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Continuing the Journey with YP journeys

"Africa is a land of contrasts. It has a charm that is all its own, and to those who have once come under its spell, its incomparable beauty and fascination make an appeal that is not easily forgotten." – Theodore Roosevelt, African Game Trails.

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.ypjourneys.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.

Southern Africa: Luxury and Lions

Happy Holidays, travel enthusiasts! November took us on an exhilarating journey to the heart of Southern Africa, a trip I'd curated to blend opulence with the thrill of discovery. My husband and I, along with my parents and two friends from our Galapagos trip in April of last year, embarked on this unforgettable escapade.

Our direct flight from the US took us to the vibrant city of Cape Town, South Africa. For four mesmerizing days, we indulged our senses at the exquisite Victoria and Alfred Hotel, soaking in the kaleidoscope of sights and flavors that the region offers.

From there, we flew to the breathtaking Chobe National Park in Botswana. Our home for two days was the splendid Chobe Game Lodge, the only resort nestled within the reserve. Here, expertly guided safaris by land and water brought us face-to-face with the majestic wildlife that calls this land home.

Our journey continued by road to the legendary Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe. For two days, we reveled in the grace and grandeur of the Victoria Falls Hotel, a stately bastion of history and luxury. The spectacle of "the smoke that thunders" left us in awe as we explored one of the world's grandest waterfalls.



The grand finale was a journey like no other—four days aboard the opulent Rovos Rail luxury train from Victoria Falls to Pretoria.

Enveloped in elegance, we savored delectable meals and captivating excursions, all while unwinding in exceptional comfort.



There's so much more to share, but I'll save those tales for the next newsletter. Until then, keep dreaming of spectacular adventures because they're just a trip away!

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

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Have you ever found yourself dreaming about that perfect escape? Whether it's climbing a majestic mountain, exploring the vibrant corners of a bustling market, or standing in awe before one of the world's wonders, these experiences hold a special place in our hearts. However, as time flows, the allure of our "bucket lists" often meets the realities of our physical abilities. The truth is that our bodies may not always be up for the adventure. The question remains: if not now, when?

Throughout my time in the travel industry, I've witnessed time and again how cherished travel dreams risk fading due to unforeseen physical limitations. While we all hope to enjoy robust health in our retirement years, the sands of time may have different plans.

Planning ahead is your key to unlocking these dreams. Ideally, pencil in your adventures at least a year in advance—sometimes, even longer. A well-thought-out plan means you can select the epic trip of your choice, and it transforms those dreams into reality. When the travel bug bites and you pinpoint the destination that calls your name, set things in motion by planning, booking, and saving diligently. Each move brings your adventure closer to the 'now'. I'm here to help and advise you every step of the way. Let's make it happen together. #takethetrip

Step into a world where luxury meets adventure – join our exclusive Kenyan safari in October 2026 for an intimate, private safari experience. Only six seats left on this remarkable eight-person journey.

Upcoming Opportunities – Kenya October 2026!

I mentioned previously about a trip I have curated that combines luxury with adventure – much like my Kenya trip in the spring and my most recent trip to Southern Africa. This trip will focus on private guided safari/game drives and luxury accommodations, with an immersion in the local culture of the Maasai tribe. Unique to my business partner's (SKYIN) offerings, the Maasai immersion is non-commercial with no other guests visiting simultaneously. In other words, very exclusive. The group has space for a total of eight people; there are six seats remaining. I recently hosted a webinar with SKYIN providing a trip overview. A recording of that webinar can be found here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Fe_Db1-moPdS00Yjw1M34gAmusV9KF8k/view.

This will be a life-changing trip. With a group of only eight people, you won't be in a sea of strangers. If an African safari is on your radar at all, please watch the webinar; you will be amazed. Due to the exclusive nature of this safari, deposits must be made ASAP!

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