AVONTUUR BRANCH LINE

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Port Elizabeth - Avontuur
Distance: 285km (177 miles 9 ch)
Sharpest curve: 50 metres (2 1/2 chains)
Steepest grade: 1-in-40 compensated

Section from Louterwater to Avontuur closed to traffic since 1 April 1993

Section from Assegaibos to Louterwater only sees traffic in the citrus season

Alexandria Branch Line closed to traffic since 31 July 1993

EPPC Branch (1927 - 2001)

Port Elizabeth - Humewood Road narrow gauge connecting line opened 1 April 1906

WALMER BRANCH Valley Junction - Walmer (opened 15 December 1906) (closed 14 December 1928)

Knysna Forest Railway (610mm / 2 ft gauge) 1907 - 1949

ROUTE OF APPLE EXPRESS: HUMEWOOD ROAD - LOERIE

VAN STADEN'S RIVER BRIDGE

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Highest 610mm gauge railway bridge in the world. 77.4m (254 ft) above river bed, 195.7m (642ft 3in.) between abutments.

EXPLANATION OF MAP SYMBOLS

- Narrow gauge lines (610mm / 2 ft)
- Narrow gauge occasionally in service — 15 DEC 1924 — Date of opening
- Closed narrow gauge line & station or halt — 1964 — Single track & year of opening
- Other lines (1065mm / 3ft 6in gauge) — 55km — Distance in kilometres
- Electrified line - 25kV AC — 1630m — Height above sea level (metres)
- Main station, siding or halt

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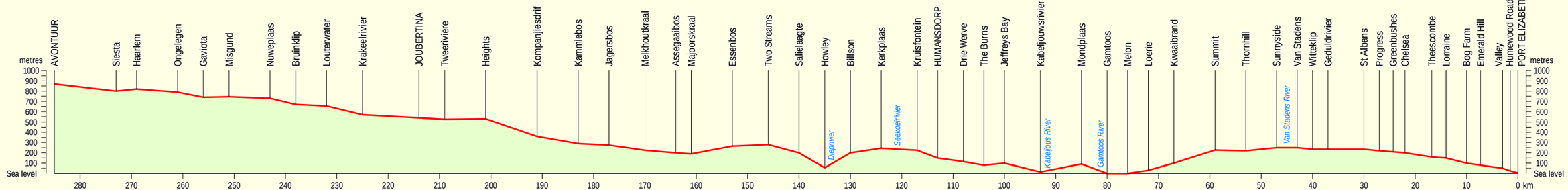
PORT ELIZABETH - AVONTUUR PROFILE



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