



# Cape Town

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Overlooked by spectacular heights of Table Mountain and surrounded by stunning beaches, lush farmland, and superb vineyards, Cape Town has established itself as South Africa's cultural capital and one of the most vibrant cities on the continent. This is where African, European, and Asian cultures meet in a multi-ethnic rainbow reflected in its music, architecture, visual arts, as well as in its amazing choice of cuisines. Cape Town is great for partying as well, with a year-round calendar of festivals, parades, and world-class sporting events.

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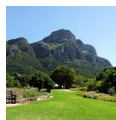
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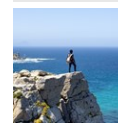
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## THE CITY



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You cannot help but be impressed by the splendour of Cape Town's location, with the cloud-capped crag of Table Mountain overlooking the skyscrapers and historic buildings of the compact city centre.

For many visitors, the cable-car trip to the top and the view from the summit is the high point of a Cape Town holiday. For others, the focal point of the city is the V&A Waterfront, a rejuvenated area of docklands that is now home to some of Cape Town's best hotels, restaurants, bars and shopping. Here you can see families of seals sunbathe within a few feet of smart café terraces.

The city rises from the waterfront to the slopes of Table Mountain, with posh residential suburbs — including the ultra-exclusive enclave of Constantia — overlooking the downtown area.

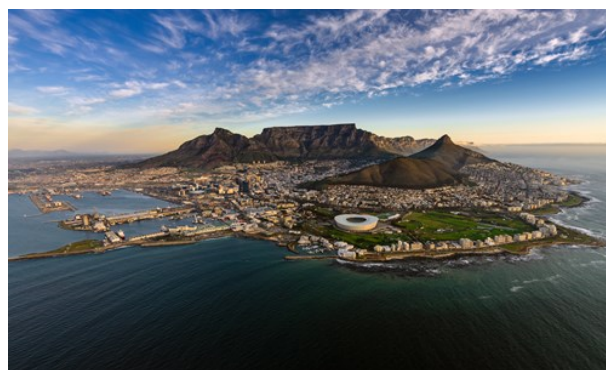
Cape Town has much more to offer than city life. There are excellent beaches just a short distance from the city centre, at spots such as Clifton, Camps Bay and Hout Bay south of the centre and Milnerton and Sunset Beach to the north.

Only a short distance to the south lie the wilds of the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve — home to a range of wildlife — culminating in the

dramatic scenery of Cape Point. Meanwhile, just a short drive from the city and its airport lie the lush vineyards and pretty colonial-era towns of the Winelands region, where some of South Africa's finest vintages are produced.

Cape Town also has a mellow climate that makes it attractive all year, with plenty of sunshine during the winter months making it particularly attractive to visitors from the Northern Hemisphere.

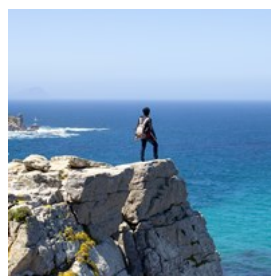
## DO & SEE



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Cape Town has an amazing array of things to do and see, from historic buildings, museums and art galleries to nature reserves, wine tastings, boat trips and horseback riding. Discover the different quarters of the city, and be sure to take some time to explore the beautiful natural surroundings, as well.

### Cape of Good Hope & Cape Point



Cape of Good Hope and Cape Point are two of the most famous and popular tourist spots in Cape Town. There is a misconception that the

Cape of Good Hope is the most southern tip of Africa, which is not true, as in fact Cape Agulhas is the southernmost point. Both the Cape of Good

Hope and Cape Point are sections of the Table Mountain National Park, where you can see cape lions, spotted hyenas, jackals, elephants and zebras.

Photo: Rahul Chakraborty/unsplash

Address: Cape of Good Hope, Cape Town

Phone: +27 21 780 9204

Internet: [www.sanparks.org/parks/table\\_mountain/tourism/attractions.php#goodhope](http://www.sanparks.org/parks/table_mountain/tourism/attractions.php#goodhope)

### Bo Kaap



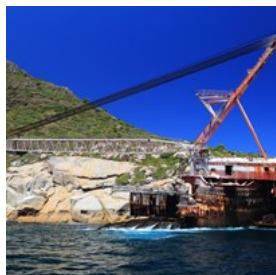
The colourful Bo Kaap of today is a far cry from its tumultuous beginnings — in the 16th and 17th centuries, slaves brought from Malaysia and

Indonesia by the Dutch were forced to reside here. Each house received a fresh coat of bright paint following the end of apartheid, as an act of defiance, expression of individualism and a celebration of freedom at long last.

Photo: Tatyana Soares/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bo Kaap, Cape Town

### BOS 400 Shipwreck



This rather secluded wreck is only accessible via a long trek along the coastline, but the scenic walk alone is already worth the drive to the

suburb of Hout Bay in Cape Town. The ship broke loose while being towed in 1994 — it was later deemed unsalvageable and left to rust at that very spot, gaining eerie appeal in the years since.

Admire the ship wreck from shore. Climbing onto rusted metal is extremely dangerous.

Photo: francesco de marco/Shutterstock.com

More Info: Trek from Sandy Bar car park

### Chapman's Peak Drive



Chapman's Peak Drive lures in with stunning views over the Atlantic Ocean, provided that you can handle the steep descents that start

immediately off the roadside. Along the trip, there are observation points for stop-overs where you can also buy souvenirs from locals and admire the views without having to constantly keep your eyes on the road.

Photo: Quality Master/Shutterstock.com

Address: Chapmans Peak Drive, Cape Town

Phone: +27 21 791 8220

Internet: [www.chapmanspeakdrive.co.za](http://www.chapmanspeakdrive.co.za)

### Victoria & Alfred Waterfront



Victoria & Alfred Waterfront — also known as A&F Waterfront - is a hotspot for tourists as well as locals. It is a harbour with exciting

architecture that offers a magnificent view of the sea and the mountain range. The area has more than 250 shops, restaurants, pubs, hotels and cafés that will most likely keep you busy all day.

Photo: South African Tourism / Flickr.com(image cropped)

Address: East Pier Road, Cape Town

Opening hours: Daily 9am-9pm

Phone: +27 21 408 7600

Internet: [www.waterfront.co.za](http://www.waterfront.co.za)

Email: [info@waterfront.co.za](mailto:info@waterfront.co.za)

## Robben Island



The former prison island, located 11 km off the coast of Cape Town, is now a World Heritage Site and an evocative virtual shrine to its most famous prisoner, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela. This is where he spent 18 of his 27 years in prison.

Take an insightful journey through South Africa's difficult past on a tour of Robben Island. Hear stories from a former prisoner on the island as you explore this tangible symbol of political freedom and a reminder of the tough road to South African democracy.

Photo: Rüdiger Wölk/cc by-sa 2.5/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: Robben Island Museum, Private Bag Robben Island, Cape Town

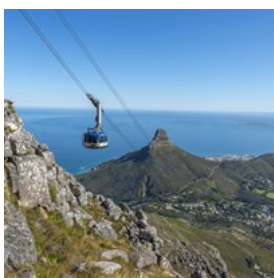
Phone: +27 21 413 4200

Internet: [www.robben-island.org.za](http://www.robben-island.org.za)

Email: [infow@robben-island.org.za](mailto:infow@robben-island.org.za)

More Info: To reach the island, take a ferry from: Nelson Mandela Gateway, Clocktower Precinct, V&A Waterfront, Cape Town

## Table Mountain Aerial Cableway



The view of the city and its surroundings from the top of Cape Town's biggest landmark, the 1,086 m (3,563 ft) Table Mountain, is stupendous.

The revolving cablecar that takes you up gives you a great view in all directions. Once up there you can check out the telescopes or sit down for a drink or a meal and just take in the spectacular view.

Photo: Quality Master / Shutterstock.com

Address: Tafelberg Road, Gardens, Cape Town

Phone: +27 21 424 8181

Internet: [www.tablemountain.net](http://www.tablemountain.net)

Email: [info@tablemountain.net](mailto:info@tablemountain.net)

## Two Oceans Aquarium



Sharks and thousands of other marine creatures from the seas off South Africa's coasts swim in the huge glass tanks of this excellent aquarium.

This aquarium showcases the Marine life of the Indian Ocean as well as the Atlantic Ocean, hence the name.

Photo: Longjourneys / Shutterstock.com

Address: Dock Road, V&A Waterfront, Cape Town

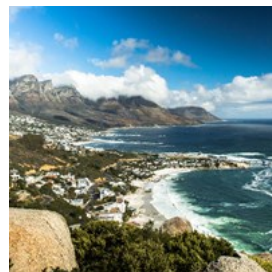
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9:30am-6pm, Sat & Sun 9am-6pm

Phone: +27 21 418 3823

Internet: [www.aquarium.co.za](http://www.aquarium.co.za)

Email: [aquarium@aquarium.co.za](mailto:aquarium@aquarium.co.za)

## Camps Bay



Camps Bay is a prestigious area and one of Cape Town's most popular beaches. The area houses a number of fantastic restaurants,

hotels, sports clubs and entertainment venues, as well as the white sandy beaches and blue waters that keep people coming back for more.

Photo: Niklas Eichler/unsplash

Internet: [www.capetown.travel](http://www.capetown.travel)

Email: [office@campsbay.com](mailto:office@campsbay.com)

## Franschhoek

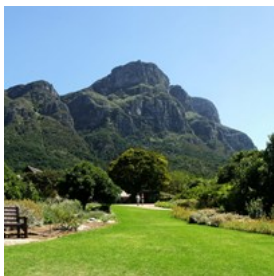


Franschhoek is a rather small but nonetheless impressive province to the east of Cape Town and, as part of the community of

Stellenbosch, also portrayed with idyllic wine farms and lovely landscapes within a great natural reserve. As to its meaning of 'French Corner', this is where the Huguenots came for in the 17th centuries, and both culture and architecture show off a rich history of cultural and (wine)industrial happenings.

Photo: Gary Bembridge/Pixabay.com(image cropped)  
Internet: [www.franschhoek.org.za](http://www.franschhoek.org.za)

## Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens



Nestled at the foot of Table Mountain in Cape Town lies one of the world's greatest Botanical Gardens. It was founded in 1913 to

preserve the indigenous flora of South Africa and displays a wide variety of plants, including fynbos, karoo, savanna and a giant baobab tree. They even have plants dating back millions of years, to when there was probably only one continent. Do not miss their regular concerts during the summer.

Photo: Didier B / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)  
Address: Rhodes Drive, Newlands  
Opening hours: September to March: daily 8am-7pm. April to August: daily 8am-6pm  
Phone: +27 21 799 8783  
Internet: [www.sanbi.org/gardens/kirstenbosch](http://www.sanbi.org/gardens/kirstenbosch)  
Email: [kirstenboschinfo@sanbi.org](mailto:kirstenboschinfo@sanbi.org)

## Simonstown



Simon's Town, or Simonstown as it has come to be called, has an interesting history and many famous buildings. There are many activities

to keep you busy, such as boat charters, sea kayaking, deep sea fishing or whale watching. However, this quaint little town is most famous for being home to a colony of South African Penguins. Boulder's Beach, a few kilometres south of town, is the one and only place in the world where you can swim with penguins!

Photo: Hansueli Krapf/cc by-sa 3.0/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)  
Address: Simon's Town, South Afrika  
Internet: [www.simonstown.com](http://www.simonstown.com)  
Email: [info@simonstown.com](mailto:info@simonstown.com)

## Groot Constantia



The graceful, whitewashed Groot Constantia manor is a magnificent example of 18th century Cape Dutch colonial architecture. It

also happens to be the country's oldest wine producing estate, founded in 1685. They offer tours of the grounds, the museum and the cellar, as well as wine tastings, and have two top restaurants.

Photo: De Zuid-Afrikaan / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)  
Address: Groot Constantia Road, Constantia, Cape Town  
Opening hours: Daily 10am-5pm. Wine tasting & retail shop: daily 9am-6pm  
Phone: +27 21 794 5128  
Internet: [www.grootconstantia.co.za](http://www.grootconstantia.co.za)  
Email: [enquiries@grootconstantia.co.za](mailto:enquiries@grootconstantia.co.za)

### District Six Museum



This evocative and moving museum commemorates the more than 60,000 non-white inhabitants of District Six who were expelled from this once multi-ethnic neighbourhood when it was declared a 'whites only' zone in the 1960s by the Apartheid government. It tells the stories of the forced removals and aims to help reconstruct the community of District Six.

Photo: Photograph by Mike Peel ([www.mikepeel.net](http://www.mikepeel.net))/cc by-sa 4.0/wikimedia(image cropped)

Address: 25A Buitenkant Street, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-4pm, Sun closed

Phone: +27 21 466 7200

Internet: [www.districtsix.co.za](http://www.districtsix.co.za)

Email: [info@districtsix.co.za](mailto:info@districtsix.co.za)

### Koopmans-De Wet House



The Koopmans-de Wet House is pretty 18th century townhouse decorated and furnished as it would have been in the 18th and 19th centuries, including an impressive collection of ceramics and offering a glimpse into the gracious life of colonial Cape Town. The Koopmans-de Wet family, who originally owned the house, was known for helping orphans and widows in the community.

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Address: 35 Strand Street, Cape Town

Opening hours: Thu & Fri 9am-4pm

Phone: +27 21 481 3935

Internet: [www.iziko.org.za/museums/koopmans-de-wet-house](http://www.iziko.org.za/museums/koopmans-de-wet-house)

Email: [wvandelen@iziko.org.za](mailto:wvandelen@iziko.org.za)

### Bo-Kaap Museum



This excellent museum in the colourful Bo Kaap district (formerly the city's Malay quarter) traces the history of Cape Town's Islamic culture and heritage. The museum is furnished and decorated to depict the lifestyle of a 19th-century Muslim family.

Photo: Magemu / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: 71 Wale Street, Bo-Kaap, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-5pm, Sun closed

Phone: +27 21 481 3938

Internet: [www.iziko.org.za/museums/bo-kaap-museum](http://www.iziko.org.za/museums/bo-kaap-museum)

### Slave Lodge Museum



Slave Lodge Museum is the second oldest building in Cape Town and now houses a grimly fascinating exhibition that explores the history of slavery in South Africa. The constantly changing exhibitions aim to raise awareness about human rights in the country and around the world.

Photo: David Stanley/cc by 2.0/Flickr (upscaled)

Address: Corner of Adderley Street & Wale Street, Cape Town

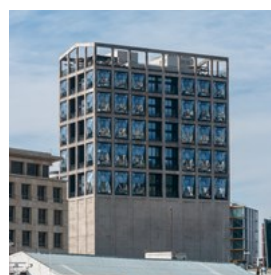
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-5pm, Sun closed

Phone: +27 21 467 7229

Internet: [www.iziko.org.za/museums/slave-lodge](http://www.iziko.org.za/museums/slave-lodge)

Email: [ptichmann@iziko.org.za](mailto:ptichmann@iziko.org.za)

### Zeitz Museum of Contemporary Art Africa (MOCAA)



Located in an old silo at Table Bay, the Zeitz MOCAA is the largest museum of contemporary African art in the world. The unique design of the

building is enough to pay for your visit here, but exploring its interior is also highly recommended. More than 100 galleries spread over nine floors showcase well-curated contemporary art from Africa and its diaspora. When you feel like taking a break, check out the rooftop, where they have a sculpture garden and a restaurant with stunning views of the harbour.

Photo: Matti Blume/Wikimedia Commons  
Address: V&A Waterfront, Silo District, South Arm Road, Cape Town  
Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-6pm, Mon closed  
Phone: +27 87 350 4777  
Internet: [www.zeitzmocaa.museum](http://www.zeitzmocaa.museum)  
Email: [info@zeitzmocaa.museum](mailto:info@zeitzmocaa.museum)

### Stellenbosch



Stellenbosch is South Africa's most famous wine region with more than 120 wine farms, and also great cafes and restaurants for those, who also crave for having great coffee and really fresh food. Founded by the dutch governor Simon van der Stel, this town keeps its founder's name ever since but developed from a rather small settlement to a world-known town attracting locals and tourists alike.

Photo: johnthefrankmusic/Pixabay.com  
Address: Stellenbosch

### Woodstock



Woodstock is considered to be Cape Town's Soho, and when thinking of its venues, green spaces and exciting life during both day and night, this can hardly be denied. At this former quarter of heavy industry, businesses and inhabitants have

forged a new district that is already hip but changes and vibrates more and more from one day to the next.

Photo: Sebastian Canaves/unsplash  
Address: Woodstock, Cape Town

### Old Biscuit Mill



Located in the neighbourhood of Woodstock, The Old Biscuit Mill is an open-air market with a focus on high quality which — as proven here — does not automatically mean low quantity. Among stores and stalls selling affordable art, ceramics and crafts, different cafes and eateries will serve you well, especially during their regular food market that will send your taste buds on an adventure.

Photo: flowcomm/cc by 2.0/Flickr  
Address: 375 Albert Road, Cape Town  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 9am-2pm, Sun 10am-4pm  
Phone: +27 21 447 8194  
Internet: [www.theoldbiscuitmill.co.za](http://www.theoldbiscuitmill.co.za)  
Email: [info@theoldbiscuitmill.co.za](mailto:info@theoldbiscuitmill.co.za)

## DINING



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Places to eat and drink range from excellent seafood restaurants to grills that serve wild and farmed game such as eland, antelope, and gazelle. There are also several good restaurants serving authentic African dishes as well as eateries serving Asian-influenced Cape Malay food. For outdoor dining, head for the V&A Waterfront.

### The Famous Butcher's Grill



The Famous Butcher's Grill is a meat-lover's paradise, located in the Cape Town Lodge Hotel's lobby in the city centre.

They specialise in high quality steak, but offer other interesting options, such as ostrich, which can be enjoyed over nightly live music.

Photo: LoboStudioHamburg / Pixabay  
Address: 101 Buitengracht Street, Cape Town  
Phone: +27 21 422 0880  
Internet: [www.capetownlodge.co.za/restaurant](http://www.capetownlodge.co.za/restaurant)  
Email: [fbg@capetownlodge.co.za](mailto:fbg@capetownlodge.co.za)

### Quay Four Restaurant



Quay Four Restaurant is one of Cape Town's oldest and best restaurants, known all over the world. They serve excellent seafood brasserie, which can be enjoyed on the outdoor tables with harbour views. Quay 4 is also a tavern with a good selection of draught beer.

Photo: Arina P Habich / Shutterstock.com  
Address: Quay, 4 Dock Road, Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, Cape Town  
Opening hours: Daily 8am-11pm  
Phone: +27 21 419 2008  
Internet: [www.instagram.com/q4\\_tavern](http://www.instagram.com/q4_tavern)

### Diemersdal Farm Eatery



Located a bit of a ways outside the city of Cape Town, in the area of Durbanville, the Diemersdal Estate is a fantastic winery and restaurant. Spend a lovely afternoon at this countryside farm and enjoy their award winning wine and delicious food. Their lunch menu changes daily and they offer a varied tapas menu.

Photo: Engin\_Akyurt / Pixabay  
Address: M58 (Koeberg Road), Durbanville  
Opening hours: Lunch: Wed-Sun noon-3pm. Dinner: Thu-Sat 6pm-9pm  
Phone: +27 21 976 1810  
Internet: [www.thefarmeatery.co.za](http://www.thefarmeatery.co.za)

### Kloof Street House



Kloof Street House is set in a beautiful old house that perfectly blends elements of Victorian and Colonial decor and design. It is a colonial

inspired restaurant but even if you are not hungry their cosy lounge is highly recommended, as are the open-air deck and veranda.

Photo: Semen Kuzmin / Shutterstock.com

Address: 30 Kloof Street, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon noon-late, Tue-Sun 10am-late. Kitchen closes at 10:30pm

Phone: +27 21 423 4413

Internet: [www.kloofstreethouse.co.za](http://www.kloofstreethouse.co.za)

Email: [info@kloofstreethouse.co.za](mailto:info@kloofstreethouse.co.za)

### Pigalle Restaurant



Pigalle offers fantastic lunch and dinner menus in a classy and elegant environment, with the sounds of live jazz music in the background. They

are renowned for their fresh seafood, tender steaks and extensive wine list, showcasing South African cuisine with a Portuguese twist.

Photo: Lukas Gojda / Shutterstock.com

Address: 57 Somerset Road, Green Point, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 5pm-11pm; Sat noon-3pm / 5pm-11pm

Phone: +27 21 421 4848

Internet: [www.pigalle.capetown](http://www.pigalle.capetown)

Email: [info@pigalle.capetown](mailto:info@pigalle.capetown)

### CAFES



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With its clement climate, which makes sitting outdoors pleasant for much of the year, Cape Town has a lively cafe scene. Most cafes are, in fact, also bar-restaurants, serving full meals and alcohol as well as tea, coffee, soft drinks and snacks.

### Manna Epicure



Manna Epicure, located on Kloof Street, is a superb bakery and restaurant with a seasonal menu that offers a wide variety of dishes.

Their bread is baked on site and includes interesting varieties, such as coconut bread, rye with macadamia and cranberries and much more.

Photo: ponce\_photography / Pixabay

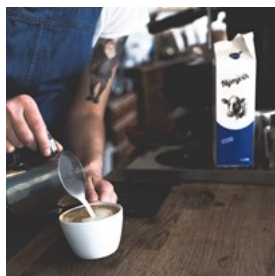
Address: 1 & 2 Elm Court, Corner of Kloof Nek & Burnside Road, Tamboerskloof, Cape Town

Opening hours: Daily 8am-10pm

Phone: +27 21 426 2413

Email: [info@mannaepicure.com](mailto:info@mannaepicure.com)

### Tribe Coffee Roasting & Café



Tribe Coffee Roasting is another sleek and modern cafe, representing devotion to coffee and barista skills. Beans are always freshly roasted

and drinks are expertly prepared. Tribe has several locations around the city, offering exquisite coffee for everyone.

Photo: Tim Wright / Unsplash

Address: The Woodstock Foundry, 160 Albert Road, Woodstock, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-3pm, Sat 8:30am-1pm

Phone: +27 21 448 3362

Internet: [www.tribecoffee.co.za](http://www.tribecoffee.co.za)

Email: [admin@tribecoffee.co.za](mailto:admin@tribecoffee.co.za)

### Bean There Coffee Company



The pleasant smell of fresh coffee that hits you as you enter the Bean There Coffee Company is unmistakable and irresistible. They use only

fine ethically sourced fair trade coffee, grown exclusively in Africa, to prepare their drinks. You can purchase some of their beans to take home with you.

Photo: eliasfalla / Pixabay

Address: Saxenburg Park, 8a Chardonnay Road, Blackheath, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-4pm

Phone: +27 087 943 2228

Internet: [www.beanthere.co.za](http://www.beanthere.co.za)

Email: [coffee@beanthere.co.za](mailto:coffee@beanthere.co.za)

### Truth Coffee Roasting



Truth Coffee Roasting has topped numerous lists from publications around the world, including being named the World's Best Coffee Shop in 2015

by the Telegraph and "probably the coolest cafe in the world". And it's not hard to see why, with their sleek design and fabulous coffee.

Photo: Siegi / Shutterstock.com

Address: 36 Buitenkant Street, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 7am-6pm, Sun 8am-4pm

Phone: +27 21 200 0440

Internet: [www.truth.capetown](http://www.truth.capetown)

Email: [info@truth.coffee](mailto:info@truth.coffee)

More Info: No reservations

### Bootlegger Coffee Company



Whereas the food served at Bootlegger Coffee Company is all locally sourced, offering burgers, ribs and other filling meals using only products

from Cape Town, the coffee is brought from countries all over the world, including Guatemala and Costa Rica guaranteeing the best quality available anywhere.

Photo: Engin\_Akyurt / Pixabay

Address: The Point Mall, 76 Regent Road Shop 21, 2nd Floor, Sea Point, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-5pm, Sat & Sun 7am-3pm

Phone: +27 21 434 0060

Internet: [www.bootlegger.coffee](http://www.bootlegger.coffee)

Email: [info@bootlegger.co.za](mailto:info@bootlegger.co.za)

### Café Mojito



Open from 11 in the morning until well after midnight, this Cuban-themed restaurant and bar has an extensive cocktail list and a casual atmosphere. The menu, which features such delights as goat curry and jerk chicken, also has a Caribbean flavour. Enjoy your meal on the sunny street terrace.

Photo: StockSnap / Pixabay

Address: 265 Long Street, Cape Town City Centre, Cape Town

Opening hours: Daily 11am-2am

Phone: +27 67 848 6766

Internet: [cafe-mojito-long-street.business.site](http://cafe-mojito-long-street.business.site)

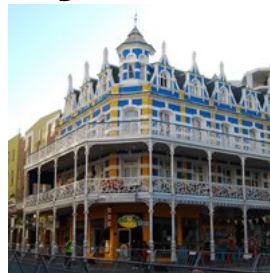
### BARS & NIGHTLIFE



*Nykonchuk Oleksii / Shutterstock.com*

Cape Town has the most exciting nightlife in South Africa. Long Street, in the city centre, is the city's main nightlife strip and is packed with music bars, late-night cafes and dance clubs. The V&A Waterfront also boasts several excellent dining, entertainment and live jazz venues.

### Long Street

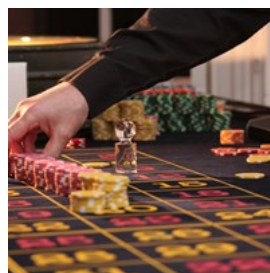


Long Street is an avenue of Georgian and Victorian architecture in central Cape Town that houses many bars of different kinds, restaurants, hotels, and smaller hostels. While a drink at one of the many bar balconies is highly recommended, since this area is considered to be one of Cape Town's hot spots, strolling through the street for admiring the architecture only is also worth the time.

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Address: Long Street, Cape Town

### GrandWest Casino & Entertainment World



Vast and glitzy, the GrandWest Casino and Entertainment World complex boasts multiple bars, restaurants and cinemas, Las Vegas-style cabaret shows, and a luxury hotel. If you do not know where to go or what to do, this is always an option as they have it all.

Photo: whekevi / Pixabay

Address: 1 Jakes Gerwel Drive, Goodwood, Cape Town

Phone: +27 21 505 7777

Internet: [www.suninternational.com/grandwest](http://www.suninternational.com/grandwest)

Email: [crobook@suninternational.com](mailto:crobook@suninternational.com)

### The Dubliner



Two venues in one: Kennedy's, upstairs, is a stylish, upmarket jazz venue which attracts well-known local and international performers. The Dubliner, downstairs, is a middle-of-the-road Irish theme bar with a resident folk band

playing all the old foot-tapping favourites.

Photo: Christian\_Birkholz / Pixabay

Address: 251 Long Street, Cape Town

Phone: +27 21 424 1212

Internet: [www.instagram.com/thedubliner\\_capetown](https://www.instagram.com/thedubliner_capetown)

### Café Mojito



Open from 11 in the morning until well after midnight, this Cuban-themed restaurant and bar has an extensive cocktail list and a casual atmosphere. The menu, which features such delights as goat curry and jerk chicken, also has a Caribbean flavour. Enjoy your meal on the sunny street terrace.

Photo: StockSnap / Pixabay

Address: 265 Long Street, Cape Town City Centre, Cape Town

Opening hours: Daily 11am-2am

Phone: +27 67 848 6766

Internet: [cafe-mojito-long-street.business.site](https://cafe-mojito-long-street.business.site)

### Bascule



The Cape Grace Hotel's trendy whisky and wine bar Bascule is the perfect place to watch the sun set over Table Mountain from the waterside terrace. It

boasts an elegant yet relaxed atmosphere, and over 500 varieties of whisky and wine from all over the world.

Photo: Africa Studio / Shutterstock.com

Address: West Quay Road, V&A Waterfront, Cape Town

Opening hours: Daily noon-11pm

Phone: +27 21 410 7082

Internet: [www.capegrace.com/culinary-delights/bascule-bar](https://www.capegrace.com/culinary-delights/bascule-bar)

Email: [bascule@capegrace.com](mailto:bascule@capegrace.com)

### Asoka



Infinitely stylish and elegant, boasting sleek Asian-themed decor and dim ambient light, Asoka is an intimate lounge bar and restaurant with

plenty of character. The menu features Asian fusion cuisine and legendary cocktails, expertly prepared by the resident mixologists.

Photo: Ivan Mateev / Shutterstock.com

Address: 68 Kloof Street, Gardens, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 5:30pm-2am, Sun 5:30pm-midnight

Phone: +27 21 422 0909

Internet: [asoka.za.com](https://asoka.za.com)

Email: [info@asoka.za.com](mailto:info@asoka.za.com)

## SHOPPING



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Whether you are looking for high fashion, designer brands, casual clothes, colonial-era antiques or original arts and crafts, Cape Town is a shopper's delight. Different streets and districts offer diverse items and shopping experiences, so be sure to read on to discover the best shopping around the city.

### Kloof Street & Long Street



Kloof Street is lined with off-beat fashion boutiques, antique clothes shops, kitsch items and collectibles. On Long Street you'll find the

Long Street Antique Arcade, a collection of small antique stalls and shops specialising in smaller objects, jewellery and ceramics, prints and paintings.

Photo: ArTono / Shutterstock.com  
Address: Kloof Street, Cape Town

### Clarke's Books



Readers will find a huge range of new and second hand fiction and non-fiction, including rare editions, at Clarke's bookshop at 199 Long

Street. Opened back in 1956, Clarke's has established itself as the best place in the city to find unique and out-of-print publications.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva / Shutterstock.com  
Address: 199 Long Street, Cape Town  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 9:30am-1pm, Sun closed  
Phone: +27 21 423 5739  
Internet: [www.clarkesbooks.co.za](http://www.clarkesbooks.co.za)  
Email: [books@clarkesbooks.co.za](mailto:books@clarkesbooks.co.za)

### African Arts & Crafts



African arts and crafts can be found at Greenmarket Square, in the city centre on the corner of Shortmarket Street and Berg Street,

which is packed with stalls selling authentic crafts, and at Green Point Flea Market, held

every Sunday in the Green Point Stadium car park.

Photo: South African Tourism / Flickr(image cropped)  
Address: Greenmarket Square, Corner of Burg Street & Longmarket Street, Cape Town  
Opening hours: Daily 9am-7pm

### Waterfront Craftmarket

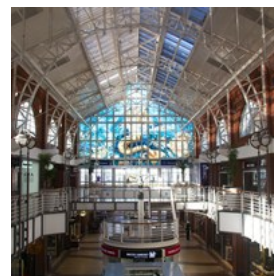


Up-market, elegant and contemporary arts and crafts, such as traditional South African textiles, carvings, prints and pottery can be found at

the Waterfront Craftmarket on the V&A Waterfront. Boasting a great location by the water, it can be one of many stops on a day of shopping in the area.

Photo: Jana van Wyk / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)  
Address: V&A Waterfront, Cape Town  
Phone: +27 21 408 7600  
Internet: [www.waterfront.co.za](http://www.waterfront.co.za)

### Victoria Wharf Shopping Mall



The Victoria Wharf Shopping Mall, also at the Waterfront, is the largest mall in the city centre and is a good place to shop for books, local and

international newspapers and magazines, casual clothes, sports equipment, safari and beach wear, as well as more mundane necessities such as food, drink, stationery or medical and dental requirements.

Photo: Mike Peel / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)  
Address: V&A Waterfront, Cape Town  
Opening hours: Daily 9am-9pm  
Phone: +27 21 408 7500  
Internet: [www.waterfront.co.za](http://www.waterfront.co.za)  
Email: [info@waterfront.co.za](mailto:info@waterfront.co.za)

### Willowbridge Shopping Centre



Just outside the city, in Bellville, you can find the Willowbridge Shopping Centre, a delightful open-air shopping street with a wide variety of shops, including great home ware and decor options, as well as The Barnyard Theatre.

Photo: sferrario1968 / Pixabay

Address: 39 Carl Cronje Drive, Tyger Valley, Cape Town

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 9am-3pm

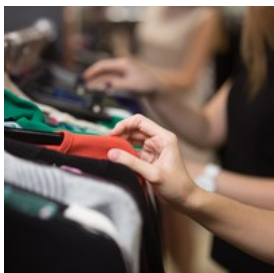
Phone: +27 21 914 7218

Internet: [www.willowbridge.co.za](http://www.willowbridge.co.za)

Email: [info@willowbridgecentre.co.za](mailto:info@willowbridgecentre.co.za)

More Info: On Saturdays, it hosts the organic Slow Market from 9am to 2pm

### Tyger Valley Centre



Adjacent to the Willowbridge Shopping Centre you can find the Tyger Valley Centre. This modern shopping centre offers over 250 stores, including high fashion boutiques and casual clothing outlets, with brands such as Swatch, Zara, Cotton On and Levi's.

Photo: fizkes / Shutterstock.com

Address: Tyger Valley Centre, Corner of Bill Bezuidenhout & Willie van Schoor, Bellville

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-7pm, Sun 9am-5pm

Phone: +27 21 914 1822

Internet: [www.tygervalley.co.za](http://www.tygervalley.co.za)

Email: [info@tygervalley.co.za](mailto:info@tygervalley.co.za)

### The Woodstock Gin Company



The Woodstock Gin Company was founded in 2012 and, since then, produces small batches of premium gin with carefully chosen ingredients and a fully controlled distillation process. While you will get a small insight into their well guarded secrets during a gin tasting, where you try pure gin, gin with herbs and gin with tonic to fully understand these variation of flavours, you can also buy a bottle of your favourite kind to bring home.

Photo: Igor Normann/Shutterstock.com

Address: 399 Albert Road, Cape Town

Opening hours: Tue-Sat 8am-5pm, Mon & Sun closed

Phone: +27 21 447 0712

Internet: [www.woodstockginco.co.za](http://www.woodstockginco.co.za)

Email: [info@woodstockginco.co.za](mailto:info@woodstockginco.co.za)

More Info: Tasting and Cocktails Available from 11am

### Victoria & Alfred Waterfront



Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, also known as A&F Waterfront, is a hotspot for tourists as well as locals. It is a harbour with exciting architecture that offers a magnificent view of the sea and the mountain range. The area has more than 250 shops, restaurants, pubs, hotels and cafés that will most likely keep you busy all day.

Photo: South African Tourism / Flickr.com(image cropped)

Address: V&A Waterfront, Cape Town

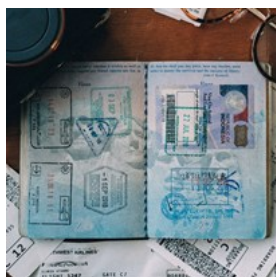
Internet: [www.waterfront.co.za](http://www.waterfront.co.za)

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Passport / Visa



Citizens of multiple world countries do not require a visa for stays of up to 90 days. These include:

Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Austria,

Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Monaco, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Portugal, Qatar, Russia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, São Tomé and Príncipe, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Citizens of a further 28 countries do not require a visa for stays of up to 30 days: Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bolivia, Cape Verde, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Eswatini, Gabon, Guyana, Hong Kong, Hungary, Jordan, Lesotho, Macau, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Mozambique, Peru, Poland,

South Korea, Thailand, Turkey.

For nationals of countries not listed above, visa requirements apply. Please contact your local consulate for further details on required documentation.

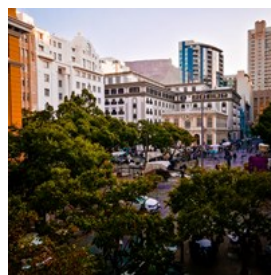
Passport holders of Cameroon, China, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Iran, Kenya, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Uganda can apply for eVisas online provided they will land at O. R. Tambo International Airport.

Travellers aged less than 18 years old must provide a birth certificate complete with both parents' details and, if flying with only one of the parents, a parental consent statement signed by the other parent.

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Internet: [www.dha.gov.za/index.php/applying-for-sa-visa](http://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/applying-for-sa-visa)

### Best Time to Visit



Seasons are reversed in Cape Town as opposed to the Northern Hemisphere (i.e. Europe & the USA). The most popular time to visit is summer, from

December to February, when prices are the highest and it's advisable to book in advance. These months are perfect for a beach holiday, and offer the hottest weather (around 22 °C).

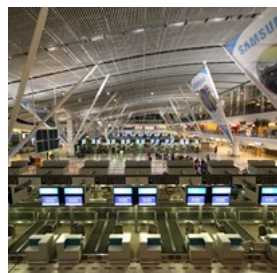
For lower prices, the shoulder seasons are also good. In March-May it's autumn, the wine season, when you can seize the opportunity to try out the best from Cape Town's wineries. In September-November it's spring, which is the perfect season for a hiking holiday, with flowers

in bloom everywhere.

Winter comes between June and August and is the low season, with colder temperatures (around 15 °C), but it still has something special to offer: from July to September, you can admire migratory whales on the coastline.

Photo: Milani Mbombo/unsplash

### Cape Town International Airport (CPT)



Cape Town International Airport is located 20 kilometres (13 miles) from the city centre and is easily accessible from all parts of the city.

Shuttle buses connect the airport with the city centre and the trip takes about 45 minutes. Tickets are sold at kiosks inside the terminal.

Licensed taxis operate from a rank outside the terminal and take 25-30 minutes to central Cape Town. Luxury hotels also offer chauffeur-driven transfers to and from the airport, bookable through the hotel. Airport shuttle bus tickets are also available from the Cape Town Tourism Visitor Centre in the arrivals hall.

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Address: Private Bag X9002, Cape Town International

Airport, Cape Town

Phone: +27 21 937 1200

Internet:

[www.airports.co.za/airports/cape-town-international-airport](http://www.airports.co.za/airports/cape-town-international-airport)

### Public Transport



The safest and easiest way to get around town by public transport is the Cape Town Explorer, the city's official sightseeing bus services, which stop at all the city's main attractions. You can get on and off as often as you wish, and tickets can be bought on board or at the Cape Town Tourism Visitor Centres in the city centre and the V&A Waterfront. First bus leaves the V&A Waterfront at 9:30 am and buses then leave every 45 minutes until 3 pm.

Public buses, privately-run minibuses and commuter trains operate in and around Cape Town but if you value your comfort, safety and security using them is not a good idea. Minibus safety standards are poor, petty theft is common on buses and trains and violent crime is not uncommon on trains.

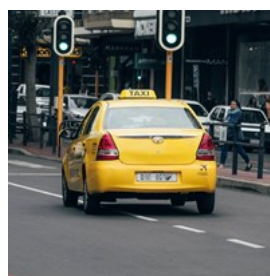
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Phone: +27 21 511 6000

Internet: [www.citysightseeing.co.za](http://www.citysightseeing.co.za)

Email: [info@citysightseeing.co.za](mailto:info@citysightseeing.co.za)

### Taxi



Taxis are plentiful and affordable. They cannot be flagged down on the street, but operate from ranks at the V&A Waterfront and elsewhere

in the city centre or can be booked by phone from any hotel, café, restaurant or bar. A list of recommended companies is available from all Cape Town Tourism Visitor Information Centres.

Blacklane, Talixo, Bolt and Uber rideshare apps are used in Cape Town, too.

Photo: Leo Moko/unsplash  
Address: Excite Taxis  
Phone: +27 21 448 4444  
Internet: [www.excitetaxis.co.za](http://www.excitetaxis.co.za)

## Post



Postal services within and from South Africa are cheap and efficient. Valuables or important documents should be sent by registered post.

Photo: Simona Sergi/unsplash  
Address: Post Office Vlaeberg, 154 Loop Street, Cape Town  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm, Sat 8am-1pm, Sun closed  
Phone: +27 21 424 7477  
Internet: [www.postoffice.co.za](http://www.postoffice.co.za)

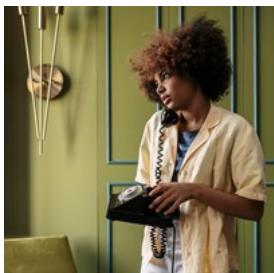
## Pharmacy



Popular and trusted pharmacy chains in Cape Town are Dis-Chem and Clicks.

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Address: Clicks Pharmacy Central Square - Pinelands, Forrest Dr Central Buildings, Central Square, Pinelands, Cape Town  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-7pm, Sat 8am-6pm, Sun 8am-5pm  
Phone: +27 21 531 5929  
Internet: [www.clicks.co.za](http://www.clicks.co.za)

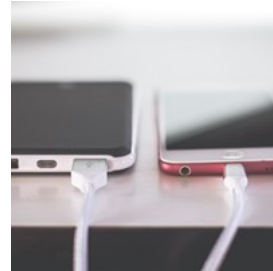
## Telephone



Country code: + 27 Area code: 021

Photo: cottonbro/pexels

## Electricity



You might encounter four types of power plugs in South Africa: types C, D, M and N. The power grid operates on a 230V supply voltage and 50Hz.

Plug type C is the plug which has two round pins.

Plug type D is the plug which has three round pins in a triangular pattern.

Plug types M and N both have three round pins.

Photo: Steve Johnson/unsplash

**Population**  
4.7 million (2021)

**Currency**  
Rand, R1 = 100 cents

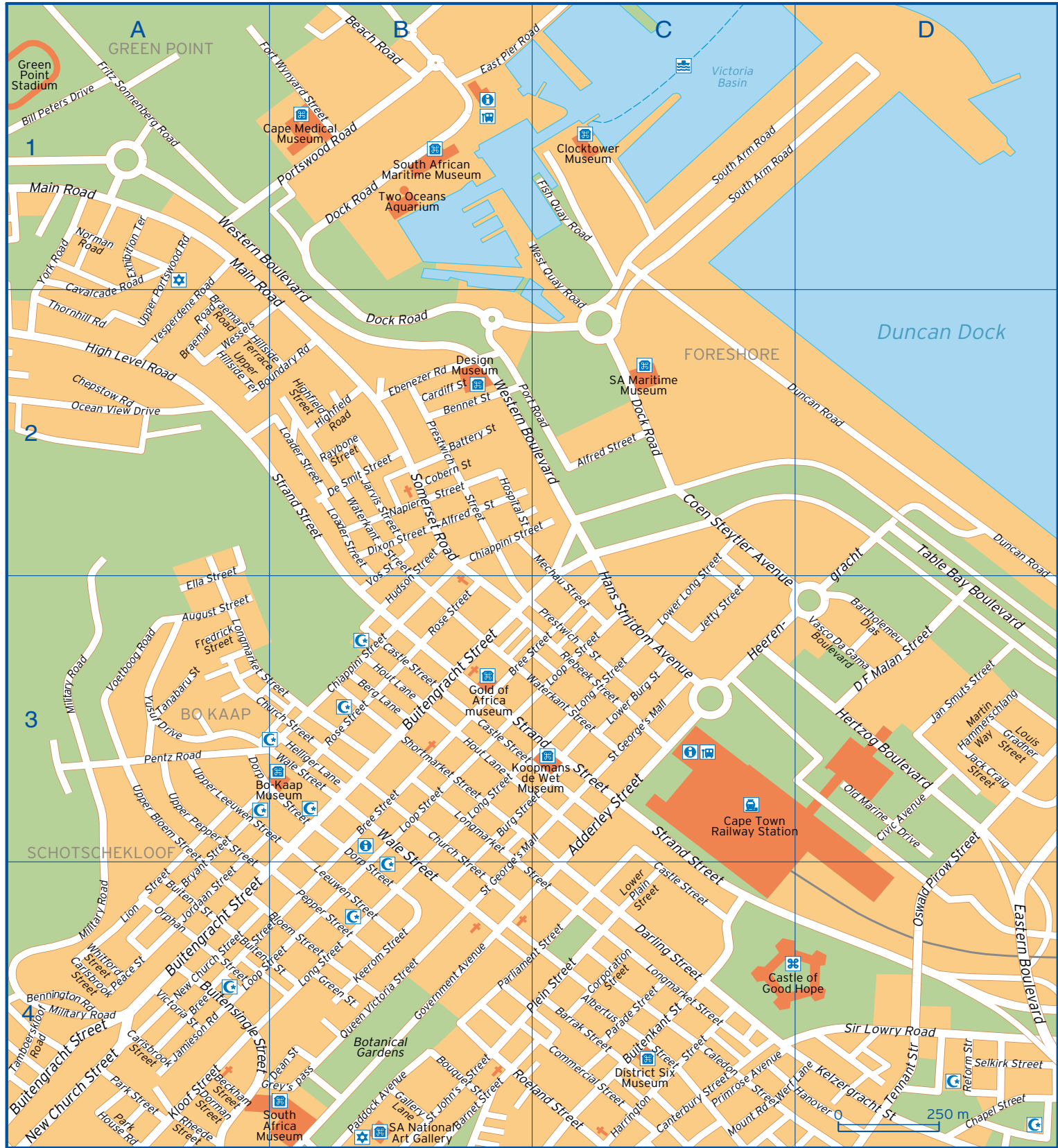
**Opening hours**  
General: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-1pm  
Shopping malls: Daily 9am-7pm  
Banks: Mon-Fri 9am-3:30pm, Sat 9am-11am

**Internet**  
[www.capetown.travel](http://www.capetown.travel)

**Newspapers**  
The Cape Argus & The Sunday Independent (English) — [www.iol.co.za/capeargus](http://www.iol.co.za/capeargus)  
Cape Business News (English)— [www.cbn.co.za](http://www.cbn.co.za)  
Die Burger (Afrikaans) — <https://www.netwerk24.com/dieburger>

**Emergency numbers**  
Emergency: 107  
Police: 10111  
Ambulance: 10177

**Tourist information**  
City Hall Visitor Experience Office  
Darling Street, Cape Town  
Open Mon-Fri 8am-5pm, Sat 8:30am-2pm, Sun 8:30am-1pm  
+27 861 322 223  
[info@capetown.travel](mailto:info@capetown.travel)  
[cityhall@capetown.travel](mailto:cityhall@capetown.travel)



A GREEN POINT

B BEACH ROAD

C VICTORIA BASIN

D DUNCAN DOCK

1 GREEN POINT STADIUM

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Adderley Street	C3	Duncan Road	C2 D2 D3	Military Road	A3 A4
Albertus Street	C4	East Pier Road	B1 C1	Mount Road	C4
Alfred Street	B2 C2	Eastern Boulevard	D4	Napier Street	B2
August Street	A3	Ebenezer Road	B2	New Church Street	A4
Barnet Street	B4	Ella Street	A2 A3	Norman Road	A1
Barrak Street	C4	Exhibition Terrace	A1	Ocean View Drive	A2
Bartholomeu Dias	D3	Fish Quay Road	C1	Old Marine Drive	D3
Battery Street	B2	Fort Wynyard Street	A1 B1	Orphan Street	A4
Beach Road	B1	Fredrick Street	A3	Oswald Pirow Street	D3 D4
Beckham Street	A4	Fritz Sonnenberg Road	A1	Parade Street	C4
Bennet Street	B2	Gallery Lane	B4	Park House Road	A4
Bennington Road	A4	Government Avenue	B4	Park Street	A4
Berg Lane	B3	Green Street	B4	Parliament Street	B4 C4
Bill Peters Drive	A1	Grey's pass	A4 B4	Peace Street	A4
Bloem Street	A4 B4	Hanover	C4 D4	Pentz Road	A3
Boundary Road	A2 B2	Hans Strijdom Avenue	C2 C3	Pepper Street	B4
Bouquet Street	B4	Harrington Street	C4	Plein Street	B4 C4
Braemar Road	A2	Heerengracht	C3 D2 D3	Port Road	B2 C2
Bree Street	A4 B3 B4 C3	Helliger Lane	B3	Portswood Road	B1
Bryant Street	A3 A4	Hertzog Boulevard	D3	Prestwich Street	B2 C3
Buiten Street	A4	High Level Road	A2	Primrose Avenue	C4
Buitengracht Street	A4 B3	Highfield Road	B2	Queen Victoria Street	B4
Buitenkant Street	C4	Highfield Street	B2	Raybone Street	B2
Buitensingle Street	A4	Hillside Terrace	A2 B2	Reform Street	D4
Burg Street	B3 C3	Hospital Street	B2	Rheede Street	A4
Caledon Street	C4	Hout Lane	B3	Riebeek Street	C3
Canterbury Street	C4	Hudson Street	B2 B3	Roeland Street	B4 C4
Cardiff Street	B2	Jack Craig Street	D3	Rose Street	B3
Carisbrook Street	A4	Jamieson Road	A4	Selkirk Street	D4
Carlsbrook Street	A4	Jan Smuts Street	D3	Shortmarket Street	B3
Castle Street	B3 C4	Jarvis Street	B2	Sir Lowry Road	D4
Cavalcade Road	A1	Jetty Street	C3	Somerset Road	B2
Chapel Street	D4	Jordaan Street	A4	South Arm Road	C1
Chepstow Road	A2	Keerom Street	B4	St George's Mall	B4 C3
Chiappini Street	B2 B3 C2	Kelzergracht Street	D4	St John's Street	B4
Church Street	A3 B3 B4	Kloof Street	A4	Strand Street	B2 B3 C3 C4
Civic Avenue	D3	Leeuwen Street	B4	Table Bay Boulevard	D2 D3
Cobern Street	B2	Lion Street	A4	Tamboerskloof Road	A4
Coen Steytler Avenue	C2 C3	Loader Street	B2	Tanabaru Street	A3
Commercial Street	C4	Long Street	B3 C3	Tennant Street	D4
Corporation Street	C4	Longmarket Street	A3 B3 C4	Thornhill Road	A2
D F Malan Street	D3	Loop Street	A4 B3 B4 C3	Upper Bloem Street	A3
Darling Street	C4	Louis Gradner Street	D3	Upper Hillside Terrace	A2
De Smit Street	B2	Lower Burg Street	C3	Upper Leeuwen Street	A3 B3
Dean Street	B4	Lower Long Street	C2 C3	Upper Pepper Street	A3 A4
Dixon Street	B2	Lower Plain Street	C4	Upper Portswood Road	A1 A2
Dock Road	B1 B2 C2	Main Road	A1 B2	Vasco Da Gama Boulevard	D3
Dorman Street	A4	Martin Hammerschlang Way	D3	Vesperdene Road	A1 A2
Dorp Street	A3 B3 B4	Mechau Street	C2 C3	Victoria Street	A4

Voetboog Road	A3	Werf Lane	C4 D4	Whitford Street	A4
Vos Street	B2 B3	Wessels	A2	York Road	A1
Wale Street	B3 B4	West Quay Road	B1 C2	Yusuf Drive	A3
Waterkant Street	B2 B3 C3	Western Boulevard	A1 B2 C2		