



Cape of Good Hope Hiking Trail Rules

Dear Hiker

Welcome to Table Mountain National Park. The Cape of Good Hope Hiking Trail follows a circular route of 33.8km through the Park, and takes two days (one night) to complete. It begins and ends at the entrance gate of the Park, where secure overnight parking is provided. It is essential to complete the Overnight Hiking register upon collection of key, which is obtainable from the Access Control Officer on duty. The same register should be signed upon departure. Please remember to hand in the keys.

Gates open at 06h00 October to March, and at 07h00 April to September; no entry will be allowed before this time. Hikers to start the hike before 9am on the day of arrival to allow for enough time to reach the huts before dark.

ALL equipment and sleeping bags to be carried with you on your hike. However we do offer a drop off/collection of bags service at an additional cost of R175.00 for 6 bags/items or less per hut. Thereafter it is R60 per bag/item over and above 6 bags/items, payable at the Main Gate.

Please note that we will only transport Backpacks (including sleeping bag attached to the backpack) of less than 6kg per bag. Plus only small 2-4kg carry coolers with 1 carry handle

NO BIG COOLER BOXES

NO BIG STORAGE BOXES (like those you buy at Pick and Pay, or the military storage boxes)

No Small fridges and Gas cooking bottles.

Duffels bags provided the sleeping bag is contained within the duffel bag as we do not transport loose sleeping bags

No suitcases.

No Black bags with bedding or any other items in them.

We will not allow any transportation of the above items to the huts by yourselves or friends that are in vehicles. We return portered items to the Main Gate and they are kept in the office for you until you arrive. Please do not leave valuable items in your bag for this reason.

No vehicles will be allowed to go up to the overnight hut under ANY circumstances!

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bontebok
golden gate highlands
karoo
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knysna lake area
kruger
mapungubwe
marakele
mountain zebra
namaqua
table mountain
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west coast
wilderness

The tariff is *R265.00 per person for the hiking trail accommodation. This does not include the daily conservation/Entry fee that is payable on the day of arrival at the Main Gate or the optional portorage fee.

*Tariffs are subject to change without notice and prices are increased annually on the 1st of November.

If you have a valid Wild Card the persons that are programmed on the Wild Card do not have to pay the daily conservation fees.
Please note a My Green Card may not be used in lieu of daily conservation fees when using Table Mountain National Park Accommodation.
NO day visitors / guests are allowed at the overnight huts.
Your Confirmation Booking form needs to be produced to the Access Control Officer at the gate before 09h00 on date of arrival. If you fail to adhere to the above, entry will be denied.

MAP

We will email a Cape of Good Hope hiking map to you prior to your arrival.

If this map is not comprehensive enough for you, we have the Pieter Slingsby map that you can purchase for R80 per map from the Buffelsfontein Visitor Centre that has all the hiking trails in the Cape of Good Hope area marked on it, including the over-night hiking trail.

WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING:

- a. Sleeping bag and pillows
- b. Food, clothes (warm jacket, rain wear, hat, sun block, WATER for the walk)
- c. Toiletries and Towel
- d. Please ensure that you have adequate drinking water with you before you start the hike. Please fill your bottle on arrival at the main gate and again before your depart from the hut.
You can refill your bottle at the Buffelsfontein Centre and the demarcated picnic sites on the map.
- e. Please programme the TMNP emergency number in your phone before setting off on the hike. The number is 086 110 6417.

HUT FACILITIES

1. Cutlery and crockery are provided. (Plates, knives, forks, mugs, etc. are in all the huts)
2. There are three huts:

Erica accommodates 6 people - on its own (1 room with a kitchen a two-plate gas burner, bathroom, outside braai)

Protea and Restio accommodate 12 people - (2 rooms next to each other, each with six beds. There is a communal bathroom and kitchen with a three-plate gas burner, outside braai)

Each room/hut has 3 bunk beds with very comfortable mattresses

3. Hikers must arrive before 09h00 to ensure the hike will be completed in daylight.
4. There are showers but we ask that you use water sparingly.
5. The hut is solar powered, so please conserve power. A light meter has been installed and lights will only switch on when it is sufficiently dark.
6. Please ensure that the lights are switched off before you leave.
7. All huts have braai places and braai grids. Braai wood may be purchased at the entrance gate: Park staff will deliver it to your hut during the day. Please ensure that all fires are extinguished or secure before going to bed and before you leave.
8. Departure from the hut by 09h00 the following day.
9. Please tidy the hut before you leave!
10. Please be mindful during your stay as there are baboons in the vicinity of the Hut. When given the opportunity they will enter the hut and destroy property and your personal belongings. When you leave, please ensure that all the doors and windows of the Overnight Hut are closed and locked so that baboons cannot enter.

For Bookings and Enquiries , Please contact the Buffelsfontein Visitor Centre at 021 780 9204 during office hours Monday to Thursday 09H00 to 16H00 and on Friday's 09H00 to 15H00.

For emergencies please contact 086 110 6417 or 021 7809 100. Note cell phone reception is erratic across the park.

Thank you and enjoy the hike

TABLE MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK

MANAGEMENT TEAM

