

**St Helena's maritime heritage**  
The dawnings of 1805 will be the last full year of service for one of the world's last Royal Mail ships, which serves St Helena. The south Atlantic island's only regular link with the outside world has been the RMS St Helena (020 7575 5480, rms-st-helena.com), but this service will cease two months as the island's airport opens in February 2016. The British Overseas Territory is where Napoleon was famously exiled after his defeat at the Battle of Waterloo in 1815, and with 2015 marking the bicentenary of his reluctant arrival, a programme of events will be held around the anniversary in October.

**Details:** A 23-night package through Halcov Collections (020 7193 2363, halcov-collections.com) comprising the ten-night return sailing from Cape Town, an eight-night B&B stay on St Helena, three nights in Cape Town, costs from £3,995pp. It departs the UK on September 30 and includes flights, accommodation and island tours.