



ROYAL LIVINGSTONE EXPRESS

AGENT'S INFORMATION PACK AND RATES

Introduction:

The Royal Livingstone Express offers the discerning guests an ultimate fine dining experience going back in time to the age of Steam train travel. Bushtracks Africa in conjunction with The Royal Livingstone Hotel are now able to offer a steam train dining experience using the historic Mulobezi Railway line, formerly one of the largest private railway networks in the world. The train can also be chartered for Groups & Incentives. The Royal Livingstone Express has the flexibility to design your route and menus depending on your specific requirements.

The Train;

The Royal Livingstone Express consists of five carriages restored by Rohan Vos of Rovos Rail and pulled by either Locomotive 156 or Locomotive 204. The train is fully air-conditioned and configured from the front as follows;

Locomotive	156 or 204
Carriage No.6049	Club Car / Kitchen Car
Carriage 4821	Chesterfield Dinning Car
Carriage 211	Wembley Dinning Car
Carriage 4101	Lounge Car
Carriage 4933	Observation Car

Loco 156 is a 10th Class built in 1922/4 belonging to the largest Private railway network in the World, Zambezi Sawmills Limited. It was used on the Mulobezi Line to pull logging carriages from the forests in Mulobezi to the railhead in Livingstone. David Shepherd, the renowned wildlife artist, rescued the locomotive and totally renovated it, to its former glory. He then donated it to National Heritage. Bushtracks has subsequently restored the locomotive to full working order.



Loco 204 is a 12th Class locomotive built in 1928. The loco was fully refurbished by Bushtracks Africa in 2008 and currently pulls the train alternatively with Locomotive 156.

Carriage No. 6049 otherwise known as the Club Car, houses the small lounge and bar and also the kitchen. This can be used as a pre-dinner drinks private venue for approximately 10-12 guests.



Carriage No. 4821 is a Chesterfield Dining Car that seats a total of 48 guests in the following configuration;
6 x 4 Seat tables
9 x 2 Seat tables
2 x 3 Seat tables



Carriage No. 211 Wembley Dining Car seats 44 guests for dinner in the following configuration;
7 x 4 tables
8 x 2 tables



Carriage No. 4101 is a Lounge Car and is serviced from the Observation Car bar by waiters.



Carriage No 4933 is the Observation Car which houses a bar and veranda viewing deck, Please note smoking is only permitted on the outside deck and not inside any of the carriages.



Days of Operation:

Scheduled Departures for FIT & Small Groups:

Wednesday & Saturday are the set departure dates for the train which gives the flexibility to book individuals and small groups.

(Please note the bookings are combined from all agents to reach the minimum number in order to secure departure. As soon the minimum number is reached, bookings will be confirmed by reservations.)

Groups and Private Hire:

Any day of the week, if the train is available.

Planned Itinerary:

5:00 pm; - Guests will be picked up from their hotel in Luxury Bushtracks Vehicles and given a short road transfer to the Bushtracks Siding, formerly the Old Mulobezi Railway Offices. A safety brief will be given by the Bushtracks guide en-route to the station. Tickets will be issued to all guests that include an indemnity on the reverse. On arrival at the station, the locomotive will be *'in steam'* thus giving a photographic opportunity to anyone who wishes. Guests will welcomed aboard with a drink and red carpet, boarding the train through the Lounge Car where more drinks and snacks will be offered.

5:30 pm: - The train will depart and move directly onto the Mulobezi Line, travelling through a high density suburb of Livingstone called Dambwa and out of the city to the Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park. *(Please note children are fascinated by the train however they should not under any circumstances be encouraged from approaching too near to the train as it is a moving vehicle and can be dangerous!)*

Mosi-o-Tunya Game Park - The train will pause at the entrance to the game park. There is the possibility of viewing some of the game in the park being; Elephant, White Rhino, Buffalo as well as Giraffe, Zebra, Hartebeest, Bushbuck, Impala, Warthogs, Baboons and Monkeys.

The train travels the breadth of the park and leaves the park by the Western gate, crossing the Sinde River bridge where the locomotive will 'run around' using the "Sinde Siding". This means the locomotive disengages from the kitchen car and re-attaches itself to the Observation Car in preparation for the journey home. This gives great photo opportunities as well as the possibility of good sunset shots. At approximately the same time, a dinner bell will sound and the train manager will announce dinner and lead guests through to the dinning carriages, where a five course meal, lovingly prepared and served by Sun International's Royal Livingstone team, awaits.

Approx. 9:00-9:15 pm - The train will draw into the Bushtracks Siding. A Bushtracks guide will be waiting to transfer guests back to the hotel.

Pick Up Times:

5:00 pm: Pick up from the hotels
5:30 pm: Train departs siding
9:15 pm: Return to the hotels

Dress Code:

Smart Casual, no shorts.



Smoking:

Smoking is only permitted on the outside balcony of the Observation Car. Smoking is not permitted in any of the carriages.

Train Tickets:

Please ensure all guests are aware that they must be in possession of a valid train ticket that also includes the indemnity on the back, in order to board the train.

Paraplegic facilities .

The carriages date back to the 1930's and therefore a wheelchair cannot fit through the entrances. The lavatories are also not big enough for wheel chair access. The station does not include a ramp at this stage.

Minimum Numbers

Bushtracks will endeavour to combine bookings so that the minimum number of 12 pax is reached in order for the train to operate. If the minimum numbers are not reached reservations will offer an alternative date or full refund.

Child Policy:

Children pay the full rate.

Reservations:

Reservations FITs: victoriafalls@bushtracksafrica.com



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Train menu

Amuse Bouche

Andalusian Gazpacho with Basil and Poppyseed Straw

Starter

Blue Cheese & Pear Composition

Middle Course

Wild Mushroom Risotto served with a Pea Veloute

Main Course

*Slow Cooked Lamb Shoulder on a Potato Lyonnaise Tart with
Baby Carrots & Balsamic Jus*

Dessert

*Green Apple Tart with Granny Smith Ice-cream and a Lemon
Reduction*

Tea, Coffee and Petit Fours

GROUPS, INCENTIVES AND PRIVATE CHARTER

The train is available for private hire for groups and incentives and special occasions.

Routes:

The route you take, whether it is the Classic Game viewing experience on the historic Mulobezi Line or the Bridge Run or even both – these can be tailor made to suit your needs.

(Please note Victoria Falls Bridge Runs are subject to traffic and although departure times are requested and confirmed in writing from Railway Systems of Zambia, they cannot be guaranteed due to congestion on the line.)

Menus, Drinks and Snacks

The menu whether it is a five course dinner or just drinks & snacks, can be tailor made to suit your specific group.

Group Rates:

Rates are located on your rate sheet under the 'Groups Tab' of your contracted rate sheet, however menus, drinks and snacks vary according to your tailor made requirements..

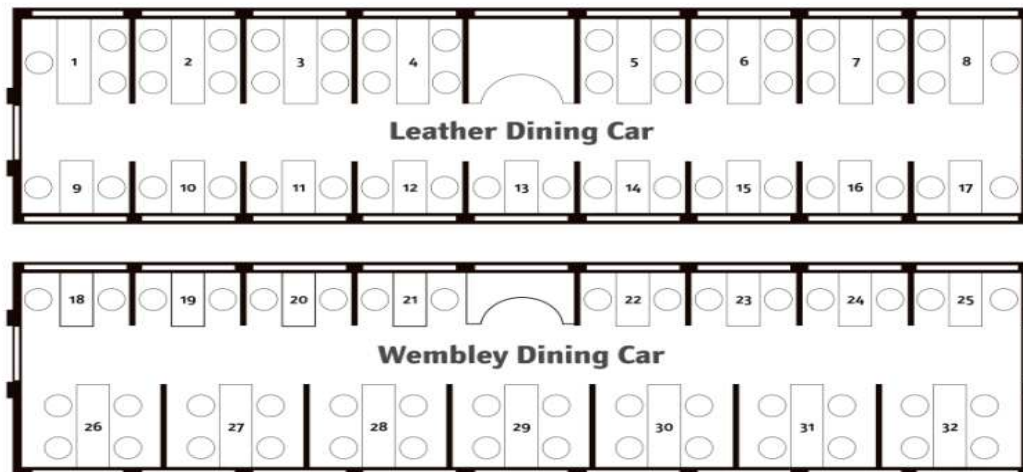
Maximum numbers will vary according to the request of the group, e.g. if only drinks and snacks are required the train can accommodate **160** guests using all five carriages. If everyone is seated for dinner – **92** guests can be accommodated.

Seating Configuration

The Royal Livingstone Express accommodates up to 92 guests for dinner in the two dining cars in the following configuration;



SEATING PLAN



All tables fixed so cannot join to make bigger group tables

Exclusivity

The train can be booked exclusively for a group however a minimum numbers of 72 pax, i.e. 80% occupancy must be booked.

RATES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

Standard Diner Run Rack Rate: US\$160 per person

Includes: Transfers from any hotel within Livingstone city limits including the Royal Livingstone & Zambezi Sun to the Bushtracks Siding by Bushtracks Africa;
Welcome drink on arrival;
5 Course dinner by Sun International;
South African Wines, beers and soft drinks before and during dinner;
Return Transfers to the hotel.
V.A.T at 16%
Service Fee of 10%

Not included: Spirits or cigars
Transfers to lodges or hotels outside of the City Limits

Victoria Falls Bridge Run private charter: US\$70 per person, + US\$10.50 per person set up fee min 72 persons.

Includes: Transfers from any hotel within Livingstone city limits including the Royal Livingstone & Zambezi Sun to the Bushtracks Siding by Bushtracks Africa;
Return Transfers to the hotel.
V.A.T at 16%

Not included: Dinner
Food and Beverage
Spirits or cigars
Transfers to lodges or hotels outside of the City Limits

Victoria Falls Bridge Run followed by Mulobezi Line private charter: US\$105 per person + US\$10.50 per person set up fee, min 72 persons.

Includes: Transfers from any hotel within Livingstone city limits including the Royal Livingstone & Zambezi Sun to the Bushtracks Siding by Bushtracks Africa;
Return Transfers to the hotel.
V.A.T at 16%

Not included: Dinner
Food and Beverage
Spirits or cigars
Transfers to lodges or hotels outside of the City Limits

Child Policy: Children: pay full rate,
Private policy for dinner: min 72 pax,
Groups Dining max: 92 pax for seated dining,
Group's Drinks and snacks max: 160 pax using all five carriages.
Min policy for Dinner run; 12 Guests
Min policy for Bridge run; 60 Guests

Payment Terms:

FIT: Payment required 14 days before date of travel
Groups: Payment required 30 days before date of travel.

Reservations

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