



The Blue Train Lounge Area



AFRICA

THE BLUE TRAIN - PRETORIA TO CAPE TOWN (TOUR CODE: 12549)

STARTS AND ENDS

Pretoria to
Cape Town

EXPERIENCE

Rail

TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Packages

The Blue Train is a 2-night journey that travels between Pretoria and Cape Town and is defined by personal attention and devotion to detail.

Highlights

- 3 days onboard The Blue Train in De Luxe Suite
- All meals and beverages – excluding caviar and French champagne
- High tea served in the Lounge car
- Kimberley Diamond Mine Museum and tour

The Blue Train travels this 1600 km journey over two nights. This allows visitors to surrender to the luxury of slow while taking their time to soak up some of South Africa's most magnificent landscapes.

A magnificent five-star hotel on wheels with 2 grades of compartments, Luxury and De Luxe suites. On board the train, guests indulge in exquisite meals freshly prepared by top chefs and accompanied by some of the best wines South Africa has to offer. Around-the-clock personal Butlers see to the guests' every need for the duration of their experience; be it in the comfort of their private suites or at any one of the elegant lounges.

During the journey, the train is due to stop for an off-the train excursion (weather and time permitting), at the diamond town of Kimberley where one can explore the Big Hole and the Diamond Museum.



- ✓ ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

INCLUSIONS

- 2 nights accommodation in De Luxe Suite
- All meals and beverages – except French champagne
- 24-hour Butler service onboard
- Off-train excursions as per itinerary

ITINERARY

Day **1**

Pretoria Station

10:00 Register and check-in at The Blue Train Lounge, Pretoria Station

Guests enjoy pre-departure snacks and drinks.

11:15 Boarding commences

Butler's usher guests to their suites. Boarding concludes at 11:45

12:00 The Blue Train departs from Pretoria Station

Canapés will be served. (The Train will depart earlier if all guests have checked in.)

13:00 First sitting for lunch until 14:15

14:30 Second sitting for lunch until 16:00

18:30 First sitting for dinner until 20:00

(Please note: Dinner is an elegant affair. Gentlemen are requested to at least wear a jacket/wasitcoat). Guests enjoy post-dinner drinks, cognacs and Cuban cigards in the Club Car before retiring to bed.

20:15 Second sitting for dinner until 22:00

Overnight on board.

Lunch, Dinner



Day 2

Kimberley Station

07:00 Breakfast is served on a first-come-first-served basis until 10:00

10:00 The Blue Train arrives at Kimberley Station

(Off-The-Train-Excursion - Weather & Time permitting)

Guests disembark and gather at the Railway Museum, from where guests will be ushered to a bus, which transfers them to the Kimberley Open Mine Museum.

10:30 Guests arrive at the Open Mine Museum for a tour of the mine

Guests are first taken to view interesting and historical sites. Guests are also taken onto an enclosed ramp on the edge of the Big Hole.

12:30 Guests depart from the Open Mine Museum for Kimberley Station

At Kimberley Station guests are greeted with a glass of sherry. The sherry glass engraved with The Blue Train logo as a memento for guests to keep.

13:00 The Blue Train departs Kimberley Station for the southbound journey to Cape Town

After this exciting tour, guests are welcome to refresh themselves and enjoy aperitifs served at any one of our lounges.

13:00 First sitting for lunch until 14:15

14:30 Second sitting for lunch until 16:00

16:30 High Tea is served in the Non-Smoking Lounge Car

18:30 First sitting for dinner until 20:30

(Please note: Dinner is an elegant affair. Gentlemen are requested to at least wear a jacket/wasitcoat). Guests enjoy post-dinner drinks, cognacs and Cuban cigars in the Club Car before retiring to bed.

20:15 Second sitting for dinner until 22:00

Overnight on board.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **3**

Cape Town Station

07:00 **Breakfast is served is served on a first-come-first-served basis until 10:00**

13:00 **First sitting for lunch until 14:15**

14:30 **Second sitting for lunch until 16:00**

18:00 **The Blue Train arrives at Cape Town Station**

Butler's usher guests to the arrival lounge.

Breakfast, Lunch

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The Blue Train is happy to accommodate culinary requests that are supplied with adequate notice. Please specify any special dietary requirements at the time of booking.
- Guests are requested to check-in at least two hours prior to departure. Guests will be kept captivated and entertained with a live performance by a saxophonist while they indulge in gourmet canapes, pre-departure snacks, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages.
- Please dress accordingly for excursions: mornings can be cool then warm up considerably; afternoons can be warm then cool down considerably. Warm clothing, comfortable shoes, hats and sun protection are advised.
- Rain capes are available. Excursions may be changed according to schedule achieved. Times are approximate and cannot be guaranteed.
- Dinner is an elegant affair – Gentleman are requested to at least wear a jacket/waistcoat and elegant evening wear for ladies.
- Please note: caviar, french champagne, external phone calls and gratuities are excluded from the price.

2023 Departure dates:

- May 8, 15
- June (no departures)
- July 10, 17
- August 14, 21
- September 4, 11, 25
- October 2, 9, 16, 23
- November 6, 13, 27
- December 4, 11

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.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package