Visit South African National Parks

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South African National Parks: Addo Elephant, Agulhas, Augrabies Falls, Bontebok, Camdeboo, Golden Gate Highlands, Kgalagadi Transfrontier, Garden Route (an amalgamation of Tsitsikamma, Knysna Lagoon and Indigenous Forests and the Wilderness Lake System), Karoo, Kruger, Mapungubwe, Marakele, Mokala, Mountain Zebra, Namaqua, |Ai-|Ais/Richtersveld Transfrontier, Table Mountain, Tankwa Karoo, West Coast.

This edition’s SANParks’ feature is the Camdeboo National Park.

- The Camdeboo National Park is focused around the Valley of Desolation National Monument and Cultural Heritage Site, near the Eastern Cape town of Graaff-Reinet, where amenities like fuel, banks, shops and restaurants are found.
- The park is renowned for its geological and landscape significance and the doleritic jointed pillars are a particular attraction.
- The Nqweba Dam is a large body of water within the park around which much of the tourism focus is based and visitors can obtain permits to fish and for various water sports.
- Much of the park can be viewed from the comfort of one’s vehicle but there are also several walks in the park, all of which have natural terrain unsuitable for mobility impaired visitors.
- Most of the park’s picnic areas are partially accessible, but none of them are equipped (at the time of writing) with universally accessible ablutions.
- Accommodation in the park comprises of camping and 4 permanent lakeside tents on raised platforms, none of which have permanent ramps, but which can be equipped with a makeshift temporary ramp quite easily.
- There is a universally accessible ablution in the communal campsite ablutions with a roll-in shower and grab rails.
- The privately owned Thyme and Again B&B in Graaff-Reinet offers good accessible accommodation with a roll-in shower with seat and grab rails in the ablutions (www.thymeandagain.za.net)

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