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## All aboard the love train

Rovos Rail, known for its luxury train trips across the country, calls Capital Park Station in Pretoria home. And what a home it is: grand, unique and quirky – the perfect location for a wedding with a difference. Able to host both ceremony and reception, its elegant, old-world charm captures the romance of rail travel. Three hours is advised for the on-board reception; the ceremony can take place in the station's spacious lounge at no extra cost. Visit [rovos.com](http://rovos.com). Don't forget to browse our beautiful fashion feature on page 36, which was shot on location at this glorious place!

## High tea hens

If you don't love the idea of prancing around Joburg's nightclubs trussed up like a tart, get your bridesmaids to organise a high tea hen party at The Forum. You and your girls can indulge in a private event that's both elegant and modern. Expect treats like organic cordials and several varieties of tea to go with the sweet and savoury menu.

From R295 per person for 30 to 120 guests, excluding VAT. Call 011 575 3535 or visit [theforum.co.za](http://theforum.co.za).

## CREATIVE SPACES

Alpine Attitude Boutique Hotel in Pretoria is an intriguing spot for small weddings and intimate receptions. With five cottages and seven contemporary rooms decorated by different South African artists (themes include Leather, African and Nature), this four-star retreat is a chic and trendy suburban option. And the food is superb too! Visit [alpineattitude.co.za](http://alpineattitude.co.za).



## Paper trail

Growing Paper produces charming handmade calendars, cards, invitations and other wedding stationery from paper embedded with either flower or herb seeds. Whatever isn't plantable is biodegradable or recyclable, as the range is made from post-consumer waste paper and printed with water-based ink. There is an existing portfolio, but the team will produce custom designs. A pack of five A4 flower seed paper sheets starts at R40. Visit [growingpaper.co.za](http://growingpaper.co.za) for online shopping or retail options.

## HAVE YOUR CAKE

For irresistible sweet treats, try Junipa's Cake Studio in Bryanston where you can find decadent dessert options and foodie favours, all made with typical Junipa's style, panache and attention to taste. After Eight tarts, red velvet petits fours and to-die-for chocolate brownies are just some of our favourites; their wedding cakes are gorgeous too. Call 011 706 2387.

