

Camp Rules

Smitswinkelbay Tented Camp - TMNP

1. Respect Nature:

- Please keep in mind that you are entering a part of the Table Mountain National Park and are subject to the conditions set in the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (57/2003).
- We ask that all guests manage their activities to retain the quiet and peaceful ambiance of the site and the Park.
- Although a cleaning service is provided, we ask guests to respect the environment and keep the site clean.
- **Baboons frequent the area and can be dangerous. Baboons should not be fed or disturbed in any way and should be kept out of the camp at all times.**
- **Baboons do on occasion enter the camp, zip up all tent doors and close the boma sliding doors and windows. Alert the tourism officer on duty immediately.**
- We ask guests to also use water, electricity and gas sparingly.
- No plants or animals may be removed or introduced from or into the Park. The feeding of wild animals is also prohibited.
- Pets are not permitted in the Park.
- Please remain on designated footpaths to ensure the natural environment is not trampled

2. Camp Safety

- Ensure that the doors, gates and the access boom are kept closed and locked at all times.
- Keep tents and kitchenette area closed when not in use.
- Be mindful that you may be sharing the communal kitchen with other users. Please leave the site as you would like to find it, clean and neat.
- Report any damage to the Tourism Officer immediately.
- Do not flush any foreign objects down the toilet.
- A first Aid Kit is available at the Tourism Office
- Fire extinguishers are found at each tent and at the Tourism Office.
- The camp is not patrolled at night by a security guard
- The tents do not have safes in them into which you can lock your valuables. Please leave your precious items at home.

3. Fires

- Outside fires (in the designated fire place) may only be made on low fire risk days – please follow guidelines set by the Tourism Officer.
- Smoking is strictly limited to outside fireplace area only or as directed by Tourism Officer. Dispose of cigarette butts in designated bins. Please do not smoke on the boardwalks or at the tents.
- Please do not bring in additional gas cookers or alternate cooking equipment & only use those provided by SANParks at the facilities
- Regrettably no wood is allowed in the Park due to the Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer Beetle. We ask that all guest bring charcoal along to braai with. Please bring your own charcoal as we do not supply matches or charcoal.

4. Social Events and Activities

- Loud music and parties are not permitted. The area is within a National Park and there are wild animals and neighbours to consider.
- The alcohol consumption is at your own discretion, however disorderly behaviour will not be tolerated.
- Events and Functions are subject to a special permit arranged through the Tokai Permits Department
- Before undertaking activities in the camp, please check with the Tourism Officer to ensure that the activity is suitable and will not disturb the environment or other users.
- No bicycles, skateboard, skates or such items permitted inside the camp or neighbouring facilities or paths. Such items may only be used on roads, tracks and paths designated for their use as guided by the EMP's for TMNP.

5. Parking

- Parking is permitted in demarcated parking bays only.
- Please do not block the emergency access gate
- Parking available for 6 x Code 8 Vehicles
- No parking permitted in the Residential or Private Property.

6. Access & Check-in

- Winter Months (April – September)
- Summer Months (October – March)
- Hours of operation/ Office Hours:
 1. 08:00 – 17:00 (Winter)
 2. 08:00 – 18:00 (Summer)
- Check-in time:
 1. 14:00 – 17:00 (Winter)
 2. 14:00 – 18:00 (Summer)

- Check out time: Before 10:00 on the day of departure.
- Only guests booked into accommodation may be within the camp grounds.
- Day Visitors are not permitted.
- Please ensure that your confirmation slip is available when checking into the camp.
- Guests are reminded that the entrance gates lock at sunset and no person may enter or exit after this time.
- Access to the adjacent Staff Residential Area is strictly prohibited. Guests should remain within the fenced off camp area. Exploring of the adjacent staff residential grounds is strictly prohibited. Guests are only to make use of designated road to access and exit the camp area.
- Vehicle access is via the main tar road leading up along the designated gravel track, into the Camp.
- Guests arriving after the closure of check in times will need to make alternative accommodation arrangements

7. Other Facilities or Services

- Banks, Restaurants and Shops can be found in Simon's Town (10km from the Camp).
- Should you wish to view Smitswinkel Tented Camp this can be arranged by appointment with the Senior Tourism Officer or Section Ranger Only. Contact 021 786 2329
- We do not sell wood please bring your own wood with you.
- There are 6 Tents, with two single beds per tent
- Minimum of 2 guests booking required
- Maximum of 12 guests permitted per Camp
- Bookings are per tent, not beds. This is to ensure that you do not share a tent with people you do not know.
- Bedding and Towels are included. You might however like to bring your own blanket/s with you in winter.
- Communal Kitchen (shared with other users)
- Crockery and cutlery caters for 12 persons
- Each tent has its own small kitchen and bathroom facility
- Boardwalks join the units
- Distances between tents are between 5 – 10 m with vegetation and physical screening between units for privacy.
- Activities/ places of interest in the surrounding areas
 1. Cape Point (Entry for wildcard holders is free) – hikes, birding, game viewing, restaurants
 2. Day Trail starts behind the Camp and stretches over to the Simon's Town Block House
 3. Ostrich Farm
 4. Cape Point Vineyard
 5. Good Hope Nursery
 6. Traders and Curios at Entrance to Cape Point Gate and Red Hill Corner.
 7. Boulders Penguin Colony in Simon's Town

8. Mineral World/Scratch Patch – at GlenCairn
9. Just Nuisance statue in Simonstown
10. Toy Museum
11. Boat trip around Simonstown harbour

8. Legislation & Security Issues

- Compliance with Park and Camp Specific Rules is required
- Compliance with NEM: PAA (57/2003)
- Firearms are not permitted
- Events, functions or any commercial filming/ photography or other activity is not permitted in the Camp or accommodation facilities.
- Recreational activities in and around camps are subject to the Table Mountain National Park Recreational Environmental Management Plans and only for areas where such activities are permitted

PLEASE NOTE THAT DURING LOADSHEDDING THE WATER PUMP DOES NOT WORK AND THIS RESULTS IN THERE NOT BEING WATER AVAILABE IN THE CAMP. We do provide a 25L drum of water during this time at reception should you need water.

Thank you and enjoy your stay! For all Enquires you can call 021 786 2329 or 021 780 9100

Emergency Phone Number: 0861106417 or 021 780 9165