Dear Sir/Madam

2019 ‘WACKY WINE WEEKEND’ FESTIVAL

TRAIN & FLIGHT TOUR

Departing from Jo’burg (Return trip) to Robertson Wine Valley (Western Cape)

Wednesday 5th – Sunday 9th June 2019

5 Days

“A Good Wine Festival”

JB Train Tours invites you to join us on our inaugural train & flight tour to the 16th Wacky Wine Weekend (WWW) in the Robertson Wine Valley in the Western Cape. We are always looking for new destinations and events to host tours to and the WWW has been ‘in the back of our minds’ for quite a time.

This event started almost two decades ago when the local farmers realised that they need to do something extra to promote their wines and region. The Wacky Wine Weekend festival was the initiative of the members of Robertson Wine Valley and the first festival was held in 2002. (For more information on Robertson Wine Valley and its member, visit www.robertsonwinevalley.com ). The main objective was to draw feet into in the valley during the quieter winter months.

This festival is not hosted at one venue in one town, but at the 30+ Wine estates in the region participating in the Festival. Every estate has its own festive program, activities, food, performers and wine – to taste & buy. This is REAL “platteland” hospitality at its best.
Part of your tour package is the **WWW pass** allowing you free entry to all the estates (excluding special shows) AND the pass includes 6 x wine tasting coupons **per wine estate** or cellar!

The Festival officially runs from Thursday 7th June to Sunday 9th June 2019. The tour is overlapping this period and every day we’ll be visiting different estates, cellars and towns by local bus. No self-driving would be needed.

Your accommodation is at the Mimosa Lodge in the town of Montagu. Meaning that after a day of good wine and good food you can relax in the beautiful gardens. Dinner is available at the lodge.

This tour is a combination of: Travelling by train, bus & flight; enjoying the Robertson Wine Valley and **WWW at a very affordable rate**, sleeping in a top hotel with good facilities; enjoying the Festival, eat local food and drink good quality wine, visit various cellars and exhibitions, see new towns or just relax.

Are you tired of driving, looking for accommodation and worrying about the logistics? We’ll take you there. When travelling by train & flight, you don’t have to worry about increasing petrol prices, tollgate fees, heavy traffic, driving back or sitting long hours in your car.

This year you’ll be travelling on the **Trans Karoo Tourist class** train from Jo’burg to Worcester and by bus from Worcester to Montagu – another 75 km.

En route to Montagu you’ll visit the ‘Pampoen’ and/or ‘Affie plaas’ road stalls and travel through the towns of Robertson and Ashton. Time permitting we’ll be visiting the first cellar for the weekend en route.

This tour is comfortable, affordable, safe & secure; everything is arranged for you and it is **VERY** price competitive. **Go and enjoy the Boland’s culture.**

**Any** person who is interested in going to the WWW and **enjoy the WWW Festival** may join us! I.e. family, friends, children and girlfriend, from anywhere!

“South Africa have been rated to produce some of the best wines in the World”
2019 Wacky Wine Weekend Festival Train & Flight Tour – 5 Days

**NAME OF TOUR**

**TOUR DATES & NUMBER**

Wednesday 5th – Sunday 9th June 2019  WWW #1

**DEPARTURE TIMES**

- Johannesburg: 12:30 pm Wed Platform 16
- Cape Town: 7:00 pm Sun CPT Airport
- Worcester: 11:50 am Thurs Platform 1
- Johannesburg: 1:30 pm Sun JHB Airport

**ARRIVAL TIMES**

**TOUR PRICE**

### 4-Bed Compartment on Train & 2-Beds/Room in Hotel

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**Compartment = 4 Bed & Coupe = 2-Bed.**

**CHILDREN**

Children ages 0 -2 sharing a bed with parent, will travel free of charge.

**DEPOSIT**

A R1500 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.
Transport by train to Worcester, one night’s accommodation and bedding on the train, bus trip from Worcester to Montagu and transport into the region the other two days and back to CPT Airport, WWW Pass, 3 nights’ B&B accommodation in a top lodge in Montagu, tour guide, as well as certain meals on the train are included in the tour price.

Five daily breakfasts and one dinner (on the train) are included in the tour price. All other (tasty) meals are available at very reasonable prices on the train and at the places we’ll be visiting.

Entry fees at tourist destinations, shows or exhibitions not mentioned in the program, drinks and Comprehensive Travel Insurance.

You will travel on the Trans Karoo Tourist Class Train from Johannesburg to Worcester via Krugersdorp, Potchefstroom, Klerksdorp, Christiana, Warrenton, Kimberley, De Aar & Beaufort West. Passengers may embark or dis-embark at any point en route. Please indicate accordingly on your Reservation Form. The price remains the same.

The bus journey (76 km) will be from Worcester to Montagu via the R60 & R62.

The flight is from CPT to JHB.

Passengers will be accommodated for one night on the train, as well as three nights at Mimosa Lodge in Montagu. The lodge rooms are spacious with good facilities.

Passengers will be accommodated in a 4-bed compartment or 2-bed coupe on the train. The number of coupes on the train is limited.

We suggest that you park your vehicle at OR Tambo Airport (long term parking) before departure of the tour, take the Gautrain from the airport to Johannesburg station and join the train tour. After the tour your car will be conveniently waiting for you at the airport.

Alternatively travel to the JHB station by Gautrain and again by Gautrain from the airport to your place after the tour.
We make use of a charter bus, exclusive for our group.

This is a casual holiday train tour. It is for people who’d like to enjoy the WWW Festival, tour and splendid beauty of the Boland. It is ideal for individuals, friends & groups; those who haven’t been on a train holiday or haven’t visited The Robertson Wine Valley before, at a rate not to be repeated. AND you must have a love for wine!

Please complete the attached Reservation Form and fax or e-mail it to us, along with your Bank Deposit slip. Closing date is when the limited number of places is sold out.

Travel greetings

Lean Badenhorst & The JB Train Tours team

Please note that running times are not guaranteed. Trains often run VERY late.

Other places to be visited in region if time permits:

Sheilam succulent nursery at Klaasvoogds - closed on Sundays/’Rooibrug’ outside Bonnievale & Arty places in McGregor/KOO factory in Ashton/Station shops in Robertson & Ashton/Cheese factory outside Bonnievale & ‘Timjan’ in Bonnievale/’Eseltjiesrus’ donkey sanctuary outside McGregor/Tractor and trailer ride up the Langeberg mountain range – outside Montagu
2019 Wacky Wine Weekend Festival Train & Flight Tour – from Jo’burg

Day 1  Wednesday  5th June 2019

From 11:45 Passengers meet at Johannesburg station – entrance to Platform 16
12:30 Train departs from Johannesburg for Worcester
Dinner served on the train (included in the tour price)
Travel overnight

Day 2  Thursday  6th June 2018

07:00 Breakfast on the train (included in the tour price)
11:50 Arrival in Worcester (the train will be late)
Depart by bus for Montagu
Stop en route at ‘Pampoen padstal’ & Wine cellar (Time permitting)
17:00 Book in at Lodge
Dinner at Lodge – own account
Overnight in Lodge

Day 3  Friday  7th June 2018

07:00 Breakfast at the Lodge (included in the tour price)
10:00 Bus departs for Bonnievale, Ashton & wine cellars
All other meals available en route (own cost)
17:00 Return to Lodge
Dinner at Lodge – own account
Overnight in Lodge

Day 4  Saturday  8th June 2018

07:00 Breakfast at the Lodge (included in the tour price)
10:00 Bus departs for Robertson & McGregor & wine cellars
All other meals available en route (own cost)
17:00 Return to Lodge
Dinner at Lodge – own account
Overnight in Lodge
Day 5      Sunday     9th June 2018

From 07:00  Breakfast served at the Lodge (included in the tour price)
09:00      Book out of Lodge
10:00      Bus departs for Cape Town
            Last visits en route
15:00      Check in at airport
            Flight departs for Jo’burg – CPT Airport
            Flight arrives JHB
            End of tour

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