

GEORGE
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Official guide

 Garden Route, South Africa



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About the City of George

George, one of South Africa's oldest towns, has a rich history dating back to the early 19th century. Established in 1811, George was initially founded as a timbering outpost for the Dutch East India Company, which needed a steady supply of wood for construction and ship repairs. The area's lush forests made it ideal for this purpose, and the town was named in honour of King George III of the United Kingdom.

In the early years, George grew as a hub for the timber industry, attracting settlers and tradesmen. The construction of the Montagu Pass in 1847 significantly improved access to the town, facilitating trade and travel in the region. The arrival of the railway in the late 19th century further accelerated George's development, linking it with other major towns and making it an important stop on the railway line between Cape Town and Gqeberha (formerly Port Elizabeth).

Throughout the 20th century, George transitioned from a timbering town to a flourishing agricultural and tourist centre, known for its idyllic setting near the Indian Ocean and the Outeniqua Mountains. Today, George is the commercial and administrative hub of the Garden Route, home to around 295,000 people and is celebrated for its scenic beauty, golf courses, and as a gateway to outdoor activities in the surrounding natural reserves.



Key attributes



Premier golf courses and offerings



Easy road and air connectivity



Plentiful **restaurant, accommodation,** and **activity** options



Clean, healthy and hospitable area



Rich, vibrant South African **culture,** **arts,** and **history**



Incredible **natural diversity** and beauty





Journey through George:

Vibrant regions



George covers several key tourism areas within the Garden Route, offering a variety of attractions, natural beauty, and activities. The main tourism areas include:



George

As the heart of the city, George offers a mix of historical sites, golf courses, nature reserves, and family-friendly attractions.

Notable spots include: Outeniqua Transport Museum, Redberry Farm, Garden Route Botanical Garden, and several world-class golf courses, including Fancourt.



Wilderness

Known for its serene beaches, lakes, and rivers, Wilderness is a popular destination for outdoor enthusiasts.

It features Wilderness Beach, the Wilderness National Park (part of the Garden Route National Park), and scenic hiking trails. Activities like canoeing, paragliding, and birdwatching are hugely popular here.



Herold's Bay

A charming coastal village, Herold's Bay is famous for its sheltered beach, which attracts both locals and visitors.

It's a prime location for swimming, surfing, and beach picnics, with the nearby cliffs and hiking trails offering beautiful ocean views.



Uniondale

Located further inland, Uniondale is known for its historic buildings and rural charm.

The town is popular among visitors interested in heritage tourism, outdoor adventures, and cycling. It also serves as an access point to the scenic Prince Alfred's Pass and Baviaanskloof.



Victoria Bay

A small but iconic bay, Victoria Bay is especially popular among surfers.

It's a secluded spot with stunning views, offering a more relaxed beach experience and is favoured for its clear waters, ideal surfing waves, and cozy beachfront.



Herold

Located in the scenic Outeniqua Mountains, Herold is a rural village known for its wineries, historical sites, and mountain landscapes.

It offers a peaceful retreat with wine tastings, scenic drives, and access to nature trails.



Hoekwil

Situated near Wilderness, Hoekwil is a charming area known for its panoramic views, dairy farms, and artisanal shops.

It's a quiet haven with easy access to Wilderness National Park and local hiking trails, offering a peaceful countryside experience.



Each area within the City of George contributes to a diverse range of experiences, attracting visitors with its combination of **beaches, golf, mountains, gastronomy, family-friendly attractions, rich history, and adventure activities.**



Our diverse landscapes are easy to access.

Within only a 1.5-hour drive, you can experience the vast, semi-desert open plains and passes of Uniondale as well as the majestic mountains and cool blue ocean of George and Wilderness.

Location

George is a city located in the Western Cape province of South Africa. It is situated in the Garden Route region, approximately halfway between Cape Town and Gqeberha (formerly Port Elizabeth). George is accessible through various modes of transportation:



By air

George Airport (IATA: GRJ) is approximately 7 km from the city centre. It offers scheduled flights to major South African cities, including Cape Town, Johannesburg, Durban, and Bloemfontein. Airlines such as Airlink, CemAir and FlySafair operate from this airport. With quick, direct flights, reaching George is easy.

Johannesburg - George:	Approximately 2 hours
Cape Town - George:	Approximately 1 hour
Durban - George:	Approximately 1 hour 45 minutes
Bloemfontein to George:	Approximately 1 hour 30 minutes



**George is Africa's
first airport to be
solar powered.**

In February 2016, a 200m² solar plant was launched.



By road

National Routes: The N2 national route runs east–west along the coast, connecting George to Cape Town (approximately 420 km west) and Gqeberha (approximately 330 km east). The N9 and N12 national routes start in George and run concurrently north over the Outeniqua Pass; on the other side of the pass they divide, with the N12 continuing north to Oudtshoorn and then through Meiringspoort to Beaufort West, while the N9 runs northeast to Graaff-Reinet and Colesberg.

Bus Services: Several bus companies operate routes to and from George, connecting it with major cities and towns across South Africa.

By Rail: There is no scheduled passenger train services to George. However, luxury train operators like Rovos Rail offer vintage train trips to the Garden Route, including stops in George.

Travel matrix

Distance in km:

Mossel Bay	•	25	108	54	72	95	115	162	147
Great Brak River	25	•	80	29	47	70	90	138	122
Oudtshoorn	108	80	•	51	69	92	112	119	144
George	54	29	51	•	18	41	59	111	93
Wilderness	72	47	69	18	•	23	43	124	75
Sedgefield	95	70	92	41	23	•	20	147	52
Knysna	115	90	112	59	43	20	•	84	32
Uniondale	162	138	119	111	124	147	84	•	83
Plettenberg Bay	147	122	144	93	75	52	32	83	•
	Mossel Bay	Great Brak River	Oudtshoorn	George	Wilderness	Sedgefield	Knysna	Uniondale	Plettenberg Bay



‘George’ is set in the very centre of the spectacular Garden Route, surrounded by oceans, mountains, waterways, forests and farmlands - making it a sought-after holiday and lifestyle destination.

Weather

George has a mild oceanic climate, also known as a maritime or temperate climate. This climate is characterized by moderate temperatures throughout the year with warm summers and mild winters. Here's a breakdown:



Summer

December to February

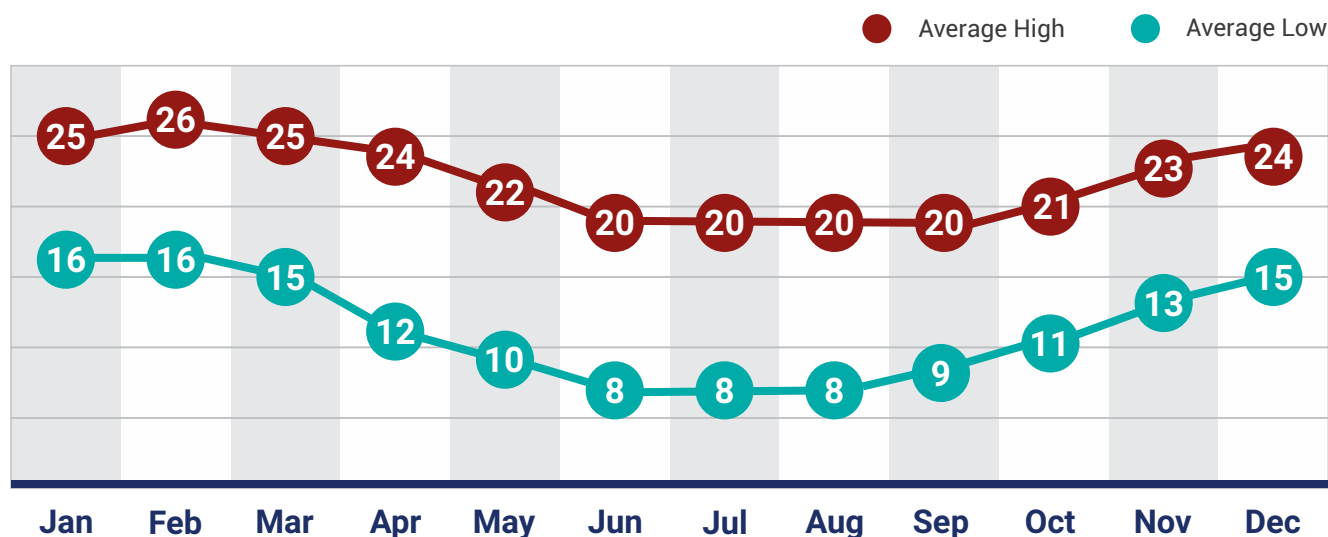
Summers in George are warm but not overly hot, with average temperatures ranging from 20°C to 26°C (68°F to 79°F). The cooling effect of the Indian Ocean keeps summer temperatures comfortable.



Winter

June to August

Winters are mild, with temperatures typically ranging from 8°C to 20°C (46°F to 68°F). While frost is rare, cooler temperatures and rainfall occur more frequently in winter.



This mild, moderate climate is ideal for outdoor activities year-round, making George a popular destination in every season.



Getting around George

Navigating George, South Africa, is convenient due to its well-developed transportation options:

Public bus service

The **Go George** bus service offers scheduled public transportation throughout the city, providing a reliable and affordable means to reach various destinations. The service operates multiple routes, ensuring coverage of key areas within George. For detailed route maps, schedules, and fare information, visit the official website.

Go George



Private taxi services

Several taxi companies operate in George, offering flexible travel options.

Car rentals

For greater flexibility, several car rental agencies operate in George, allowing visitors to explore the city and surrounding areas at their own pace. A central car rental hub is located at the George Airport.

Shuttle services

For group travel or specialized transportation needs, shuttle services are available.

These transportation options make getting around George convenient, whether you're commuting within the city or exploring the broader Garden Route region.



Maps

Download our latest maps

George

Wilderness

Uniondale





60+ *things* TO DO

Great gastronomy

1. Coffee and Chocolate Pairings
2. Craft Your Own Gin Class and Pairings
3. Culinary Cooking Classes
4. Farm Stalls
5. Markets
6. Oyster Shucking, Show and Tell Experience
7. Wine Farms and Tasting Rooms
8. Gourmet Picnics

Arts, culture and history enrichment

9. Art Galleries and Routes
10. Dine with a Local
11. Guided Historical Walking Tours
12. Museums
13. Township Cultural Tours
14. Tuk-Tuk Tour
15. Pottery and Ceramic Classes / Experiences
16. Ancient Rock Painting Tours





Stunning nature and wellness

- 17. Blue Flag Beaches
- 18. 800-Year-Old Yellowwood Big Tree
- 19. Birdwatching
- 20. River Cruises
- 21. Botanical Garden and Guided Tours
- 22. Scenic Drives and Lookout Points
- 23. Spa and Wellness Emporiums
- 24. Yoga Experiences
- 25. Special Interest Tours

Fun family friendly things to do

- 26. Animal Parks and Rehabilitation Centres
- 27. Bike Park
- 28. * Bubble Ball
- 29. * Bumper Boats
- 30. Go Cart Track
- 31. * Indoor Play Centres
- 32. Miniature Train Rides
- 33. Pedal Go Carts
- 34. * Trampoline Park
- 35. Powervan Railway Trip
- 36. Strawberry Picking
- 37. * Pony Rides
- 38. Treetop Aerial Obstacle Courses

(*) Children





Adrenalin-fuelled adventures

- 39. 4x4-ing
- 40. Abseiling
- 41. Canoeing and Kayaking
- 42. Canyoning / Kloofing
- 43. E-Bike Rides
- 44. Horseback Rides
- 45. Learn to Surf
- 46. Paragliding
- 47. Quad Biking
- 48. Rock Climbing
- 49. Segway
- 50. Stand Up Paddle Boarding
- 51. Helicopter Charters
- 52. Paintball

Let's get sporty

- 53. Fishing
- 54. Golf Courses and Coaching
- 55. Trails for Hiking, MTB and Running
- 56. Padel, Tennis and Squash Courts
- 57. Swimming and Public Pool
- 58. Lawn Bowls
- 59. Target Shooting

60+ Events

See page 19 for the more details.

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#georgenaturally



FAQ's for international visitors



Currency

We use the South Africa Rand, but visitors with dollars or euros in their bank accounts will benefit from the highly favourable exchange rate, making most experiences exceptional value for money. Visa and Mastercard are widely accepted, with card payments as the standard.



Tipping

Tipping at restaurants typically starts at 10%. It's customary to leave a tip, and only in rare cases of poor service would one withhold it as a message to the server.



Tap water

It is safe and common to drink the tap water in George.



Healthcare

South Africa has both public and private hospitals, though middle-class South Africans generally prefer private hospitals that are funded by their Medical Insurance plans. Ensure your travel insurance includes coverage for private hospitals to access top-quality medical care. George has several hospitals and healthcare facilities. Doctors are readily available, with the most convenient options for visitors likely being the **Walk in Doctor and Dentist**, where no appointment is needed, or Intercare George, where an appointment can be made online. The average cost for an in-person GP consultation during normal hours is approximately R550 per visit (approx. \$31 or €29), excluding medication. There are also many specialists in the area.



Visas

Please visit the Department of Home Affairs website to see if you need a visa, as well as the process for obtaining one.

Department of Home Affairs





Languages

Did you know that South Africa boasts a whopping eleven official languages! Here in the Western Cape, you'll mostly hear English, Xhosa, and Afrikaans. Ready to dive into the local lingo?

Here's a quick guide to some colourful words you'll encounter:

- Howzit** • A casual greeting, short for "How's it going?" or "How are you?"
- Lekker** • A word borrowed from Afrikaans, meaning "cool," "nice," or "good."
- Braai** • South African barbecue, but its more than grilling; it's a whole social event.
- Robot** • Traffic light. South Africans will often say, "Turn left at the robot."
- Jol** • A fun time, party, or outing. "We had a great jol last night."
- Bakkie** • Pickup truck. "He drove his bakkie to the farm."
- Boet** • An affectionate term for "brother" or "friend".
- Shame** • An expression of empathy, used to show pity, sympathy, or affection. "Oh, shame, that's so sweet!"
- Ag** • A filler word, often used for emphasis or frustration. "Ag, I forgot my keys!"
- Sjoe** • An exclamation of surprise or admiration. "Sjoe, that's amazing!"
- Eish** • An expression of surprise, disapproval, or frustration, often used when something unfortunate happens.
- Kiff** • Similar to "lekker," meaning cool or awesome. "That's a kiff idea!"
- Mzansi** • A term used for South Africa itself, often in a patriotic sense.

*Dine with
a Local*





Events

Events

George hosts a vibrant array of annual events that celebrate the region's rich lifestyle and stunning natural beauty. Here's a glimpse of some highlights and their usual months - but be sure to check our website for the latest dates!

Annual events calendar

February

i Motoring

George Old Car Show

A vintage car extravaganza, attracting thousands of enthusiasts with classic cars, trucks, and motorcycles.

i Inclusivity

Outeniqua Wheelchair Challenge (OCC)

This unique wheelchair race promotes inclusivity, drawing participants from around the world.

April

i Running

Outeniqua Marathon

A scenic marathon through the Outeniqua Mountains, known for its challenging course and stunning views.

May

i Running

Mountain Ultra Trail (MUT) by UTMB

A challenging trail running event in May through the scenic Outeniqua Mountains, ideal for adventure-seeking athletes.

i Surfing

Vic Bay Quad

An exciting surfing competition held at Victoria Bay, drawing surfers to the beautiful Garden Route coastline.

September

i MTB

Karoo to Coast

A challenging 100-km mountain bike race each September, taking riders from Uniondale through scenic mountain passes to Knysna.



October

i MTB

Prince George Monumental 100 Miler

A diverse one-day mountain bike race in October, starting in Prince Albert and finishing in George, covering 165 km through the Great Karoo, Klein Karoo, and over two mountain ranges.

i MTB

Cape Pioneer Trek

A renowned mountain bike stage race, traversing diverse terrains from the coast to the Karoo, offering a true African mountain biking experience.

i Arts and culture

Wilderness Arts Festival

Celebrating local art, culture, and music in the charming town of Wilderness.

November

i Agriculture

Uniondale Agricultural Show

Horse shows, agricultural exhibits, and livestock competitions, reflecting Uniondale's rural heritage.

December

i Festive Season / Christmas

George Lights Festival

A December holiday season kickoff with lights, live performances, and festive family fun.

i Sports

George Tens

A rugby festival blending sports, live music, and family activities for an energetic summer celebration.

i MTB

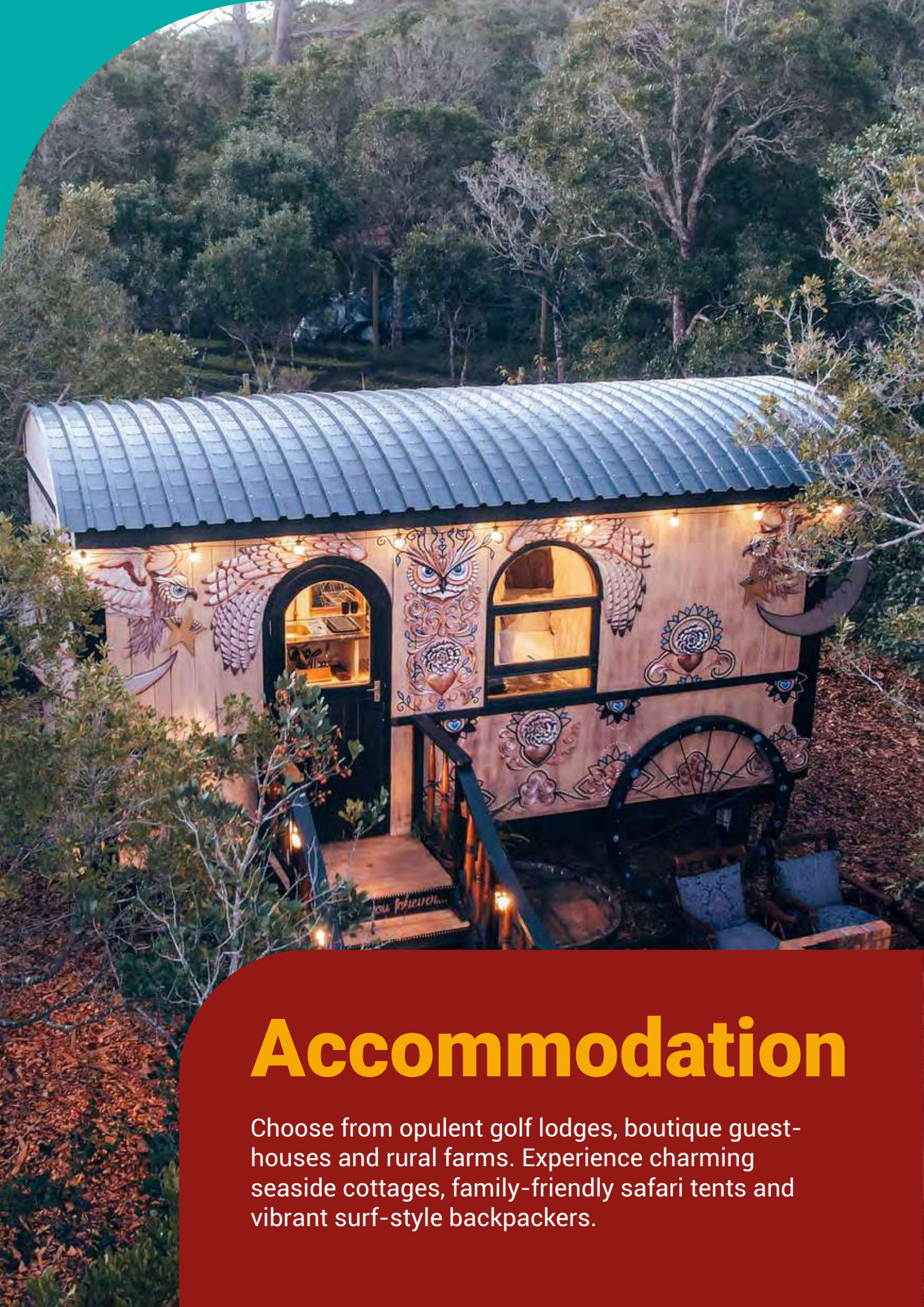
Jakkalberry MTB Race

An extreme mountain bike race, starting at Redberry Farm in George and finishing at Jakkalsvlei Winery near Herbertsdale, covering a challenging 108 km route through the Outeniqua Mountains.



Events

View our **full events calendar** and discover the best events in town!



Accommodation

Choose from opulent golf lodges, boutique guest-houses and rural farms. Experience charming seaside cottages, family-friendly safari tents and vibrant surf-style backpackers.



Backpackers, George

Accommodation

Eden Technical High School

+27 79 884 5295

www.htseden.co.za

Hostel facility

George Backpackers



+27 44 873 0061

www.georgebackpackers.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Braai facility



Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, George

Accommodation

10 Caledon Street Guest House

★★★★

+27 44 8734983

www.10caledon.co.za

Wi-Fi • Free parking • Air conditioned

28 on Caledon Guesthouse

+27 44 873 6647

www.28oncaledon.co.za

Pool area • Garden area • DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi

Acorn Guesthouse

+27 44 874 0474

www.acornguesthouse.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Dinner vouchers • Laundry services •
Car wash services • Daily golf (by arrangement)

African Sun Guesthouse

★★★

+27 44 870 8226

www.africansunguesthouse.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Restaurant

Antiqua Guest House

+27 82 945 4769

www.antiqua.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking

Amasun B&B



+27 44 874 6300

www.amasun.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services

Apple & Spice Guesthouse

+27 44 870 0226

www.appleandspice.co.za

Parking services

Arbour 1 Guesthouse

+27 66 288 4228

www.arbour1.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Secure parking



Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, George

Accommodation

Arendsrus Country Lodge

★★★★

+27 71 442 8362

www.arendsrus.co.za

4x4 Eco trails • Picnics • Heated swimming pools •
MTB trails and bicycle hire • Bird watching • Restaurant •
Conference facilities

Aziza Guesthouse

+27 44 874 3804

www.azizaguesthouse.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Pools • Braai area

Bergsig B&B

+27 44 871 5170

www.bergsig-bb.com

Safe parking area • Fully equipped kitchen and lounge •
Free Wi-Fi • TV : E-open view packages

Bollinger Guest House

+27 44 874 6889

www.bollinger.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Netflix services • Swimming pool

Burrough Place B&B



+27 44 874 2026

www.burroughplace.co.za

Lounge area • Dining area • Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking

Caledon 23 Country House



+27 44 873 5628

www.guesthousegeorge.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Internet facilities • Secure parking • DSTV •
services • Hair dryer • Private patio • Laundry services •
Golf reservations

Cherry Berry Guest House

+27 44 873 4082

www.cherryberry.co.za

Gift shop • Swimming pool

Clementine Guest House

★★★★

+27 44 874 6134

www.clementinehouse.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Garden area • DSTV services

Die Waenhuis

★★★★

+27 44 874 0034

www.diewaenhuis.co.za

Pool area • DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi • Garden area



Majestic nature Wilderness national park

A natural nirvana - densely wooded
forested trails with tranquil river.





Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, George

Accommodation

Erica B&B



★★★
☎ +27 44 873 2442
🌐 www.gardenroute.co.za/george/erica
DSTV services

Far Hills Country Hotel

☎ +27 44 889 0120
🌐 www.farhillshotel.co.za
Free Wi-Fi • Pool area • Restaurant facility • Bar facility

French Lodge International

☎ +27 44 874 345
🌐 www.frenchlodge.co.za
Jacuzzi • Free W-Fi • Pool area • DSTV services • Braai facility

George Lodge International

★★★★
☎ +27 44 874 6549
🌐 www.georgelodge.co.za
Braai facilities • Pool area • Free Wi-Fi • Coffee lounge
• Shuttle service

Green Pastures Bed & Breakfast

★★★
☎ +27 44 873 0844
🌐 www.greenpastures.co.za
DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi

Lentelus Guesthouse

☎ +27 74 886 7534
🌐 www.lentelugastehuis.co.za
Laundry services • Tourism information onsite •
Transport service on request • Secure parking

Linda's B&B

☎ +27 44 874 1856
🌐 www.lindasbb.yolasite.com
Indoor pool area • Garden area • DSTV services • Braai facility • Secure parking • Conference facility

Loerie Guest Lodge



★★★
☎ +27 44 874 4740
🌐 www.loerielodge.co.za
Conference venue • Pool area • Braai facility • Cedar pub

Lord Caledon Guest House

☎ +27 44 873 2343
🌐 www.lordcaledon.co.za
Free Wi-Fi • Air conditioning • DSTV services • Swimming pool

Marion's Guesthouse

☎ +27 44 870 8795
🌐 www.marions-guesthouse.com
Secure parking • DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi

Mountain Dew B&B

☎ +27 44 874 3034
🌐 www.mountaindewguesthouse.co.za
Pool area • DSTV services

Mountain Trails B&B

☎ +27 82 882 8836
Free Wi-Fi • Indoor fireplace • Satellite TV

Ou Pastorie Guesthouse

☎ +27 44 873 2295
🌐 www.oupastorie.co.za
Secure parking • DSTV services

Outeniqua Enroute

★★★★
☎ +27 82 925 6569
🌐 www.oudeniquaenroute.co.za
Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Garden area • Secure parking • Braai facilities





Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, George

Accommodation

Reheifo Lodge



+27 44 870 7269

www.reheifolodge.co.za

Braai facilities • Airport shuttle services • DSTV services

Laundry services • Free Wi-Fi • Wheelchair friendly

Romesleigh House

+27 44 874 1641

www.romesleigh.co.za

Braai facilities • Jacuzzi area • Pool area • Secure parking • DSTV services

The Garden Villa Guest House

+27 44 874 0391

www.gardenvilla.co.za

Secure parking • Free Wi-Fi • Pool area

Thembaletu Homestay

+27 84 770 3722

Onsite parking • Airport shuttle services • Braai facility • Laundry facility

Whispering Oaks Guest House



+27 76 198 7421

www.whisperingoaks.co.za

Garden area • DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi • Pool area



play





Boutique Hotel, George

Accommodation

Hawthorn Boutique Hotel

+27 44 023 0070

www.hawthorn.co.za

Coffee station • Hair dryer • Air conditioning • Free Wi-Fi • TV • Restaurant • Bar • Function venues • Swimming pool

Hilltop Boutique Hotel

+27 44 889 0142

www.hilltopcountrylodge.co.za

Whale, dolphin and bird watching • Hiking trails • Pool area • Farm style wildlife • Pet friendly

The Manor House



+27 44 804 0000

www.fancourt.co.za

Pool area • Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Secure parking



Buff and Fellow
George



Caravan / Camping, George

Accommodation

Carmel Guest Farm

+27 44 889 0019

www.carmelguestfarm.co.za

Electricity • Braai facilities • Caravan and camping sites

Gwaing Caravan Park

+27 44 802 2900

Caravan and camping sites



Hotels, George

Accommodation

Fancourt Hotel



+27 44 804 0000

www.fancourt.co.za

Onsite spa • Golf courses • Outdoor and indoor pools • Restaurants • Leisure centre • Trails • Golfing academy • Gyms • Tennis and multicourt • Fishing • Kidz club and teen lounge

Oakhurst Hotel

★★★★★

+27 44 874 7130

www.oakhursthhotel.co.za

Outdoor pool area • Secure parking • Free Wi-Fi • Restaurant • DSTV services • Airport transfers

Oubaai Hotel Golf & Spa

★★★★★

+27 44 851 1234

www.oubaaihotels.com

Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking • Fitness centre • Outdoor pool area • Hiking trails • Tennis court • Squash court

Protea by Marriott Hotel George King George

★★★★★

+27 44 874 7659

www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/grjki-protea-hotel-george-king-george

Spa facility • Fitness facility • Free Wi-Fi • Pool area • Secure parking • DSTV service

Premier Express Inn George

★★★

+27 44 874 4488

<https://www.premierhotels.co.za/hotels/western-cape/george/premier-express-inn-george/>

Free Wi-Fi • Parking • Airport shuttle service • DSTV services • Conferencing facilities • Restaurant • Laundry service

Town Lodge Hotel

★★★

+27 44 803 4000

www.clhg.com/hotels/220/Town-Lodge-George

Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking • Pool area • Laundry services • DSTV services • Secure storage



Spa away your stress

Home to two Le Nouvelle international award-winning spas at the Views and Fancourt.



Self-catering, George

Accommodation

17 on Wellington



+27 44 874 0700

www.17onwellington.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Free parking • Air conditioned • Swimming pool • Transport services

Alpine Inn

★★★

+27 73 231 5549

www.alpineinn.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Swimming pool

Antiqua Guest House

★★★

+27 76 397 0465

www.antiqua.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Secure parking

Apple Cottages

+27 76 012 3023

www.applecottages.co.za

Extra length mattresses • Braai facilities • DSTV • Off-street parking • Safes

Baileys Cottage

+27 44 874 4229

DSTV services • Braai area • Pools facility • Parking area • Security system • Laundry services

Buff and Fellow



+27 82 572 7095

www.buffandfellow.co.za

Game drives • Fishing • Wine tasting • Veggie garden • Eco-friendly cabins • Farm fresh eggs • Canoes • Bonfire

Boscia Farm Stay

+27 44 870 0161

www.boscia.co.za

Farm animals • Bird watching • Fishing

Blue Whale Resort



+27 79 176 2548

www.bluewhale.co.za

Bygracealone Manor

+27 82 442 8407

www.bygracealone.co.za

Venue



Culture and history

Historical buildings and sites

Uncover the rich chronicles of George by going on a walking tour and visiting historical sites.





Self-catering, George

Accommodation

Catwalk



+27 82 372 6496

Colnera Estate

+27 84 400 4900
www.colnera.co.za

DSTV services • Braai facilities

Deja Vu Equestrian & Cottages

+27 44 870 7955
www.dejavuequestrian.com

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services

Earth Wind and Ocean Lodge

+27 79 868 1782
www.earthwindandoccean.co.za

Swimming pool • Ocean view • Private nature reserve

Fifty Six

+27 82 498 8245
www.fiftysix.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Pool area • DSTV services

George Country Resort

+27 44 889 0034
www.georgeresort.co.za

Children's playground • Swimming pool • Braai facilities

Herold Wines Cottages

+27 72 833 8223
www.heroldwines.co.za

Indoor fireplace • Outdoor braai • Wine farm

Harvil House and Lifestyle Center



+27 71 155 9965
www.harvilhouse.co.za

Daily service • Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Secure parking

Highlands Lodge Mountain Retreat

+27 44 886 0045
www.highlands-lodge.co.za

Pool area • Braai facilities • Children's play area • Secure Parking

Ibis Place

★★★
+27 44 870 0264
www.ibis-place.co.za
DSTV services • Braai facilities

"Favourite casual places to dine for lunch or dinner"

- **Ninas** - friendly staff, good food and modern look
- **Deacon House** - they have a great outside area and food
- **Joplins** - the best steak! Done 'medium'.
- **The Pottery** - very relaxing environment. The wraps are amazing!



Andre

Personal preferences from the perspective of a local 'Joe' Age Range: 35 - 44

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Self-catering, George

Accommodation

Lavender Lane Guest House

+27 84 550 5511
www.lavenderlanegeorge.co.za

Laubsher's@ Lancelot

+27 44 873 3505

Lollypop Cottage

+27 44 873 3055
www.lollypopcottage.com
Laundry area • Kitchen facility • Secure parking •
Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Braai facility

Makarios On Sea

★★★★
+27 84 554 1231
www.makariosonsea.co.za
Free Wi-Fi • Braai facility • Seafront

Misty Orchards



+27 44 886 0019
www.mistyorchards.co.za
Walking and cycling trails • Braai facilities • Fishing

Oppiesee Self Catering Apartments

★★★★
+27 72 613 0224
www.oppiesee.co.za
Free Wi-Fi • Golf tours • Whale watching • Bird watching •
Surfing • Scenic drives • Mountain biking and nature
trails • Swimming • Coastal walks and trails • Cleaning
Services • Fine dining • Laundry area • Public parking

Pine Lodge

★★★★
+27 44 871 1974
www.pinelodgegeorge.co.za
Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Secure parking • Braai
Facilities • Breakfast restaurant

Redberry Farm

+27 44 870 7123
www.redberryfarm.co.za
Tourist attraction • Outdoor braai • Private parking •
Onsite activities

Soeteweide North

★★★
+27 44 870 0551
www.soeteweidenorth.co.za
Braai facilities • Garden area • Free Wi-Fi • Netflix
Services • Shuttle services

Spirit of the Ocean

+27 72 146 5512
Ocean views • Hiking trail • Fishing

Step-Aside

+27 44 870 8982
www.stepside.co.za
Cleaning services • Braai facilities • DSTV services

Tarrywood Cottage

+27 44 870 0803
Secure parking • Braai facilities • DSTV services



Taste George

Savour wine grown in the
Outeniqua region at Herold Wines.



Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, Herolds Bay

Accommodation

Down to Earth Guest House



+27 79 868 1782

www.heroldsbayresort.co.za

Restaurant • Open view HD services

Herold Meander

+27 44 873 5333

www.heroldmeander.co.za

Over the Mountain Guest Farm



+27 44 888 1700

www.overthemountain.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Pool area • Braai facilities • Trampoline • Secure parking



Caravan / Camping, Herolds Bay

Accommodation

Herolds Bay Caravan Park

+27 83 797 2632 | +27 44 802 2900

Braai facilities • Child friendly



Self-catering, Herolds Bay

Accommodation

Dolphin Dream



+27 72 269 3474

www.dolphindream.co.za

Swimming pool • Indoor fireplace • Braai area • Backup power supply • Free Wi-Fi • Secure off-street parking

C Flat

+27 82 800 8488

www.cflat.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Hair dryer • Braai facilities

Dolphin View

+27 44 851 0110 • +27 82 825 3998

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services

Fire Wings

+27 83 447 2459

www.firewings.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Heated pool area • Golf course





Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, Victoria Bay Accommodation

Carmel Guest Farm

+27 44 889 0019
www.carmelguestfarm.co.za
Pool area • Braai facilities • DSTV services

Pier Plesier

+27 76 173 8293
www.vicbayaccommodation.co.za
Braai facilities • Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Seaview

Hilltop Country Lodge

+27 44 889 0142
www.hilltopcountrylodge.co.za
Whale, dolphin and bird watching • Hiking trails • Pool Area • Farm style wildlife



Caravan / Camping, Victoria Bay Accommodation

George Country Resort

★★★
+27 44 889 0034
www.georgeresort.co.za
Childrens playground • Swimming pool • Braai facilities

Victoria Bay Caravan Park

+27 44 889 0081
www.victoriabaycaravanpark.co.za
Semi-wheelchair friendly • Braai facilities



Self-catering, Victoria Bay Accommodation

Sea Glimpse

+27 44 889 0043
natalie299.wixsite.com/seaglimpse
Pool area • Braai facilities • Secure parking • Laundry services • DSTV services

Seabreeze Holiday Cabanas



+27 44 889 0098
www.seabreezecabanas.co.za
DSTV services • Secure parking • Braai facilities

Silver Spray



+27 83 253 9744
www.silverspray.co.za
Braai facilities • Cleaning services • DSTV services • Parking

Woodlands Villa

+27 73 206 2287
www.woodlands.co.za
Farm setting • Free Wi-Fi • Pets allowed • Farm dam and canoes





Backpackers, Wilderness

Accommodation

Fairy Knowe Backpackers

+27 83 443 8384

www.wildernessbackpackers.com

Hiking • Treetop adventures • Standup paddle boarding (SUP) • Birding • Horse riding • Canyoning, abseiling and kayaking

Village Inn Backpackers

+27 72 366 4405

villageinnwilderness.com

Wild Farm Backpackers

+27 67 416 6773

www.wildfarmbackpackers.co.za

DSTV service • Braai facilities • Venue hire

Wilderness Beach House

+27 44 877 0549

www.wildernessbeachhouse.com



Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, Wilderness

Accommodation

Beach Villa Wilderness

★★★★★

+27 72 621 1060

www.beachvillawilderness.co.za

Pool • Private lounge • DSTV • Wi-Fi • Coffee pod machine • Room safe • Air conditioning • Deck • Secure parking • Direct beach access

Boardwalk Lodge

★★★★★

+27 61 523 5081 | +27 82 924 0405

www.boardwalklodge.co.za

Secure parking • Pool area • DSTV services • Braai facilities

Cinnamon Boutique Guest House

★★★★★

+27 44 877 1324

www.cinnamonhouse.co.za

Pool area • Gym facility • Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services

Dolphin Dunes Guest House

★★★★★

+27 44 877 0204

www.dolphindunes.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Pool area

Escape to the Beach



+27 27 64 793 8469

www.escapetothebeach.co.za

Pool area • DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi • Jacuzzi facility
Transport services

Forest Lake Manor

+27 84 401 3006

www.forest-lake-manor-guest-house.business.site

Airport shuttle • Free Wi-Fi • Sattelite TV • Pet friendly • Hiking

Haus am Strand

★★★★★

+27 44 802 2900

www.hausamstrand.com

Spacious garden • Free Wi-Fi • Satellite TV

Langvlei Dunes

+27 44 882 1267

Indoor fireplace • Braai area • Pets allowed





Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, Wilderness

Accommodation

L'Heritage Retreat

+27 44 877 0744

<https://visitgeorge.co.za/directory/lheritage-retreat/>

Free parking • Free Wi-Fi • BBQ facilities • Pool • Fitness centre with gym / workout room • Free breakfast • Baggage storage

Inn2Wilderness



+27 44 877 0005

www.inn2wilderness.co.za

Swimming pool • Free Wi-Fi • Parking • Room service

Lodge on the Lake and Wellness Spa

+27 44 877 1097

www.lodgeonthelake.co.za

Swimming pool • Lakeside • Secure parking • Free Wi-Fi

Mont Fleur B&B

★★★★★

+27 44 877 0750

www.montfleur-wilderness.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Wedding venue • Hiking trails • Laundry services • Braai facilities • Outdoor pool area • Cleaning services

Moontide Guest Lodge

★★★★★

+27 44 877 0361

www.moontide.co.za

Riverside • Sun decks

Normarie's Guesthouse

+27 64 782 9514 | +27 78 417 1414

www.normarie.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking

Old Post Office Lodge

+27 44 877 1199

www.postofficelodge.co.za

DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi • Parking • Restaurant • Cleaning services

Sea Paradise

★★★★★

+27 82 569 6200

www.seaparadise.co.za

DSTV services • Laundry services • Free Wi-Fi • Cleaning services • Secure parking

Pirates Creek



+27 60 587 4111

www.pirates-creek.co.za

River access • Braai facilities • Fishing • Free Wi-Fi • Communal swimming pool • Bird-watching

Serendipity Guest House

+27 44 877 0433

www.serendipitywilderness.com

DSTV services • Heated floor • Air conditioning • Riverside • Free Wi-Fi • Library • Canoeing

The Anchorage

+27 44 877 1328

www.theanchoragewilderness.com

DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi • Gift shop • Pool area • Fishing

The Ocean View

+27 81 569 1519

www.theoceanview.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Digital safes • Pool area • CCTV security • Secure parking





Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, Wilderness

Accommodation

The Old Trading Post



★★★★★
+27 44 882 1207
www.oldtradingpost.co.za
Heaters • Television • Hair dryers

The Pink Lodge on the Beach

★★★★★
+27 44 877 0263
www.pinklodge.co.za
Free Wi-Fi • Garden area • Laundry services • Cleaning services

The Tops



★★★
+27 44 877 0187
www.thetops.co.za
Braai facilities • DSTV services • Birding

The Tuscany Guesthouse

+27 60 830 2595
www.thetuscany.de
Seaside • Art studio • Swimming pool

Whales Way Ocean Retreat

+27 44 877 0482
www.whalesway.co.za
DSTV services • Pool area • Free Wi-Fi

Views Over Wilderness



★★★★★
+27 78 717 0337
www.viewsoverwilderness.com
Swimming pool • Wine cellar • Onsite chef

Waterside Lodge



+27 82 772 4101
www.watersidelodge.co.za
DSTV services • Pool area • Free Wi-Fi

Wilderness Manor

★★★★★
+27 44 877 0264
www.manor.co.za
Garden area • DSTV services • Laundry services • Free Wi-Fi

Wilderness Waters

★★★★★
+27 79 031 8837
www.wildernesswaters.co.za
DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi • Braai facilities • Garden area

Xanadu Guest Villa

★★★★★
+27 83 357 8000
www.xanaduvilla.co.za
DSTV services • Pool area • Free Wi-Fi





Boutique Hotel, Wilderness

Accommodation

The Views Boutique Hotel & Spa

★★★★★

+27 44 877 8000

www.viewshotel.co.za

Under floor heating • Secure parking • Free Wi-Fi
Netflix services • Spa facility • Pool area • Le Roux Art
Gallery



"Favourite places to unwind"

- **Pepsi Pools** - with the forested hike to get there
- **The Fancourt Spa**, for a massage and the indoor pool
- **Lazing on the beach** at Herolds Bay
- A slow drive along the **7 Passes Road**



Sharon

Personal preferences from the
perspective of a local 'Joe'
Age Range: 25 - 34



Caravan / Camping, Wilderness

Accommodation

Garden Route National Park

+27 44 877 1197

www.sanparks.org/parks/garden_route/camps/wilderness

Walking and hiking • Canoeing • Boat cruise • Bird hide

Island Lake Holiday Resort

+27 44 877 1194

www.islandlake.co.za

Cellphone reception • Clothes drying facilities • Electric
razor outlets • Freezer space available • Grassed sites •
Ironing facilities • Children's play area • Washing
machines





Glamping, Wilderness Accommodation

Afri Eco Resort

+27 72 802 0174
afriecoresorts.co.za

Africamps at Oakhurst

+27 21 300 5694
africamps.com/farm/wilderness-africamps-oakhurst/

The Old Trading Post

+27 82 440 9807
www.oldtradingpost.co.za

The Wild in Wilderness

www.bewild.co.za



Hotel, Wilderness Accommodation

Fairy Knowe Hotel



+27 44 250 0300
www.fairyknowehotel.co.za
Pool area • DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi • Canoeing

The Wilderness Hotel

+27 44 877 1110
www.wildernesshotel.co.za
Pool area • Beauty spa • Bowling green • Two tennis courts • Squash court • Wellness facility

Wilderness Beach Hotel

+27 44 877 0104
www.wildernessbeachhotel.com
Garden area • Free Wi-Fi • Pool area



Self-catering, Wilderness Accommodation

A Piece of Heaven

+27 83 307 7052
www.apieceofheaven.co.za
DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi • Braai facilities • Laundry area

AfriCamps at Oakhurst

+27 21 300 5694
www.africamps.co.za
Onsite shop • Hot tub • Free Wi-Fi • Free parking • Outdoor pool

Aquarius Beach House

+27 82 568 3105
www.aquariusbeachhouse.co.za
Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Surfing • Canoeing

Beach House Backpackers

+27 44 877 0549
www.wildernessbeachhouse.com
Cash bar • Free Wi-Fi





Self-catering, Wilderness Accommodation

Beach Villa

★★★★★

+27 72 621 1060

www.beachvillawilderness.co.za

Beyond the Moon

★★★

+27 66 507 7606

www.beyondthemoon.co.za

24-Hectare working farm • River • Birdwatching • Hiking •
Waterfall • Sheep and miniature horse feeding

Dolphin Villa

+27 83 454 7577

www.dolphinvilla.co.za

Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services
Secure parking • Braai facilities

Dune Beach House

+27 44 877 0298

www.dunebeachhouse.co.za

Pool area • Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services

Eagles Nest

+27 84 500 6054

www.eaglesnestgr.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Indoor heated swimming pool • Pet friendly •
Lakeside

Far Niente

★★★

+27 44 877 0184

www.far-niente.co.za

Bird watching • Braai facilities • Communal satellite TV
Fishing • Garden • Whale watching • Seafront

Hamilton House

+27 83 415 2578

www.hhwilderness.co.za

Braai facilities • Kayaks • Stand-up boards • Free Wi-Fi

Heritage Bakery Accommodation

+27 83 275 2568

www.heritageza.co.za

The tent is comfortably fitted and peacefully located in a
forested area.

Hildesheim Guest House

+27 83 252 5317 | +27 84 572 8410

www.hildesheim.co.za

Pool area • Free Wi-Fi • Braai facilities

IdylWilde

+27 84 941 4183

www.idylwilde.co.za

DSTV services • Wheelchair friendly • Braai facilities

Justfor2 Wilderness

+27 82 080 5377

www.justfor2.co.za

Lake views • Nature walks

La Bamba

+27 82 804 4635

Ocean and lagoon views • Walking distance to
restaurants and beach

La Retraite Wilderness

★★★

+27 21 797 7115

www.retraite.co.za

Large garden • Braai facilities • DSTV services • Laundry
area • Walking trail • Birding



Majestic nature Map of Africa

A geographic wonder, is where the Kaaimans valley
river wends its way into the distinctive shape of the
African continent.





Self-catering, Wilderness Accommodation

Lavender Tide Wilderness



☎ +27 82 441 4057

Swimming pool • Braai area • Baby facilities • Free Wi-Fi •
Wheelchair friendly • Star gazing • Airport transfers •
Secure off-street parking

Libertas Guest Farm

★★★★★

☎ +27 82 929 1381

🌐 www.libertasguestfarm.co.za

Bird watching • Hiking • Canoeing • MTB • Feeding calves
• Fishing • Golf

Livingstone Villa

★★★★★

☎ +27 83 680 2091

🌐 www.livingstonevilla.co.za

DSTV services • Beach views • Free Wi-Fi • Secure
parking • Splash pool • Cleaning services

Nima Lodge

★★★★★

☎ +27 64 923 0840

🌐 www.nimalodge.com

Free Wi-Fi • Pool area • Braai facilities • Vegetarian
friendly • Guided hikes

Oakhurst Farm Cottages

☎ +27 64 384 1266

🌐 www.oakhurst.co.za

Fishing • Horse riding • Climbing wall • Jungle gym •
MTB • Hikes • Farm shop

Outeniqua Cottage

☎ +27 82 829 3730

Wi-Fi • Outdoor dining area • Dining table • Ironing
facilities • Kitchen facilities

Peace Haven on Sea

☎ +27 82 563 4885

🌐 www.peacehavenonsea.com

Pool area • Garden area • Free Wi-Fi • Braai facilities •
DSTV services

Pearl Moon Boutique Suites

☎ +27 61 964 4152

🌐 www.pearlmoon.co.za

Garden area • Birding • Fishing • Hiking • MTB • Surfing
Paddle-boarding

Reflections Eco Reserve

☎ +27 71 683 1433

🌐 www.reflectionsreserve.com

Birding • Walking trail • Free Wi-Fi

Rinkink Beach House

☎ +27 82 829 6611

🌐 www.selfcateringwilderness.com

DSTV • Braai facilities • Walking distance to beach

River View

☎ +27 44 877 0140

🌐 www.riverviewwilderness.co.za

Birding • DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi • Braai facilities •
Cleaning services

Sea La Vie Beach House

☎ +27 82 347 7891

🌐 www.slvbeachhouse.co.za

Braai facilities • DSTV services • Secure parking • Free
Wi-Fi

Serenity Ocean Lodge

☎ +27 82 774 8910

🌐 www.serenityocean.co.za

Walking distance to Wilderness lagoon • Free Wi-Fi •
Netflix • Kitchenette • Garden





Self-catering, Wilderness Accommodation

Serpentine Views



+27 72 126 9588

www.serpentineviews.com

Indoor fireplace • Braai area • Backup power supply • Baby facilities • Free Wi-Fi • Wheelchair friendly • Star gazing • Secure off-Street parking

Treedom Villas and Vardos



+27 83 324 0080

www.treedomvillas.co.za

The Loerie's View



+27 83 452 2075

www.loeriesview.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Braai facilities

Toorbos Cottages

+27 44 850 1484

www.toorbos.co.za

6-Hectare farm with Macadamia orchards • Dam • Braai facilities • Catch-and-release bass fishing • MTB and walking trails

Villa Keys

+27 83 327 0072

www.villakeys.co.za

Braai area • Free Wi-Fi • Kitchen facilities • Airport transfers by arrangement

Wilderness Beach Cottage

★★★

+27 44 877 0361

www.wildernessbeachcottage.co.za

Braai facilities • DSTV services

Wilderness Beach Resort

+27 44 877 0661

www.wildernessbeachresort.co.za

Pool area • Secure safe • DSTV services • Free Wi-Fi

Wilderness Bushcamp

+27 44 877 1168

www.wildernessbushcamp.co.za

Braai facilities • DSTV services • Pool area

Wilderness Gem Luxury Villa

+27 82 850 4635

www.wilderness-gem-luxury-villa.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Braai facilities

Wilderness Ocean Guest House

+27 44 877 0058

www.wildernessocean.com

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Garden area

Wilderness Gem Luxury Villa

+27 82 850 4635

www.wilderness-gem-luxury-villa.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Braai facilities





Bed and Breakfast / Guesthouse, Uniondale

Accommodation

Alwyn Guesthouse

+27 79 417 5599

www.alwynguesthouse.co.za

Outdoor swimming pool • Family rooms • Free parking • Free Wi-Fi • Non-smoking rooms | Fitness centre

Blue Hill Escape

+27 44 752 1254

www.bluehillescape.co.za

Hiking and MTB trails • Karoo stargazing • Geology walk • No TV or Wi-Fi • Limited cellphone reception • Wildlife and birding • Geocaching • Pick your own proteas (March to June)

Huisie Ommie Hoek

+27 82 787 2779 | +27 44 752 1349

www.huisie-ommie-hoek.business.site

Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services • Braai facilities

Ouwerf

+27 44 752 1345 | +27 76 614 3620

www.ouwerf.com

Pool area • Garden area • Coffee shop • TV facilities

Schulteheim

+27 44 752 1007 | +27 81 442 6696

www.schulteheim.com

Free Wi-Fi • Braai facilities • DSTV services • Secure parking • Laundry services • Pet friendly (by arrangement)

Seven at Grey

+27 72 504 1135

DSTV services • Cleaning services • Laundry services • Secure parking

Spookhuisie



+27 60 918 4009

Pet friendly • Braai area • On-site restaurant • On-site bar

The Cottages

+27 44 752 1354

Free Wi-Fi • Cycling • Secure storage

The Townhouse

+27 44 752 1331

Braai facilities • Laundry area • Secure storage • Pool area

Uniondale Guest Lodge

+27 44 752 1001

Historic building • Netflix • Braai facilities • Lounge • Secure parking • Wi-Fi • Pets by arrangement

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"5 insta-worthy locations to snap a pic"

- The **Garden Route Botanical Gardens**, with the mountain in the background
- On the Outeniqua Pass overlooking the expansive mountains
- Kaaimans bridge
- Map of Africa viewpoint
- Dolphin's Point



Joan

Personal preferences from the perspective of a local 'Joe' Age Range: 55 - 64





Self-catering, Uniondale

Accommodation

Die Beloofde Land



+27 72 386 4670

www.diebeloofdeland.co.za

4x4 • Hiking trails • River trails • Bass fishing • Swimming in Dam

Eagle Falls

+27 44 745 1122

www.eaglefalls.co.za

Pool area • Hiking • Free Wi-Fi • Quad bike riding • Fishing

Hartebeest Post Farm Stay

+27 72 699 1163 | +27 82 784 1096

www.hartbeespост.co.za

11,000-Hectare farm • 4x4 Farm tracks • Working apple farm • Restored farmstead • Wildlife and birding • Pet friendly (by arrangement)

Kouga View Game Farm

+27 44 752 1056 | +27 82 779 3254

+27 82 375 0344

www.kougaviewgamefarm.co.za

Game on the farm • Hiking • Stargazing

Mountain Pastures

+27 82 923 0143

www.mountainpastures.co.za

Nature walks • Horse riding • Fishing • Game viewing • Tennis • Star gazing

Mayors Rest on 44



+27 83 593 3989

Indoor fireplace • Braai area • Baby facilities (camp cot / baby bath) • Free Wi-Fi • Game viewing or drives • Secure off-street parking

OuMeul House of Guests



+27 72 731 5803

Farm stay • Kid's playground / entertainment • Indoor fireplace • Braai area | Free Wi-Fi • Star gazing • Secure off-street parking • Hiking trails • MTB trails • Fishing • Picnic spot

Verberg

+27 44 752 1123 | +27 82 782 7882

www.verberg.co.za

Free Wi-Fi • Braai facilities • Garden area • Laundry services • Pool area • Pet friendly



Culture and history Uniondale

Uniondale's raw, unpretentious historical points include four British forts from the Anglo Boer War in 1899-1902 and a restored watermill dating back to 1854.





Caravan / Camping / Self-catering, De Vlucht, Uniondale

Accommodation

Die Skoolhuisie

+27 82 565 0340

www.dieskoolhuisie.weebly.com

Braai facilities • Garden area • Laundry services • Pet friendly • Pool area

Outeniqua Mountain Lodge

+27 87 808 2531

www.oudeniquamountainlodge.co.za

Farm Dam • Geology • Birding • No television, mobile reception or card facilities • Sustainable property • Organic Pecan nut farming • Therapeutic massages • German, English and Afrikaans speaking • Swimming Pool • Watermill • Hiking and MTB • Kloofing • Jungle gym | 4x4 Trails



Guesthouse, Haarlem

Accommodation

Afsaal Guesthouse



+27 79 417 5599

www.alwynguesthouse.co.za

Outdoor swimming pool • Family rooms • Free parking • Free Wi-Fi • Non-smoking rooms | Fitness centre



**"You have 24 hours in the area.
What would you do?"**

- Definitely hike or MTB
- Visit the popular viewpoints, and hopefully see a dolphin!
- Enjoy a wine pairing and lunch at Herold Wines
- Spend an afternoon going up the mountain with the Outeniqua Power Van



Claudine

Personal preferences from the perspective of
a local 'Joe' Age Range: 45 - 54

A barking good time

Pet friendly accommodation in George and Wilderness



If it just isn't a holiday without your hound, then you have come to the right place! George and Wilderness are ideal getaway destinations for dogs travelling with their human companions. There are long sandy beaches for swimming and sand bathing, a few cool rivers to take a dip and even some terrific artisan crafts for your four-legged friends. Explore, hike, sniff about these pet friendly destinations and have a barking good time!

Over the Mountain Guest Farm offers relaxing farm-style accommodation in the secluded little hamlet of Herold, a 30-minute drive from George. This historic guest house was once the village's only post office and police station.

Over the Mountain Guest Farm is owned and run by Estelle and Gerrit Brits. The couple host two and four legged guests in their charming self-catering cottages and en-suite double rooms. The guest farm has lots of space for pets, as well as an outdoor terrace and a swimming pool. Free WIFI is available and guests are advised to bring their own doggy beds. A pooch-friendly tea garden is open daily for light meals and snacks.

The village of Herold is uniquely located in the only hop growing area in South Africa and is close to a network of hiking trails and a fantastic local winery, Herold Wines. This winery welcomes dogs, they have outdoor picnic benches, plenty of grass, rows of scented lavender and drinking water available. **Herold Winery** reserves one of their cottages as pet-friendly accommodation. Ask for the Flufftail Cottage! Be aware that there are other animals on-site, including sheep and ducks.

The Outeniqua Travel Lodge offers affordable pet-friendly accommodation, in Blanco. Co-owner Sue Schulze says they have had a wide range of animal guests from Sphinx cats to snakes, Bearded Dragons, parrots, mice and dogs. This three-star hotel has 6 rooms and offers dog bedding (on request) and even a pet-sitting service.

The lodge has two bedrooms which are suited to larger dogs as these open out onto the owners' private enclosed garden.



Featured: Over The Mountain Guest Farm



Featured: The Old Trading Post



Featured: Outeniqua Travel Lodge

The Old Trading Post just outside Wilderness village has lots of rustic old-world charm. Hosts Mike and René Raubenheimer have four self-catering units situated adjacent to the Wilderness Section of the Garden Route National Park. The Old Trading Post also offers cosy glamping, in two canvas safari tents. The hosts are very welcoming to both human and furry kids (there is no extra charge for dogs). This accommodation has a pretty, enclosed garden which is ideal for keeping pets entertained and there is a swimming pool for the kids (the human variety).

Be sure to ask owner Mike about bike rental, local dog friendly hiking and his own side hustle – magical sunset eco-boat cruises on the Touw Estuary. René bakes her own artisan breads and pizza on-site with stoneground flour and local ingredients.

The luxurious **Pink Lodge on the Beach** is a four-star lodge overlooking the golden sands of Wilderness Beach. The lodge has 10 suites and one self-catering family cottage. It is located at Die Dune, with large open gardens and direct access to a phenomenal stretch of dog-friendly beach. The lodge has free WiFi and is a few minutes' drive from the uber dog-friendly centre of Wilderness village, with shops, pet-friendly cafes, bars and restaurants. Inquire about the Dolphin or Hadedah units, both are ground floor double en-suites with private patios and garden access.

Featured: Herold Wines





Restaurants

Taste wines from the Outeniqua Mountains. Dine at a selection of bistros and stylish fine-dining restaurants. Savour contemporary South African cuisine, fresh seafood and premier local produce.



Café / Bistro, George

Restaurant

Bridge House

+27 82 578 5392

www.bridgehouselifestyle.co.za

Mon - Fri 08:00 - 16:30 • Sat 08:00 - 13:00

Free Wi-Fi • Nursery service • Coffee shop • Interior & antiques • Auction house

Café Chinno's

+27 44 871 2358

Mon - Fri 07:00 - 17:00 • Sat 06:30 - 16:00

Outdoor seating • Kids' menu

Caloroso Café

+27 44 874 0482

www.caloroso.co.za

Mon - Thu 06:00 - 18:00 • Fri 06:00 - 17:00

Sat 08:00 - 13:00

Serves happy-hour food • Serves vegetarian fishes • Free Wi-Fi

Dis Tyd

+27 44 870 0600

www.distyd.co.za

Mon - Fri 07:00 - 16:00 • Sat 07:00 - 13:00

Free Wi-Fi • Wheelchair friendly

Froth Café

+27 44 873 0808

www.21onmontagu.com

Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00 • Sat 08:30 - 14:00

Free Wi-Fi • Smoking area

Ground Control

+27 44 813 5012

Mon - Fri 07:00 - 16:00 • Sat 08:00 - 13:00

Outdoor seating • Seating • Wheelchair accessible • Free Wi-Fi • Takeout • Street parking • Accepts credit cards

Good Company

+27 84 363 6400

goodcompany.gc

Mon - Fri 07:00 - 15:00

Serves great cocktails • Wheelchair accessible | Mr D Food

Krust Café

+27 44 887 0445

www.krustcafe.co.za

Mon - Fri 07:00 - 20:30 • Sat 07:00 - 20:00

Sun 08:00 - 15:00

Free Wi-Fi

Meade Café

+27 44 873 6755

www.meadecafe.co.za

Mon - Fri 07:30 - 16:30 • Sat 09:00 - 13:00

Pub Hol 09:00 - 13:00

Outside catering • Smoking section • Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking

Nina's Café



+27 44 873 5414

www.ninascafe.co.za

Mon - Sat 08:00 - 21:00 • Pub Hol 09:00 - 19:00

Free Wi-Fi • Gluten free options • Vegan options • Vegetarian • Halal • Baby changing station • Wheelchair friendly • Cuisine type contemporary

Red Shed Coffee & Berry Bar

+27 44 870 7123

www.redberryfarm.co.za

Mon - Sat 09:00 - 16:00

Restaurant • Permanent maze • Berry picking • Go carts • Miniature train

Root Coffee Roasters Paddagat

+27 83 661 1908

www.rootcoffee.co.za

Mon - Fri 07:00 - 16:00 • Sat 08:00 - 13:00

Specialized coffee shop • Gift shop





Café / Bistro, George

Restaurant

Root Coffee Roasters Wellington Square

☎ +27 83 634 0448
 🌐 www.rootcoffee.co.za
 ⓘ Mon - Thu 07:00 - 16:30 • Fri 07:00 - 16:00
 Sat 08:00 - 13:00
 Specialized coffee shop • Gift shop

The Coffee Bean

☎ +27 78 019 0902
 ⓘ Mon - Thurs 07:00 - 16:30 • Fri 07:00 - 16:00
 Sun 08:00 - 14:00 • Pub Hol 08:00 - 14:00
 Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options
 • Free Wi-Fi • Low carb & banting options • Wheelchair friendly • Coffee shop fare

Trail Kiosk at Ground Zero



☎ +27 83 311 6969
 🌐 www.trailkiosk.co.za
 ⓘ Mon - Tue 08:00 - 18:00 • Wed: 08:00 - 17:00 (Team Park Walk & Clean) • Thu: 08:00 - 18:00
 Fri - Sat 08:00 - 19:00 • Sun 08:00 - 17:00
 Outdoor seating



Fast food, George

Restaurant

There are many fast-food outlets across George. Also check out Mr Delivery or Uber Eats for takeaway delivery.

Travel Bugs

☎ +27 44 873 2009
 ⓘ Mon - Fri 07:00 - 16:30 • Sat 08:00 - 13:00
 Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options • Gluten free friendly
 • Wheelchair friendly

Upstairs at Harry's

☎ +27 44 873 2599
 🌐 www.upstairsatharrys.co.za
 ⓘ Mon - Fri 07:15 - 17:00 • Sat 07:15 - 13:00
 Credit cards accepted • Takeaway • Outdoor seating

Yellow Bird Café



☎ +27 62 112 3883



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"Best ways to relax"

- Swim at Herolds Bay
- Drink a beer at Duttons Cove or at the Bench
- Braai at Vic Bay
- Go for a couple's massage
- Pizza lunch at Pomodoros
- An all-day kloof down Kaaimans River



Kyle

Personal preferences from the perspective of a local 'Joe' Age Range: 25 - 34



Fine dining, George Restaurant

Henry White's



☎ +27 44 804 0535
 🌐 www.fancourt.co.za
 ⓘ Tues - Sat 07:00 - 22:30
 Free Wi-Fi



Restaurants, George Restaurant

101 Meade



☎ +27 44 874 0343
 🌐 www.101meade.co.za
 ⓘ Mon - Fri 7:00 - 20:30 • Sat 8:00 - 20:30
 Sun 9:00 - 21:00
 Restaurant • Venue hire

Bay Leaf Café

☎ +27 44 873 4422
 ⓘ Mon - Fri 08:30 - 16:30 • Sat 08:30 - 12:30
 Wheelchair friendly • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options
 • Gluten free options



Majestic nature Island Lake

Best known for boating and
water skiing.

Apprentice Restaurant



☎ +27 66 119 3584
 🌐 www.apprentice-eatery.co.za
 ⓘ Mon-Sat 07:00-22:00 • Sun 07:00-15:00
 Fine dining • Picnic area • Deli

Bounty Eatery

☎ +27 79 605 3345
 🌐 www.redberryfarm.co.za/artisanal-eateries/bounty-eatery/
 ⓘ Mon - Sat 09:00 - 16:00
 Healthy meals • Gourmet farm style





Restaurants, George

Restaurant

Cactus

+27 44 874 7805
www.cactus.bar
Mon - Thu 12:00 - Late • Fri - Sat 12:00 - Late
Free Wi-Fi • Bar selection

Cula

+27 44 630 0701
www.cula.co.za
Mon - Sun and Public Holidays 08:00 - 21:30
Indoor fireplace • Backup power supply • On-site bar •
Free Wi-Fi • Wheelchair friendly

De Hoft

+27 72 519 8842
Tue - Sat 09:00 - 22:00 • Sun 11:00 - 15:00
Play area for kids • Free Wi-Fi

Eat-In at Town Lodge George

+27 44 803 4000
<https://citylodgehotels.com/our-hotels/Town%20Lodge/90>
Daily dinner 16:00 - 21:00
Indoor fireplace • Free Wi-Fi • Backup power supply •
Wheelchair friendly • Baby facilities

Food Co

+27 63 713 7698
www.foobar-cafe.business.site
Mon - Sat 07:30 - 16:00
Take-away fresh baked goods • Secure parking • Indoor
and outdoor seating

Geronimo Spur Steak Ranch

+27 44 873 4279
www.spur.co.za
Mon - Sat 08:30 - 21:30 • Sun 08:30 - 21:00
Play area for kids • Free Wi-Fi • Entertainment in store •
Child friendly

Hussar Grill



+27 44 873 5731
www.hussargrill.co.za
Mon - Sun 12:00 - 22:00 • Pub Hol 12:00 - 22:00
Vegetarian friendly • Wheelchair friendly • Steakhouse
and Grill

John Dory's

+27 44 887 0334
www.johndorys.co.za
Mon, Tues and Thurs 08:00 - 21:00
Wed, Fri and Sat 08:00 - 21:30 • Sun 09:00 - 20:00
Children's play area • Secure parking • Free Wi-Fi

Kafe Serefe

+27 44 884 1012
www.kafeserefe.co.za
Mon - Sat 09:00 - 22:00
Free Wi-Fi

Kontrei Padstal

+27 44 889 0097
www.kontreipadstal.co.za
Mon - Fri 08:00 - 16:00 • Sat - Sun 08:00 - 14:00
Pub Hol 08:00 - 14:00
Vegetarian friendly • Baby changing station • Indoor and
outdoor playground • Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi •
Gift shop

La Cantina

+27 44 804 0538
www.fancourt.co.za
Mon - Sun • 06:30 - 10:30 • 18:00 - 22:30
Free Wi-Fi





Restaurants, George

Restaurant

La Capannina

+27 44 874 5313
www.lacapanninageorge.co.za
Mon - Fri 12:00 - 22:00 • Sat 16:00 - 22:00
Free Wi-Fi

La Rosa Blu Café



+27 44 886 0042
www.larosablucfe.com
Wed - Sun 09:00 - 16:00
Free Wi-Fi • Smoking area • Flowers and plant sales •
Art gallery • nursery

Meenachee's North and South Indian Cuisines

+27 44 873 4226
www.meenachees.com
Lunch 10:00 - 17:30
Dinner Group Bookings 17:00 - 22:00
Cuisine type Indian • Halal • Hindi • Gluten free options •
Kosher • Vegan options • Jain • Banting • Delivery
services • Wheelchair friendly • Home catering

Monet's



+27 44 804 0539
www.fancourt.co.za
December to March: Mon - Sun 07:00 - 20:00
April to November: Mon - Sun 07:00 - 17:00
Free Wi-Fi

Mugg and Bean

+27 44 887 0127
www.themugg.com
Mon - Sat 08:00 - 18:00 • Sun 08:00 - 15:00
Free Wi-Fi

Mujo Bar & Restaurant

+27 72 562 2937
www.mujofood.co.za
Mon - Sat 12:00 - 21:00 • Sun 12:00 - 16:00
Pub Hol 12:00 - 16:00
Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options
• Baby changing station • Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi
• Kosher • Live music • Indoor and outdoor playground •
Cuisine types pizza and pasta, South African, burgers

Noshery Pizzeria and Deli

+27 83 348 2129
www.thenoshery.co.za
Mon - Sat 09:00 - 16:00 • Pub Hol 09:00 - 16:00
Gluten free options • Outdoor playground • Cuisine type
pizza and pasta

Ocean Basket

+27 44 887 0172
www.oceanbasket.com
Mon - Sun 11:00 - 22:00
Restaurant • Conferencing venue

Panarottis Garden Route Mall

+27 44 887 0200
www.panarottis.co.za
Mon - Thu 09:00 - 21:30 • Fri - Sat 09:00 - 22:00
Sun and Pub Hol 09:00 - 21:00
Free Wi-Fi • Children's playground

Panarottis York Street

+27 44 874 7084
www.panarottis.co.za
Mon - Thu 09:00 - 21:00 • Fri - Sat 09:00 - 22:00
Sun 09:00 - 21:30 • Pub Hol 09:00 - 21:00
Free Wi-Fi • Children's playground

Pollock's Pizza Café

+27 44 870 8876
Mon - Sat 12:00 - 14:00 • Sun 16:00 - 23:00
Parking • Function venue • Smoking area • Takeaway •
Vegetarian friendly





Restaurants, George

Restaurant

Polpetta George



+27 73 097 0782
www.polpetta.co.za
Mon - Thurs 11:00 - 21:00 • Fri - Sat 11:00 - 22:00
Sun 11:00 - 20:00 • Public Holidays 11:00 - 15:00
Indoor fireplace • Backup power supply • Baby facilities •
Free Wi-Fi • Wheelchair friendly

Portobello Italian Kitchen

+27 44 630 0401
www.portobellokitchen.co.za
Mon - Sat 11:00 - 21:30 • Sun - 11:00 - 20:00
The modern trattoria features exciting weekly menus inspired by Italy's 20 distinct culinary regions, from the creamy risottos of northern Tuscany to the bright olive oil and tomato-based recipes of southern Italy.

RocoMamas



+27 44 873 2716
www.rocomamas.com
Mon - Sun 11:00 - 22:00
Free Wi-Fi | Wheelchair Friendly | Secure Parking

Shan Sushi

+27 44 873 2595
Mon - Sat 11:00 - 20:00
Vegetarian friendly

Simply Asia

+27 44 887 0082
www.simplyasia.co.za
Mon - Thu 10:30 - 21:00 • Fri - Sat 10:30 - 21:30
Sun 10:30 - 21:00
Free Wi-Fi • Wheelchair friendly • Secure parking

Texas Grill

+27 44 873 3435
www.texasgrill.co.za
Mon - Sun 08:00 - 22:00
DSTV services • Outside catering • Takeaway • Smoking area • Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking • Wheelchair friendly

The Bench Eatery and Bar



+27 44 873 0566
Mon - Fri 7:00 - 23:00 • Sat 8:00 - 23:00
Sun 09:00 - 20:00
Parking • Takeaway • Vegetarian friendly • Free Wi-Fi

The Bloom Café

+27 76 135 3821
Mon - Fri 08:00 - 16:00 • Sat 8:00 - 13:00

The Forester at The Hawthorn Boutique Hotel

+27 44 023 0070
www.hawthorn.co.za/bar-and-lounges
Tue - Sat 07:00 - 21:00 • Sun 07:00 - 19:00
Mon 17:00 - 21:00
Indoor fireplace • Free Wi-Fi • Backup power supply • Separate bar area





Restaurants, George

Restaurant

The Deacon House



+27 44 050 3752
www.deaconbistro.co.za
Mon - Sun 08:30 - 17:00

Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options •
Baby changing station • Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi •
Outdoor playground • South African bistro style food

The Fat Fish



+27 44 874 7803
www.thefatfish.co.za
Mon - Sat 11:30 - 22:00 • Sun 11:30 - 16:00
Garden area • Secure parking • Free Wi-Fi • Smoking area
• Conference venue • Private meeting venue • Corporate presentations

The Table Coffee and Books

+27 74 550 0534
www.thetable.ethnosmi.org
Mon - Fri 07:30 - 16:30
Specialise in coffee • Light lunches

The Pottery



+27 76 784 9728
www.george.thepottery.co.za
Mon - Wed 09:00 - 16:00 • Thu-Sat 09:00 - 20:00
Outdoor seating • Takeout • Parking available • Full bar •
Highchairs available • Free Wi-Fi • Table service • Live
music • Playgrounds • Dog friendly • Family style • Gift
cards available

Woolworths Café

+27 44 803 5419
www.woolworths.co.za
Mon - Fri 09:00 - 18:00 • Sat 09:00 - 17:00
Sun 09:00 - 14:00
Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options • Wheelchair friendly



Culture and history

Museums

Be transported back in time at the Transnet Transport Museum with locomotives and vintage cars from a bygone era.





Café / Bistro, Herold Restaurant

Herold Wines



+27 72 833 8223
www.heroldwines.co.za
Mon - Sat 10:00 - 16:00

Wine from the Outeniquas • Light meals

Over the Mountain Tea Garden

+27 44 888 1700
www.overthemountain.co.za
Thurs - Mon 10:00 - 16:00
Tea garden • Open daily during school holidays



Restaurant, Herolds Bay Restaurant

Cucina

+27 44 851 1234
www.oubaaihotels.com/cucina
Mon - Sun 07:00 - 22:30

Free Wi-Fi • Golf reservations • Pool facility • Spa facility •
Events and conference venue

Dutton's Cove

+27 44 851 0155
www.duttonscove.co.za
Mon - Sat 11:00 - 21:00 • Sun 11:00 - 20:00

Free Wi-Fi • Children's playground

The Clubhouse

+27 44 851 1234
www.oubaaihotels.com/the-clubhouse
Mon 10:00 - 19:00

Tues, Thurs and Sun 06:00 - 19:00

Wed, Fri and Sat 06:00 - 23:00

Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking



Restaurant, Victoria Bay Restaurant

Hills Café

+27 44 889 0120
www.farhillshotel.co.za
Mon - Sun 08:00 - 21:00 • Closed for dinner on Sunday
Pool Area

Vikki's at the Beach

+27 81 065 7688
Summer 08:30 - 17:00 • Winter 09:00 - 17:00
Vegetarian friendly • Wheelchair friendly • Takeaway





Gastronomy

George offers a vibrant and diverse culinary scene that reflects the rich cultural tapestry of the area. From cozy coffee shops to high-end dining establishments, there's something for every palate.

Local chefs take pride in showcasing the region's finest ingredients - fresh seafood from the Indian Ocean, locally-sourced meats, and farm-to-table produce - creating dishes that celebrate South African farm fresh flavours with a modern twist.

Enjoy a tasting journey through George:

- Savour Outeniqua flavours at **Herold Wines**.
- Buy peach boerewors and biltong at **Van Rensburg Butchers**.
- Taste Honeybush tea at **Herold Meander**, made from a local, endemic bush.
- Shuck oysters and enjoy them six ways at **Oysters R Us**.
- Coffee and chocolate lovers, try a pairing at **Caloroso Café**.
- Join a public cooking class at the renowned **Francois Ferreira Academy**.
- Indulge in a pairing at **Boplaas Vineyards** at Redberry Farm.
- Try the famous cheesecake at **Hoekwil Country Café**.
- Discover treats at local artisan bakery, **Prince of Tarts**.
- Experience unique South African flavours from different cultures with **Dine with a Local**.
- Appreciate a five-course meal at fine-dining award-winning **Serendipity**, featuring regional produce.
- Sample casual, local food at the **Outeniqua Family Market stalls**.
- Taste local beer at **Outeniqua Brew Co**.





Café / Bistro, Wilderness Restaurant

Bistro Celeiro

+27 44 850 1026

Sun 12:00 - 17:00

Vegetarian friendly • Wheelchair friendly

Heritage Bakery and Coffee Shop

+27 72 335 1876

www.heritageza.co.za

Opens 09:00

Outdoor seating • Seating • Parking available • Table service • Takeout • Accepts credit cards • Playgrounds • Gift cards available

Naughty Monkey Café



+27 44 882 1211

www.naughtymonkeycafe.co.za

Mon - Sun 09:00 - 17:00 • Pub Hol 09:00 - 17:00

Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options • Baby changing station • Free Wi-Fi • Pizza and pasta • Outdoor playground • South African cuisine • Seafood

The Green Shed

+27 44 333 0207

www.greenshed.co.za

Mon - Sun 07:00 - 18:00

Vegetarian friendly • Parking • Free Wi-Fi

The Hoekwil Country Café

+27 44 850 1037

Mon - Fri 07:00 - 18:00 • Sat 08:00 - 16:00

Sun 09:00 - 16:00 • Pub Hol 08:00 - 16:00

Famously known for their delicious cheesecake!

Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi • Outdoor playground • Cuisine type Vegetarian, English, South African



Fine dining, Wilderness Restaurant

Serendipity



+27 44 877 0433

www.serendipitywilderness.com

Mon - Sat Dinner only, from 06:30pm

Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking • 5 Course fine dining (relaxed atmosphere)



Surf or sun

Learn to surf at Victoria Bay, renowned right-hand break beach and home to premier surfing contests.

Tip buckets into sandcastle master-pieces with sticky soft-serve hands at Herold's Bay family beach or walk the endless, unspoilt span of white sand at Wilderness Beach, below the warm Indian ocean.



Restaurants, Wilderness

Restaurant

Backline Lounge Bar

+27 72 747 9960
www.beejuicecafe.co.za
Tue-Sun 10:00-22:00
Artisan cocktails

Blue Olive



+27 44 877 0731
www.blueoliverestaurant.co.za
Mon - Sun 07:00 - 22:00
Free Wi-Fi • DSTV services

Figtree Bakehouse



+27 44 004 0183
Sat - Mon 07:30 - 15:00 | Wed - Fri 07:30 - 15:00
Artisan Bakery and Cafe at Timberlake Village • Coffee to go • Breakfasts • Gourmet Sandwiches • Salads

Ilali Restaurant & Social Bar



+27 44 877 0808
www.ilalirestaurant.co.za
Mon - Fri 11:00 - 21:30 • Sat - Sun 09:00 - 21:30
Family Entertainment • Pub / Bar • Restaurant • Tastings
• Pairings • Cooking lessons

Joplins Steak Bar



+27 73 347 8896
Mon - Sat 06:30 - 21:00
Indoor and outdoor seating • Garden area



Majestic nature

Woodville Big Tree

No longer a spring chicken, the Woodville Big Tree, a giant Outeniqua Yellowwood, is over 800 years old and an astounding 33m high.





Restaurants, Wilderness

Restaurant

Mozambik Wilderness

- +27 72 451 6162
- www.mozambik.co.za/western-cape/
- Mon - Sun 11:00 - 21:00

Oysters R Us



- +27 82 578 6817
- www.oystersrus.co.za
- Mon 12:00 - 16:00 • Thu - Sun 12:00 - 17:00
Based on bookings
- Serving oysters • Oysters tours • Oyster information •
Teambuilding, conference and functions venue

Pomodoro

- +27 44 877 1403
- www.pomodoro.co.za
- Mon - Sun 07:30 - late
- Outside catering • TV / Sports • Smoking section •
Functions • Outside seating

Rambling Rose

- +27 82 442 2227
- www.rambling-rose.co.za
- Tue - Thur 16:30 - 21:00 • Fri 11:30 - late
Sat 11:30 - 21:00 • Sun 11:30 - 16:00
Mon Closed

Salinas

- +27 44 877 0001
- www.salinas.co.za
- Mon - Sun 11:00 - 22:00
- Wheelchair friendly • Vegan options • Vegetarian friendly

The Girls on the Square and Lounge



- +27 44 877 0445
- www.thegirls.co.za
- Mon - Sun 08:30 - 23:00 • Pub Hol 08:30 - 23:00
Halal • Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Kosher
• Vegan options • Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi •
Outdoor playground • Live music

The Views Boutique Hotel & Spa

- +27 44 877 1100
- www.viewshotel.co.za/dining
- 07:00 - 22:00 • Breakfast 07:00 - 10:30
Lunch 12:00 - 17:00 • Dinner 18:00 - 22:30
Secure parking • Free Wi-Fi

The Wilderness Picnic Company



- +27 81 261 4981
- www.wildernesspicnic.co.za
- Mon - Sun 08:00 - 18:00 • Pub Hol 08:00 - 18:00
Pre-packed picnic basket • Waterfall picnic • Light lunch
picnic • Deluxe basket • South African experience •
Specialised custom picnics • Cuisine type contemporary,
Game, Mediterranean, South African





Café / Bistro, Uniondale

Restaurant

African Aloe Café

+27 76 033 6067

Mon - Fri 07:30 - 16:30 | Sat - Sun 07:30 - 14:30

Coffee shop • Restaurant



Restaurants, Uniondale

Restaurant

Aitsa Family Restaurant, Pub and Giftshop



+27 60 918 4009

Mon - Fri and Public Holidays 11:00 - 20:00

Kid's playground / entertainment • Pet friendly • Indoor fireplace • Braai area • Baby facilities • Free Wi-Fi • Wheelchair friendly

The Hungry Ghost



+27 44 752 1045 • +27 72 504 1135

Mon - Thu 15:00 - 22:00 • Fri 12:00 - late

Sat 11:00 - late

DSTV services • Catering for functions

Field & Vine Coffee and Wine Bar

+27 64 687 3983

Wed - Sat 08:00 - 16:00 • Sundays and Public Holidays 08:00 - 12:00

Pet friendly • Free Wi-Fi • Wheelchair friendly



Café / Bistro, De Vlucht

Restaurant

Die Plaaskind Padstal

+27 44 752 3025 • +27 66 439 8830

Mon - Sun 08:00 - 16:00

Gift Shop



So succulent

You can't miss the aloes and succulents as you meander Uniondale. Known for its skin healing properties, treat yourself to an aloe cream.



Child-friendly restaurants



Child-friendly, George

Venues and restaurant

Caspita Family Restaurant

+27 82 828 1844
Tue - Fri - 11:30 - 21:00 • Sat 11:00 - 21:00
Sun 11:00 - 17:00
Family style restaurant • Kiddies play area

Clay Café



+27 44 868 0480
claycafegeorge.co.za
Tue - Fri 09:00 - 17:00 • Sat 09:00 - 18:00
Sun 09:00 - 16:00 • Mon Closed
Family restaurant • Ceramic painting

Elevate Trampoline Park & Go Cart Track



+27 44 004 0017/8
www.elevatepark.co.za
Mon - Thu 10:00 - 19:30 • Fri - Sat 10:00 - 22:00
Sun 10:00 - 18:00
Go carts • Trampoline

Happy Valley

+27 44 873 0046
www.happyvalleygeorge.co.za
Mon (only open on public holidays)
Tue - Fri 9:00 - 17:00 • Sun 10:00 - 14:00
Children's play area • Baby area • Function venue • Coffee shop

John Dory's

+27 44 887 0334
www.johndorys.co.za
Mon, Tue and Thu 08:00 - 21:00
Wed, Fri and Sat 08:00 - 21:30 • Sun 09:00 - 20:00
Children's play area • Secure parking • Free Wi-Fi

Kontrei Padstal

+27 44 889 0097
www.kontreipadstal.co.za
Mon - Fri 08:00 - 16:00 • Sat - Sun 08:00 - 14:00
Pub Hol 08:00 - 14:00
Vegetarian friendly • Baby changing station • Indoor and outdoor playground • Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi • Gift shop

New Waves Village

+27 83 687 7774
Tue - Sat 09:00 - 16:00
Restaurant • Jumping castle • Lawn games

Nina's Café



+27 44 873 5414
www.ninascafe.co.za
Mon - Sat 08:00 - 21:00 • Pub Hol 09:00 - 19:00
Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options
• Baby changing station • Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi
• Cuisine type contemporary





Child-friendly, George

Venues and restaurant

Outeniqua Family Market



☎ +27 76 781 3621 | +27 82 465 2952

🌐 www.oudeniquafamilymarket.co.za

🕒 Sat 08:00 - 14:00

Farm stalls • Craft stalls • Gift shop • Live Entertainment • Secure parking • Pedal cars • Boere train ride • Ponycycle rides

Redberry Farm



☎ +27 44 870 7123

🌐 www.redberryfarm.co.za

🕒 Mon - Sat 9:00 - 16:00

Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options • Baby changing station • Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi • Outdoor playground • Live music (on occasion) • Mini train • Pick your own strawberries • Largest permanent maze | Pedal go-carts • Bumper boats • Bubble ball • Pony rides • Restaurants

Texas Grill

☎ +27 44 873 3435

🌐 www.texasgrill.co.za

🕒 Mon - Sun 08:00 - 22:00

DSTV services • Outside catering • Takeaway • Smoking area • Free Wi-Fi • Secure parking • Wheelchair friendly

The Deacon House



☎ +27 44 050 3752

🌐 www.deaconbistro.co.za

🕒 Mon - Sun 08:30 - 17:00

Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options • Baby changing station • Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi • Outdoor playground • South African bistro style food

The Pottery



☎ +27 76 784 9728

🌐 www.george.thepottery.co.za

🕒 Mon - Wed 09:00 - 16:00 • Thu-Sat 09:00 - 20:00

Outdoor seating • Seating • Accepts credit cards • Takeout • Reservations • Parking available • Highchairs available • Serves alcohol • Full bar • Free Wi-Fi • Accepts Mastercard • Accepts Visa | Accepts Discovery • Table service • Live music • Playgrounds • Dog friendly • Family style • Gift cards available





Child-friendly, Wilderness

Venues and restaurant

Heritage Bakery and Coffee Shop

+27 72 335 1876

www.heritageza.co.za

Opens 09:00

Outdoor seating • Seating • Parking available • Table service • Takeout • Accepts credit cards • Playgrounds • Gift cards available

Oysters R Us



+27 82 578 6817

www.oystersrus.co.za

Mon 12:00 - 16:00 • Thu - Sun 12:00 - 17:00

Based on bookings

Serving oysters • Oysters tours • Oyster information • Teambuilding, conference and functions venue

Merchant and Maiden Café Pizza Bar

+27 83 463 2236

Mon - Sat 12:00 - 20:00

Wheelchair accessible • Free Wi-Fi • Live music • Playgrounds • Dog friendly • Family style

Naughty Monkey Café



+27 44 882 1211

www.naughtymonkeycafe.co.za

Mon - Sun 09:00 - 17:00 • Pub Hol 09:00 - 17:00

Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options • Baby changing station • Free Wi-Fi • Pizza and pasta • Outdoor playground • South African cuisine • Seafood

The Hoekwil Country Café



+27 44 850 1037

Mon - Fri 07:00 - 18:00 • Sat 08:00 - 16:00

Sun 09:00 - 16:00 • Pub Hol 08:00 - 16:00

Famously known for their delicious cheesecake!

Wheelchair friendly • Free Wi-Fi • Outdoor playground • Cuisine type Vegetarian, English, South African

Milkwood Village



+27 44 877 1888

Live music • Arts and crafts • Braai facilities • Farm stalls • Coffee shop • Café's

Timberlake Village



+27 44 882 1240

www.timberlakeorganic.co.za

Mon - Sun 08:00 - 16:30

Shopping centre



20 Reasons We love summer in Wilderness

There are few places on the planet that match Wilderness for its natural beauty. Kilometres of golden sand meet the cool blue ocean waves of the Indian Ocean. Our breath-taking National Park is set amidst lush indigenous forest and spectacular winding waterways. Wilderness is the perfect place to lose yourself in nature. Here is our ultimate summer-time checklist.

1. Watch the dolphins play. Every day in Wilderness should start with a refreshing stroll on the pristine golden sand. The shoreline is the best place to watch the pods of bottlenose dolphin, sometimes as many as 100, splash, surf and frolic in the waves. Dolphin's Point, on the N2, provides a higher vantage point to view the beach.



2. Glide into the blue. A number of reputable operators offer tandem paragliding flights and tours over Wilderness. Soar over Wilderness National Park, sparkling lakes and 18 kilometres of golden beach. Keep an eye out for game fish, whales and even Great White Sharks in the surf below. Check out Cloudbase Paragliding, Dolphin Paragliding, Flytime Paragliding, Paraglide Africa and Wild2Fly.

3. Enjoy a long lazy picnic and river day by the water's edge at Kaaimans. Watch the kids kayak, swing, splash and swim in the river. Snap pictures of ducks, put your feet up and enjoy a walk to the river mouth where you can see the iconic Kaaimans Bridge up close. Kayaks can be hired through Kaaimans Adventures.



4. Enjoy sundowners while cruising the Touw River. Encounter magnificent bird life and breath-taking scenery on this eco-boat tour with shallow draft safari-style boat at Wilderness River Safaris. There are several tours daily in the Wilderness Section of the Garden Route National Park.

5. Find a plethora of fun outdoor activities in the forest at Wild X Adventures just past Timberlake Village. Segway rides, quad biking, paintball games, and more!

6. Adventurous eaters will love the rustic menu at Oysters R Us. The freshest wild oysters are plucked from saltwater tanks, shucked and served with a tray of condiments. Knowledgeable staff dish out facts and fun tasting suggestions. Sample oysters with fresh lemon, black pepper and lashings of chilled bubbly.





7. Cruise the Seven Passes Road, a winding gravel and tar backroad that connects Wilderness and Knysna.

8. Take a trot with Black Horse Trails. The popular three and a half hour 'Rock Pool' outride winds through unspoilt forest in the national park. The horses are rehabilitated rescue animals with unique personalities. Take a refreshing dip in the cool mountain pools. Other horse-riding tours include Garden Route Horse Trails and Perdepoort.

9. Experience the charm of a local market. There is a vibrant atmosphere at the Milkwood Village Market . On a Sunday, local crafters gather to sell their wares. Find handmade wooden bowls, batik art, clothing, leatherworks, cheeses, artisanal breads, cured meats, pancakes and live music.

10. Take a moment to appreciate the 'Map of Africa'.

This popular lookout point offers panoramic views of the coastline and forested hillside. Accessed via a well signed gravel road, the extraordinary vantage point is marked by a simple sign board which has quickly become an Instagram sensation. View the pristine white sands of Wilderness beach and the calm turquoise ocean. A grassy field offers a popular picnic site and paragliding launch spot. To the north, the Kaaимans river canyon cuts an unmistakable shape through the forested hillside.

11. A visit to Wilderness would not be complete without a stop at Timberlake Village. This delightful, outdoor experience has artisanal food, unique shops, local galleries, and thrilling Acrobranch adventures. Nestled in nature, it's the perfect spot to enjoy fresh, local flavors, explore creative spaces, and embrace outdoor fun.





12. Experience the captivating waterways of Wilderness by canoe. Eden Adventures has large stable canoes with splash-proof buckets ideal for cameras and picnics. An additional wooden seat can accommodate a toddler between the benches. Eden Adventures is based at the Fairy Knowe Hotel.

13. Plunge into paradise! Extreme canyoning or 'kloofing' as it is locally known, involves floating, scrambling, swimming, abseiling and cliff jumping down a steep river ravine. Eden Adventures provide wetsuits, helmets, life jackets and harnesses for this daring guided tour.

14. Cast a line at Freesia Rock. This local fishing hotspot is tucked away on Freesia Avenue, a cul-de-sac on the tranquil Touws River, in Wilderness. Soak in the peace and pace of nature.

15. Picnic in nature. The Wilderness Picnic Company take the hassle out of the preparation, by delivering pre-packaged, eco-friendly picnics right to your door. Order online and wile away a day at one of the magnificent local beaches or forest picnic spots.

16. Feel the sun on your skin with a spot of sandcastle building, swimming and sunbathing. **There are a number of safe bathing areas on the Wilderness 'Blue Flag' beach**, including Leentjieskllip, 'Steps' and the Touws River Mouth. Lifeguards are on duty from 7am to 7pm, in season. Showers and secure parking are available. Swim between the flags and don't forget the sunscreen.

17. Conquer your fear with Paradise Adventures. Adrenaline-fuelled fun awaits in **tailor-made rock-climbing tours**. Guide Marthinus Esmeyer is a professional adventure sports athlete with a degree in Conservation and has a true passion for the outdoors, offering a range of thrilling trips.

18. Discover a hidden waterfall deep in the national park. The Half Collared Kingfisher Trail begins next to the railway bridge near the Ebb and Flow North Restcamp, on the Touw River. A fee is payable to SAN Parks. An easy circular 7km hike winds through indigenous forest and colourful fynbos. Kids love the pontoon river crossing. A refreshing dip in the glorious rock pools await. Find directions and tariffs at the Garden Route National Park.

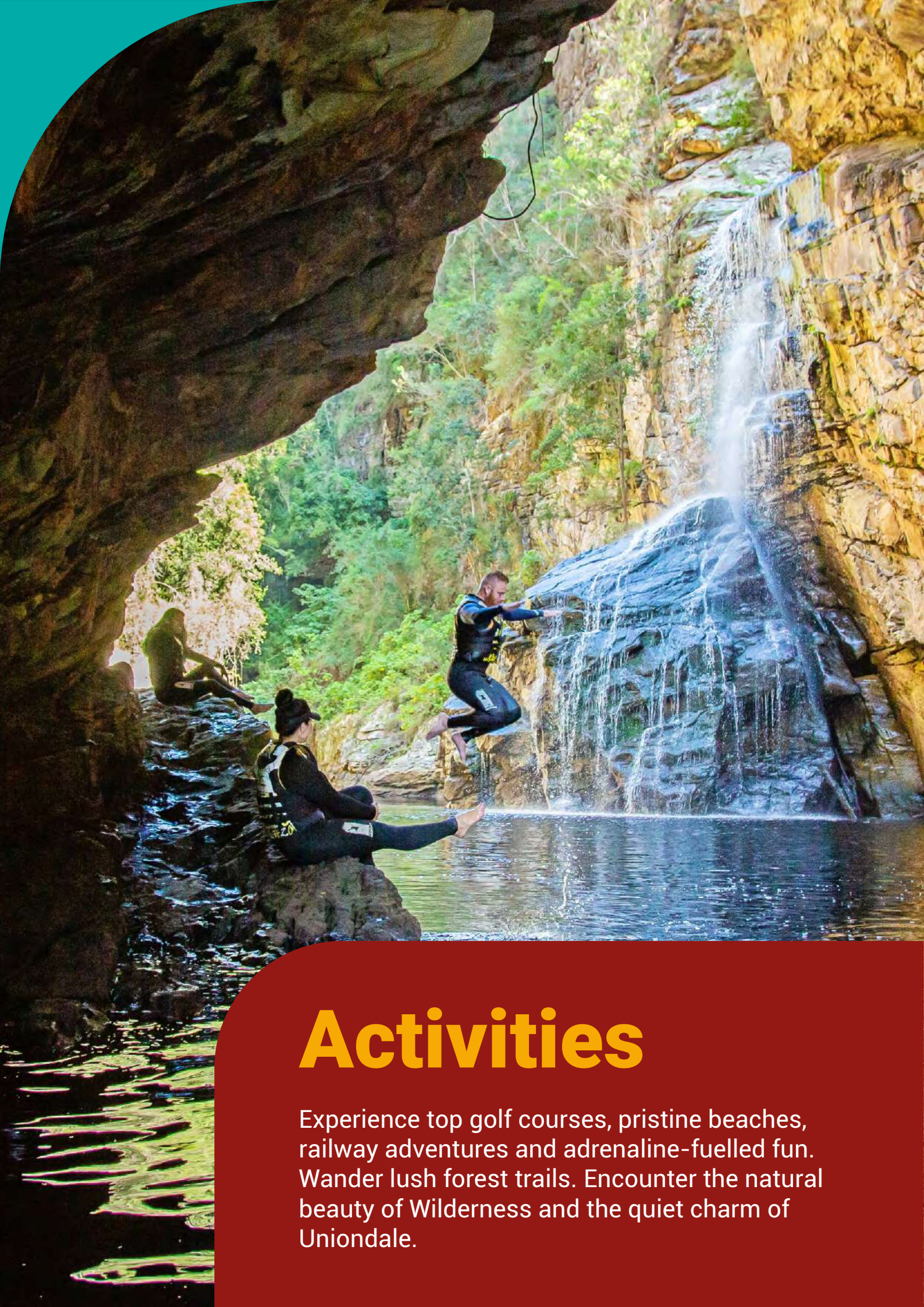
19. Feel the vibe of the ocean with a surf lesson at Wilderness Beach. Brothers Klaus and Heinrich Schröder, of Vibe Surf School offer surf lessons and tours on a daily basis. Other surf schools include Surfends and Wild and Loose.

20. Check out the rock pools at 'Flat Rock'. This popular rock angling site is accessed via steep wooden stairs at the Views Boutique Hotel & Spa. Flat rock, as the name suggests, is a rocky reef which creates beautiful warm shallow tidal pools at low tide, revealing an array of marine biodiversity including octopus, starfish and fan worms. Bring your snorkel and mask and remember not to touch or remove the sea life.



Rockpools
Flat Rock Wilderness





Activities

Experience top golf courses, pristine beaches, railway adventures and adrenaline-fuelled fun. Wander lush forest trails. Encounter the natural beauty of Wilderness and the quiet charm of Uniondale.



4 x 4, George Activities

Arendsrus Country Lodge

- +27 44 050 0256
 - www.arendsrus.co.za/activities
 - Hours based on bookings
- 4x4 Trails



Adventure, George Activities

Aeronautica

- +27 44 011 0071
 - www.aeronautica.co.za
 - Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00
- Aircraft services

Eden Disc Golf

- +27 66 258 4426

Garden Route Cycling Tours

- +27 81 394 3274
 - www.cyclingtours.co.za
- Mountain bike rentals • E-bike rentals • Tours

Paradise Adventures



- +27 82 764 3112
 - www.paradiseadventures.co.za
 - Open every day, 24 hours a day
- Canyoning • Kloofing • MTB • Rock climbing • Team building

Pickleball George

- +27 72 478 8396
 - www.pickleballgeorge.co.za
- Pickleball • Indoor courts • Functional fitness gym

Quad Garden Route

- +27 72 303 9011
 - www.quadgardenroute.co.za
 - Hours based on bookings
- Birthday parties • Team building • Nocturnal adventures • Quad bike tours

Savannah Helicopters



- +27 44 876 0069
 - www.savannahhelicopters.co.za
 - Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00
- Sat, Sun and Pub Hol - Booking only
- Helicopter scenic flights:
20min • 30min (shark, whale and dolphin viewing) •
1 hour (fly through Knysna heads) • Helicopter flight with
a 45min picnic • Helicopter flight with wine or gin tasting

Surfends

- +27 83 687 7774
 - www.surfends.co.za
 - Based on bookings
- Learn to surf • Eco-ventures • Birthday parties

Vibe Surf School

- +27 73 092 9494
 - www.vibe-surf-school.business.site
 - Mon - Sun 06:00 - 18:00
- Surfing school



Art galleries, George

Activities

21 on Montagu

+27 44 870 8190

www.21onmontagu.com

Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00 • Sat 08:30 - 14:00

Coffee shop • Lunches • Art gallery • Decor shop

Bomkisi

+27 82 823 9707

www.bomkisi.com

Mon - Wed - 09:00 - 16:30 • Thu - 09:30 - 17:00

Fri - 09:30 - 16:30 • Sat - 10:00 - 12:30

Workshops • Lessons (pottery) kid & adults • Team building • Gallery showing ceramic art

Cape Palette Art & Picture Framing



+27 82 439 5871

www.capepalette.co.za

Mon - Fri 09:00 - 17:00 • Sat 09:00 - 13:00

Framing • Art classes • Art materials

Crouse Art

+27 44 887 0361

www.crouseart.co.za

Mon - Fri 09:00 - 18:00 • Sat 09:00 - 17:00

Sun 09:00 - 15:00

Framing • Valuation • Resales • Coffee shop

DJG Art School

+27 84 377 2669

Mon - Sat 08:00 - 17:00

Art gallery • Art and craft shop

Heart of Africa Arts Gallery

+27 81 817 4558

www.beap.co.za/collections/heart-of-africa

Phumlani's Art Gallery

+27 62 283 9498

Hours based on bookings

Art studio and gallery • Art and craft shop • Gift shop

René Scribante Loft Studio

+27 83 627 6757

By appointment

Art gallery

Sara Siân Art Gallery

+27 83 617 8160

www.sarasian.com

By appointment

Prints • Portraits • Wild life



play



Culture and heritage, George

Activities

Dine with a Local



+27 44 801 9295

www.visitgeorge.co.za

Mon - Sun 07:00 - 21:00

Be immersed in authentic South Africa culture by enjoying a meal with a local in their home. Choose from one of several unique cultures - Khoi San, isiXhosa, Rainbow Nation and Cape Malay-inspired, buoyed by local entertainment and custom-sharing conversation.

Moedergemeente George



+27 44 874 2036

www.caw.org.za

Hours based on bookings

Conference venue • Wedding venue • Guest house •
Church services • Tours

Pacaltsdorp Historical Walk



+27 44 801 9411

www.visitgeorge.co.za

Mon - Fri 08:30 - 16:30 • Sat 09:00 - 13:00

Self-guided tour

St Marks Cathedral

+27 44 873 3239

Mon 10:00 - 12:00 • Tue 11:30 - 12:00

Wed - Fri 10:00 - 12:00 • Sun 08:00 - 22:00

Historical tours on request • Church services



Top attractions in George

- **Golf courses** such as Fancourt, George, Kingswood, Oubaai and Glenwood
- **Outeniqua Nature Reserve**
- **Outeniqua Transport Museum and Powervan**
- **Redberry Farm**
- **Garden Route Botanical Garden**
- **Herold Wine Estate**
- **Beaches and Rivers** such as Victoria Bay, Herolds Bay and Gwaing River Mouth and Beach
- **Outeniqua Family Market**
- **Outeniqua Pass**



Arts, culture and heritage

History for breakfast, trains for lunch and theatre by night.

Experience the opulence of a bygone era in George's remarkable performance space. Adventure through history on a vintage rail trolley or browse the antiques of our town's forefathers at the George Museum. A wealth of culture and history await you in the sixth oldest town in South Africa.

George's antiquity is written in its forests, timber and saw dust. Originally established as a trading post for the timber industry in the eighteenth century, the town of George grew around the demand for wood for building, transport and furniture. One can sense the hardship of these early woodcutters and experience their skilled craftsmanship in the George Museum. An exhibition about the historic timber industry includes a display of traditional woodworking tools, furniture crafted from the indigenous Yellowwood Tree as well as original photographs of the woodcutting communities. An outdoor display shows a reconstructed yellowwood cottage from the 1890's as well as plantings of fynbos and forest trees. Smaller children will enjoy the Toy Exhibition on the first floor displaying antique train sets, Kewpie dolls and model aeroplanes. Community members are invited to aid in the identification of activists depicted in the photographic exhibit about forced removals in George.

There isn't a better way to experience George's bygone days than to relax on the Outeniqua Power Van and chug back in time. The power van remains one of George's most popular tourist attractions. It leaves daily from the Outeniqua Transport Museum. This rail trip is an absolute must for train fans of all ages and offers an unbeatable insight into our fascinating local rail heritage. Climb aboard the vintage rail inspection trolley and ascend the Outeniqua Mountains. These mountains were originally inhabited by the Khoi San. 'Outeniqua' means 'man laden with honey' and alludes to the rich bounty nature provided to these indigenous hunter gatherers.

The swaying motion of the carriage and the hypnotic clacking of the tracks transport travellers back in time. Over the honking blast of the horn and the squealing of the metal tracks, the guides explain the history of the route. The bench at the front adjacent to

the driver offers uninterrupted panoramic views of the sheer mountain slopes, dripping forest, cascading waterfalls and purple heather.

The building of this railway line over the precipitous Outeniqua Mountains, between George and Oudtshoorn, began in December 1908 and was officially completed in 1913. Thousands of sticks of dynamite were used to blast the track out of solid rock. The line required the excavation of seven separate tunnels, the longest of which is Topping Tunnel at a length of 230 metres. Some 2 500 mostly convict workers were employed in its construction. The total cost came to a staggering £465 000. The rail tour takes about two and a half hours with a 30 minute picnic break close to Power Station. Booking is essential. Bring some snacks and a drink and enjoy some Instagram opportunities.

The Outeniqua Transport Museum itself holds an epic collection of trains, ox-wagons, vintage fire engines and even a funeral hearse from the last century. The enormous museum also houses a fantastic array of private collectors' vintage cars, all in beautiful condition, including a Model T Ford, restored Italian supercars, as well as the MG Midget! A visit to the train museum is a brilliant idea for the rare rainy day in George. Energetic children can climb aboard some of the superbly preserved locomotives and even sit in the dining carriage of the Royal White Train.





George Arts Theatre has a local reputation for show-stopping acts. The playhouse features two performance spaces, including an outdoor amphitheatre. The building once accommodated the young ladies attending Miss Christina's First-Class Public School for Girls. The quaint and cosy theatre has recently been lovingly restored, with luxurious seating, Moulin Rouge style murals and romantic lighting. The theatre is a cultural gem boasting old-style charm with a few modern twists. The Backstage Lounge Café is a coffee bar by day, serving light lunches, and a vibrant chandelier-lit lounge by night. Catch a fringe film festival, pantomime, drama or a live music gig.

The green lungs of the town are located on Caledon Street at the Garden Route Botanic Gardens. The garden was the site of the first irrigation scheme in the town in 1811 by the then Mayor Adriaan Geysbertus van Kerval. One of his first acts as mayor was to redirect water from the Rooi River via furrows to the 'Van Kerval' storage dam to supply the original 36 plots in the hamlet. These historic furrows and weirs are still visible in the GRBG. The main purpose of the gardens is to protect the local indigenous flora, according to manager; Finn Rautenbach.

"We are in danger of losing our medicinal and edible plant heritage," he explains, "the Koi San had an in depth knowledge of indigenous plants". This incredible floral resource was their larder, pharmacy, bedding and part of their spiritual and cultural legacy. Much of their invaluable heritage was passed down orally, from parent to child or from one shaman to another. Much of this plant knowledge is being lost.

The Medicinal Plant Mound is a vibrant example of the preservation of our traditional medicines. This exhibit features segments planted with a variety of folk remedies to education and local people to harvest. Smell the potent Wild Garlic with its tiny purple flowers. Spot the African Potato, it's said to be a treatment for tuberculosis. Sample the bitter tasting African Wormwood. Wildedagga, Sour Fig and many more folk remedies are displayed. Children will enjoy reading the sign boards and discovering the different illness treated by each remedy. Smaller children will enjoy the different scents, from the strong smelling Vick's Plant, the garlic scented Knoffelbuchu to the aromatic Wild Rosemary. Inquisitive guests will quickly associate the names of the plants with their interesting shapes – the Elephant Ear has thick fleshy leaves and can be consumed for parasitic infections. The Slaagblad's flower resembles the head of a snake. Herbal remedies such as Pelargonium sidoides have now reached far outside SA, their antiseptic and immune boosting effects have lead it to become the main component of cold and cough medicines as far away as Germany and the USA.

Tourists can stroll the spiralling path to the summit of the Medicinal Plant Mound. A quick rest on the memorial seat offers a view of the Koi San Maze and the lush slopes of the Outeniqua Mountains. This is one of the best views in George and is wheelchair and stroller accessible. Entrance to the garden is very affordable and guests can pick up a map upon arrival.



Enjoy Nature

Garden Route
Botanical Garden





Family entertainment, George

Activities

Elevate Trampoline Park and Go Cart Track



+27 44 004 0017/8
www.elevatepark.co.za
Mon - Thu 10:00 - 19:30 • Fri - Sat 10:00 - 22:00
Sun 10:00 - 18:00
Go carts • Trampoline

Garden Route Birds of Prey Rehabilitation Centre



+27 71 389 3820
Mon - Sun 09:00 - 16:00
Bird rehab centre

Garden Route Paintball Games

+27 82 566 4202
www.grpaintball.co.za
Mon - Sun 09:00 - 17:00

George Wildlife and Animal Park

+27 44 889 0007
www.georgewildlifepark.co.za
Tue - Sun 09:00 - 16:00
During school holidays open 7 days a week except Christmas Day
Kids play area • Functions and kids party venue

Happy Valley

+27 44 873 0046
www.happyvalleygeorge.co.za
Mon (only open on public holidays)
Tue - Fri 9:00 - 17:00 • Sun 10:00 - 14:00
Children's play area • Baby area • Function venue • Coffee shop

Outeniqua Power Van



+27 82 490 5627
Hours based on bookings
Guided rail trips

Redberry Farm



+27 44 870 7123
www.redberryfarm.co.za
Mon - Sat 09:00 - 16:00 • Pub Hol 09:00 - 16:00
Outdoor playground • Live music (on occasion) • Pick your own strawberries • Pedal go-carts • Largest permanent maze • Bumper boats • Mini train • Bubble ball • Pony rides • Restaurants: cuisine type pizza and pasta • Gluten free options • Vegetarian friendly • Vegan options • Free Wi-Fi • Baby changing station • Wheelchair friendly

Ster Kinekor

+27 86 166 8437
www.sterkinekor.com
Hours based on bookings
Cinema

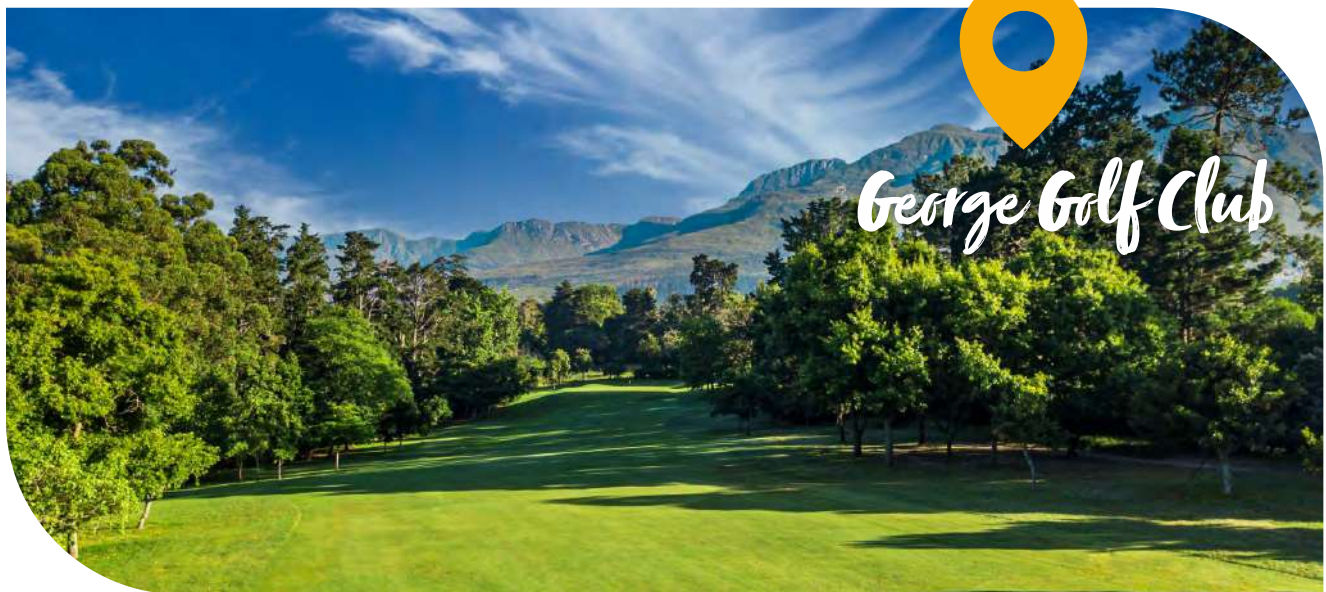




Golfing in George

As the **home of golf in Africa**, is there any place better to bring your clubs? Tee off at several **premier golf courses** and enjoy a **golfing holiday** like no other.

Why every golfer should visit George



We really have it all; mountains, forests, sea, restaurants, climate, etc. Add some of the country's (and arguably even the world's) top golf courses to this enviable list, and you get the ultimate overall package.

Have a look at these fantastic golf courses at the foothills of the Outeniqua Mountains to see why George should be your number 1 golfing location, if it isn't already.

At the top of our list is **The Links**. Situated at the world renowned Fancourt Golf Estate. Once an airfield, this dune-scaped course was designed by Gary Player and welcomed its first players in November 2000. Known for the hard-hitting golfing challenge it presents and a credible rendition of classic Scottish links courses, it played host to several of the world's most significant tournaments in the past. A round of golf on this course means you'll follow in the footsteps of golfing greats, such as Ernie Els, Tiger Woods and Retief Goosen.

Fancourt is not only known for The Links, but boasts two other lovely courses which consistently rank among the Top 20 in national golf course listings. **Fancourt Montagu** has 18 holes and is the estate's original golf course. Its terrain varies and meanders

through an indigenous parkland landscape. It is suitable for golfers of all abilities. There's a warm-up area, and a chipping and bunker practice area.

Like its other siblings, the **Fancourt Outeniqua** golf course was designed by Gary Player and promises an entertaining and leisurely golfing experience. Tough still challenging, it's a more lenient range and can accommodate a large number of golf players. It's well-manicured and tough holes are alternated by easier ones.

George Golf Club, affectionately known as the Old Course, dates way back to 1906 when it was first established. However, balls only got hit on the current site since the 1930's. It's an enchanting, natural parkland course lined with many trees, and golfers often share their play ground with African monkeys and buck, not to mention the wealth of indigenous feathered friends. It presents players with a fair share of challenges, and its famous Hole 17 counts among the Top 500 in the world. As a bonus, the club also offers some of the most affordable rates in South Africa, and the thousands of visitors swinging their clubs here every year is testimony to its immense popularity.



Featured: Kingswood Golf Estate



Featured: Glenwood Golf Course



Featured: Uniondale Golf Course

Kingswood Golf Estate attracts golfers from all over with its uniquely designed championship golf course. From practically any place on the course, players can appreciate the ever-changing mountain scape while strutting their stuff. Each hole offers its own challenges, with especially the last four holes giving players a run for their money. With its fast greens, traditional pot-bunkers, expert golf coaching on hand and available to all, and known as a woman-friendly track, this golf course is one of the must-play courses in the area.

Another golfing gem is to be found at the **Oubaai Golf Estate** near Herolds Bay. The estate boasts the first Ernie Els Signature Course in South Africa and players of all levels will have fun testing their skills. It is well laid out and built on a cliff-top with the mighty Indian Ocean as a splendid backdrop. Having said that, windy conditions on said cliff-top will take up the golfing challenge a notch or two.

For a nice, quick round of golf, the **Glenwood Golf Course** with its nine holes and high-quality bent grass greens is a definite consideration. Their vision is to make their customers happy and that is indeed the case. After having clubbed and sliced, puttered and struck, and everything else that golfers do, you can relax in their fully licenced clubhouse before moving on to your next Garden Route adventure.

And if you and your golfing buddies would like to go on a golf tour, experiencing all there is to experience golf-wise in our area without doing all the organisation yourself, **Golfguy Tours** is your solution. It's an inbound golf tour operator with an expert team of professional golfers and golf event specialists. They will put together a customised tour, including everything from arranging accommodation, to transport, to optional day trips.



Oubaai Golf Estate



Fancourt

South Africa's premier lifestyle resort lies on 613 hectares of pristine countryside sheltered by the Outeniqua Mountains.

5-star Fancourt Hotel offers 115 luxurious rooms and suites, and the Manor House at Fancourt is an exquisite boutique country hotel with 18 suites and proud member of the **Leading Hotels of the World**.

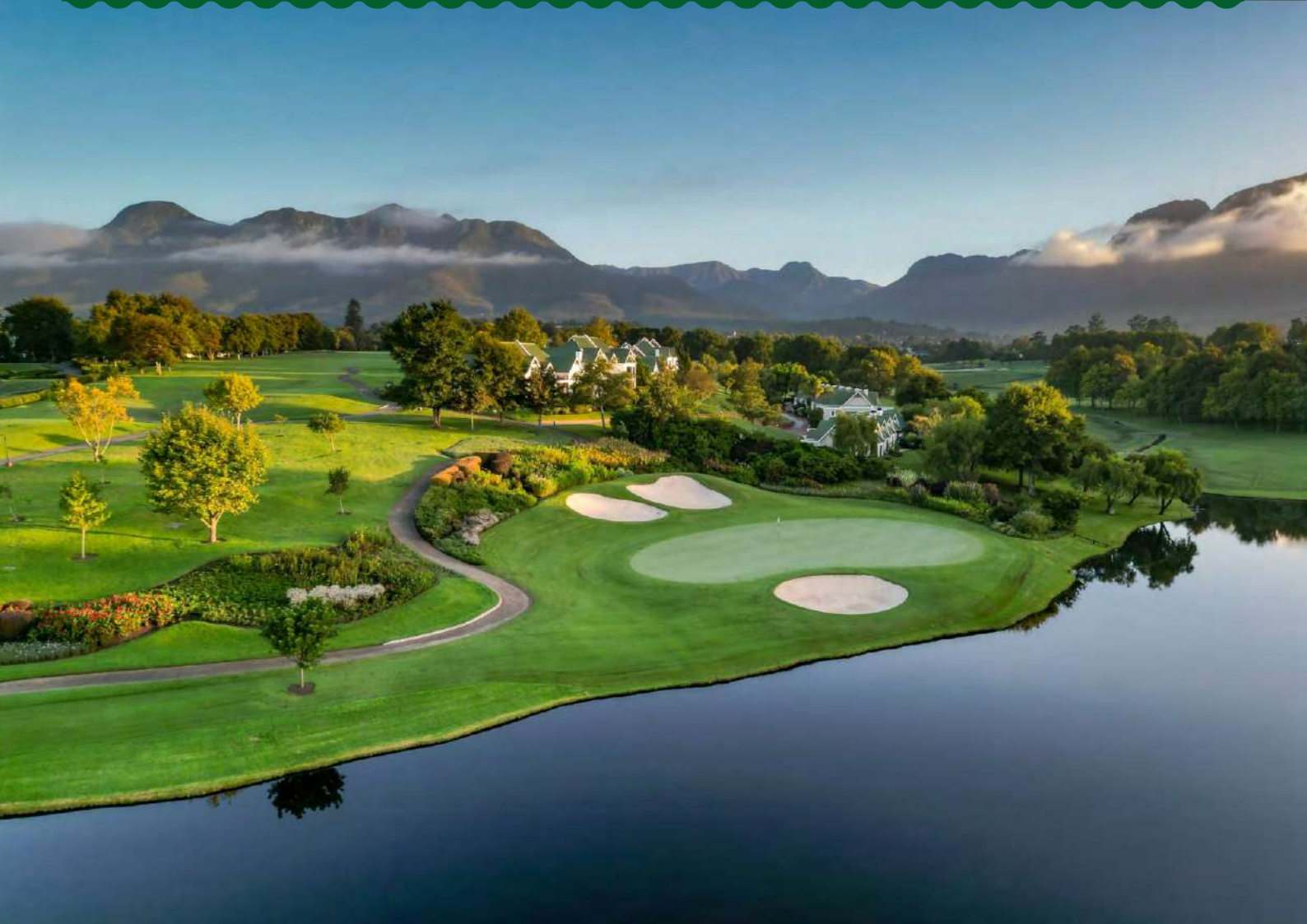
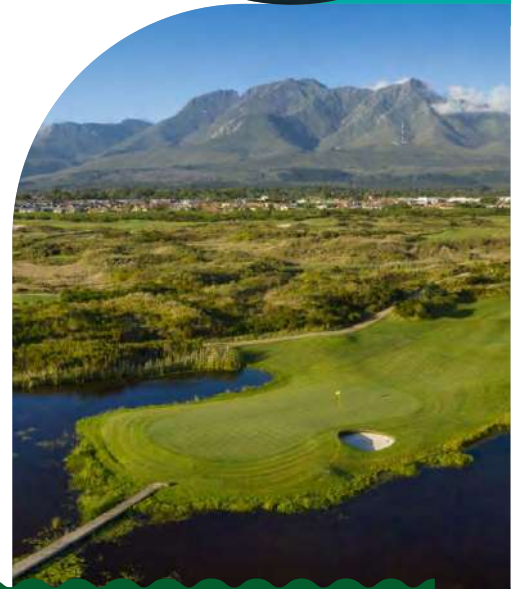
There are three **Gary Player designer courses**, each with its own unique character and allure – the **Links**, **Montagu** and **Outeniqua**. Fancourt regularly hosts Sunshine Tour events. **The Presidents Cup was at The Links in 2003** and **Women's World Cup in 2005**. Since 2010 the resort has hosted the Dimension Data Pro-Am.

Fancourt features its own golf academy, offering coaching clinics with highly sought-after professionals, as well as a state-of-the-art master fitting studio.

Please note that **no day visitors** are allowed at Fancourt's courses.



Fancourt is home to some of the worlds most spectacular and rewarding golf courses. **Golf Digest** voted it **South Africa's No 1 golf destination**.



The Links

Fancourt | 18 Holes | Par 73



The Links at Fancourt, once an airfield, is now a world-class golf course inspired by British Isles links courses. Designed by Gary Player, who calls it his greatest achievement, it has hosted prestigious events, including the 2002 Presidents Cup, where Tiger Woods and Ernie Els tied in a legendary match. Golfers here follow in the footsteps of champions.

Course designer
Gary Player, 2000

Facilities

- Caddies
- Halfway House

Contact details

Fancourt, Montagu Street,
Blanco, George
+27 44 804 0844
thelinks@fancourt.co.za
thelinks.fancourt.co.za



Fancourt Links is ranked No 28 in Golf Digest's 2022-23 Biennial List of the World's 100 Greatest Courses outside the US.

Montagu

Fancourt | 18 Holes | Par 72



Fancourt's Montagu Golf Course has earned a world-renowned reputation as one of the finest and toughest 18-hole parkland courses in South Africa. Known for its immaculate conditioning, fast, firm greens, and challenging layout, it offers a rewarding experience for golfers. As Fancourt's original course, Montagu stands out for its scenic beauty and distinctive design, making it one of the country's most prestigious golfing destinations.

Course designer

Gary Player, 1992
Redesign by
David McLay Kidd, 2004
Gary Player, 2018

Facilities

- Halfway House
- Golf Carts & Caddies
Golfers playing Montagu or Outeniqua can employ caddies to carry bags or serve as forecaddies for golfers using carts.

Contact details

Fancourt, Montagu Street,
Blanco, George
+27 44 804 0000
golfreservations@fancourt.co.za
fancourt.co.za



Montagu has been in Sa's Top 10 courses for more than 20 years and ranked No 1 by Golf Digest in 2001.

Outeniqua

Fancourt | 18 Holes | Par 72



The Outeniqua course provides a relaxed and enjoyable golfing experience while keeping golfers challenged and engaged. This beautiful course is named after the surrounding mountains that paint its backdrop. Like its other siblings it was designed by Gary Player. Tough, still challenging, the Outeniqua course can accommodate a large number of golfers on its well-manicured fairways and green. Alternate holes give respite from the tougher holes to make the golf most enjoyable.

Course designer

Gary Player, 1997

Facilities

- Halfway House
- Golf Carts & Caddies
Golfers playing Montagu or Outeniqua can employ caddies to carry bags or serve as forecaddies for golfers using carts.

Contact details

Fancourt, Montagu Street, Blanco,
George
+27 44 804 0000
golfreservations@fancourt.co.za
fancourt.co.za

Oubaai

18 Holes | Par 72



Another golfing gem is found at Oubaai Golf Estate near Herolds Bay, George - Ernie Els' first course design in South Africa. Players of all skill levels will enjoy testing their abilities on this links-style course while taking in stunning clifftop views of the Indian Ocean, which frame several holes.

The often windy conditions on the cliffs add an extra layer of challenge. The course concludes with three picturesque holes overlooking the Gwaing River gorge, with the final hole teeing off above Oubaai Cove. The Clubhouse, featuring open-air terraces, offers panoramic views of the 16th, 17th, and 18th greens, as well as the ocean and river valley.

Practice facilities

Oubaai has a full-service practice facility including driving range, two practice putting greens and a short-game area, all complimentary with a round of golf.

Course designer

Ernie Els, 2005

Facilities

- Pro Shop
- Halfway House
- Clubhouse
- Golf Carts
- Hotel with 100 rooms and suites, 3 restaurants, spa, events venues, gym and swimming pool.

Contact details

Oubaai Estate, 406 Herolds Bay Road, George
+27 44 851 1263
bookings@oubaaigolf.co.za
oubaaigolfestate.co.za

George

18 Holes | Par 72



George Golf Club, fondly known as "the old course," has a rich history dating back to 1906, with the current layout established in the 1930s. This charming parkland course is set amidst natural surroundings, where golfers often encounter African monkeys, buck, and a variety of bird species.

Despite its scenic beauty, the course presents its own set of challenges, including the renowned 17th hole, ranked among the top 500 in the world. George Golf Club has hosted numerous amateur and national championships, and its affordable rates make it a favorite among both locals and visitors, attracting thousands of players each year. Remarkably, the course was designed entirely around the natural landscape without the use of machinery.

Practice facilities

George is restricted to a short-game area next to the ninth green, and at halfway house.

Course designer

Charles Molteno Murray, 1931

Facilities

- Golf Shop and Clubhouse
- Locker Rooms
- Venue Hire
- Golf Carts Caddies
- Golf Trolleys
- Halfway House Non-golfers can also enjoy the facility for breakfast and lunch

Contact details

16 CJ Langenhoven Road, George
+27 44 873 6116
info@georgegolfclub.co.za
georgegolfclub.co.za

Kingswood

18 Holes | Par 72



Kingswood golf course attracts players from all over, and it is locally named Sally Little's signature course, an initial stakeholder in the development. From just about any angle on the course, the unique mountain scape of George can be enjoyed. All the holes offer challenges, but the last four are known to take their toll, so save your best for last. With fast greens, traditional pot-bunkers, yet still women-friendly, this is one of the must-play courses in the area.

Kingswood does not have a halfway house, but they have 2 Quarter Houses with a grab and go facility. Groups can pre-book and use a voucher system for their players.

Course designer

Danie Obermeyer, 2007

Facilities

- Golf Club
- Restaurant and Player Lounge
- Driving Range and Practice Facilities
- Golf Lessons and Coaching
- Pro Shop and Fitting Services

Contact details

Plattner Boulevard, George
+27 86 172 7170
golf@kingswoodgolf.co.za
kingswood.co.za

Glenwood

9 Holes | Par 29 • 18 Holes | Par 58



Swing by for a round of golf at this nine-hole, 18-tee-box golf course. It's short, with high quality bent grass greens and a fully licenced club house with beautiful views of the omnipresent Outeniqua Mountains. There are a few water hazards across the course, as well as three bunkers.

It has been described as the best short course in South Africa. Clubs and carts are available to rent, and distances covered range between 92m and 292m. Visitors are always welcome.

Course designer

Ian Gibbon, 2001

Facilities

- Clubs and Pull Cart Rental
- Go Cart Hire
- On-site Bar Facilities
- Clubhouse

Contact details

Knysna Road, Glenwood
George
+27 44 871 3656
glengolf18@gmail.com

Uniondale

9 Holes | Par 72



A beautiful 600ha farm on the outskirts of Uniondale has been transformed into a 9-hole country golf course. The course is a truly unique experience with the natural elements of the Klein Karoo blending in with the course itself. Every green and tee box is planted grass, but what you find in between, you'll have to see for yourself. Goats and a couple of springbok roam the course, and the dirt roads around the farm are suitable for biking and hiking. Uniondale's laid-back nature and Klein Karoo charm is what creates this course's appeal. On Friday and Saturday nights the club house pub opens and locals gather at the watering hole for a few drinks, pool and sport on the big screen TV's. The course operates Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Practice facilities

There are practise facilities available on the course.

Course designer

Ken Dodds, 2014

Facilities

- Club House
- Bowls area

Contact details

Uniondale Golf Course, Stoneleigh
Farm, Uniondale
+27 82 774 0004
kendodds100@gmail.com



Health and wellness / Spa, George

Activities

Fancourt Spa



+27 44 804 0000

www.fancourt.co.za

Mon - Sat 08:00 - 19:00 • Sun 09:00 - 18:00

Named Best Hotel Spa in South Africa 2018 by the Les Nouvelles Esthetiques Spa Awards. Heated roman bath and jacuzzi • Sauna • Steam room • Tepidarium wellness treatments • Physiotherapy • Medical ozone therapy

Freesia Spa

+27 44 851 1233

www.oubaaihotels.com/freesia-spa

Mon - Sat 10:00 - 19:00 • Sun 08:00 - 17:00

Manicures • Pedicures • Waxing • Massages • Steam rooms

Sanguine Spa and College

+27 44 873 4513

www.sanguinewellness.co.za

Mon, Wed and Fri 09:00 - 17:00

Tues and Thu 10:00 - 19:00

Sat 09:00 - 15:00 • Pub Hol 09:00 - 13:00

Facials • Massages • Hand treatments • Foot treatments • Waxing • Jacuzzi • Steam room / Rasul chamber • Deck and food menu • Parties and functions • Training

Serendipity Beauty Studio

+27 84 506 0097

www.serendipitystudio.co.za

Mon - Fri 09:00 - 17:00

Massages • Facials • Spa packages • Beauty treatments

Sierra Massage Lounge



+27 72 146 6973

Hours based on bookings

Massages • Facials • Spa packages • Beauty treatments



Markets, George

Activities



Outeniqua Family Market

+27 76 781 3621 | +27 82 465 2952

www.outeniquafamilymarket.co.za

Sat 08:00 - 14:00

Farm stalls • Craft stalls • Gift shop • Live Entertainment • Secure parking • Pedal cars • Boere train ride • Ponycycle rides





Tastings / Pairings / Cooking lessons, George

Activities

10 Oxes Gin



+27 72 996 1668
www.10oxes.co.za
Booking essential
Gin tastings • Craft your own Gin

Caloroso Café



+27 44 874 0482
www.caloroso.co.za
Mon - Thu 06:00 - 18:00 • Fri 06:00 - 17:00
Sat 08:00 - 13:00
Coffee and chocolate pairing

Boplaas Family Vineyards

+27 44 870 7123
www.redberryfarm.co.za
Mon - Sat 09:00-16:00
Tasting room

Francois Ferreira Academy



+27 44 884 0765
www.francoisferreira.com
Mon - Thu 08:00 - 16:00 • Fri 08:00 - 14:30
Sat 09:00 - 13:00
Public cooking class • Children's cooking class • Team building • Short courses • Customised training packages • Hospitality courses

"Experiences you cannot miss with your kids?"

- The activities at Redberry Farm
- Snapping a pic at the Map of Africa
- Picnicking at the Woodville Big Tree
- Learning about the locomotives and vintage vehicles at the Transnet Transport Museum
- Walking or canoeing at Ebb and Flow, Wilderness section of the Garden Route National Park



Edwardine

Personal preferences from the perspective of a local 'Joe' Age Range: 25 - 34





Museums, George

Activities

George Museum



+27 44 873 5343

www.westerncape.gov.za/facility/george-museum

Mon - Fri 08:00 - 16:00 • Sat 08:00 - 12:00

Inhouse tours

Transnet Transport Museum



+27 44 801 8289

Mon - Fri 08:00 - 16:30 • Sat 08:00 - 14:00

Speciality museum • Outeniqua Power Van • Miniature train model room • Historic transport exhibitions •

Wheelchair friendly



Theatre and shows, George

Activities



The Dotsure George Arts Theatre

+27 44 873 3938 | +27 62 851 0751

www.georgeartstheatre.co.za

Mon, Wed and Fri 13:00 - 15:00

Based on shows

Live music shows • Art shows



Tastings / Pairings / Cooking lessons, Herold

Activities



Herold Wines

+27 72 833 8223

www.heroldwines.co.za

Mon - Sat 10:00 - 16:00

Wine tasting and pairings • Wine from the Outeniquas •

Light meals





Adventure, Wilderness

Activities

Black Horse Trails

+27 83 494 5642
www.blackhorsetrails.co.za
Mon - Sun (based on bookings)
1.5 Hour half horse riding trails • 3.5 Hour rock pool ride

Cloudbase Paragliding



+27 82 777 8474
www.cloudbase-paragliding.co.za
Mon - Sun 08:00 - 20:00
Paragliding • Paragliding courses

Dolphin Paragliding

+27 72 199 0622
www.dolphinparagliding.co.za
Summer: 09:00 - 16:00 • Winter: 11:00 - 14:00
Open every day
Paragliding • Paragliding courses • Tours

Eden Adventures

+27 44 877 0179
www.eden.co.za
Mon - Fri Summer 07:30 - 18:00 • Winter 08:00 - 16:00
Canoeing / kayaking • Abseiling • Kloofing / canyoning • Team building

Explore Eden

+27 83 703 9482
Hours based on bookings
Hiking • Canyoning / abseiling • Kayaking

Flytime Paragliding

+27 72 612 8168
www.flytimeparagliding.co.za
Open every day 07:00 - 20:00
Paragliding tours • Paragliding school

Garden Route Horse Trails

+27 82 517 0621
www.gardenroute-horsetrails.co.za
Mon - Sun 08:00 - 17:00 • Pub Hol 08:00 - 17:00
Guided horse trail riding for 90 min - 3 hours

Kaaimans Adventures



+27 63 561 0509
www.kaaimansadventures.com
Mon - Sun 08:00 - 18:00 • Pub Hol 08:00 - 18:00
Weather permitting
Scenery • Kayaking • Music events • Bird watching • Historical sites • Private nature reserve

Perdepoot Horse Trails



+27 82 646 8290
Mon - Sat 10:00 - 15:00
1.5 Hour horse rides

Wild and Loose Surf School

+27 82 852 7294
www.wild-n-loose-surf-school.business.site
Mon - Sun 07:00 - 17:00
Surfing school





Adventure, Wilderness

Activities

Wild X Adventures

- +27 82 066 1197
- www.wildx.co.za
- Mon - Sun: Activities 08:00 - 17:00
Office 07:00 - 19:00

Quad bike tours • Horse riding • Kiddies parties •
Corporate events • School outings • Wall climbing

Wild2Fly



- +27 83 393 3938
 - www.hangglidingschool.com
 - Hours based on bookings
- Flight training • Hang gliding and paragliding school •
Flight tours

Wilderness Birdwatching Tours

- +27 74 534 5601
- Hours based on bookings

Wilderness River Safaris



- +27 82 440 9807 • +27 81 593 8937
+27 44 882 1207
 - www.wildriversafaris.co.za
 - Summer 09:00 - 18:00 • Winter 09:00 - 16:30
Special requests by arrangement
- Town river cruise • Island lake cruise • Customised
cruises





Art galleries, Wilderness

Activities

Cabesa Gallery

+27 82 569 0800
www.cabesagallery.com
Mon - Thu 09:00 - 16:30 • Fri 09:00 - 19:00
Sat 09:00 - 12:00

Monthly art fair • Annual art festival • Wilderness art association • Wats-up on the wild • Wilderness business (social media)

Irma Art Studio

+27 84 581 5115
www.irmadewaal.co.za
Mon - Fri 08:00 - 16:00
Art exhibitions • Art and craft shop

Karen Muir

+27 44 850 1555 • +27 76 394 7665
Hours based on bookings
Pottery and craft exhibitions • Pottery and craft shop • Art gift shop

Peter Pharoah



+27 76 976 2629
www.peterpharoah.com
Mon - Fri 09.30 - 17:00
Art gallery • Art exhibitions • Artwork and prints

The Le Roux Gallery

+27 61 547 0625
www.thelerouxgallery.co.za
Hours based on bookings
Art exhibitions • Art shop

Wilderness Art Meander

+27 82 569 0800 • +27 44 877 0045
Mon - Fri 08:30 - 16:30 • Sat 09:00 - 13:00
Self-guided tour



Family entertainment, Wilderness

Activities



Acrobranch

+27 86 999 0369
www.acrobranch.co.za
Mon - Fri 08:30 - 16:30 • Sat - Sun 09:00 - 15:00
Tarzan swings • Zip lines • Canopy tours • Birthday parties • Family outings • Corporate team building





Health and wellness / Spa, Wilderness

Activities

Views Wellness Emporium

☎ +27 44 877 8000

🌐 www.viewshotel.co.za

🕒 Hours based on bookings

Spa facilities

Wilderness Hydro

☎ +27 44 877 1299

🌐 www.wildernesshydro.co.za

🕒 Hours based on bookings

Spa facilities



Markets, Wilderness

Activities

Milkwood Village Market



☎ +27 44 877 1888

🕒 Fri 16:00 - 21:00 • Sun 10:00 - 15:00

Live music • Arts and crafts • Braai facilities • Farm stalls

• Coffee shop • Café's

Fairyknowe Backpackers Market

☎ +27 83 443 8384

🌐 www.wildernessbackpackers.com

Arts and crafts • Live music • Food, coffee, ferments •

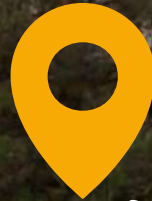
Clothes (new and previously loved) • Tarot reading •

Bioresonance therapy • Fully licensed bar.



George Dam





Karoo to Coast

Annual MTB event

Hike or bike spectacular scenery

A vast 1,000km of trails through lush forest, picturesque farmlands, breath-taking bush, natural pools, waterfalls, and panoramic views.





Art galleries, Uniondale

Activities

Kannabos Gallery Cacti and Succulent Nursery



+27 83 444 5237

Open for clients upon telephone request

Paintings • Coffee • Art exhibitions • Succulent plants collection

Langkloof Gallery and Sculpture Garden



+27 83 589 2881

www.ridley.co.za

Mon - Sun 09:00 - 17:30

Art gallery and sculpture garden • Accommodation • Light lunches • Teas, prior booking essential



Historical buildings, Uniondale

Activities

Anglican Cemetery

De Waal Street, Uniondale, 6460

Anglican Church

Voortrekker Street, Uniondale, 6460

Apple Express Steam Train

-33.72855900283399, 23.169094446711405, Avontuur, 6490

Boer War Fort

Google Maps: 84RM+37 Uniondale

Jewish Cemetery

Wehmeyer Street, Uniondale, 6460

Jewish Synagogue

Victoria Street, Uniondale, 6460

Old Power Station

R339, Uniondale, 6460

The Old Congregational Church

Church Street, Uniondale, 6460

The Uniondale Ghost Statue

Voortrekker Street, Uniondale, 6460

Uniondale Fort

- S33.6599767, E23.1335083, Uniondale, 6460

Uniondale Police Station & Court

Voortrekker Street, Uniondale, 6460

Watermill

S33.6561336, E23.1371564 Uniondale, 6460





Family entertainment, Uniondale

Activities

Uniondale Tuk Tuk



☎ +27 44 752 1430 • +27 71 152 1046

📍 Hours based on bookings

Daily tours



Golf, Uniondale

Activities

Uniondale Golf Club



☎ +27 82 774 0004

📍 Hours based on bookings

Golf 9 holes



4 x 4, De Vlucht

Activities

M'Kama 4x4 Route

☎ +27 44 752 3005 • +27 81 739 6955

🌐 www.mkama.co.za/4x4-tracks

📍 Mon - Fri 07:00 - 19:00

4x4 • Hiking • Cycling • Biking • Braai facility



Nature activities, De Vlucht

Activities

Honeybee Outeniqua Tours

☎ +27 82 923 0143

📍 24/7 based on bookings

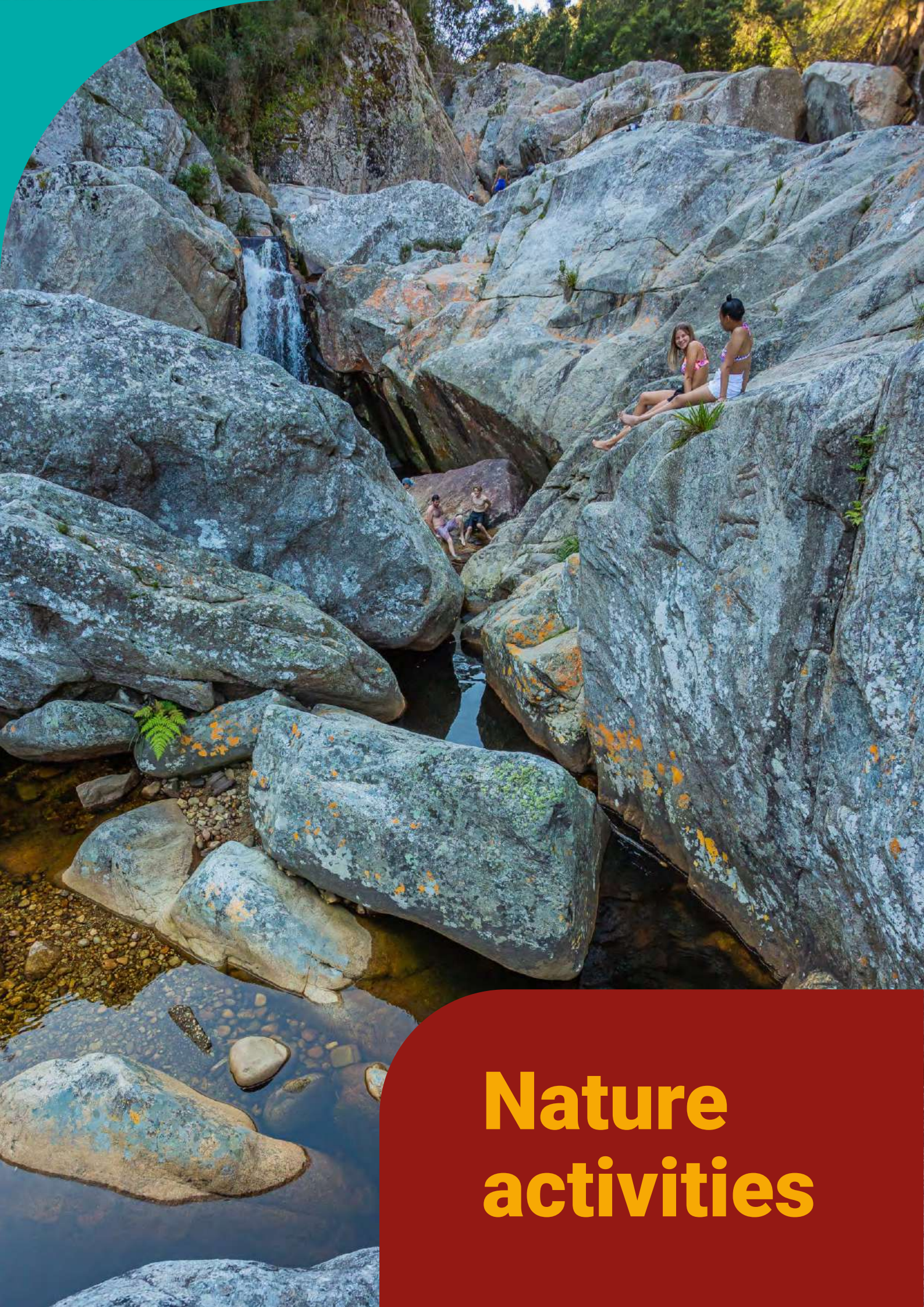
Off road tours



Less time in the car you say?

Our modern and well serviced airport, as well as our national highways, mean you can get here, easy peasy. George and Wilderness have the shortest driving routes when exploring the greater Garden Route area, simply because they're situated in the middle! Sleep in George or Wilderness and spend your minutes on the experiences you came for, instead of the highway.





**Nature
activities**

Feathers, forests and footpaths:

George's best birding routes

If you are up at dawn, then the forests, fynbos and karoo of the George municipal area come alive with birdsong - a vibrant invitation to explore one of South Africa's most rewarding birding regions. From a lush botanical garden to remote mountain passes, the Garden Route is a birdwatcher's paradise, offering a remarkable diversity of habitats and over 300 species of birds. Whether you're a seasoned birder or a curious nature enthusiast, the region's avitourism offerings will leave you spellbound.

Prime birding hotspots

George and surrounds

Start your journey in the heart of George at the Garden Route Botanical Garden. This urban oasis introduces you to forest-edge birding at its best - keep an eye out for **Forest Buzzard** overhead and for flocks of **Sweet Waxbills** at the forest edge, or head to the wetland and relax in the bird hide for views of **Black Crake** walking on the lily pads, a **Malachite Kingfisher** perched ready to strike, reed warblers flitting through the reedbeds, and a chattering colony of **Cape Weavers**.

Just east of town, the Groeneweide Forest Trails wind into an extensive area of indigenous Afrotemperate forest, where the elusive **Scaly-throated Honeyguide** may be heard before it is seen. Here too, you might glimpse the rare **African Cuckoo Hawk** or see the crimson-red flash of a **Knysna Turaco's** wings as it moves up in the canopy or even catch a fleeting look at the shy but exquisite **Narina Trogon**.

To the west of George, the rolling farmlands of the Geelhoutboom area offer expansive vistas and excellent birding. The lush pastures attract **Cape Longclaw** and **Black-winged Lapwing**, while the abundance of rodents draws **Black-winged Kite** and **Long-crested Eagle**.

North of George, the Outeniqua Mountains rise steeply, and several hiking trails start from a small parking area at Sputnik, near the summit of the pass. Here, you are surrounded by pristine fynbos and its avian inhabitants. Flowering Proteas and Ericas attract **Cape Sugarbird** and **Orange-breasted**

Sunbird. Listen for the song of the **Cape Grassbird** ringing down the valleys.

Once over the pass, look out for **Cape Rock Thrush** as you drive through Paardepoort and link up with the Heimersrivier Road, which takes you deeper into the karoo veld. A favourite among local birders, this quiet country route frequently produces **Lanner Falcon**, **Black Harrier**, and the occasional **Booted Eagle** patrolling the skies. The arid farmland hosts a host of LBJs, including the melodious **Large-billed Lark** and **Grey-backed Sparrowlark**, while patches of riparian woodland produce Pirit Batis, Long-billed Crombec and Yellow-bellied Eremomela.

Wilderness and Hoekwil

Further east, the charming villages of Wilderness and Hoekwil are surrounded by some of the finest forest, fynbos and wetland birding in the region. The Half-collared Kingfisher and Brown-hooded Kingfisher Trails trace their way along lush, forested valleys where **Knysna Warbler**, **White-starred Robin** and **Green-backed Camaroptera** call from the dense foliage.





The Woodville Big Tree Trail, which starts at an 800-year-old Outeniqua Yellowwood, also hosts a variety of forest specialists including both **Olive** and **Knysna Woodpecker** as well as noisy flocks of **Green Wood Hoopoes**.

A drive up the Bergplaas Road offers both forest and fynbos habitats, rewarding birders with sightings of **Grey Cuckooshrike** and, if you are lucky, the elusive **Victorin's Warbler**. Above Langvlei, the elevated plateau hosts a rich assemblage of open-country species.

Secretarybirds stalk through the fields, and **Denham's Bustards** may be seen striding across the grasslands.

Most notably, this area is anchored by the Wilderness Lakes system. Two bird hides offer intimate views into the world of wetland birds. The Malachite Hide, perched over Langvlei, offers a peaceful vantage point for spotting **Great Crested Grebe**, **Black-necked Grebe**, and various species of duck. On the Touw River near the Fairy Knowe Hotel, the Gallinule Hide is a tranquil retreat where you may encounter **Half-collared Kingfisher**, and amongst the reeds - **Purple Heron** and

Uniondale and the mountain passes

To the north-east, Uniondale - also part of the George Local Municipality—acts as a gateway to the vast, semi-arid mountain landscapes of the Kammanassie Mountain range. The Kammanassie Birding Loop leads you through dramatic scenery and delivers equally memorable birds, from **Verreaux's Eagles** and **Fairy Flycatchers** to the elusive **Layard's Tit-Babbler** and **Lark-like Bunting**.

South of Uniondale, the Prince Alfred's Pass links the fynbos - covered slopes with lush forest valleys, delivering yet more endemic specials. **Cape Siskin** and **Protea Canary** play among the proteas, while **African Olive Pigeon** and **Yellow-throated Woodland Warbler** haunt the shadier gullies and forest corridors.

Avian highlights: South African endemics and regional specials

The region is home to several South African endemics and near-endemics, making it a must-visit for both local and international birders. Notable birding highlights include:

- **Knysna Warbler, Knysna Woodpecker** and **Knysna Turaco** - forest specialists.
- **Protea Canary, Cape Siskin, Cape Sugarbird** and **Orange-breasted Sunbird** – iconic fynbos endemics associated with protea-rich habitats.
- **Victorin's Warbler** – a shy, skulking species best detected by its distinctive call.
- **Fairy Flycatcher, Pririt Batis** and **Layard's Warbler** typify the arid habitats.
- **Half-collared Kingfisher, White-starred Robin** and **Narina Trogon** – rare and rewarding sightings for the dedicated birder.

A birder's dream destination

With its mosaic of habitats - ranging from ancient forests and coastal lakes to windswept mountain ridges and arid Karoo plains - the George Local Municipality is unmatched in its avian diversity. Whether you're ticking lifers off your list or simply enjoying the symphony of birdsong at dawn, George, Wilderness, Hoekwil, and Uniondale welcome you with wings wide open. Come for the birds. Stay for the wonder.

Special thanks to local birding specialist, **Christiaan Viljoen**, as well as **John Kinghorn**, from **BirdLife South Africa**.

Birdlife South Africa





Nature, George

Activities

Garden Route Botanical Garden



- ☎ +27 44 874 1558
- 🌐 www.botanicalgarden.org.za
- 📅 Mon - Sun 07:00 - 19:00 • Winter 07:30 - 18:00
- 🕒 Office: Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00
- 🕒 Nursery: Mon - Thu 08:00 - 17:00 • Fri 08:00 - 14:30
- 🕒 Sat 09:00 - 14:30 •
- Bird watching • Hiking • Plant sales

Outeniqua Nature Reserve

- ☎ +27 87 087 4151
- 🌐 [www.capenature.co.za/reserves/](http://www.capenature.co.za/reserves/outeniqua-nature-reserve)
outeniqua-nature-reserve
- 📅 Mon - Fri 07:30 - 16:00
- Hiking and walking • Bird watching • MTB • Klipgat cave •
- Rock climbing • Rock art • Wildlife watching • Donkey
- trails • Whale watching and trails • Kayaking and
- canoeing • Horse riding • 4x4 trails



Nature, Wilderness

Activities

Garden Route National Park



- ☎ +27 44 877 1197
- 🌐 [www.sanparks.org/parks/garden_route/](http://www.sanparks.org/parks/garden_route/camps/wilderness/)
camps/wilderness/
- 📅 Mon - Sun 07:00 - 17:30
- Walking and hiking • Canoeing • Kayaking • Boat cruise •
- Bird hide



Nature, Uniondale

Activities

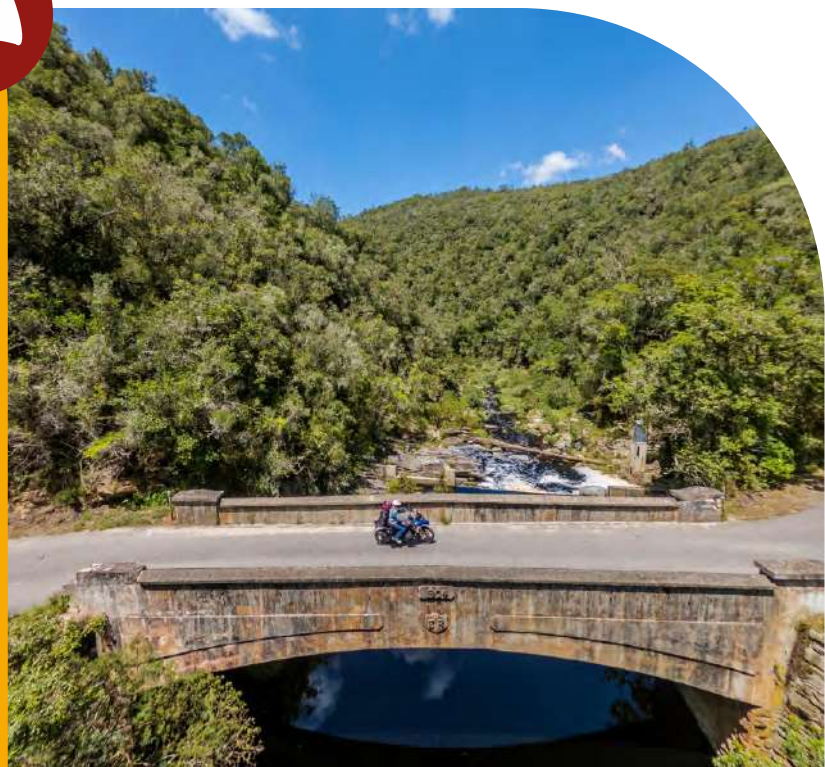
Uniondale Nature Reserve

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Top attractions in Wilderness



- **Beaches and Rivers** such as the Wilderness main beach, Leentjiesklip, Flat Rock, Wilderness Lagoon and Kaaimans River Mouth and Beach
- **Map of Africa Viewpoint**
- **Garden Route National Park**
- **Timberlake Village**
- **Woodville Big Tree**
- **Seven Passes**



Popular mountain biking trails to try



It cannot be denied – mountain biking is big. In the last decade or so the popularity of this sport has grown like a mushroom cloud over a nuclear explosion. And the trend continues.

We here in the Garden Route have plenty of trails to choose from, and you can have a different adventure every time you hit the tracks. Diverse landscapes, various distances, wideranging challenges - the place is a mountain biker's playground, so come have fun! Here is a handful of suggestions for popular mountain biking routes in the George, Wilderness, Uniondale region to take on.



For a nice quick and easy outing, do not miss the **Garden Route Dam Dash route**. This is a short loop taking mountain bikers into pine plantations and back to the starting point alongside the dam's edge. It's only 5,5 kilometres with not much of an elevation gain, but it's certainly enjoyable. You'll get plenty of fresh air, some exercise and the chance to connect with nature.

The **Garden Route Botanical Gardens** gives access to many hiking and mountain bike trails. One of these, the Plantation Link, is a favourite among cyclists. It alternates between a single and jeep track and takes you to the Pepsi Pools, a lovely little waterfall and swimming hole in the forest. It then circles around the Garden Route Dam before slinking back to the botanical gardens. The total distance is a fairly easy 15 kilometres that won't tire out pedallers too much.

A popular trail taking mountain bikers through the pastoral farmlands of George is the Dairyland Route. This one start and ends at the famous Redberry Farm, the perfect place to relax and recharge with great food and something to drink after two hours of cycling. The route comprises more or less 27 kilometres of mostly gravel road through dairy farms. Beautiful Outeniqua Mountain views can be enjoyed as the trail is not too taxing with little climbing.

It's as if **Uniondale** and its surrounds were made for mountain biking. Peppered with dirt roads showing off the mountains and famed wide-open spaces of the Klein Karoo to their best, it's also the training ground for many professional cyclists. The Kammanassie Road is described as a pleasant route requiring a high fitness level and medium skills. Riders have two options: follow this road from Uniondale to De Rust which is 96 kilometres one way. Alternatively, ride from Uniondale to Buffelsdrift and back, which covers 100 kilometres. The last option provides an add-on for expert riders, taking them on a 12-kilometre climb to the King of the Mountain finish. If you enter the the annual Karoo to Coast Mountain Bike Challenge you will be able to have the opportunity to experience the entire Wagon Trail from Uniondale to De Vlugt. However you can access the Wagon Trail from Avontuur to Knysna. This mountain trail requires high fitness and skills levels.

Trails

Paid permits apply on some routes.

Stay Safe:

- Travel in groups or contact us for a list of local guides.
- Ensure you research the route to plan hydration and trail requirements appropriately.
- Take a first aid kit with you.
- Make sure to save local emergency numbers.

George is on the Cross Cape route from Stellenbosch to Plettenberg Bay, a 742km route taking 5 to 20 days depending on your preferred pace, with an 8/10 difficulty. Check out www.capecycleroutes.co.za



Go to www.georgetrails.org.za for maps, GPX download files and more detailed route, safety and permitting information.

Mountain biking



Trail running



Hiking



Enjoy our natural playground!



Light trails



Arendsrus loop

- 📍 George
- 🕒 3 hr
- ➔ 50.3km, from the Heatherpark Engen
- 📖 A ride on mountain contours along jeep tracks past Arendsrus and back through farmlands.



Bergplaas – East side cascades

- 📍 Wilderness
- 🕒 4 hr
- ➔ 50km, from the Woodville Trading Store
- 📖 This route travels to the east side of Bergplaas with two crossings over the Diep River where riders can enjoy a swim.



Brown hooded Kingfisher trail

- 📍 Wilderness
- 🕒 1 - 2 hr
- ➔ 4km, from Bo-langvlei Road
- 📖 This trail winds through the forest to the Duiwe River and is popular for bird watching. There is an optional climb to a viewpoint and a stream is crossed via a wooden bridge and stepping stones. The trail ends at a pool and waterfall.



George parkrun

- 📍 George
- 🕒 Trail run: 30 - 45 min
Hike: 1.30 - 2 hr
- ➔ 5km, from the Garden Route Botanical Gardens
- 📖 A route through the forest, mostly consisting of single track. Online pre-registration is required.

Light trails



George VK



📍 George

🕒 Trail run: 2:30 - 4 hr

Hike: 4 - 6 hr

➡ 12.8km, from the Ground Zero Trail Park

📌 This route climbs up to George Peak in 4km and ascends more than 1,000m vertically. You'll pass a steel cross that lights up at night. Once George Peak is reached, it is suggested that the circular route is used to get back to the start.



Green gate route

📍 George

🕒 12 - 20 min

➡ 20km from the Heatherpark Engen

📌 A short, easy and scenic contour ride looking out over George on the Montagu Pass, then along the bottom contours of Tolberg and down to Fancourt with a few km along the tarred residential area.



GTR 3k time trial



📍 George

🕒 MTB: 12 - 20 min

Trail run: 20 - 30 min



Hike: 30 min

➡ 3km, from the Ground Zero Trail Park

📌 This route consists of mostly single track in the Witfontein forest just above the residential area.



Half Collard Kingfisher and Bosduif loop



📍 Wilderness

🕒 Trail run: 1:30 - 3 hr

Hike: 3 - 4 hr

➡ 7.2km from the Ebb and Flow Rest Camp at the Garden Route National Park,

📌 On this shaded walk through the forest, you are likely to see most of our birds such as the Knysna Loerie, Giant Kingfisher and the Fish Eagle and beautiful Yellowwood trees. It also features a waterfall. The Bosduif Loop extension path winds up the side of the cliff to a breathtaking viewpoint right at the top, overlooking the Touw River and camp site. The river is crossed by means of a pontoon, which is a fun feature.



Hoekwil loop

📍 Wilderness

🕒 2 hr

➡ 25km, from the Wilderness Hotel

📌 This loop travels along the district road next to the Serpentine, a winding section of the Touw River with a climb towards Hoekwil, onto the Seven Passes and back down to Wilderness. The village of Hoekwil used to be a small farming community and there is nothing more than a few little farm shops and cafes, a church, post office and primary school. It is perched above the coastline with spectacular views of sea, lake and mountains.



Plantation link

📍 George

🕒 1 hr

➡ 15km, from the Garden Route Botanical Gardens

📌 A mix of single track and jeep track, this trail links Witfontein to the Saasveld trails to avoid riding through town. It crosses the Swart River at Pepsi Pools, a beautiful waterfall in the indigenous forest, great for picnicking and swimming. The route then contours around the Garden Route Dam with scenic views.



Woodville big tree

📍 Hoekwil

🕒 45 min

➡ 2.6km

📌 Visit the Yellowwood Big Tree, 31 meters tall and believed to be over 800 years old. Enjoy the easy circular route through lush indigenous forest and past a cool stream. There is a picnic area at the beginning of the forest.



Easy trails



Dam dash

📍 George



🕒 MTB: 15 - 30 min

Trail run: 25 - 40 min



Hike: 1 - 1:30 hr

➔ 5.5km, from the Garden Route Dam

📌 An easy looped route which starts at the Garden Route Dam edge and turns into the pine plantations.



Ferndale

📍 George



🕒 MTB: 30 - 50 min

Trail run: 40 min - 1:10 hr



Hike: 1:30 - 2:30 hr

➔ 10km, from the Outeniqua Nature Reserve

📌 A relaxed loop for those wanting to take it easy or families with young children, with lovely views of the various fern species in the area.



Forest Buzzard Trail

📍 George



🕒 Trail run: 15 - 30 min

Hike: 45 min - 1:30 hr

➔ 2.7km, from the Outeniqua Nature Reserve

📌 An easy circular route winding through the Witfontein pine plantation and into indigenous forest, past a small dam. There are steep climbs at the start.



Groeneweide

📍 George



🕒 Trail run: 11:30 - 2 hr

Hike: 3 - 4 hr

➔ 12.1km, from the Saasveld Campus of the Nelson Mandela University

📌 Trails meander through pristine indigenous forest and cross the Kaaimans River with an area to swim. Perfect for bird watching, it also offers shortcut options to skip doing the full distance.



Redberry

📍 George

🕒 30 - 50 min

➔ 13km, from Redberry Farm

📌 Great for novices, this is the shortest and easiest route in the Geelhoutboom system, with little climbing, smooth gravel and some tar surfaces.



Wilderness to Swartvlei

📍 Wilderness



🕒 MTB: 1 - 2 hr

Trail run: 1:30 - 2:30 hr

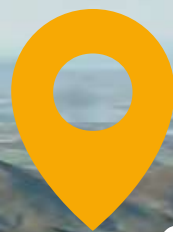


Hike: 3 - 5 hr

➔ 19km, from the Wilderness main beach

📌 The route passes Kleinkranz Beach and Gericke's Point and finishes at the Swartvlei parking area. It traverses sandy and rocky sections and is best accessed during low tide.





Spectacular Trails

100+ routes • 2,000km



Moderate trails



Bergplaas – West side glory

- 📍 Wilderness
- 🕒 2:50 hr
- ➔ 35km, from the Woodville trading store
- i Travel to the west corner of Bergplaas where you will discover the source of the Touw River and pass the beginning of the old Voortrekker Pass.



Bushbuck Loop

- 📍 George
- 🕒 Trail run: 25 - 45 min
Hike: 45 min - 1:20 hr
- ➔ 7.5km, from the Outeniqua Nature Reserve
- i This trail winds through the pine plantation as well as indigenous forest and fynbos sections.



Cape Dune Molerat trail

- 📍 Wilderness
- 🕒 2 - 3 hr
- ➔ 6km, from the Garden Route National Park
- i This loop trail near to the Wilderness lake area offers Fynbos and beautiful Proteas close at hand, and features a lake. It is a circular route with no shade and popular for birdwatching.



FM Tower loop

- 📍 George
- 🕒 MTB: 45 min - 1:30 hr
Trail run: 1 - 2 hr
Hike: 2:30 - 3:30 hr
- ➔ 14km, from the Outeniqua Nature Reserve
- i The route starts with a 3km climb up to the FM Tower and offers excellent views over George. From there on it follows the top and bottom contours of the Witfontein Plantation.



Forest Station loop

- 📍 George
- 🕒 4 hr
- ➔ 61.5km, from the Heatherpark Engen
- i An extended scenic mountain contour ride through small pockets of indigenous forest and between pine plantations, fynbos and streams.



Giant Kingfisher trail

- 📍 Wilderness
- 🕒 3 - 4 hr
- ➔ 7km, from the Ebb and Flow Rest Camp in the Garden Route National Park
- i This famous trail leads to a waterfall where hikers can enjoy a swim and picnic on the rock face of the gorgeous pools. A very popular alternative is to canoe a portion and then walk the rest of the way to the waterfall.



GTR 5k time trial

- 📍 George
- 🕒 MTB: 20 - 30 min
Trail run: 30 - 40 min
Hike: 1 hr
- ➔ 5km, from the Ground Zero Trail Park
- i This route consists of mostly single track in the Witfontein forest just above the residential area.



Herold

- 📍 George
- 🕒 1:30 - 2:20 hr
- ➔ 33km, from the Heatherpark Engen
- i This route takes riders out to Herold and back again, with some effort up the Montagu Pass. Herold is a hamlet north of George, named after TJ Herold, a Dutch Reformed Minister of George from 1812-1823.



Herolds Bay loop

- 📍 Herolds Bay
- 🕒 Trail run: 30 min - 1 hr
Hike: 1:15 - 2 hr
- ➔ 6km, from Herolds Bay Café
- i A looped route, it follows a tar road before turning left onto a gravel road atop the cliff side with amazing views of the ocean below. The gravel road leads to a wooden cross and then again becomes a tar road that leads back to the starting point.



Moderate trails



Map of Africa

- 📍 George / Wilderness
- 🕒 1:10 - 2 hr
- ➡ 27.8km, from the Garden Route Dam entrance
- 📖 This route follows the magnificent Seven Passes road between George and Knysna and turns to Wilderness Heights with a detour to the iconic Map of Africa lookout point. The point has panoramic views over the river and valley, which naturally form the shape of the African continent.



Paardepoort

- 📍 George
- 🕒 1:50 - 3hr
- ➡ 55km, from the Heatherpark Engen
- 📖 Just north of the Montagu Pass the road follows the Doring River through Herold and towards the Paardepoort Pass. The road is mostly smooth gravel making for an easy traverse.



Pepsi Pools

- 📍 George
- 🕒 Trail run: 1:50 - 3hr
- 🕒 Hike: 3 - 5 hr
- ➡ 11.5km, from the George Botanical Gardens
- 📖 A very popular local hike, the Pepsi Pools is a rock pool swimming area with waterfall. The Swart River water of the pools is black or "pepsi coloured". The trail starts along the railway lines and takes one through indigenous forest.



Pied Kingfisher trail

- 📍 Wilderness
- 🕒 Trail run: 1 - 3 hr
- 🕒 Hike: 3 - 4 hr
- ➡ 10km, from the Ebb and Flow Rest Camp at the Garden Route National Park
- 📖 This trail is mainly used for bird watching and is an open trail with no shade. It is a flat circular route which takes you through the Serpentine, which mainly consists of Fynbos. There is a section of the trail which combines with the beach. You'll be able to walk along the beach to Wilderness Village and back to the national park camp.



Pine time

- 📍 George
- 🕒 MTB: 30 - 60 min
- 🕒 Trail run: 50 min - 1:10 hr
- 🕒 Hike: 1:45 - 3 hr
- ➡ 11km, from the Garden Route Dam
- 📖 An 11km looped route starting alongside the Garden Route Dam's edge, winding deeper into the pine plantation before returning to the dam wall.



Root 'n Roll

- 📍 George
- 🕒 MTB: 1 - 1:30 hr
- 🕒 Trail run: 1:30 - 2:20 hr
- 🕒 Hike: 3 - 4:30 hr
- ➡ 18km, from the Garden Route Dam
- 📖 Root n Roll is the longest route around the Saasveld plantation, offering a combination of jeep tracks, plantation roads and some single tracks with a short extension to the famous Pepsi Pools.



Sedgefield Farmers Market loop

- 📍 George
- 🕒 5 hr
- ➡ 91km, from the Garden Route Dam wall
- 📖 Travel along the Seven Passes and down to Sedgefield and return via Wilderness Lakes. Particularly recommended on a Saturday morning, where riders can stop and enjoy the market.



Sidewinder

- 📍 Herolds Bay
- 🕒 MTB: 1 - 2 hr
- 🕒 Trail run: 1:20 - 2 hr
- 🕒 Hike: 3 - 4 hr
- ➡ 16km, from the Outeniqua Nature Reserve
- 📖 This route offers non-technical single-track and offers great views of the city and Outeniqua Mountains



Tierkop MTB

- 📍 George
- 🕒 1 - 2 hr
- ➡ 22km, from the Garden Route Dam wall
- 📖 Travel along the edge of the dam before turning into the pine plantations.



Moderate trails



Vensterberg

📍 George

🕒 Trail run: 1 - 2 hr

Hike: 2:30 - 4 hr

➔ 5km, from Sputnik at the top of the Outeniqua Pass

📌 Famous for spectacular sunrise views from the top of the summit, Vensterberg is also close to a rock formation which creates a window through which you can see a part of George.



Whites road

📍 George / Wilderness

🕒 1:20 - 2:10 hr

➔ 31km, from the entrance of the Garden Route Dam

📌 Taking the Seven Passes towards Wilderness, this route turns off at Wilderness Heights with a very steep downhill into Wilderness and back via Whites Road, offering beautiful views of the Wilderness area.



Wilderness Lakes loop

📍 Wilderness

🕒 1 hr

➔ 37km, from the Wilderness Hotel

📌 The district road takes riders along the Wilderness lakes system and onto the Seven Passes back to Wilderness. The wetlands include the Serpentine, Island Lake, Langvlei and Rondevlei. These lakes, each a wetland by itself, form a link in the chain of the Touw River that meets the sea at Wilderness. These wetlands support 285 endemic plants, 32 fish species, up to 300 bird species and a variety of invertebrate. Wilderness Lakes is protected by the Ramsar Convention as 'Wetlands of International Importance'.



Hard trails



Bergplaas – Diep River

- 📍 Wilderness
- 🕒 3 hr
- ➔ 44km, from the Woodville trading store
- 📖 Ideal on a hot day, this route offers several great swimming stops. The route cover a contour road climb into the mountain and later a return to the upper reaches of the Diep River



Cradock Pass

- 📍 George
- 🕒 Trail run: 2:30 - 4 hr
- 📏 Hike: 6 - 9 hr
- ➔ 25km, from the Outeniqua Nature Reserve
- 📖 A historical journey across the slopes of George Peak, Cradock Pass is described as "only fit for baboons". However, this strenuous experience is rewarded with impressive scenery of the Outeniqua Mountains and a route steeped in history. The trail follows the tracks that the settler ox-wagons forged from the coast to the little Karoo from days of a by-gone era. Get picked up from the north side of the Montagu Pass or complete a circular route past the Old Toll House and down the Montagu Pass.



Doring Wilderness trail

- 📍 Waboomskraal
- 🕒 6 - 7 hr
- ➔ 15km, from the Outeniqua Nature Reserve
- 📖 This remote circular route through the unspoilt wilderness of the Doring River Valley offers majestic scenery of the Outeniqua Mountains and fynbos, Waboomskraal apple orchards and swimming hole. Game such as klipspringer, grey rhebuck and leopard can sometimes be seen. There is also a 7-day Doring Wilderness Trail for serious hikers.



Ernest Robertson Dam

- 📍 George
- 🕒 8 hr
- ➔ 88km, from the Heatherpark Engen
- 📖 Travel to the Ernst Robertson dam, high up in the mountains. Encounter indigenous forest, pine forest and fynbos vegetation and streams with drinking water.



George to Knysna

- 📍 George
- 🕒 8 - 9 hr
- ➔ 158km, entrance to the Garden Route Dam
- 📖 Travel from George to Knysna and back via the Seven Passes and past Thesen Island.



George Peak

- 📍 George
- 🕒 Trail run: 2:30 - 4 hr
- 📏 Hike: 5 - 8 hr
- ➔ 17km, from the Outeniqua Nature Reserve
- 📖 The iconic George Peak (1,337m) overlooks the city with incredible views. The trail is strenuous and goes through pine plantation, across a stream and railway line and up the mountain



Kam Dam

- 📍 George
- 🕒 4 - 6 hr
- ➔ 86km, from the Heatherpark Engen
- 📖 A steep climb over the Outeniqua Mountains via Montagu Pass with gradual descent over district farm roads via Herold, through Paardepoort, towards the Kammanassie Dam and back. The dam, on the Kammanassie River, was built in 1923 to store water for irrigation.



Mountain Ultra Trail

- 📍 Herolds Bay
- 🕒 Trail run: 2:50 - 4 hr
- 📏 Hike: 4 - 8 hr
- ➔ 25km, from Sputnik on top of Outeniqua Pass
- 📖 Used for the annual MUT trail run, one of the biggest trail races in George, this route starts at the top of the Outeniqua Pass and goes through the Campers Kloof valley towards Herold. The last 10km descent is on the famous Cradock Pass trail.



Hard trails



N9 loop

- 📍 George
- 🕒 3:30 - 5 hr
- ➔ 72km, from the Heatherpark Engen
- 📌 Riders are kicked off with the strenuous Montagu Pass climb before the descent into Herold. The trail winds through Paardepoort and heads towards the Kamanassie dam through ostrich territory.



Pass to Pass

- 📍 George
- 🕒 Trail run: 1:30 - 3 hr
Hike: 3 - 5 hr
- ➔ 9km, from Sputnik at the top of the Outeniqua Pass
- 📌 This challenging trail links the Outeniqua and Montagu Passes and travels through a few river crossings. The Losberg Peak is an optional add-on, which add 3km to your distance.

Very hard trails



Bergplaas Mega

- 📍 Wilderness
- 🕒 4 hr
- ➔ 50km, from the Woodville trading store
- 📌 Discover the little known Ernst Robertson Dam high up in the mountains while encounter indigenous and pine forest and fynbos vegetation enroute.



Cradock Peak

- 📍 George
- 🕒 Trail run: 3:30 - 5 hr
Hike: 6 - 9 hr
- ➔ 18km, from the Outeniqua Nature Reserve
- 📌 Cradock Peak is 1,578m above sea level and the highest peak in the Outeniqua Mountain range. It boasts incredible views of the Garden Route landscape and Swartberg Mountains. The route goes through pine plantations, across a stream and railway line and up the mountain.



George to Oudtshoorn

- 📍 George
- 🕒 6 - 8 hr
- ➔ 118km, from the Heatherpark Engen
- 📌 This route takes you along the back roads all the way to Smitswinkel in Oudtshoorn, the ostrich capital of the world. It travels over the Montagu Pass, and thereafter mostly follows a gradual descent.



Louvain loop (aka Voortrekker Pass)

- 📍 George
- 🕒 6 - 8 hr
- ➔ 120km, from the Heatherpark Engen,
- 📌 Traversing over the Montagu Pass into the Karoo through Perdepoort to Louvain Guest Farm, riders will enter the Voortekker Pass, now a 4x4 route. The route goes over the mountain into Bergplaas, a forestry area and then towards the ocean, along the lakes of the Garden Route National Park. From Wilderness the route takes the Seven Passes back to George.



Tierkop Trail Run via Old George Dam

- 📍 George
- 🕒 Trail run: 3 - 5 hr
Hike: 5 - 7 hr
- ➔ 25km, from the Garden Route Botanical Gardens
- 📌 The trail follows the railway line onto jeep track and crosses the old George dam and Swart River to the Tierkop hut.



Pressed for Time?

Top 3 must-visit hiking trails

Remember to wear comfortable walking shoes and sunscreen and bring along some water and a camera to capture the beauty of the area.

1

Half Collared Kingfisher Trail



The **Half-Collared Kingfisher Trail** is a beautiful and popular hike located in the Garden Route National Park in Wilderness. This 7 km trail (round trip) winds through lush indigenous forest along the banks of the Touw River, offering an immersive experience in nature. Named after the Half-Collared Kingfisher, a rare bird species that can sometimes be spotted along the trail, this hike is a haven for birdwatchers and nature lovers alike. The trail is relatively easy and family-friendly, with sections of wooden boardwalks, occasional steps, and river crossings on footbridges, making it

accessible for hikers of varying fitness levels. As you venture deeper into the forest, you'll be surrounded by ancient yellowwood trees, ferns, and a rich variety of flora and fauna. The end of the trail reveals a stunning waterfall with a small rock pool, an ideal spot for a break or a quick swim. This scenic and tranquil trail offers a refreshing way to connect with the beauty of the Garden Route, combining gentle exercise with breathtaking scenery.

2

Pepsi Pools



Pepsi Pools is a hidden gem for hikers in George. This scenic trail takes you through lush indigenous forests, past towering trees, and along the crystal-clear rivers fed by mountain streams. The hike is moderately challenging, suitable for those with a reasonable fitness level, and offers the reward of pristine rock pools - perfect for a refreshing dip on warm days.

These natural pools have a mesmerizing, slightly cola colour, lending them the name "Pepsi." Along the way, hikers can enjoy stunning views, birdwatching, and the sounds of nature in this serene environment. The trail is well-loved by locals and visitors alike and is a wonderful way to experience the natural beauty of the Garden Route.



3

Cape Nature Outeniqua Reserve

The trails in **Cape Nature's Outeniqua Nature Reserve** offer an exhilarating mountain hiking experience, set against the dramatic backdrop of the mountains.

Ranging from 2.7 km to 25 km, these trails provide something for everyone, from casual walkers to seasoned adventurers.

Each trail offers breathtaking panoramic views across the Outeniqua Mountain range, with opportunities to see the surrounding valleys and the distant ocean on clear days.

Steeper climbs reward hikers with stunning vistas and a profound sense of remoteness, making the trails a photographer's paradise. Hikers can experience the reserve's unique blend of environments, from thick forest canopies alive with bird calls to open fynbos-covered ridges where delicate wildflowers bloom. The trails also lead to cascading mountain streams and hidden waterfalls, creating ideal spots for rest and reflection amid nature's tranquillity.

Scenic drives



George

- Cradock Pass
- George to Grootbrak via R102
- Herold
- Kerk Street
- 9 Loop
- Outeniqua Pass
- Paardepoort

Wilderness

- Hoekwil Hoopla Route
- Hoekwil Pass
- Kaaimans River Pass
- Lakes Loop
- Waterside Road
- Whites Road

View points

- Dolphin's Point
- Map of Africa
- The Boardwalk on 6th Ave

Uniondale

- Baviaanskloof
- De Hoop Road
- Kam Dam
- Kammanassie
- Prince Alfreds Pass
- Route 62
- Uniondale to De Vlugt
- Uniondale to Avontuur
- Warmbad / Barandas Ride

View points

- Jonckrus / De Vlugt

The best beaches

around George



We have an abundance of beaches in and around George; whether you want smooth waves for 'cooking' surf sessions or a social beach for strutting, suntanning and snapping selfies. We have sandy strands for buckets and spades, calm estuaries for chilling with kids and windswept shores for romantic strolls.

The best time to visit the Garden Route's beaches is between November and March, when the days are long and warm. Water temperatures remain in the balmy 16-to-21-degree range throughout the year, so you can avoid the Cape Town ice-cream headaches here! Pods of dolphins are regularly spotted in our surf. The Common, Dusky and Bottlenose Dolphin are all well-known locals. Southern Right Whales visit our shores between June and November.



Best for surfing, suntanning and selfies.

Victoria Bay is the region's most famous and funky beach. 'Vic' is well known for its consistent right-hand point break, making it one of the most popular surf spots on the Garden Route.

The narrow sandy cove is surrounded by rocky, forested cliffs and usually lined with bikini clad sunworshippers. A paved promenade extends past the local holiday homes to the headland, aptly called 'Land's End'. Here, a circular stone portal called a 'Moon Gate' was built from local slate and offers a fantastic opportunity for selfie snaps, against the backdrop of crashing surf. The point is strewn with huge boulders that offer fascinating rock-pooling opportunities for small children. A small tidal pool is the safest place for weak swimmers. The pier offers a spot to cast a line from, however, most find they are more likely to snag a surfer than a fish!

Lifeguards are on duty in the holiday season, please pay close attention to their direction, as the riptides in the bay can be strong. Vikkie's Beach Bar offers chips, milkshakes, burgers and breakfasts with spectacular views. Toilets, showers, and disabled parking and wheelchair access are available. Dogs are not allowed on the beach.

Location: Traveling along the N2 National Road between George and Wilderness, Victoria Bay is 3km off the N2.

Best for family fun, kids, floaties, fishing and canoes.

Kaaiman's River Mouth is a jealously guarded local secret and a phenomenal spot for families. A tiny car park is located directly off the N2, and the beach is accessed via a 200-metre hike alongside the whizzing main road. The lack of sufficient parking and difficult access deters most visitors, but the blissful river mouth is well worth a visit.

Hikers descend onto a massive and secluded sandbar at the mouth of the Kaaiman's River, with breathtaking views of the forested cliffs on either side. A dark cola-coloured river meets the blue Indian Ocean under a towering train bridge. The tidal estuary is a great place for kids to cast a line, swim, float or paddle a canoe. Small children love the shallow warm water and are unlikely to be bowled over by a wave or swept away by breakers.

Please note that there are no ablutions on the beach, no lifeguards and no rubbish bins. Pack everything that you need and take every scrap of litter with you when you leave. Location: Kaaiman's River is located between Wilderness and George. The car park is located on the south side of the N2. Follow the walking trail east to the beach.

Best for paragliding and paddling.

The little village of Wilderness is locally renowned for having one of the longest, cleanest beaches in South Africa, with pristine white sand and crystal water. The first section of the beach (at the western most corner) is called Leentjiesklip. Visitors will find limited parking, clean ablutions, a coldwater shower and a braai area.

Leentjiesklip is popular for sunbathing, fishing, volleyball and whale watching. Fishermen come to this beach for the wide variety of fish species found in the area, including Kabeljou, Blacktail and Steenbrass. 'Leentjies' is an ideal place to watch the local hand gliders and paragliders who take off from the Map of Africa above Dolphin's Point. Lifeguards man the beach in-season, beware of dangerous currents around the rocks.

Location: Turn off the N2 onto Station Road, turn right into Sands Road. Leentjiesklip carpark is at the western end of the road.

Best for blue flags, lifeguards and seafood spoils.

Further along Wilderness Beach, the local NSRI Station is situated next to Salina's Beach Restaurant. This section of beach has Blue Flag status, lifeguards and is out-of-bounds for dogs. Parking and ablutions are available and there is access to a large sandy beach at the mouth of the Touw River. Small children enjoy the calm and shallow water in the mouth.

Check out the local surf and wind conditions on Salina's Beach Restaurant webcam (salinas.co.za). Stop into the restaurant for a chilled glass of wine or a fish supper after some swimming. Location: Directly off the N2 on the Knysna side of Wilderness.



Best for chip vans, tidal pools and surf lessons.

Herold's Bay is a clean, safe beach and is ideal for busy families. This beach has been trending in the holiday guide books since the 1900's. Photos in the George Museum show Voortrekkers camping out on the beach next to their fully laden ox wagons.

Surfers and bodyboarders enjoy the left-hand reef break, which picks up plenty of groundswell. It's a popular spot for lunch, with a few snack vans, including a Chip N' Dip, in the car park. The bay is protected from the dreaded south easterly wind by a rocky headland and is a wonderful swimming beach with plenty of space to stretch out, play bat and ball, and bask in the sun. Herold's main attraction for families is the deliciously warm and calm tidal pool on the western side of the cove. It's warmer than the open ocean and large enough to do laps in. The salt-water pool hosts tiny shoals of fish, sea anemones and even the odd octopus - so make sure to bring your snorkel and mask. Check out local company 'Vibe Surf School' for lessons and board rentals. Lifeguards are on duty in season. Parking and ablutions are available.

Location: Take exit 425 off the N2 National Road (between George and Mossel Bay), follow the R404 for about 5,5 km to Herold's Bay.

Best for long walks and dog-Lovers

Kleinkrantz is ideal for escaping the crowds. Tall sand dunes slope down onto a seemingly endless expanse of sand. Walking east, hikers can enjoy 20 km stroll all the way to Swartvlei. The westward direction takes



walkers back to Wilderness. Dogs are allowed off-leash on this beach and further information on dog-friendly beaches can be obtained from SANPARKS.

Due to the lack of ablutions and the steep profile of the beach, fewer people use this section of the coast. Beware of strong currents and riptides. Lifeguards are not on duty here and swimming is dangerous.

Location: East of Wilderness turn off the N2 onto Protea Lane. Take a right and follow the road to the car park.

Please note that the south-easterly wind can occasionally blow stinging bluebottle jellyfish onto our shores in the summer months. Beware their ferocious sting. Although all our beaches look inviting, currents and riptides at some locations can be very dangerous, please swim at lifeguard monitored beaches!

Location: East of Wilderness turn off the N2 onto Protea Lane. Take a right and follow the road to the car park.



Kleinkrantz



Nature activities



Fishing



Bird watching



Flora and fauna



Whale / dolphin watching



George



Garden Route Botanical Garden



Outeniqua Nature Reserve



Saasveld Forest



George Dam



Herolds Bay Beach



Victoria Bay Beach



Gwaing River Mouth



Pepsi Pools



Oubaai Whale Deck



Uniondale



Burchess Trail



Toorwaterpoort



Kammanassie Nature Reserve



Uniondale Reserve (Fort koppie)



Wilderness



Woodville Big Tree



Dolphin's Point



Garden Route National Park



Kaaimans River



Map of Africa



Wilderness Beach



The Boardwalk on 6th Ave



Leentjiesklip Beach



Wilderness Lagoon Boardwalk



Flat Rock



Island Lake



The Touw River



Beach, river, lakes and dam



George

Herolds Bay

Popular for:

Sunbathing, swimming, eating ice cream and hot chips, surf lessons, bodyboarding

Facilities and features:

Tidal pool, braai facilities, grassed area, ablutions, showers, snack vans, campsite, lifeguards in season, promenade

Victoria Bay

Popular for:

Surfing, sunbathing, swimming, fishing

Facilities and features:

Rock pools, tidal pool, braai facilities, grassed area, ablutions, showers, disabled parking and wheelchair access, pier, promenade, restaurant, lifeguards in season, campsite

Gwaiing Beach

Popular for:

Sunbathing, surfing

Facilities and features:

Campsite, 'gorgeous Gorge', braai area, lifeguards in season, ablutions, showers, grassed area, promenade

George Dam

Popular for:

Walking, kayaking, mountain biking, picnicking

Facilities and features:

Security, rudimentary ablutions, hiking trails, cycling tracks

Wilderness:

A wetland treasure of global significance



Did you know that Wilderness is home to one of South Africa's officially recognised Wetlands of International Importance? Designated on 28 June 1991 under the global Ramsar Convention, the Wilderness Lakes system is a natural jewel that plays a vital role in sustaining local biodiversity, supporting the health of our ecosystems, and offering unforgettable nature experiences.

Managed by South African National Parks (SANParks), this wetland system includes Rondevlei, Langvlei, Island Lake, and the Serpentine River. These interconnected lakes form part of the Touw River catchment, which flows into the Indian Ocean along Wilderness's stunning 18-kilometre stretch of beach.

This special ecosystem is a haven for a remarkable range of life:

- Around 285 indigenous plant species
- 32 fish species, several of which depend on these wetlands as nursery areas
- Up to 300 bird species, including both breeding and migratory birds
- A rich variety of aquatic invertebrates

The Ramsar Convention promotes the conservation and wise use of wetlands globally. These ecosystems are essential - not only for wildlife - but also for human wellbeing, through flood control, water purification, climate regulation, and opportunities for sustainable tourism. For both locals and visitors, the Wilderness wetlands offer more than scenic beauty - they are a living, breathing example of how nature and community are deeply interconnected. Whether you're birdwatching, paddling the tranquil waters, or simply enjoying the serenity, you're engaging with a landscape of global ecological importance.



Wilderness

Bo-langvlei

Popular for:

Birdwatching

Facilities and features:

Minimal infrastructure

Flat Rock Beach

Popular for:

Fishing, rock pools, dog friendly

Facilities and features:

Staircase to beach, the beach is covered in rocks, plentiful birdlife

Island Lake

Popular for:

Camping, boating, picnicking, swimming

Facilities and features:

Picnic benches, campsite, ablutions

Kaaimans River Mouth

Popular for:

Swimming, kayaking, fishing, inflatables

Facilities and features:

Waterfall, river meets beach, Southern temperate forest

Kleinkrantz Beach

Popular for:

Dog friendly, fishing, walks to Sedgfield, paragliding

Facilities and features:

Staircase to beach, sand dune, beach cave

Leentjiesklip Beach

Popular for:

Sunbathing, paragliding, fishing, volleyball, whale watching

Facilities and features:

Ablutions, shower, braai area, lifeguards in season

Rondevlei

Popular for:

Birdwatching, aquatic wildlife, canoeing

Facilities and features:

Bird hide

Serpentine River

Popular for:

Canoeing, birdwatching, stand up paddleboarding, nature photography

Facilities and features:

Snake-like curves through reed beds and wetlands

Swartvlei

Popular for:

Boating, canoeing, sailing, water skiing, stand-up paddleboarding, fishing, swimming, picknicking, birdlife

Facilities and features:

Swartvlei is an estuarine lake, with a mix of fresh and salt water, making it ecologically unique. Picnic spots, boating launch sites

Touw River

Popular for:

Swimming, canoeing, bird watching

Facilities and features:

SanParks permit required. Inside Garden Route National Park Tarentaal Picnic Area (Day Visitors) - ablutions, canoe hire, boat rides, lapa with benches, braai facilities, grassed area, jungle gym.

Wilderness Main Beach

Popular for:

Surfing, sunbathing, swimming, paragliding

Facilities and features:

Ablutions, disabled toilet, disabled parking, lifeguards in season, restaurant, meets the Touw River mouth, provisional Blue Flag status, NSRI

Wilderness Lagoon (Touw River)

Popular for:

Canoeing, SUP, swimming

Facilities and features:

Braai facilities, grassed area, boardwalk, ablutions in season, disabled parking, lifeguards in season



Shopping



Farm stall, George

Shopping

Elvis Brew

- +27 61 548 5155
- www.elvisbrew.co.za
- Mon - Sat 07:30 - 17:00 • Sun 08:00 - 15:00

Kruisaar Farm Stall



- +27 82 466 6174
- www.mohairblanket.co.za
- Mon - Sat 07:30 - 17:30 • Sun 14:00 - 17:00
- Farm stall • Restaurant • Take away • Gift shop
- Customised jams • Fresh fruits • Snacks (dry fruits) •
- Roosterkoek • Hops sales

Redberry Farm



- +27 44 870 7123
- www.redberryfarm.co.za
- Mon - Sat 09:00 - 16:00
- Farm stall • Homemade products



Speciality shops, George

Shopping

Der Lederhandler

- +27 44 878 1860
- www.derlederhandler.com
- Stores have different operating hours.
- Contact directly
- Handcrafted leather products

Van Rensburgs Foods

- +27 44 874 2045
- Mon - Thu 08:00 - 17:30 • Fri 08:00 - 18:00
- Sat 08:00 - 15:00 • Sun 08:00 - 13:00
- Order-and-pickup | Food and meat market

Wonki Ware



- +27 44 884 1883
- www.wonkiware.com
- Mon - Fri 08:30 - 17:00 • Sat - Sun 08:30 - 14:00
- Handmade pottery dinnerware



Shopping centre, Wilderness

Shopping



Timberlake Village

+27 44 882 1240

www.timberlakeorganic.co.za

Mon - Sun 08:00 - 16:30



Speciality shops, Wilderness

Shopping

Crush Boutique

+27 82 714 2928

Wed - Fri 09:00 - 17:00 • Sat - Sun 10:00 - 15:00

Gift shop

The Faerie Gem

+27 72 040 3129

www.timberlakeorganic.co.za/shop/faire-gem

Fairy paintings • Artwork • Gemstones • Silver jewellery • Pendants

The Heart Shop

+27 60 676 7065

www.heartshop.co.za

Unique gemstones • Jewellery

The MoHair Mill Shop

+27 44 882 1149

www.mohairmillshop.com

Mon - Sun 09:00 - 17:00

Hand woven cotton • Accessories

The Tiny Shop

+27 83 651 8945

www.mohairmillshop.com

Arts and crafts • Skills development programs

Wilderness Gift Shop

+27 44 877 1110

Mon - Sat: Lunch 12:00 - 13:00 • Dinner 16:00 - 20:00

Gift shop



Speciality shops, Uniondale

Shopping

Karoo Serenity

+27 71 462 4271

Skoonheidssentrum

+27 44 752 1430

Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00 • Sat 08:00 - 13:00



Dare to explore?

Your next adventure starts here



The greater George area is a haven for adventure seekers, offering a diverse range of thrilling activities set amidst stunning landscapes. From rugged mountains to pristine beaches and lush forests, George boasts an array of natural wonders waiting to be explored.

Thrill-seekers can take to the skies with **paragliding**, soaring high above the coastline to take in panoramic views of the azure ocean and lush greenery below. For a more leisurely aerial experience, helicopter charters offer a bird's-eye view of the region's natural wonders, including the iconic Outeniqua Mountains and forest.

For those looking for a novel experience, **segway tours** offer a fun and futuristic mode of transportation through natural scenery. And for the ultimate action-packed thrill, **paintball** provides an adventure that's perfect for groups looking to unleash their competitive spirit in a thrilling outdoor setting.

For adrenaline junkies, the options are plentiful. Those seeking an off-road adventure can embark on exhilarating **4x4 expeditions** through rugged terrain, immersing themselves in the untamed beauty of the surrounding wilderness. Alternatively, daredevils can test their nerve with **abseiling** down sheer cliffs or **canyoning**, known locally as '**kloofing**', which involves navigating through narrow gorges, cascading waterfalls, and natural rock pools.





Water enthusiasts will find plenty to delight in as well. **Canoeing** and **kayaking** along tranquil rivers offer a peaceful way to soak in the breathtaking scenery, while **stand-up paddleboarding** offers a unique perspective of the shoreline. For those looking to ride the waves, George's pristine beaches offer the perfect setting to **learn to surf** under the guidance of expert instructors.

Back on solid ground, adventurers can tackle the rugged terrain on **quad biking** excursions or scale towering cliffs with **rock climbing expeditions**. For a more leisurely exploration, **e-bike rides** offer an eco-friendly way to traverse picturesque locations, while guided horseback rides offer a serene journey through forested trails and along pristine beaches.

Adventurers can take their experience to new heights with an **aerial obstacle course** suspended amongst the treetops, intertwined with an exhilarating zipline.

With its diverse range of adventure offerings set amidst stunning landscapes, George on the Garden Route of South Africa promises an unforgettable experience for thrill-seekers and nature lovers alike. Whether navigating through rugged terrain, conquering gorges, or gliding through the air, the possibilities for adventure are endless in this breathtaking destination.



*Garden Route
National Park*





**Tours and
transport**



Cultural site guide, George

Tours and transport

Desmond Jandyck

+27 84 377 2669

Hours based on bookings

Township tours

Melissa Treurnicht

+27 73 216 7153

Hours based on bookings

Pacaltsdorp and George historical tour • Herold rock art tour

Mzwandile Gingcana

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Hours based on bookings

Township tours

Neil Edwin

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Hours based on bookings

Indigenous herbal walks

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Hours based on bookings

George historical route

Werdi Alaart

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Hours based on bookings

Pacaltsdorp historical route



Tour guide, George

Tours and transport

Southern Summits Trail Running & Hiking Tours



+27 76 184 7815

www.southernsummitstrailtours.co.za

Hours based on bookings

Mountain guide • Half day and full day hikes

Latitude 31

+27 76 887 6044

www.latitude31.travel

Hours based on bookings

Tailor-made trips • Set tours

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Hours based on bookings

Day tours • Tailormade tours • Guided tours

Simone Robyn Sharpe

+27 74 647 7922

Hours based on bookings

Tour guide • Personalised and adventure tour • Specialist



Taste George

George has the ideal climate for berry growing. Pick and enjoy strawberries at Redberry Farm, any time of the year.



Air transport, George

Tours and transport

George Airport

+27 44 876 9310
www.airports.co.za/airports/george-airport
Mon - Thu 06:00 - 19:00 • Fri 06:00 - 20:00
Sat 08:00 - 15:00 • Sun 08:00 - 20:30
Free Wi-Fi • Car rentals • Airlines • Restaurants

Savannah Helicopters

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www.savheli.co.za
Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00
Sat, Sun, Public holiday booking only
Helicopter Scenic Flights 20min • Helicopter Scenic Flights 30min (shark, whale and dolphin viewing) • Helicopter Scenic Flights 1 hour (Knysna heads) • Picnic Flight (45min picnic) • Helicopter flight with wine or gin tasting



Car rental, George

Tours and transport

Avis

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www.avis.co.za
Mon - Thu 05:30 - 19:00 • Fri 05:30 - 20:00
Car hire

Banger Car Hire

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www.bangercarhire.co.za
Mon - Fri 06:30 - 17:00 • Sat 07:30 - 22:30
Car hiring services

Hertz

+27 44 801 4700
www.hertz.co.za
Mon - Thurs 06:30 - 19:00 • Fri 06:30 - 20:00
Sat 08:00 - 15:00 • Sun 08:00 - 19:00
Car rentals

Kempston Car Hire

+27 44 801 9900
www.kempston.co.za
Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00
Truck hire services



Public transport, George

Tours and transport

Go George

+27 80 004 4044
www.gogeorge.org.za
Mon - Sun 05:00 - 21:30
Public Transport Services



Kid friendly swimming spots

- Herolds Bay Tidal Pool
- Victoria Bay Tidal Pool
- Wilderness Lagoon
- Kaaiman's River



Shuttle services, George

Tours and transport

Barnard Taxi's

+27 72 268 5043

Mon - Sun 06:00 - 20:00

Taxi services • Tours • Custom

JMK Shuttle

+27 61 488 3087

Hours based on bookings

Transfer • Shuttle services



Tour operator, tours and transfers, George

Tours and transport

African Express

+27 44 873 4323

www.africanexpress.co.za

Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00

Mon - Sun (for drives according bookings)

Transport services

Eden D Taxi Co

+27 83 587 8490

www.edendtaxico.co.za

Hours based on bookings

Customized tours

Booyesen Tours and Transfers

+27 78 878 3815

Mon - Sun: based on bookings

Shuttle services

Estra Country Tours

+27 44 874 0030

Hours based on bookings

Tours

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www.brentonbluetours.co.za

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Ezet's Exclusive Tours

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Hours based on bookings

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Garden Route Concierge and Tours

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www.gardenrouteconcierge.co.za

Hours based on bookings

Golfguys Tours

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7 days a week depending on bookings

Golf tours • Accommodation arrangements • Luxury tours

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www.golfinthegardenroute.com

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Shuttle services • Tour services





Tour operator, tours and transfers, George

Tours and transport

Martin's Tours and Transfers

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Mon - Fri 08:00 - 17:00

Operators • Safari tours • Shuttle services

Neo Adventures

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Tours and adventures

Open Road Tours and Transfers

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www.openroadtours.co.za

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Guided tours • Transfers • Transport • Overland tours

Outeniqua Adventure Tours

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www.oudeniquatours.co.za

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Transfer services • Accommodation services • Tours • Shuttle services

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www.southcapeexpeditions.co.za

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Tours for South Africa

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www.unspoilttafrica.co.za

Hours based on bookings

Wide Open Spaces

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www.wospaces.co.za

Hiking and outdoor experiences

Yawani Tours

+27 78 564 0742

www.z-yawani-tours.business.site

Hours based on bookings

Guided tours

Ziyeka Tours

+27 83 731 0415

Hours based on bookings

Guided tours • Transfers

Zeelie Taxis

+27 44 874 6707

www.zeelietaxis.co.za

Hours based on bookings

Shuttle and transfer services



Travel agencies, George

Tours and transport

Harvey World Travel

+27 44 874 6930

www.southcapetravel.co.za

Mon - Fri 08:00 - 21:00 | Sat 09:00 - 12:00

Transport bookings • Domestic flights bookings • Accommodation bookings

Pentravel Garden Route

+27 71 572 2662

www.southcapeexpeditions.co.za

Hours based on bookings

Guided day tours





Tour operator, tours and transfers, Wilderness

Tours and transport

Kula Malaika

+27 60 803 9388 • +27 44 850 1949

www.kulamalaika.com

Mon - Sun 09:00 - 17:00

Pets by arrangement

On Track Wilderness

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Exclusive tours

Tours By GLK

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www.toursbyglk.co.za

Hours based on bookings

Wilderness Express



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www.wildernessexpress.co.za

Hours based on bookings

Airport transfers • Restaurant rides • Town trips •
Sightseeing



Tour operator, tours and transfers, Uniondale

Tours and transport

Dorcas Tours

+27 44 752 1377

www.dorcastours.com

Mon - Fri 09:00 - 21:00 • Sat 09:00 - 13:00

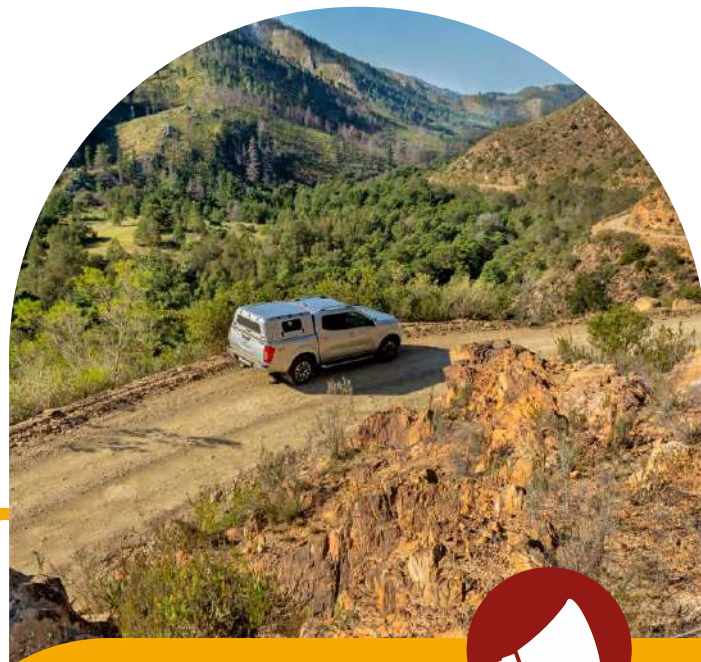
Tours of South Africa

Uniondale Tours

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Hours based on bookings

Guided day tours • Transfer



Top highlights in Uniondale

- Langkloof Gallery and Sculpture Garden
- Anglo Boer War Fort
- Uniondale Nature Reserve
- Prince Alfred Pass
- Toorwaterpoort gorge



Venues



Meetings, conferencing and weddings, George

Venues

Acropolis Venue

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www.olympiaestate.co.za

Arendsrus Country Lodge

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www.arendsrus.co.za

Bygracealone Manor

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www.bygracealone.co.za

Colnera Estate

+27 84 400 4900
www.colnera.co.za

Fancourt



+27 44 804 0000
www.fancourt.co.za

Far Hills Country Hotel

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Mumbai Café

+27 44 874 4000
www.mumbaicafe.co.za

The Dotsure George Arts Theatre

+27 44 873 3938 • +27 62 851 0751
www.georgeartstheatre.co.za

Oppie Plaas

+27 72 996 1668
www.oppieplaasvenue.co.za

Ou Pastorie Guesthouse

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Meetings, conferencing and weddings, George

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Oubaai Hotel Golf & Spa

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www.oubaaihotels.com

Pine Lodge

+27 44 871 1974
www.pinelodgegeorge.co.za

Pollock's Pizza Café

+27 44 870 8876

Premier Express Inn George

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<https://www.premierhotels.co.za/hotels/western-cape/george/premier-express-inn-george/>
Free Wi-Fi • Parking • Airport shuttle service • DSTV services • Conferencing facilities • Restaurant • Laundry service

Protea Hotel King George

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www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/grjki-protea-hotel-george-king-george

Step-Aside

+27 44 870 7640
www.stepside.co.za

Texas Grill

+27 44 873 3435
www.texasgrill.co.za

Town Lodge Hotel

★★★
+27 44 803 4000
www.clhg.com/hotels/220/Town-Lodge-George
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Transnet Transport Museum



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Trinity Gate

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www.trinitygate.co.za

The Bench Eatery and Bar



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Upstairs at Harry's

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www.upstairsatharrys.co.za





Meetings, conferencing and weddings, Victoria Bay

Venues

Surfari Resort

+27 44 889 0113
www.surfariresort.com

Victoria Heights B&B

+27 83 306 9437
www.victoriaheightsbb.com



Meetings, conferencing and weddings, Wilderness

Venues

Beyond the Moon

+27 44 850 1163
www.beyondthemoon.co.za

Edenview Boutique Hotel



+27 72 431 8975
www.edenview.co.za

Fairy Knowe Hotel



+27 44 877 0364
www.fairyknowehotel.co.za

Mont Fleur B&B

+27 44 877 0750
www.montfleur-wilderness.co.za

Oysters R Us



+27 82 578 6817
www.oystersrus.co.za

Serendipity

+27 44 877 0433
www.serendipitywilderness.com

The Wilderness Hotel

+27 44 877 1110
www.wildernesshotel.co.za

Wild Farm Backpackers

+27 44 877 0700
www.wildfarmbackpackers.co.za

Wilderness Beach Hotel

+27 44 877 0104
www.wildernessbeachhotel.com





Meetings, conferencing and weddings, Uniondale

Venues

Mountain Pastures

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www.mountainpastures.co.za

Uniondale Showgrounds

+27 83 272 8858



Meetings, conferencing and weddings, De Vlucht

Venues

K'Buku Pub and Grill

+27 63 792 8421

<https://k-buku.weebly.com>

Artful inspiration

Source a South African memento as you stroll the streets of the Wilderness Art Meander's 21 locations or visit a gallery in the George area.

Don't miss internationally acclaimed artist Sheena Ridley's unique sculpture garden in Uniondale. At Kannabos, not only is the art interesting, so are the owners. Husband and wife duo are international set builders on acclaimed films such as the Mummy, 10,000BC, Blade Runner and more.



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