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### 2013 CAPE TOWN, WESTERN CAPE & BOLAND **MOTORBIKE-on-TRAIN TOUR** From Johannesburg 7 Days

JB Train Tours invites you to join us on the **Motorbike-on-Train Tours** to be hosted during 2013 from Johannesburg to Cape Town and return, travelling on the Trans Karoo Tourist Class Train.

The **kykNet TV crew** of 'Woema' will again be travelling with us on the February 2013 tour to gather footage to be broadcasted during the first half of the year. You'll become an instant TV star! (They were on tour with us to Namibia in 2012 and the broadcast of this tour was shown over two episodes in October 2012 and it has proven to be **very** popular).

This tour is ideal for those who hardly ever use their bikes during the year; for the experienced biker, as well as for those who would like to explore new destinations in a well structured, organised and safe manner. This is the time and opportunity to do it and to enjoy the **Western Cape** and **Boland** at its best – all on tarred roads.

#### **29 Mountain passes; +-1100 km; 4 days riding; tour guide; fun & laughter**

If you are a "big biker" and you've done all the roads and routes in Gauteng, Mpumalanga, KZN, Free State and the "Eastern Transvaal" and you would like to ride **curving mountain passes, 1000's of sweeping corners** and **coastal road routes** – all on tarred roads - please read on.

The first of these tours was hosted in 2007 and it has since grown in popularity amongst the biking fraternity. Many women, non-club bikers, bikers from various countries abroad and families have travelled with us. More than 40 Motorbike-on-Train tours have been hosted to various destinations since 2007 to date.

Visit places and travel roads that you've never seen before (or heard off); experience the scenic mountain passes with curves and corners galore; traverse the coastal roads; dine at

quaint restaurants en route; accelerate in remote stretches and enjoy the 'fynbos' and out door life in the Western Cape & Boland.

Yes, the heading above is correct. We'll traverse at least **29** mountain passes (not repeating one pass at any stage in the same direction), travel more than 1100km over the 4 days, plus you can add another two mountain passes on the last day on an optional trip.

**JB Train Tours** invites you to join us on a holiday **motorbike-on-train** tour in **2013** to Cape Town, the Western Cape & Boland. This is a **safe** and **secure tour** for individuals, families and/or groups. (Please note this is a holiday **TOUR**, **NOT** a booze cruise, race or rally, neither a dull affair). It is a tour with stoppages en route to be able to enjoy the beauty & natural scenery the Cape has to offer.

We have scheduled four tours during the year, but **NOT** during the Western Cape's rainy season!

This tour is a combination of: Travelling by train (with your bike **on** the train **with** you); enjoying Cape Town, the scenic Peninsula, the beautiful Western Cape & the splendid Boland; sleeping in a **top class hotel** with a swimming pool and other facilities; enjoying the beach and sea, visiting the most popular tourist destinations and just relax. (All this at a **very affordable** rate). We have a few pleasant surprises included in the itinerary as well. There is ample time available for leisure or extra bike trips.

When travelling by train we make use of the upgraded **Trans Karoo Tourist Class** train.

The main purpose of this tour is to give bikers the opportunity to ride their bikes in **another and interesting environment** – with corners almost unlimited. It is not a race, though there will be a number of opportunities to use your horsepower to the full at certain spots. The different daily routes will take you past some breathtaking scenery.

The tours are scheduled to take place in summer time – hence rain should not be a problem (as the Western Cape is a winter rainfall area), but rather bring your foul weather gear with!

All the routes are on good tarred roads. A back-up vehicle will be on standby in case of emergency or breakdowns. **If utilised, the expenses are for the biker's pocket. Please make sure your bike is 100% roadworthy and in a good condition.**

The group is limited to a **manageable number of motorbikes** per tour - **plus** a pillion per bike (is very welcome). I.e.: Max. 30 passengers per tour. It is not compulsory for the driver or pillion to ride every day. It could be exchanged for shopping and alternative sightseeing! This whole **tour** is a holiday.

Are you tired of phoning, looking for accommodation and worrying about the logistics? We'll take you there. Go and **live** this unique tour!

### **Why travel by train?**

1. To cut out the longs straight and boring roads of the Karoo
2. To do something different
3. 'Cause the bike can travel along on the train
4. To start fresh when arriving in the Western Cape
5. To have fun the moment you depart from Johannesburg

6. To rest and relax on the way back
7. To enjoy the scenery from a different angle
8. 'Cause it is safe & secure
9. 'Cause travelling by train is 'lekker'
10. To discover new routes, places and people

**Who may come along?** Any person who is interested in visiting Cape Town and surroundings, can ride a big bike (500cc+), have a relevant & legal driver's licence and would like to travel in a group. By the way, you must bring your own bike! If you don't have a bike, a rental one can be arranged. All genders welcome. It is **NOT** a pre-requisite that you have to belong to any club or bike association.

**Note #1:** Do it together. Take your pillion along. (Sorry, no Sheila's provided!)

**Note #2:** Just calculate how much you save on wear and tear if NOT riding all the way to the Cape on your bike.

**Note #3:** We hosts a similar 6-day tour from Jo'burg to the Garden Route, a dual purpose bike tour to the Namaqualand Flowers in season; another dual purpose one in the mountain passes of the Southern Cape and Easter Cape, as well as a road & dual purpose bike train tour in Namibia.

**Note #4:** We host a similar dual purpose bike tour to the Namaqualand Flowers in season.

**Name of tour:** 2013 Cape Town Motorbike-on-Train Tour – departing from JHB

**Tour dates & Number:** Two (2) Tours to choose from during 2013

24 Feb – 2 Mar	MB 1*
11 – 17 Oct	MB 2

\* TV Crew on tour with us

<b>Departure times:</b>	Johannesburg	12:30	Platform 16	Day 1
	Cape Town	10:00	Platform 24	Day 6

<b>Arrival times:</b>	Worcester	11:50	Platform 1	Day 2
	Johannesburg	12:15	Platform 16	Day 7

**Tour price:** Compartment on Train: 4-Bed      2 Beds/Room in Hotel

Price per Biker	Persons per 4-Bed Comp'ment	Persons per Hotel Room
<b>R7500</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>R8100</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2 &amp; 1</b>
<b>R8620</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

Coupe on Train: 2-Bed      2 Beds/Room in Hotel

Price per Biker	Persons per 2-Bed Coupe	Persons per Hotel Room
<b>R7700</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>R9300</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

**The Pillion pays R2000 per person less.**

**Note:** If 12 or more **bikes** go on tour, each biker will get a R500 refund.  
If 16 or more **bikes** go on tour, each biker will get a R700 refund.

If 20 **bikes** go on tour, each biker will get a R1000 refund.

Passengers will be informed **on tour** how many bikes have been booked & will be refunded in cash **on** the tour. Good petrol or spending money!

**Children:** Children pay the above prices. Sorry, no discount.

**Deposit:** A R1000 per person **non-refundable** deposit will secure your place. The balance **must** be paid **by latest six weeks before** departure date. If NOT paid, your place will be cancelled automatically. Book **NOW**.

**Note:** Passengers **may pay a monthly instalment** and then pay the last payment six weeks before departure date.

**Included in price:** Return transport by train to Cape Town, 2 nights' accommodation and bedding on the train, 4 nights' B&B accommodation in a top notch hotel in Cape Town, **transportation of motorbike** on the train, **safe covered parking for bikes** at the hotel, entry fee to Cape Point Nature Reserve, **tour guide**, as well as certain meals as per the itinerary.

Daily route briefings will be done as well.

**Excluded from the tour price:** **Entry fees** at tourist destinations. I.e.: Table Mountain & Robben Island, expenses of a personal nature, fuel, toll gate fees, breakdowns or bike recovering costs & Comprehensive Travel Insurance. Anything else not mentioned in the Information Document.

**Meals:** Dinner & breakfast are included on the return train trips from JHB to CPT, as well as breakfast in the hotel. All other (tasty) meals are available at very reasonable prices on the train, in Cape Town and the Western Cape where we will be riding.

**Bar facilities:** Available on the train.

**Train Route:** You will travel on the **Trans Karoo Tourist Class Train** from Johannesburg to Cape Town via Potchefstroom, Klerksdorp, Kimberley, De Aar, Beaufort West and Worcester. You may join en route. (Sorry, the train does NOT depart from Pretoria anymore).

**Accommodation on the train:** Passengers will be accommodated in a **4-bed** compartment or **2-bed** coupe on the train.

**Accommodation in CPT:** Passengers will be accommodated on a B&B basis for four nights in the upmarket **Fountains Hotel** (<http://www.leisurehotels.co.za>)

The rooms are spacious, with good facilities, (I.e.: Pool, terrace, restaurant, cocktail bar, TV in the room, gym, en-suite bathroom, etc.) and the hotel is well located in town.

**Loading of the motorbikes:** All the bikes must be brought to Platform **14** at Johannesburg Park station **by latest 09:00** on the day of departure. Entry to the Platform is off Harrison Street. (**GPS:** S 26°11'490" E 28°02'218"). Owners to do loading and fastening of bikes. **Please bring your own tie-downs**. Four tie-downs are

more than enough. You are welcome to **bring your own** blankets or cloth for your bike.

The motorbikes are transported in a “KP” carriage and will be hauled **with** the passenger train. This carriage is totally enclosed and the bikes won’t be exposed to wind and weather.

**Insurance:** Each bike owner is responsible for his/her own insurance on the bike.

**Medical:** Bring your medical fund card and medicines along.

**Clothing:** Casual clothing plus your normal personal biking gear.

**Luggage:** Just take what you need. Don’t take the whole wardrobe. On arrival in Cape Town the luggage will be transported by hotel staff to the hotel. You do not need to travel with it on your bike at any time. **Please mark each piece of luggage or bag or suitcase clearly with your name on it.**

**Notes:** This is a casual holiday train **tour**. It is ideal for individuals & biking families; for those who haven’t been on a train holiday or haven’t visited Cape Town & done the many mountain passes before.

**Safety:** We do **NOT** compromise on safety during the tour. We have a sound record on ALL our tours and intend to keep it that way.

**BOOK NOW!** Please complete the attached **Reservation Form** (one per biker) and fax it to us, along with your Bank Deposit slip. Closing date is when the limited number of places is sold out.

Groups, clubs, associations and mates are welcome.

Visit our website at [www.jbtours.co.za](http://www.jbtours.co.za) at Photo Gallery for pictures of recent Motorbike-on-Train tours.

*Travel & Biker greetings*

Johan Badenhorst &  
The JB Train Tours team

**Notes:** Current prices for excursions are as follows and are all **excluded** from the tour price:

Table Mountain:	R195pp	Robben Island:	R220pp
Castle of Good Hope	R35pp	South African Museum	R30pp
V&A Waterfront, Botanical Gardens, Parliament Gardens, Beach – free of charge			

These prices are subject to change without notice

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### Running times of the train

#### Johannesburg - Cape Town - Johannesburg

Johannesburg – Cape Town

(Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays)

Station	Class available	Day	Arr.	Dep.
Johannesburg	Sleeper / Sitter	Day1		12:30
Klerksdorp	Sleeper / Sitter	Day1	16:10	16:25
Kimberley	Sleeper / Sitter	Day1	20:55	21:20
Beaufort West	Sleeper / Sitter	Day2	05:30	06:00
Worcester	Sleeper / Sitter	Day2	11:50	12:05
Bellville	Sleeper / Sitter	Day2	14:50	15:00
Cape Town	Sleeper / Sitter	Day2	15:30	

Cape Town – Johannesburg

(Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays)

Station	Class available	Day	Arr.	Dep.
Cape Town	Sleeper / Sitter	Day1		10:00
Bellville	Sleeper / Sitter	Day1	10:25	10:35
Worcester	Sleeper / Sitter	Day1	13:10	13:30
Beaufort West	Sleeper / Sitter	Day1	19:25	19:50
Kimberley	Sleeper / Sitter	Day2	03:35	03:46
Klerksdorp	Sleeper / Sitter	Day2	08:15	08:26
Johannesburg	Sleeper / Sitter	Day2	12:15	

Please note that running times are **NOT** guaranteed. Trains often run late.  
The train does NOT run on a Monday anymore.

## Provisional PROGRAMME

### CAPE TOWN **MOTORBIKE-on-TRAIN** TOUR – from JHB



#### Day 1

09:00 Passengers with bikes meet at **Johannesburg** station – Platform 14  
 12:30 Train departs Johannesburg – Platform 16  
**Dinner** served on the train (**included** in the tour price)  
 First briefing session  
 Travel overnight

#### Day 2

07:00 **Breakfast** on the train (**included** in the tour price)  
 11:50 Disembarking at Worcester (luggage remains on the train)  
 Day #1 of Motorbike Tour\* (see bike itinerary below)  
 15:30 Train arrives in Cape Town – luggage taken to hotel by hotel staff  
 Motorbikes arrive in Cape Town – later in the day  
 Book in at Hotel  
 Evening at leisure – own program  
 Sleep in Hotel

#### Days 3 – 5

**Breakfast** served at the Hotel (**included** in the tour price)  
 All other meals available (own cost)  
 Days #2 - #4 of Motorbike Tour\*  
 Sleep in Hotel

#### Day 6

**Breakfast** served at the Hotel (**included** in the tour price)  
 Book out of the Hotel  
 08:30 Loading of bikes on train – Cape Town station, Platform 24  
 10:00 Train departs from Cape Town - Platform 24  
 Dinner served on the train (**included** in the tour price)  
 Travel overnight

#### Day 7

**Breakfast** served on the train (**included** in the tour price)  
 12:15 Arrival at Johannesburg station – Platform 16  
 Off loading of bikes  
 End of tour

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The daily programme can change

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### **Day 2**

Disembark train at Worcester

**Route:** Worcester – Hexriver Pass – ‘Theronsberg’ Pass – Ceres – Gydo Pass – Doornkraal Pass – ‘Agter Witzenberg Vallei’ – Doornkraal Pass – Gydo Pass – Ceres – Michells Pass – Slanghoek Valley – du Toitskloof Pass – Paarl – Cape Town

Today’s distance = 281 km

### **Day 3**

**Route:** Cape Town – Twelve Apostles coastal road – Hout Bay – Constantia Neck - Boye’s Drive - Simon’s Town – Redhill – Just Nuisance Grave – Redhill - Cape Point Nature Reserve - Kommetjie Pass - Chapmans Peak – Suikerbossie - Twelve Apostles coastal road - Cape Town

Today’s distance = 179 km

### **Day 4**

**Route:** Cape Town – Stellenbosch – Helshoogte Pass – Franschhoek – Franschhoek Pass – Theewaterskloof Dam – Villiersdorp – Elandskloof Pass – Elandsrivier Valley - Elandskloof Pass – ‘Rooihooft’ at Stettyn – Worcester – Bainskloof Pass – Wellington – Cape Town

Today’s distance = 298 km

### **Day 5**

**Route:** Cape Town – Somerset West – Sir Lowry’s Pass – ‘Houwhoek’ Pass – Botrivier – Caledon – Napier - ‘Akkedisberg’ Pass – Stanford - Hermanus – Kleinmond – Rooi Els Coastal road – Gordon’s Bay – Strand - Cape Town

Today’s distance = 290 km

**Total distance = 1057 km**

### **Day 6**

**Route:** Optional own-choice route or shopping or sight seeing or leisure





**Please attach the bank deposit slip**