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Continuing the Journey with YP journeys

*“I travel not to go
anywhere but to go. I
travel for travel’s sake.
The great affair is to
move.” – Robert Louis
Stevenson*

Welcome to the YP journeys monthly newsletter. I am Yuri Pross, the owner of YP journeys, and your guide to indulgent travel, exciting adventure, and lifetime experiences. With extensive (and expanding) travel experience, I hope to inform and excite you as you contemplate your future journeys. Read more about me at <https://www.ypjournals.com/about.html>

Each month, you will learn about my latest adventures (maybe you would like a similar experience), travel trends, and exciting new opportunities for your next journey. This month’s issue wraps up our first year of presenting the newsletter. I hope you have found it useful, informative, and an inspiration for your future journeys.

Southern Africa: Luxury and Lions (part 2)

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! As promised in our November issue, I’m back with more about our adventure in Southern Africa. During our time in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, not only did we visit the impressive falls, but we had an exciting driving tour along the Zambezi river. We saw families of baboons in the trees alongside the road, with juveniles playing chase and wrestling with each other while the mothers kept the infants (who wanted to play as well) out of harm’s way! It was surprising and enlightening to see such human-like behavior!! Along this drive we also saw a large herd of cape buffalo, giraffes, and elephants all in their natural habitat.

We took a thrilling helicopter flight over the falls. The views were stunning: elephants in the river and giraffes on the plains: like stepping into a nature documentary!

We enjoyed afternoon tea at the Stanley and Livingstone Boutique Hotel followed by a black rhino quest on the adjacent Victoria Falls Private Game Reserve. With nearly 10,000 acres of protected land, the Reserve is intensely focused on rhino (and other animals) conservation and has a very vigilant and successful anti-poaching program to protect the wildlife and their habitat. The up-close views of the wildlife were nothing short of spectacular. YES, we saw several black rhinos throughout the reserve.



On our last four days, we rode the all-inclusive luxury train, Rovos Rail. While aboard we experienced delectable meals in dining elegance. The train made two stops from which we enjoyed some exciting excursions: a game drive and a visit to the Matabo Hills Memorial and gravesite of Cecil John Rhodes, famed explorer, entrepreneur, and politician who played a pivotal role in the opening of Southern Africa. This was a remarkable trip!



Plan today, explore tomorrow, because your adventures won't wait.

Happy Holidays!!!!

Wishing you the very best through the December Holidays and into a prosperous and adventurous 2025. Time sure flies, so plan early and #takethetrip!!

Upcoming Opportunities – Kenya October 2026!

What is your MUST-DO bucket list trip for 2025? What would you like to experience? Once you know what you want to do, prioritize your time (and dollars), plan with me (to ensure you get what you want), then relish the adventure! #takethetrip

The Kenya trip in October 2026, which I wrote about last month, has filled up. Nevertheless, there is always opportunity to be had. If you are still interested in an Africa trip but, need some time to think through what you want to do, when you want to go and what your budget is, reach out to me via my contact info below or on the www.yppjourneys.com web page. We can work together to curate the trip you want. If you want to see what such a trip can be like, a recording of our previous descriptive webinar can be found here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Fe_Db1-moPdS00Yjw1M34gAmusV9KF8k/view.

Alternatively, I still have some space on our Alaska cruise in July 2025 and our Tahiti cruise in September 2025. Also, I am pulling together, not yet completely solidified, group rates for a Rocky Mountaineer luxury train excursion from Vancouver to Banff, Canada. I am working through the details with Rocky Mountaineer, and am aiming to have those details for the next newsletter.

In the meantime, you can watch for our updates on my Facebook business page, <https://www.facebook.com/YPjourneys>.

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