



ROVOS RAIL WEDDINGS

The Events Train is a perfect venue for wedding couples looking for something old-world, enchanting and romantic.

Since its establishment in 1989, Rovos Rail has earned an international reputation for its truly world-class travel experiences. With discreet and friendly service, fine cuisine and a selection of South Africa's top wines, Rovos Rail harks back to a simpler, more elegant era encompassing the timeless grace and high romance of African exploration. The Events Train is a great venue for weddings. Depending on the number of guests, it can host – with full bar facilities – a four-course sit-down lunch or dinner for up to 120 guests for the duration of the three-hour journey. Guests are greeted at our private station in Pretoria by a sparkling wine reception before the bride makes a grand entrance in the cab of a steam locomotive. After the ceremony in the charming Edwardian station, guests step on board to enjoy five-star hospitality and the gentle rocking of the train as it winds its way through Jacaranda City.

ELEGANT STATION CEREMONY | THREE-HOUR TRAIN JOURNEY AROUND PRETORIA | SIT-DOWN LUNCH OR DINNER



The Most Luxurious Train in the World

EVENTS TRAIN WEDDINGS

SUGGESTED RUNNING TIME

09.30/16.30	Sparkling wine reception for guests
09.55/16.55	Bride arrives on a steam locomotive
10.00/17.00	Wedding ceremony
10.45/17.45	Signing of the register
11.00/18.00	Photographs while guests enjoy light canapés and a limited bar
11.45/18.45	Speeches and toasts
12.15/19.15	Board the train and depart on a circular route around Pretoria*
15.30/22.30	Arrive at the station. Disembark and enjoy a limited bar on platform
16.30/23.30	Limited bar service ends
17.00/24.00	Guests depart

SUGGESTED FORMAT

- A string duet is available to play background music for the reception as well as when the bride arrives (e.g. Felix Mendelssohn's "Wedding March").
- Bride arrives in the cab of a steam locomotive.
- After the ceremony, guests enjoy light canapés and a limited bar while the bride and groom do photographs around the property.
- The locomotive will idle on the platform for photographs before going to collect the train.
- We recommend having speeches at this point as the guests are gathered in one area and the platform/lounge is quiet.
- Guests board the train* with an opportunity to explore before being called to the opulent dining cars for lunch or dinner.
- Disembark the train and enjoy a limited bar on the platform before departing.

*Train journey is pulled by a diesel/electric loco

ROVOS RAIL STATION

A highlight for guests is a visit to the private station headquarters in Capital Park, Pretoria. The low, red-bricked buildings alongside the 300m platform house gleaming stainless-steel kitchens and well-stocked storerooms. This is the busy hub of a provisioning operation that is world-class hotel in terms of efficiency and attention to detail. As the train is narrow and makes a clickety-clack sound along the tracks, we encourage couples to make use of the spacious station lounge for the wedding ceremony; there is no charge for this and it can be styled as you wish. We suggest you obtain the services of a wedding planner. Site visits are most welcome.

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CUISINE

An enthusiastic team of chefs oversees the important task of catering for guests' every need. There is an accent on fresh local ingredients and traditional dishes are a specialty. Meals are served in the dining cars and are complemented by a selection of fine South African wines served by the glass. If you would like specialist items, we are happy to provide them for you at an additional charge. We pre-print the menus with our logo on custom recycled paper to fit our presentation covers. If you wish to personalise the menu, we can arrange this with 15 days' notice at an additional charge.

DIETARIES

We cater for food allergies provided a detailed request has been made at that time of your reservation. If a 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.



OPTIONS FOR A 3-HOUR TRIP AROUND PRETORIA	Number of Guests	1 JAN 2023-31 DEC 2023	1 JAN 2024-31 DEC 2024	EVENTS TRAIN CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING CARS <i>Subject to change; Observation Car seats include balcony</i> *SEATS
Four-course sit-down lunch/dinner OR hot and/or cold canapés served throughout the event – both with full bar facilities	42 or less	R181 500	R196 500	Generator Car + Kitchen/Smoking Bar + Dining 48* + Bar/Lounge 15* + Observation 36*
	72	R226 500	R246 000	Generator Car + Kitchen/Smoking Bar + Dining 48* + Dining 24* + Bar/Lounge 15* + Observation 36*
	120	R298 500	R324 500	Generator Car + Kitchen/Smoking Bar + Dining 48* + Dining 48* + Dining 24* + Bar/Lounge 15* + Lounge 36* + Obs. 36*

INCLUDES Reception at Rovos Rail Station (sparkling wine, orange juice, string duet for one hour)

- Bride's arrival on the steam locomotive at the platform (dependent) • Light canapés and a limited bar during photographs
- All meals and all beverages on board the train • Rovos Rail menus • One-hour limited bar on the platform after the train returns
- Use of the PA system in the station building • Flowers in the station building and on board the train • Secure parking for guest vehicles.

EXCLUDES Gratuities (at own discretion; can be handed to the Train Manager or paid by EFT following day) • Special requests such as international sparkling wine • Additional flowers • Wedding cake • Event planner • Marriage officer • Photographer. *Rovos Rail is classified as transport and as such is zero-rated for VAT. Permission will need to be obtained from the railway authorities before we confirm a trip.*



WEDDINGS PAYMENT SCHEDULE AND CANCELLATION POLICY	181+ DAYS ±6 months	180-121 DAYS ±6 months	120-61 DAYS ±4 months	60 DAYS ±2 months
TO CONFIRM A BOOKING, A % PAYMENT OF TOTAL EVENT PRICE IS REQUIRED BEFORE DEPARTURE DATE	20% refundable	20% non-refundable	60% non-refundable	100% non-refundable

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