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Personalised and private are the key elements when it comes to planning a romantic getaway. Nowadays couples are more interested in a holistic experience which will allow body and soul to rejuvenate, in a quiet and eco-friendly environment. The destinations below encompass all these characteristics and are truly romantic places.

As an introduction our featured Hotel of the month is Southern Sun Hyde Park Hotel in Johannesburg, a state-of-the-art Hotel with a great location.

Best Regards,
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Southern Sun Hyde Park Sandton Hotel



This prestigious hotel forms part of the exclusive Hyde Park Corner, which offers a variety of stores and restaurants. The 132 contemporary rooms offer panoramic views of Johannesburg's northern suburbs. There are superb dining options, such as the world-renowned BiCE Restaurant, and the Daruma Sushi & Tempura Bar. The Island Bar is where you can sip cocktails in the splendour of an unforgettable Highveld sunset on the Pool Deck. The Whisky & Cigar Bar allows you to relax and enjoy your selection of the refined combination of fine whisky or cognac and a select cigar.

ROMANTIC DESTINATIONS

Tswalu

Tswalu means "new beginning" in the Tswana language. The serenity of the reserve's vastness and the intimacy of the properties combine to create the perfect place for any new beginning. A wedding celebrated here, or a honeymoon begun, could not be more memorable. Imagine romantic cocktails on the dunes as the sun sets, a private dinner on your own deck complete with a telescope to gaze at the incredible starscape. Tswalu's three-night Indulgence Package comprises the perfect romantic getaway, and includes two complimentary spa treatments per adult, and spouse/partner flies for free.

Kalahari



Rovos

Recapture the romance of a bygone era as you step aboard the reconditioned wood-panelled coaches and enjoy fine cuisine in five-star luxury. Relax in the privacy and comfort of spacious suites, each with a perfect blend of period ambience and modern comforts. Meals are served in the charming Victorian atmosphere of the dining cars. Evening attire is formal – for the gentlemen a jacket and tie is required while for ladies we suggest cocktail/evening dresses or suits. Experience the extravagant elegance of rail travel through Africa.

Rail



Birkenhead

From its exhilarating cliff-top position overlooking Walker Bay, Birkenhead House offers luxury accommodation for those seeking a superior seaside experience. The hotel's contemporary feel is an artful mix of classic beach house style and quirky opulence. The hotel is characterised by a relaxed and easy-going atmosphere where you can breakfast at noon, take tea on your balcony, then watch the ocean at dusk over a cocktail or two. Dinners are leisurely including the finest international fusion cuisine served by friendly and knowledgeable staff. Relaxation is the order of the day.

House



Tintswalo

This five-star luxury lodge is located on the shore of the Atlantic Ocean on Chapman's Peak Drive, which forms part of the Table Mountain National Park – one of South Africa's eight World Heritage Sites. Tintswalo Atlantic features two heated pools, and has breathtaking views of sea and mountain. The Balau wood main deck hosts a heated Jacuzzi. The 10 air-conditioned, luxury Island Suites and one regal Presidential Suite provide exclusive accommodation that offers time for romance and relaxation in total privacy, with the Atlantic Ocean literally breaking at their base.

Atlantic



Delaire

Graff

Estate

Striking Cape Dutch architecture meets African artefacts and styling, with original artworks from Laurence Graff's personal collection on display throughout. The generously proportioned lodges offer spacious living spaces and the light-filled interiors flow seamlessly outdoors where guests can choose to dip into their private plunge pool or relax while the lodge butler serves a chilled glass of wine. Each private kitchen is stocked with everything from organic coffee and specialist teas to the finest handmade chocolates. Time spent here is all about relaxing, cocooned in soft white gowns or settling in under the finest cotton bed linen surrounded by bespoke furniture and cleverly designed touches of indigenous styling.



SPECIALS & GENERAL UPDATES

Travel + Leisure recently named Sabi Sabi Private Game Reserve third best safari lodge in Africa and the best in the Sabi Sand Wildtuin. Late last year the prestigious Conde Nast magazine voted the lodges as the top African lodge in the world.

Village & Life's Waterfront Village have announced that all guests staying in Superior Apartments at Waterfront Village will now receive the following amenities on arrival: a welcome pack including bottled water, sparkling wine or juice and chocolates as well as 1GB of complimentary Wi-Fi.

Also, guests staying at the Waterfront Village still have the option to enjoy breakfast at the One & Only at an exclusive rate; however note that the option to purchase breakfast vouchers through Waterfront Village reception is no longer available. Guests are now required to settle their breakfast directly at the One & Only.

FORTHCOMING SHOWS & EVENTS



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| 30Aug – 15Sep | The Kirstenbosch Botanical Art Biennale is part of the ongoing centenary celebrations, will focus on medicinal and traditional-use plants of southern Africa. |
| 06Sep – 07Sep | The legendary Bonnie Tyler live in South Africa in her Rocks and Honey world tour. |
| 10Sep – 20Oct | Blood Brothers – an adaptation with local flavour by David Kramer of the West End Hit Musical. Theatre on the Bay. |
| 19Sep – 27Sep | Madame Butterfly: East and West collide with tragic results in Puccini's devastating Opera. Artscape Opera House. |
| 16Oct | Rihanna live in her DIAMONDS WORLD TOUR! Concert at Cape Town Stadium. |
| 19Oct | Classical-pop star Selim Kagee, often compared to Bocelli and Buble, performs at the Baxter Concert Hall, backed by a 20-piece orchestra. |
| 24Oct | The Cape Philharmonic Orchestra presents the Summer Symphony Season (works by Brahms, Mendelssohn, Mozart, Beethoven, Berlioz, Connession, Schumann, Elgar & Sibelius) |
| 27Oct | SA's greatest rock band, Prime Circle, live at Hillcrest Quarry, set on the edge of a lake. |
| 31Oct | Wine & Dine "Bubbly Dinner" at Planet Restaurant at the iconic Mount Nelson Hotel (includes seven courses and a glass of wine with each course) |

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