:30 Transfer to Fancourt Golf Estate for dinner. This semi-desert region is situated at the foot of the majestic Swartberg mountain range where many rivers, streams and falls have their origins. Oudtshoorn is regarded as the centre of the Klein Karoo and is famous for feathering the world in the time of the boa and grand hats. The ostrich boom of the early 20th century turned out many millionaires who, in turn, created elaborate lifestyles in this remote part of Africa. The great natural wonder of the Cango Caves has colourful underground chambers with breathtaking limestone formations. *Dinner and one pre-dinner beverage (wine, G&T, beer, soda or juice) included.	07:00 Please take a change of clothes for dinner. Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure. Transfer to Fancourt/Ernie Els Oubaai for tee off. Time to freshen up. 18:30 Dinner at Fancourt*.
DAY 13: KNYSNA (B,L,D)	GOLFERS (B,D)
06:00 Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure. 07:45 Transfer to Knysna for a lagoon ferry ride. 13:00 Return to the train. Enjoy lunch on board. Depart for Voorbaai. 16:30 Tea is served in the lounge and observation car. 19:30 Dinner is served in the dining cars. Depart for Buffeljagsrivier. Drive along the coast from George, situated in the heart of the Garden Route. The town itself sits on a 10km plateau between the majestic Outeniqua Mountains to the north and the Indian Ocean to the south. The Knysna Heads – two sandstone cliffs guarding the mouth of the lagoon connecting the estuary with the sea – is a dramatic viewpoint.	06:00 Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure. Transfer to Ernie Els Oubaai/Fancourt/Pezula for tee off. 15:00 Return to the train. 19:30 Dinner is served in the dining cars.
DAY 14: HERMANUS (B,D)	Optional Golf at Arabella
07:00 Breakfast is served in the dining cars until departure. 09:00 Drive the scenic route to Hermanus (140km) for a visit. 13:00 Transfer to a wine estate in Worcester for a tasting. 16:00 Return to the train at Worcester. Depart for Cape Town. Tea is served in the lounge and observation car at 16:30. 19:30 Dinner is served in the dining cars. Travel over the Rooihoogte and Floorshoogte passes via the Overberg to Hermanus, once a renowned fish market and whaling station. The whale hunts were stopped by international treaty in 1935. The WWF includes Hermanus in its list of 12 best whale-viewing sites in the world but it tops the list when it comes to land-based whale-watching from the town's natural cliffs. In season (normally between July and November) whales can be seen from as close as 5m away.	
DAY 15: ARRIVAL IN CAPE TOWN WITH A TOUR OF THE CITY (B)	
07:00 Breakfast is served in the dining cars until 09:00. 10:00 Arrive at Cape Town Station. Check out of the train. Luggage will be stored at our private lounge at the station. 10:30 Full-day tour of Cape Town. 16:00 Return to Cape Town Station where your Shongololo adventure ends. Walk through the Company Gardens and visit the Bo-Kaap Museum. The first Malays arrived in the Cape as political refugees and slaves during the 17th century. Nearly two centuries after emancipation these Islamic people moved into the area known today as the Bo-Kaap, building mosques with picturesque minarets and their own Georgian-style houses with Dutch influence. One of the oldest Cape Town buildings houses the museum, which is furnished as a Muslim house of the 19th century and documents the history of the Cape Malays. En route to the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, stop at Diamond Works for a tour of the diamond cutting studio, a jewellery manufacturing workshop, a jewellery design studio as well as a gemological laboratory. Lunch at the V&A Waterfront, a development that has brought new life to the old harbour of the Dutch East India Company in Table Bay. The complex offers shops, craft markets, restaurants, taverns, cinemas, theatres as well as great views over the harbour. Drive through District Six, named the Sixth Municipal District of Cape Town in 1867. Originally established as a mixed community of freed slaves, merchants, artisans, labourers and immigrants, District Six was a vibrant centre with close links to the city and the port. By the beginning of the 20th century, however, the process of removals and marginalisation had begun. The first to be forced out were Black South Africans who were displaced from the District in 1901. As the more prosperous moved away to the suburbs, the area became a neglected ward of the city. On 11 February 1966 it was declared a White area under the Group Areas Act of 1950 and by 1982 the life of the community was over. More than 60 000 people were forcibly removed to barren outlying areas aptly known as the Cape Flats while bulldozers flattened their houses in District Six. The museum, established in December 1994, works with the memories of the District Six experience. Visit the Castle of Good Hope, the oldest surviving building in South Africa. This pentagonal fortification replaced a small clay and timber fort built by Commander Jan van Riebeeck in 1652 as a maritime replenishment station for the ships of the Dutch East India Company. The stone walls between the bastions are 150m long and 12m high.	

Please dress accordingly for game drives/excursions: mornings can be cool then warm up considerably; afternoons can be warm then cool down considerably. Warm clothing, hats and sun protection are advised (season dependent). Rain capes are available.

Excursions may be changed according to schedule achieved. Times are approximate and cannot be guaranteed. Please check with the Train Manager or reservations@shongololo.com for any updates/changes to the itinerary. In your cabin you will find the Journeys magazine that features articles of interest related to the route.

We strongly discourage giving any form of handout to children while travelling. This action may have detrimental consequences to local communities. If you would like to give responsibly, we support many local charities and would be happy to assist.

INCLUDED: Accommodation, breakfast, lunch (where stated) and dinner; excursions accompanied by a qualified tour guide, entrance fees as per itinerary; return transfers to golf courses; tea, coffee and bottled water on board and government tax.

EXCLUDED: Lunch off the train (where stated); all beverages; course fees (*green fees payable in advance*); laundry; gratuities; souvenirs; visas, travel insurance and pre- and post-tour accommodation, flights and transfers.

MEALS ON BOARD (unless adjusted) Breakfast 07:00-09:00 • Lunch 13:00 • Tea: 16:30 • Dinner 19:30.

COURSE INFORMATION

Course selection is dependent on availability.

ARABELLA

Hermanus • Links and Parklands • 6 300m • Carts available • www.arbellacountryestate.co.za

Set in the majestic Kogelberg mountain range and bordered by the Bot Rivier Lagoon, Arabella has tricky bunkers, immaculate kikuyu fairways and inventive water hazards. The fabled championship course has consistently been ranked in the top 10 courses in South Africa. The 8th hole has been described as one of the most beautiful par 5s in South Africa and the 18th hole was rated one of the finest finishing holes in the country. The course was designed and built by the highly acclaimed South African golf course architect Peter Matkovich in 1999. Since then, many professionals and celebrities have enjoyed the Arabella experience including Jack Nicklaus, Samuel L. Jackson, Ernie Els, Retief Goosen, Ronan Keating, Lee Westwood, Tim Clark and Gary Player.

OUBAAI GOLF CLUB

Herold's Bay • Links • 6 516m • Carts available • www.oubaai.co.za

In designing Oubai, Ernie Els and his team have taken full advantage of the spectacular landscape with the support of Nicklaus Design. The philosophy is based on flexibility where concepts are moulded according to the landscape, not vice versa. With its special cliff-side location and high vantage point above rivers and valleys, the initial impression will be of large open fairways, superb directional and protective bunkers and large undulating greens, but be assured that despite the seeming freedom off the tee there is a strategy that requires intelligent positioning of each shot.

Signature hole: 17th - par 3 - 132m With an elevated tee and breathtaking views of the Indian Ocean, the ever-changing winds and undulating green guarded by four bunkers make this a tough little hole.

FANCOURT COUNTRY CLUB

George • 1 Links and 2 Parkland • Carts available • www.fancourt.co.za

1. MONTAGU • 6 714m • This course is exquisitely conditioned with a glorious parkland layout covering large tracts of varying terrain on rolling land. Mature trees, flowerbeds, shrubs and water hazards provide a colourful contrast.

Signature hole: 17th - par 3 - 190m This is scary for the average golfer with its long carry over water but the green is large and receptive so ignore it and go for the flag. If conservative, favour the left side of the green.

2. OUTENIQUA • 6 312m • Named after the mountain range overlooking the area, this parklands course is regarded as the easier one being more open in appearance yet it has its share of challenges and risk-and-reward moments.

Signature hole: 14th - par 4 - 421m No surprise this is the toughest hole with its intimidating tee shot over water. If the flag is on the left of the green, play conservatively for the middle as there is water lurking at the back left.

PEZULA

Knysna • Links and Parklands • 5 963m • Carts available • www.pezulagolf.com

Pezula is a sweeping spectacle of fairways and greens rolling through the pristine Southern Cape landscape. The award-winning course, designed by David Dale and Ronald Fream of GolfPlan USA, rates amongst the best and the most scenic in the world. Covering 254 hectares on the Knysna clifftops, Pezula has views of both the Knysna Lagoon and the Indian Ocean. It is designed to include a full range of shots in a diverse coastal terrain making it a challenging, rewarding and complete golf experience for players of all levels.

Signature hole: 13th - par 5 - 467m This amazing hole drops 200ft and is measured in 'airtime'. Your level or uneven lie will determine your second shot selection. Don't forget to look back to the tee when you finish the hole.

KIMBERLEY GOLF CLUB

Kimberley • Parklands • 6 229m • Carts available • www.kimberleygolfclub.co.za

KGC carries over 100 years of history and hosted the very first South African Championships in 1892. It is a Bob Grimsdell-designed parklands course boasting exceptional well-tended kikuyu fairways and cynodon greens – more than a match for whatever El Niño has thrown at this semi-desert region in the past. The course has two distinct faces: a green summer look that has the ball holding and a frosted winter white look that has the ball rolling. Whatever the season the course remains player friendly.

CHAMPAGNE SPORTS RESORT

Drakensberg • Mountain • 7 400m • Carts available • www.champagnesportsresort.com

Located in the beautiful Drakensberg area, this course has to be rated as one of the most scenically memorable golf layouts in South Africa. Designed by Hugh Baiocchi and Kevin Curren, it successfully blends the natural attributes of the terrain and the surrounding beauty with the modern demands of a quality course. It undulates up and around the contours of a valley that nestles under the dominant peaks of Champagne and Cathkin Peaks and incorporates several holes with blind tee shots. Professional and novice alike will appreciate the 84 well-appointed bunkers that line the fairways and greens. The quality of the greens is accredited to Trevor Livesey whose passion remains unabated. Though the drama of the mighty mountains dominates the eye, the course also enjoys gentle vistas where the lower hills create a kaleidoscope of colour blessed with trees, rivers and dams to add even more of a challenge.

DURBAN COUNTRY CLUB

Durban • Semi-links • 6 157m • Carts available • www.dcclub.co.za

Built by George Waterman and fellow professional golfer Laurie Waters, the Durban Country Club was established in 1922 and has a proud history. The difficulties these men faced were immense as all earth-moving had to be done manually, giant sand dunes were flattened and dense bush and trees chopped down and carted away. Renowned for its classic Cape Dutch architecture, lush vegetation, undulating fairways, sand dunes and beautiful setting overlooking the Indian Ocean, the club has been the venue of choice for many an important celebration in its rich history. **Signature Hole: 3rd - par 5 - 468m** A tee shot from the highest point on the course into a valley below, completely exposing the drive to the ocean gusts. Trees on the right of the straightaway hole need to be avoided as well as the large fairway bunker on the landing area to the left.

DURBAN BEACHWOOD

Durban • Semi-links • 6 016m • Carts available • www.dcclub.co.za

The seaside layout of Beachwood has deservedly received accolades for its immaculate conditioning. Originally designed by Sid & Jack Brews in 1930, it has always been famed for its narrow fairways and indigenous trees. When Beachwood amalgamated with Durban Country Club in the late 1990s, Gary Player's design team was asked to upgrade and redesign some of the holes while introducing additional hazards. The results are to be savoured as one plays a course with clever bunkering and water features with superb greens. The land follows rolling and undulating contours allowing fairways to follow natural valleys between high grassy banks requiring precision shots and lay-ups. **Signature Hole: 6th - par 4 - 410m** One of the most demanding holes you will find anywhere, the 6th is set high in the dunes and doglegs left with a stream, bush and water hazard to be negotiated en route to the green.

ZIMBALI

North Coast KwaZulu-Natal • Links Coastal & Parklands • 6 524m • Carts compulsory • www.zimbalicc.co.za

A truly spectacular golf estate offering sweeping panoramas of the surrounding hills, forest and ocean. Former South African PGA and British Open Champion Tom Weiskopf has remained true to his style and designed a course that caters to players of all abilities. Opened in 1998 it has firmly cemented itself as one of the area's favourites. Being an eco-conscious estate, the tee boxes are often situated in slightly tricky positions to avoid environmental disturbances. The first 11 holes take you over rolling hills with ideal vantage points from which to enjoy the magnificent views. Holes 12 to 18 explore the Zimbali indigenous forest.

NKONYENI

Swaziland • Bushveld • 5 810m • Carts available • www.nkonyenigroup.co.za

Nkonyeni Golf Estate is situated in 1200 hectares of gorgeous bushveld overlooking the Great Usuthu River and surrounding mountains. Built in 2007, the championship course was designed by Phil Jacobs (previously associated with the Gary Player Group and responsible for a total of 40 golf courses in France, Hong Kong, China, Philippines, Indonesia and South Africa) and further constructed by Robert Richardson. The bushveld course meanders through the private game reserve providing a unique experience at the 18th hole with a shot across the Usuthu River onto an island surrounded by rocks.

LEOPARD CREEK

Kruger Park Malelane • Parklands • 6 631m • Carts compulsory • www.leopardcreek.co.za

This ultra-exclusive world-class facility is the brainchild of magnate Johan Rupert and, as can be expected, no expense was spared. Bordered to the north and the west by the picturesque Crocodile River and the Kruger National Park, the course represents African golf at its best with indigenous bushveld bordering the immaculate fairways and greens. Innovative architectural and landscaping techniques ensure the course is naturally protected from animals, while lakes and small streams divert through the development to create scenic vistas and interesting golf strategies. **Signature hole: 13th - par 5 - 505m** Here the green is right on the edge of the Crocodile River but 32 metres above the water level offering magnificent views up the river and into the Kruger Park.

WHITE RIVER

Nelspruit • Parklands • 6 036m • Carts available • www.whiterivercountryclub.co.za

White River has naturally adapted to the valley floor upon which it lies at the foot of private nature reserves. Such is the beauty of it that holes 7 and 11 have been compared to the likes of Augusta. First opened in 1924 it was designed by Gary Player and Reg Taylor. The long, snaking river that runs through the course is the defining feature and is home to an astounding array of flora and fauna.

Signature hole: 5th - par 3 - 138m: This hole calls for an accurate tee shot over the river onto a gently sloping green.

NELSPRUIT GOLF CLUB

Nelspruit • Parklands • 5 700m • Carts available • www.nelspruitgolfclub.co.za

Nelspruit lies in the fertile valley of the Crocodile River in the hot and humid Lowveld. It has a very important place on the tourist map due to its close proximity to the Kruger National Park. Founded in November 1928 and moved to its present location in 1939, Nelspruit Golf Club is one of Mpumalanga's top courses. The bushveld course is a Bob Grimsdell design built among rocky outcrops. It was a nine-holer for nearly 30 years before Grimsdell returned to complete a second nine in 1967. It was left largely untouched until 1998 when Peter Matcovich upgraded it. The course is lined with indigenous lowveld trees and bent grass greens and cynoden/kikuyu fairways complement the landscape. Nelspruit Golf Club is famous for hosting the annual Jock of the Bushveld Festival of Golf, considered the biggest amateur tournament of its kind in the world. Started in 1968, it now receives some 800 amateurs from far and wide who play more than 2 000 rounds during a week in May.

DRESS CODE

Acceptable clothing:

- Shirts with collars and sleeves must be tucked in
- Traditional long or short golf trousers
- Short trousers with knee-length stockings or short white socks
- Ladies skirts or culottes must be knee-length
- Golf hats or peaks worn with peak forward
- Golf shoes with soft spikes (most clubs)

Not acceptable:

- T-shirts, vests or sleeveless shirts
- Denim jeans
- Sweatpants or cargo pants
- Drawstring shorts
- Shoes without socks
- Cross-trainer sports shoes

TRAIN SPECIFICATIONS

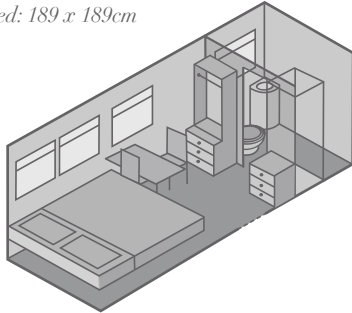
Emerald Double or Twin

$\pm 10m^2$ | $\pm 108ft^2$
LxW: $\pm 510 x 190cm$

Air conditioning, writing desk, luggage shelf, cupboards, safe, tea facilities, small lounge area and en-suite bathroom with shower, toilet and basin.

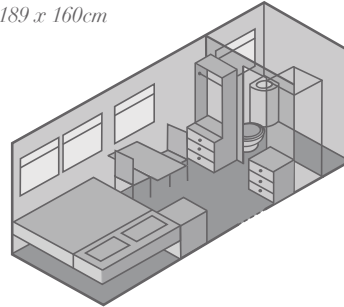
LENGTHWAYS DOUBLE

Bed: $189 x 189cm$



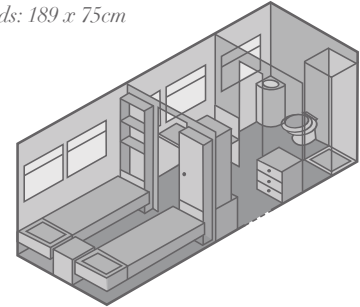
CROSSWISE DOUBLE

Bed: $189 x 160cm$



SPLIT TWIN

Beds: $189 x 75cm$



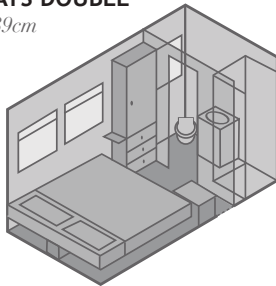
Gold Double or Twin

$\pm 7m^2$ | $\pm 76ft^2$
LxW: $\pm 374 x 190cm$

Air conditioning, fold-up writing desk, luggage shelf, cupboards, safe and en-suite bathroom with shower, toilet and basin.

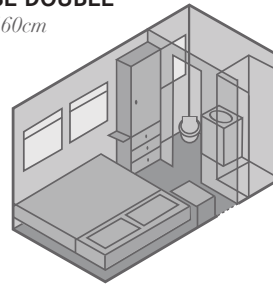
LENGTHWAYS DOUBLE

Bed: $189 x 189cm$



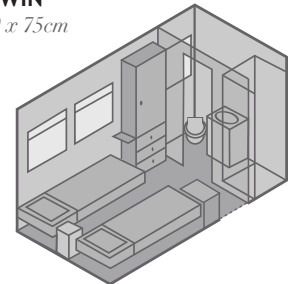
CROSSWISE DOUBLE

Bed: $189 x 160cm$



SPLIT TWIN

Beds: $189 x 75cm$



THE CABINS & COACHES

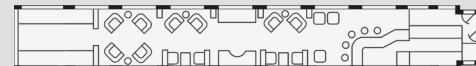
Each train has accommodation carriages, dining cars, a lounge car (± 36 seats), small gift shop, smoking lounge (± 8 seats) and observation car (± 32 seats) with open-air balcony. The two types of cabins are refined and spacious offering passengers privacy and comfort with double or twin beds and fittings and facilities that are of the highest standard. All have en-suite bathrooms with shower, toilet and basin, tea-and-coffee facilities (Emeralds only), safes, air conditioning, linen and amenities and are serviced daily. There is adequate storage and small cupboards with hangers and shelves.

Cabin layouts may differ from images.

EMERALD DOUBLE & TWIN CABINS



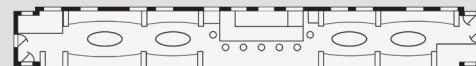
OBSERVATION CAR



GOLD DOUBLE & TWIN CABINS



LOUNGE CAR



DINING CAR



CLUB LOUNGE & STAFF CAR



BANQUETTE DINING CAR



KITCHEN CAR



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CANCELLATION: Cancellation of a confirmed booking received prior to departure is subject to a fee of the per person tour price. See T&C. Cancellation insurance is compulsory as these fees will not be waived. We offer insurance to South African residents. For international guests we suggest you contact your local insurance agent for assistance. Please bring a copy of your travel insurance policy stating clearly the company, policy number and 24-hour medical emergency telephone number.

SCHEDULING TIMES, ROUTES AND EXCURSIONS: We cannot be held liable for any delays due to trains not running to schedule. Off-train excursions cannot be guaranteed and will only be undertaken if time and circumstances permit. Departure and arrival times are approximate and cannot be guaranteed. We reserve the right to alter our routing at any time between departure and arrival points. We caution against same-day air travel on departure or arrival days due to possible delays with flights or the train. We do our best to fulfil our obligations but it goes without saying that with many locomotive changes as well as other logistical permutations it is not uncommon to be delayed. **It is very important that we have your arrival and departure details.** Should you be delayed in any way, kindly contact +27 (0) 12 315 8242.

ADDRESSES	JOURNEY	CHECK-IN	DEPART	ARRIVE
PRETORIA: Rovos Rail Station, 1 Transnet Ave, Capital Park, Pretoria, South Africa	Good Hope Pretoria-Cape Town	08:00 (Tour)	16:00	16:00
	Good Hope Cape Town-Pretoria	08:00 (Tour)	16:00	18:00
CAPE TOWN: Rovos Rail Lounge, 1 Adderley St, Paul Sauer Building, Cape Town, South Africa	Southern Cross Pretoria-Victoria Falls	08:00 (Tour)	16:00	18:30 (Hotel)
	Southern Cross Victoria Falls-Pretoria	10:30 (Hotel)	17:00	16:00
VICTORIA FALLS: Victoria Falls Hotel/Station, Mallet Drive, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe	Dune Express Pretoria-Walvis Bay	14:00	15:00	11:30
WALVIS BAY: Walvis Bay Station, Corner 6 th Street and 11 th Road, Walvis Bay, Namibia	Dune Express Walvis Bay-Pretoria	10:00	11:00	12:00

MEDICAL

- **All guests are solely responsible for ensuring they are capable of undertaking the tours and activities.**
- **Please inform us at the time of your reservation** if you have any medical conditions, physical disabilities or allergies.
- There is a basic First Aid Kit on board.
- Anti-malarial precautions are recommended. Malaria areas: Swaziland, Kruger Park, Northern Botswana, Zimbabwe and Etosha.
- Recommended immunisations (*not required*): Hepatitis A + B, Polio, Tetanus, Cholera (low risk).
- A Yellow Fever/Medical Exemption Certificate is **essential** if travelling to/from **Tanzania, DRC** and **Angola**. Although all countries travelled through don't require this, countries guests return to **after** the trip often require them.
- Please consult your clinic or doctor. TRAVEL DOCTOR AFRICA *local* 0861 300 911 or *international* +27 (0) 11 214 9030.

PASSPORTS & VISAS: The onus is upon the client to ensure that passports and visas, as may be required, are valid prior to departure for Africa. On the various journeys we travel through South Africa, Swaziland, Namibia, Zimbabwe, Botswana and Mozambique. Some nationalities are eligible to purchase port-of-entry visas. Immigration forms are available on board. Please ensure you have a minimum of US\$200 in cash with you. Passports must have at least five blank VISA pages and must be valid for at least six months from your return-home date. Please enquire with us or check with the relevant embassies in good time regarding applications. Visas available through visa and booking agents.

ACCOUNTS: Guests will be requested to sign for on-board purchases throughout the trip. This includes signing for drinks, optional extras and 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.

AMENITIES: We provide a complete amenity bag – available in your en-suite bathroom cupboard – with the following South African products: soap (25g), tissues, shampoo (50ml), conditioner (50ml), bath and shower gel (50ml), hand and body lotion (50ml), hand sanitiser (30ml), vanity kit, small sewing kit and a shower cap.

CHILDREN: do accommodate children but we kindly ask parents to be sensitive to the adult nature and atmosphere of the train by keeping them respectful and quiet. Long journeys are not recommended for under 13s. Children between 0-2 years old are not permitted to travel. There are no child-minding facilities or activities available for children on board. See Child Policy.

CURRENCY

- South Africa – Rands only. We accept all major credit cards on the train.
- Outside of South Africa – Rands are accepted in Namibia and Swaziland. US Dollars are accepted in Zimbabwe and Mozambique. Cash is highly recommended. Hotels and major dealers accept credit cards.
- US Dollars printed before year 2009 or that look worn will not be accepted. Low denominations recommended for shopping/gratuities. Larger denominations recommended for exchanging money to local currency as you get a better rate.

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS: We will do our best to cater for dietary requirements provided a detailed request has been made at that time of your reservation. If a special request has not been made, the chefs will endeavour to prepare suitable meals with the ingredients available on board. We regret we are unable to prepare meals requiring strict religious observance in the preparation.

DINING: Meals on board are served in one sitting only in the dining cars. Breakfast: 07:00-09:00 • Lunch: 13:00 • Tea: 16:30 • Dinner: 19:30 • Bar service 07:00-01:00. All meals are served at these times unless otherwise stated in the timetable. A gong heralds lunch and dinner.

DRESS: The atmosphere on board is relaxed so casual clothing is recommended. For off-train excursions we strongly recommend comfortable walking shoes, sun lotion and hats. If required, blankets and rain capes are available. Game drives are on open vehicles so please dress accordingly: mornings can be cool then warm up considerably; afternoons can be warm then cool down considerably. Please see average temperatures as a guide.

ELECTRICITY: 220V AC 50Hz 3-point round-pronged wall plugs and 110V/220V 2-pin plugs for shavers and chargers. International adaptors available. A generator supplies power. Please be aware that certain breaks in power are necessary when servicing is required.

GIFT SHOP/ADMINISTRATION: There is a small gift shop on the train and at Rovos Rail Station. Due to the varying exchange rates, credit cards are preferred. The host/ess on duty has a basic First Aid kit and personal essentials (toothbrushes, razors, earplugs etc.). He/she will also fulfil any administrative requirements and check your onward arrangements.

GRATUITIES: Gratuities for the staff are at your discretion. If you wish to show your appreciation in this manner, there will be a suitably marked envelope in your cabin that you can hand directly to the Train Manager who will distribute any amounts on a pro-rata basis (share) among the staff on board. An amount between ZAR100-200 (±US\$10-20) per person per night is suggested, depending on the length of your journey.

LAUNDRY: There is a LIMITED laundry service on board comprising household washers, dryers and steam irons. The turnaround is 48 hours so we are not able to handle a week's worth of laundry. There are no dry-cleaning facilities en route or on board the train. Items start at R10.00.

LOCOMOTION: Use of steam has become increasingly difficult over the years as more and more water and coaling facilities have been scrapped. Diesel or electric locomotives are used while steam is used in and around the area of Rovos Rail Station only.

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.

MAGAZINES, MAPS AND GAMES: There are board games, playing cards, a card table (dependent), books and magazines available for your use in the lounge and observation cars while on board. In your cabin is a map, itinerary and the *Journeys* magazine featuring articles of interest related to the route. If the map supplied is not comprehensive enough you may purchase a more detailed map from the Gift Shop.

MOBILE DEVICES AND INTERNET: In maintaining the spirit of train travel there are no radios or television sets on board. The use of mobile phones, laptops and essentially anything that has the ability to disturb other passengers is confined to the privacy of your cabins only. The reception is poor while the train is moving. It is advised to contact your service provider to ensure the correct settings for network services are activated. WiFi is available at our lounges in Cape Town and Pretoria and at most off-train accommodation (although not always guaranteed).

SECURITY: An electronic safe is provided in the cupboard in each cabin.

SMOKING: On board the train smoking is allowed in the smoking Club Lounge only. HOWEVER, please be mindful of other non-smoking guests, that the train is generally made up of wood and DO NOT throw flammable items such as cigarette or cigar butts off the train. Bush fires in Africa are a constant and dangerous hazard. Please note at the time of your reservation if you are smoking or non-smoking so that the appropriate room might be requested at the hotels.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS: Please note at the time of your booking if you're celebrating a special occasion as we'd like to share it with you.

TEMPERATURE AND TIME ZONES: All public cars and cabins are fitted with gas-filled air-conditioners with temperature controls that can also be set to heat mode. Windows should be closed while operating the air-conditioning unit. Electric under-blankets are fitted on the bed. See guide...

AVERAGE TEMPS °C	JAN/FEB		MAR/APR		MAY/JUN		JUL/AUG		SEP/OCT		NOV/DEC		Rainfall Months	TIME ZONE
AREA	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max		
Cape Town, South Africa	16	28	13	26	9	21	7	19	9	22	13	27	Apr-Aug	GMT+2
Pretoria, South Africa	18	30	15	27	7	23	4	22	13	28	16	30	Oct-Mar	GMT+2
Durban, South Africa	21	29	19	28	12	25	16	25	16	26	19	28	Oct-Mar	GMT+2
Mbabane, Swaziland	16	28	13	27	5	23	5	23	10	26	14	28	Nov-Feb	GMT+2
Vic Falls, Zimbabwe	15	29	14	29	8	23	7	27	16	28	16	26	Dec-Mar	GMT+2
Maputo, Mozambique	23	31	21	30	15	27	15	26	18	28	21	30	Nov-Mar	GMT+2
Lüderitz, Namibia	15	24	15	24	12	22	11	20	12	20	13	20	Jan-Mar	GMT+2
Walvis Bay, Namibia	16	22	15	22	11	22	10	22	11	18	13	20	March	GMT+2
Etosha Pan, Namibia	18	30	17	30	10	27	10	27	15	32	18	33	Jan-Mar	GMT+2

THE TRACK: The track over which we travel is inconsistently maintained. If you wake at night imagining the train is travelling at high speed, be assured it is the state of the track below creating that impression. We restrict the train to 60km/h (37mph) and over bad sections reduce speed to as little as 20km/h (12mph). If you find it noisy, earplugs are available.

WATER: 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. Water inside the cabins has been filtered and chlorinated; it is safe for bathing and brushing teeth only. Please use the bottled water provided for drinking.



TERMS & CONDITIONS

PROVISIONAL BOOKING Upon written request via email/fax and subject to availability, we will provisionally book your place on the chosen tour. Space is allocated and held BUT if another client requires definite cabins, the holding agent/guest will be asked to confirm with a deposit payment or release the cabin. Conditions apply.

CONFIRMED BOOKING Upon written confirmation via email/fax and a completed Reservation Form, final confirmation details and an invoice will be sent. Upon receipt of the relevant payment the booking will be confirmed (see below).

CANCELLATION Cancellation of a confirmed booking received prior to departure is subject to a fee of the per person tour price (see below). Cancellation insurance is compulsory as these fees will not be waived.

INDIVIDUALS: PAYMENT SCHEDULE				
TO CONFIRM A BOOKING A DEPOSIT PAYMENT OF THE PER PERSON TOUR PRICE IS REQUIRED BEFORE THE DEPARTURE DATE	61+ DAYS ±2 months	60 DAYS ±2 months	A provisional booking will be held for 14 days after which a 25% deposit is due. Final payment is due 60 days prior to travel.	
Good Hope, Southern Cross, Dune Express	25%	100%		
INDIVIDUALS: CANCELLATION POLICY				
CANCELLATION OF A CONFIRMED BOOKING RECEIVED PRIOR TO DEPARTURE IS SUBJECT TO A FEE OF THE PER PERSON TOUR PRICE	91+ DAYS ±3 months	90-61 DAYS ±3 months	60-31 DAYS ±2 months	30-0 DAYS ±1 month
Good Hope, Southern Cross, Dune Express	10%	25%	50%	100%

GROUPS of 10 or more guests: PAYMENT SCHEDULE AND CANCELLATION POLICY					
TO CONFIRM A BOOKING A NON-REFUNDABLE PAYMENT OF THE PER PERSON TOUR PRICE IS REQUIRED BEFORE DEPARTURE	365-246 DAYS ±12 months	245-181 DAYS ±8 months	180-121 DAYS ±6 months	120-61 DAYS ±4 months	60 DAYS ±2 months
Good Hope, Southern Cross, Dune Express	10%	30%		50%	100%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 275 days before departure: the agent/group must provide an allocation sales update and release 20% of the unsold space (if a waitlist persists). • 245 days before departure: the agent/group must release a further 50% of the unsold space (if a waitlist persists). • 180 days before departure: the agent/group must release 100% of the unsold space. 					

RATE INCLUDES

- Accommodation • Breakfast, lunch (*where stated*) and dinner
- Excursions with a qualified tour guide • Entrance fees as per itinerary
- Return transfers to golf courses (*Good Hope only*)
- Tea, coffee and bottled water on board • Government tax.

RATE EXCLUDES

- Lunch off train (*where stated*) • All beverages • Laundry
- Gratuities • Souvenirs • Course fees (*Good Hope only; green fees payable in advance*) • Visas • Travel insurance • Pre- and post-tour accommodation, flights and transfers.

INCLUDED IN OFF-TRAIN ACCOMMODATION

- Accommodation • Meals at the lodges, hotels, clubs or resorts.

EXCLUDED FROM OFF-TRAIN ACCOMMODATION

- All beverages • Laundry • Personal expenses.

CHILDREN We regret Shongololo Express cannot accommodate children under the age of 10. Children over 10 pay the full rate.

PRICES We will do our utmost to keep to the prices that are published. However, if increases are forced on us we reserve the right, prior to confirmation, to amend the tour price.

PASSPORTS & VISAS It is upon the client 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.

OF SPECIAL NOTE Although certain limited insurances have been arranged, neither Rovos Rail Tours (Pty) Ltd and Shongololo Express, nor its servants, agents or employees, shall be liable for any loss or damage to passengers' luggage or effects. Insofar as one of the tours may include a visit to a game reserve and whilst attacks by wild animals are extremely rare, similarly neither Rovos Rail and Shongololo Express, nor its servants, agents or employees, accept any liability whatsoever for any injury or incidents to passengers or their belongings. The passenger hereby waives any claim which he/she may have against Rovos Rail Tours (Pty) Ltd and Shongololo Express, its servants, agents, employees or subcontractors (all of the aforementioned being collectively referred to as 'Rovos Rail and Shongololo Express') for any injury and/or loss of any nature whatsoever (including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, consequential loss) arising for any reason of any nature whatever directly or indirectly out of any aspect of the tour including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, any form of transport used for the purpose of the tour. This waiver shall be binding on the passenger's executors, heirs, trustees and dependants. The passenger records that all the services and facilities provided to the passenger are accepted voluntarily and with full knowledge that they may expose the passenger to injury, danger or loss. The passenger further records that any statement, representation or information given to him/her by Rovos Rail and Shongololo Express shall, unless given in writing, not prejudice this waiver in any manner whatsoever. The passenger indemnifies Rovos Rail and Shongololo Express in respect of any claim that may be made by any third party against it arising out of any claim in respect of which the passenger gives the aforementioned waiver. This agreement shall be governed solely by laws of the Republic of South Africa.

WHETHER THE PASSENGER RETURNS A SIGNED COPY OF THESE CONDITIONS OR NOT, THE CONDITIONS WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED AND WILL BE IN FORCE UPON CONFIRMATION OF THE BOOKING.

I, or the person/s on whose behalf I am making this booking, have read and accepted the conditions above.

Date of Trip:	Route:	Signature:
Name:		

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