

DESTINATION DURBAN



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Location in Africa



The Durban Metropolitan area





Mayor's message

I am delighted to welcome you to Durban, a vibrant city where the blend of local cultures – African, Asian and European – is reflected in a montage of architectural styles, and a melting pot of traditions and colourful cuisine. Durban is conveniently situated and highly accessible to the world.

Durban and South Africa are fast on their way to becoming leading global destinations in competition with the older, more established markets. Durban is a lifestyle destination that meets the requirements of modern consumers, be they international or local tourists, business travellers, conference attendees or holidaymakers. Durban is not only famous for its great weather and warm beaches, it is also a destination of choice for outdoor and adventure lovers, eco-tourists, nature lovers, and people who want a glimpse into the unique cultural mix of the city.

I welcome you and hope that you will have a wonderful stay in our city.

Mayor James Nxumalo



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Inner-city beach with Moses Mabhida Stadium visible in the distance.





Welcome, *Siyakwamukela!*

Durban – or 'eThekweni' as it is known in the local Zulu language – is a modern African city that has opened its arms to visitors from around the globe. Tourism has played a major role in the growth of the city for decades, and consequently there is a well developed hospitality infrastructure that is dedicated to providing all the services that today's visitors expect.

For your convenience, Durban Tourism has its information offices situated right in the city centre, with a number of satellite visitor information offices strategically placed around the city.

Durban Tourism is an organisation established specifically to market the city and provide visitors with all the assistance they require in terms of developing a travel itinerary, assisting with accommodation and tour bookings, and providing accurate and detailed travel information.

We welcome you to our beautiful city, and we are confident that you will thoroughly enjoy your stay and come back soon to take in all the exciting attractions that you may have missed the first time around.

Take a ride along Durban's beachfront on a 'riksha'. They were imported from India in colonial times and have become a local icon.



Durban CBD Bus Service

A high quality wheelchair friendly bus service operates on the routes shown on this map

Enquiries 031 309 2731



KEY

- Transfer points
- Beach Line
- City Line
- Circle Line



BUSES DEPART EVERY 15 MINUTES FROM 06H00 TO 22H00 - DAILY

Fares: R5.00 Single trip, R15 Day pass

Free Transfer only at Transfer Points (T) - valid within 60 minutes of ticket issue

Beach Line

- 1. Beach Terminal
- 2. Victoria Park
- 3. KE Masvingo
- 4. Playfair
- 5. Sur Maris
- 6. Snowdon
- 7. Stone Waters
- 8. Sunningdale
- 9. Kings Park
- 10. The Shovel
- 11. Hospital
- 12. Bell
- 13. Ubukha
- 14. Timberl
- 15. Signal
- 16. Mahatma Gandhi
- 17. Palm
- 18. Mills
- 19. Florence Ntshane
- 20. Government
- 21. Dulakh Reef
- 22. Anna Lomaba
- 23. Bishopgate
- 24. Breech
- 25. Joubert Avenue
- 26. Mt. Surin
- 27. Callisto
- 28. Johannes Kholi
- 29. Dr Yusuf Dadoo
- 30. Ndabassa
- 31. Dr Pringle Ndlovu
- 32. City Hall
- 33. Union
- 34. Fairwell
- 35. KE Masvingo
- 36. Mt. Surin
- 37. For Stone

City Line

- 1. KE Masvingo
- 2. City Lounge
- 3. ICC
- 4. Exhibition Centre
- 5. Mowbray Park
- 6. Maritime Museum

Circle Line

- 1. KE Masvingo
- 2. City Lounge
- 3. ICC
- 4. Exhibition Centre
- 5. Mowbray Park
- 6. Maritime Museum
- 7. KE Masvingo
- 8. Yacht Main
- 9. Albert Park
- 10. Post Office
- 11. Victoria Market
- 12. Bertha Whistler
- 13. Parkside
- 14. Soldiers Way
- 15. City Engineers
- 16. Durban Station
- 17. The Courthouse
- 18. UMLA





ROAD NAMES

Many of Durban's streets were re-named recently. We have included the old and new street names for your information. The street sign boards all carry the new names, and in some cases both the old and new names.

NEW NAME	FORMER NAME	NEW NAME	FORMER NAME	NEW NAME	FORMER NAME
Anton Lembede	Smith Street	Felix Dlamini	Brickfield Road	Mahatma Gandhi	Point Road
Archie Gumede	Old Fort Place	Florence Nzama	Prince Alfred Street	Margaret Mncadi Ave	Victoria Embankment
Bertha Mkhize	Victoria Street	Ingcunse	Albert Street	Masabalala Yengwa	NMR Ave
Bram Fischer	Ordinance Road	Isaiah Ntshangase	Walter Gilbert Street	Masobiya Mdluli	Fisher Street
Charlotte Maxeke	Beatrice Street	Joe Slovo	Field Street	Mathews Meyiwa	First Ave + Stamfordhill Road
Che Guevara	Moore Road	John Zikhali	Sydenham Road	Monty Naicker Road	Pine Street
Chris Ntuli	Old Dutch Road	Joseph Nduli	Russel Street	OR Tambo	Marine Parade
David Webster	Leopold Street	Julius Nyerere	Warwick Avenue	Peter Mokaba Rd	North Ridge Road
Denis Hurley	Queen Street	KE Masinga	Old Fort Road	Peter Mokaba Ridge	Ridge Road
Dorothy Nyembe	Gardiner Street	Khuzimpi Shezi	Williams Road	Problem Mkhize	Cowey & Edith Benson Road
Dr Goonam	Prince Edward	King Dinuzulu (North)	Berea Road (North)	RD Naidu	Stanley Copley Drive
Dr Langalibalele Dube	Winder Street	King Dinuzulu (South)	Berea Road (South)	Samora Machel	Aliwal Street
Dr Pixley KaSeme	West Street	Lena Ahrens	Manning Road	Sandile Thusi	Argyle Road
Dr Yusuf Dadoo	Grey Street	Lillian Ngoyi	Windermere Road	Smiso Nkwanyana	Goble Road
Dullar Omar	Masonic Grove	ML Sultan	Centenary Road	Stephen Dlamini	Essenwood Road
Esther Roberts	Frere Road	Magwaza Maphalala	Gale Street	Steve Biko	Mansfield Road
				Sylvester Ntuli	Brickhill Road



Durban – city in the sun

Tourists from all over the world have been coming to Durban for more than half a century, attracted mainly by the city's famous beaches and the all-year-round sunshine. But once they arrive here, they soon discover that this city has a lot more than beautiful, golden beaches to offer.

It is a centre of world-class sport and hosts major international events. It is a shoppers' paradise with sophisticated shopping malls and precincts, craft markets and street bazaars. It is an entertainment and hospitality centre offering a wide range of accommodation from swish beachfront hotels to themed lodges, guesthouses, self-catering apartments and homely B&Bs. It is also a bustling commercial and manufacturing centre connected to the business capitals of the world, and is built around one of the busiest ports in Africa.

Durban's people are friendly and laid-back, and reflect a rich cultural diversity that includes African, Eastern and Western influences.

Perhaps it's this blend of culture, art and environment that makes Durban so unique. There's nowhere else quite like it.

There is an abundance of breathtaking scenery just beyond the city. To the north lies the bustling coastal town of Umhlanga, packed with hotels, restaurants and beautiful beaches. To the south is the Sapphire Coast, an endless stretch of sub-tropical paradise dotted with holiday towns. To the west lies the verdant Valley of 1000 Hills with its nature reserves and cultural villages. A little further afield, the Big 5 game reserves are just a few hours' drive away, while to the west the mighty uKhahlamba Drakensberg Park – a World Heritage Site – beckons.

Moyo's bar and café on uShaka Marine pier, overlooking the warm Indian Ocean.



The Umhlanga Coast

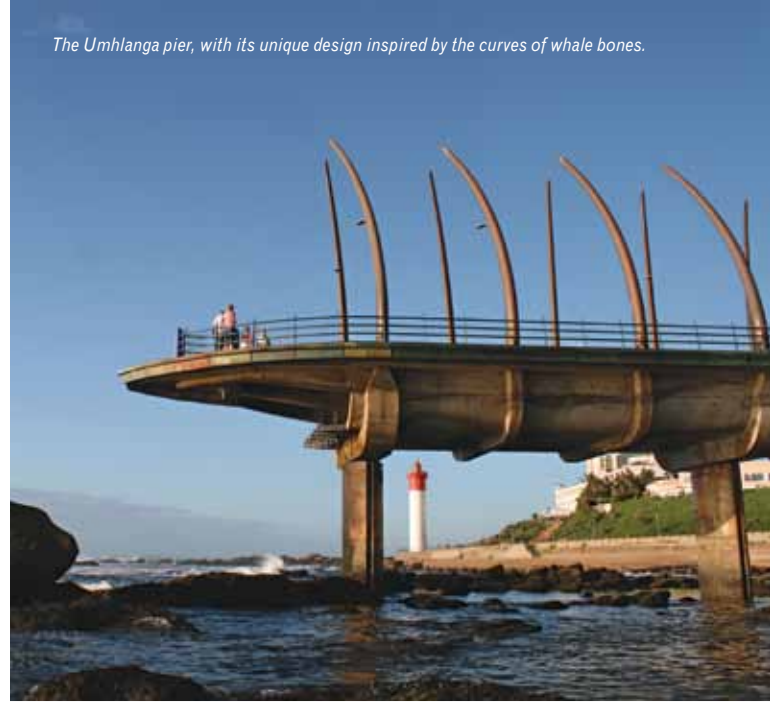
The Umhlanga Coast stretches for miles north of the city, framed by fields of green sugar cane and the endless golden beaches that this part of the world is so famous for.

At the epicentre lies the holiday town of Umhlanga Rocks, part city, part beach resort, part shopping paradise. Apart from the fine wining and dining that takes place in this holiday environment, there is an endless choice of exciting activities to enjoy, like surfing, swimming, fishing, dolphin and whale watching, shopping and micro-lighting. Or you may wish to take a hike through the coastal Havaan Nature Reserve, or just laze around on the beach soaking up some sun.

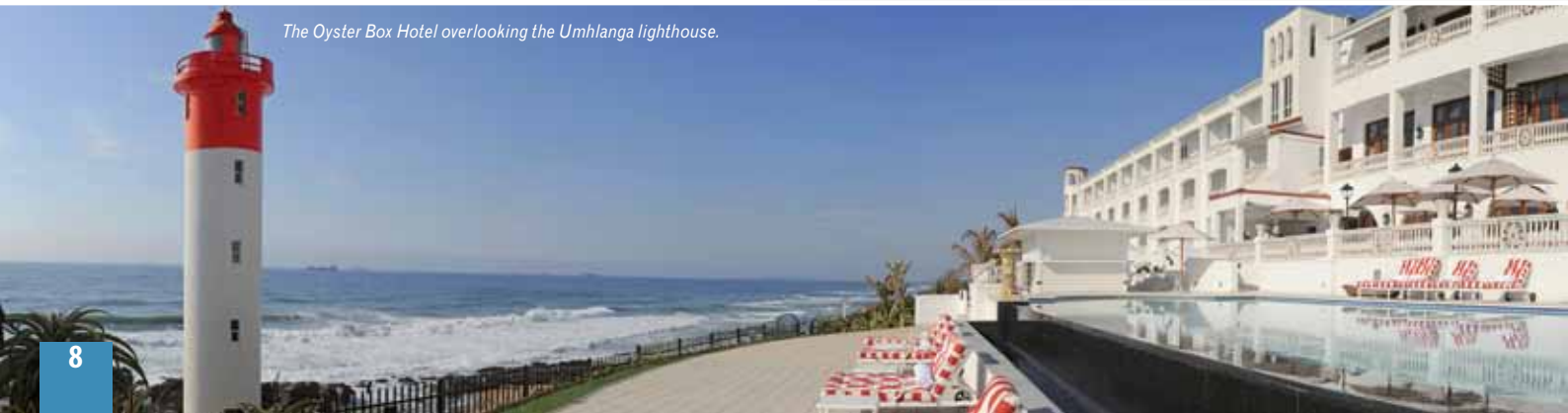
For those seeking a little more peace and quiet, the friendly villages of Umdloti, La Mercy and Westbrook lie in wait just a little further along the coast. Enquiries: 031 561 4257 • www.umhlangatourism.co.za



The Umhlanga pier, with its unique design inspired by the curves of whale bones.



The Oyster Box Hotel overlooking the Umhlanga lighthouse.



The Sapphire Coast



The town of Amanzimtoti (meaning 'sweet waters' in Zulu) is said to have been named by the great Zulu King Shaka after tasting the fresh water that flows out of the hills at this scenic spot. It is situated on the coast a short drive south of Durban.

This part of the coast is a popular destination for scuba divers who come to explore Aliwal Shoal, a fossilised sand dune that lies 5km off the Umkomaas river mouth. A myriad of warm water reef fish and cold water fish converge on Aliwal Shoal to create a kaleidoscope of colour. For those who prefer to remain on terra firma, the beaches of the Sapphire Coast provide plenty of opportunities to enjoy swimming, surfing or fishing. Nature lovers can explore the Amanzimtoti Bird Sanctuary or stroll in one of the nature reserves. For a taste of local history or culture, there are a number of arts and crafts stores offering a selection of handmade goods, and the Adams Mission College, founded in 1884.

Enquiries: 031 903 7498 • www.sapphirecoasttourism.co.za

The Sapphire Coast is a renowned beach holiday destination.



The Valley of 1000 Hills



**1000
HILLS**
Experience

An easy 30-minute drive inland from Durban will bring you to the cool, green suburbs of Kloof, Gillitts and Hillcrest, edged by the wild and rugged Valley of 1000 Hills. It is aptly named, as the land literally tumbles down to the Umgeni

River Valley in thousands of hills dotted with traditional Zulu homesteads and grazing cattle and goats. At the bottom of the valley the Inanda Dam snakes between the hills with camping, boating and fishing activities.

The views in this part of the world are breathtaking, the nature reserves teeming with game and the Zulu cultural villages provide an opportunity for visitors to experience some of the thrills of Africa.

The western suburbs are literally on the doorstep of these breathtaking valleys. You can shop in the trendy malls of Kloof and Hillcrest, with their restaurants, spas and B&Bs and then drive for just 20 minutes to a nature



The Inanda Dam winds through the Valley of 1000 Hills.

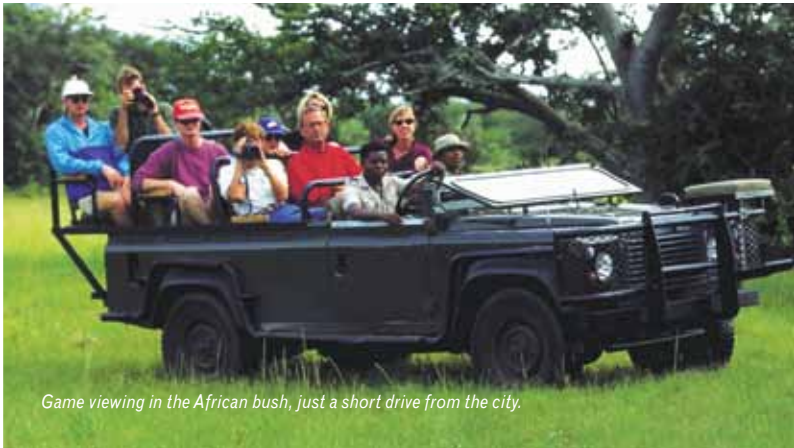
reserve. On the opposite side of Hillcrest lies the equally impressive Shongweni Dam and Nature Reserve where warthog, buck, zebra, rhino and giraffe roam freely through the thorn bush. Many species of birds congregate in this sub-tropical paradise, including fish eagles.

The area is a growing destination for adventure enthusiasts and adrenaline seekers, with an array of adventure activities on offer including rock climbing, quad biking, mountain bike trails, paintballing, abseiling, 4x4 trails, microlighting and canoeing.

Enquiries: 031 777 1874 • www.1000hillstourism.com



Crafters enjoying their work at the Valley of 1000 Hills Art and Crafts Village.



Game viewing in the African bush, just a short drive from the city.

Experiences in Durban

Durban is a vibrant and dynamic city of contrasts with a potent and exciting mix of cultures. There is so much to do and see, you will have to come back again and again to experience all that it has to offer.

The Durban city centre is a bustling business and entertainment hub situated around a busy harbour. The best way to enjoy views of the harbour and city skyline are to take a harbour cruise or eat at one of the waterfront restaurants at Wilson's Wharf.

A mile of golden beaches on the eastern edge of the city extend from the exciting uShaka Marine World near the harbour entrance all the way to the Suncoast Casino & Entertainment World with its restaurants, cinemas and gaming halls. There are many hotels, restaurants and bars dotted along this strip to keep you entertained.

A different view of Durban.



Vibrant traditional Zulu dancing at pheZulu Safari Park.



Cracking surf breaking along the Durban shore.



Durban's ocean playground

Durban is one of the few cities in the world that offers world-class surfing waves right on its doorstep. Epic 'beach break' surf conditions can be found along the entire Durban beachfront, particularly at New Pier, North Beach and Battery Beach. For more experienced surfers, the Bluff and the North Coast offer powerful reef breaks, and the South Coast is home to some world-class point breaks.

Other ocean activities that can be enjoyed are swimming, fishing, jet-skiing, canoeing, windsurfing and kite surfing. Durban's mild all-year-round climate and 19°C-24°C water temperature make it a summer AND winter holiday destination.

The Big Rush Big Swing at Moses Mabhida Stadium.



Big Rush Big Swing: the leap of a lifetime!

For the ultimate adrenalin rush, climb the Moses Mabhida Stadium's iconic arch and take the leap of a lifetime. The 'Big Rush Big Swing' is the world's only stadium swing and the largest swing anywhere in the world.

The stadium's arch affords a breathtaking bird's eye view of the city, as you brace yourself and jump into the void – 106 metres above the pitch and swing out in a huge 220-metre arc. This is truly the most exciting way to see the city!

Enquiries: 031 312 9435 • bookings@bigrush.co.za

Munch a 'bunny chow'

The bunny chow, a hollowed out loaf of bread filled with curry, is Durban's most famous culinary invention, and no visit to the city is complete without sampling one. They're sold at almost every corner café and take-away.

When you visit Durban, you have to try a 'bunny chow'.



Suncoast Casino & Entertainment World

Suncoast on Durban's Golden Mile is one of the city's brightest attractions. Built in the Art Deco style for which Durban is famous, it illuminates the sky with its 6km of neon lighting.

Suncoast is the biggest casino in South Africa, boasting a gaming floor of 7000 m². The casino has 1330 slot machines and 50 gaming tables, as well as the SUNstruck Progressive, Durban's only million Rand paying bank of slot machines. Suncoast's private beach is one of the best in South Africa – a grassed embankment bordered by layers of indigenous vegetated dunes looks over a wide, flat beach right onto the Indian Ocean.

Suncoast's eight cinema complex shows all the latest blockbusters, including an array of hot Bollywood movies, and is home to the 18m Supernova screen, the largest cinema screen in KwaZulu-Natal.

Enquiries: 031 328 3000 • www.suncoastcasino.com

Suncoast Casino & Entertainment World is situated right on the beach.



Sibaya Casino and Entertainment Kingdom.

Sibaya Casino & Entertainment Kingdom

Sibaya has over 1000 slot and 24 touch-bet roulette machines, as well as Roulette, Blackjack and Poker tables. There is also a Zulu theatre, Krakatoa, for pulsating nightlife, and Mangwanani Sibaya, an excellent and luxurious day spa. It is just a 25-minute drive north of the city.

Enquiries: 031 580 5000 • www.suninternational.com

Durban from above

There are many ways to enjoy Durban's unique scenery, and what better way to do it than from the air? A number of helicopter tour operators offer scenic flips, departing from Durban's Virginia Airport just north of the Umgeni River mouth.

Microlighting over Durban and the surrounding coastline offers a beautiful and unique view of the area, and the opportunity to spot whales, dolphins and giant rays cruising the deep water.

During the annual sardine run, microlighters can enjoy the sight of massive shoals of sardines being chased by dolphins and sharks, while the Valley of 1000 Hills is the venue for paragliding schools offering training and scenic flights.

Enquiries: 031 322 4164

The captivating uShaka Marine World

At the end of Durban's Golden Mile is Africa's largest marine theme park. uShaka Marine World incorporates fresh and sea water, lush vegetation, and the recreation of a 1920's cargo shipwreck into a magical world of sea and marine life.

No matter what the occasion, you will always find something to do at uShaka Marine World, from dining at restaurants on the ocean's edge to the unforgettable shopping experience at uShaka Village Walk.

For the adventurous there are world-class dolphin shows and adrenalin pumping water-slides, including the highest slide in Africa. After all the action, you can spend a lazy afternoon sunbathing on uShaka beach or sipping sun-downers at Moyo cafe, on the uShaka Marine pier.

Enquiries: 031 328 8000 • www.ushakamarineworld.co.za



See the city from the Ricksha bus

These doubledeckers will take you on a three-hour tour of Durban that includes the beachfront, uShaka Marine World, Emmanuel Cathedral, Victoria Street Market, Burman Bush, Blue Lagoon and other sites of interest.

Enquiries: 031 322 4209



Sardine Run

The Sardine Run is an annual phenomenon which takes place along the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal coastline in June or July.

Gigantic shoals of sardines migrate along the coast from south to north, followed by sharks, dolphins, game fish and sea birds. The sardines are often driven to the shore where they beach by the thousand.



Shop till you drop

Durban is a shopper's paradise and offers many different shopping experiences. Street markets in and around the city offer a variety of crafts and beadwork. The Indian district in downtown Durban offers a huge selection of goods from the East as well as spices and curry powders. Boutique clothing shops are dotted here and there where you'd least expect them, while the shopping malls house all the big chain stores and are bursting at the seams with the latest clothes, fashion accessories and toys.

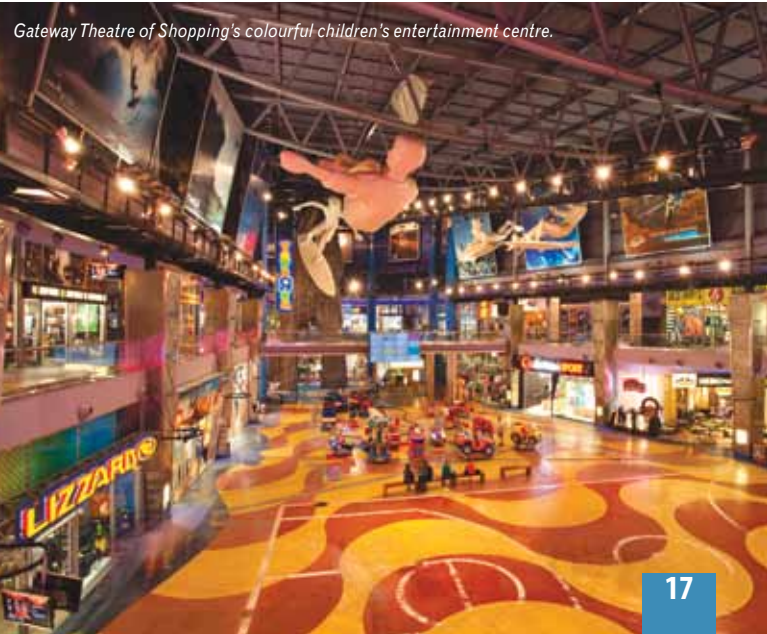
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Gateway Theatre of Shopping

Gateway in Umhlanga is the ultimate mall, with a world-class range of shopping from chainstores to fashion boutiques and sports goods. It features a cinema complex, a supper theatre, fun science centre for kids and numerous restaurants to choose from. Then there's the world's highest freestanding rock climbing wall, the D-Rex double-point break standing wave and a 4000m² skatepark.

Enquiries: 031 566 2332

Gateway Theatre of Shopping.



Gateway Theatre of Shopping's colourful children's entertainment centre.



La Lucia Mall

La Lucia Mall is located in the up-market La Lucia suburb just north of the city. It has an exclusive and relaxed atmosphere with many local and international big brand stores and restaurants to choose from.

Enquiries: 031 562 8420

Musgrave Centre

Set centrally in Durban's Berea, Musgrave Centre is a classy, intimate and well laid-out mall with an emphasis on quality stores. Its location between Musgrave and Stephen Dlamini (Essenwood) Roads makes it ideal for visitors and locals alike to enjoy, and its many independent boutiques hold some lovely treasures for shoppers to discover. It has a cinema complex and on-site parking.

Enquiries: 031 201 5129

The Pavilion Shopping Centre

More than 1.8 million shoppers every month can't be wrong. Conveniently located in Westville close to the N3, the Pavilion offers the widest selection of restaurants, shops, banking facilities, fashion outlets and entertainment areas under one roof. Its unparalleled choice and stylish setting make it a must-do shopping experience.

Enquiries: 031 265 0558

Arbour Crossing and Galleria

For a sophisticated shopping, dining and entertainment experience, Arbour Crossing and Galleria are the premier destinations on the Sapphire Coast. Arbour Crossing has a wide variety of value stores ranging from food, furnishings, and clothing to electronics and sport. Galleria has a range of stylish big brand stores, fashion boutiques and restaurants, as well as a host of entertainment for the whole family, including a cinema, mini-golf and an ice-rink. Arbour Crossing and Galleria are conveniently located just off the N2 highway.

Enquiries: 031 904 2233 • www.galleria.co.za

The Heritage Market

The Heritage Market in Hillcrest is set in magnificent rose gardens creating a relaxed country atmosphere. It incorporates some 160 Victorian-style shops offering a wide range of goods from rare books to arts and crafts, clothes, fashion accessories, fire places, barbecues and novelty gifts. To top it off there are tea gardens, restaurants, cocktail bars and a supper theatre.

Enquiries: 031 765 2500

More shopping experiences

There are many more smaller but no less exciting shopping malls and shopping districts scattered around Durban. These include the Davenport Centre in Glenwood, Windermere Centre in Morningside, and the Workshop in the city centre, just across the road from Tourist Junction. For fine art pieces with an African flavour visit the BAT Centre, African Art Centre in Florida Road or one of the city's many art galleries.

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Boutique shopping at the Pavilion Shopping Centre.
PHOTO COURTESY OF THE PAVILION SHOPPING CENTRE

Vibrant street markets

Durban is home to a number of street markets and flea-markets.

The Shongweni Farmer's Market

Held every Saturday near Hillcrest, it is the best place to buy organic produce, fresh flowers and delicious breakfasts, and has a wonderful country atmosphere.

The Essenwood Market

Saturday is the day for Durban's premier craft market. Centrally located, it trades in the best of local curios, hand-made jewellery and clothing.

The Stables Lifestyle Market

Held on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays is Durban's most unique shopping experience with over 230 shops set in stables built over 100 years ago!

The weekend market at North Beach

Has a fascinating assortment of stalls offering gifts, curios and novelties.

Street shopping

Durban is renowned for its curries and spices, and a visit into town will swamp your senses with strange and exciting flavours. The Victoria Street Market (on Bertha Mkhize Street), The Spice Emporium or even just a meander down DrYusuf Dadoo Street (formerly Grey Street) will give you a glimpse of the mix of Eastern and African cultures that make Durban so unique. Pavement sellers are a common sight on Durban's streets and especially along the beachfront, and for the visitor seeking local handmade curios there is much on offer at affordable prices.

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Essenwood Flea Market, open every Saturday.



The Stables Lifestyle Market.

Food and entertainment

Eating out

Durban is renowned for its diverse cuisine from all over the world, but especially for its spicy Indian curries, fish dishes and exotic meat dishes like venison, crocodile and ostrich. The following areas are some of the city's best eating and entertainment zones.

Wilson's Wharf

Wilson's Wharf is one of Durban's liveliest venues offering a fusion of food, live music and shopping overlooking the Durban harbour.

Enquiries: 031 307 7841 • www.wilsonswarf.co.za

Florida Road, Morningside

For a trendy and cosmopolitan eating and social experience, visit Florida Road where cafés and restaurants line the sidewalks amidst buzzing art galleries and boutique shops.

Umhlanga

This upmarket resort area north of Durban offers a range of fine dining options, from classic and elegant restaurants to contemporary and hip eateries.

Helen Joseph (Davenport) Road, Glenwood

Take a walk up this leafy suburban road and choose from a range of restaurants serving Moroccan or Portuguese cuisine, or gourmet pizza and pastas. The coffee is always fresh.

Swapo Avenue

Sample the excitement of Swapo Avenue in Durban North. There are restaurants, pavement cafés and night spots aplenty.

Wilson's Wharf on Durban's harbour.



A local band 'rocks out'!



Sundowner Harbour Cruise

For a unique eating and entertainment experience, book a trip on one of the many charter boats that offer day, sunset, or night cruises around the harbour.

Nightlife

Party till dawn in the 'warmest place to be' and be sure to watch a magnificent sunrise over the warm Indian Ocean. Durban is famous for its Zulu and traditional music and is a hot-bed of musical talent, and live bands can be seen most nights of the week.

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Clubs and bars

Durban people enjoy a fun night out, so there are many clubs and bars scattered around the city. Your best bet is to speak to the locals to find the best venues. Many of these are concentrated in certain districts, like Glenwood, Florida Road, the beachfront, Kloof, Hillcrest and Umhlanga. Most of the big hotels, malls and casinos have clubs and cocktail bars where the trendy folk hang out.

The Origin

Durban's most happening dance club (it took over where 330 left off) with separate zones playing straight-up dance music, soul and funk, deep house, vocal electro and minimal tech.

Enquiries: www.330.co.za

BAT Centre

The BAT Centre is an arts and culture community centre designed to showcase African art and culture, and to promote local talent. Live bands perform at the venue Thursdays to Sundays, and bands range from jazz and rock to isicathimiya and reggae.

Enquiries: 031 332 0451

Zulu Jazz Lounge

Catch the top South African jazz bands in the centre of Durban in the historic Playhouse Complex.

Enquiries: 031 304 2373

Theatres

Durban has a number of excellent theatres where local and touring productions put on top class shows. There are also a number of dinner theatres.



A rich cultural heritage

One of Durban's most unique features is the cultural mix of its people who have come from all corners of the globe.

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The Nguni people migrated from Central and East Africa many centuries ago and settled in what is now KwaZulu-Natal where they herded cattle and hunted wild game. King Shaka was instrumental in unifying different tribes and the Zulu nation was born. The colonial era began in the early 1800s with the arrival of British settlers, followed by Boers from the Cape, originally from Europe. In the 1860s Indian indentured labourers were brought in from British India to work the sugar plantations. They were followed by traders, merchants and religious leaders from the East, which resulted in the establishment of a large and diverse Indian population. The result is a cultural mix of Eastern, Western and African influences that are visible everywhere, in the art and architecture, fashion, cuisine and language.

Because of the religious and cultural diversity, many fascinating festivals and celebrations are held in and around the city throughout the year. Hindu temples hold annual fire-walking ceremonies, and in April the Durban beachfront comes alive with masses of devotees celebrating the Hare Krishna Festival of Chariots. On weekends the Zionists gather at various sacred spots around the city in their flowing white robes. They also hold baptising ceremonies at the beachfront.

The Jumma Masjid Mosque

The sound of the muezzin calling the faithful to prayer echoes across

downtown Durban from the Jumma Masjid Mosque, one of several mosques dotted around the city, and the largest mosque in the southern hemisphere.

Brave the Muti Market

Durban's 'Muti' (traditional medicine) Market, in the city centre allows an insight into the world of traditional African medicine and healing practices. Visitors can make their way through the market and witness a variety of traditional medicines being made and prepared for sale. It is recommended you only visit the market with an accredited tour guide.

Art galleries for Africa

Durban is home to many art galleries that exhibit a mixture of contemporary, classic and traditional arts and crafts, including the work of celebrated South African artists.

KwaMuhle Museum

Once the office of the notorious Department of Native Affairs, the KwaMuhle Museum provides a vital link with the city's apartheid past with its powerful displays. Learn about the history of Cato Manor, which has been restored and upgraded to cater for previously marginalised communities.

Victoria Street Market

This vibrant Indian Market with its colourful stalls, fish market and curio outlets is a favourite for tourists.



The Jumma Masjid Mosque is the largest mosque in the southern hemisphere.



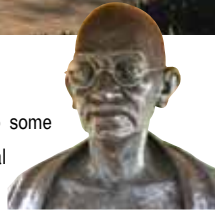


Mahatma Gandhi Museum on the Inanda Trail.



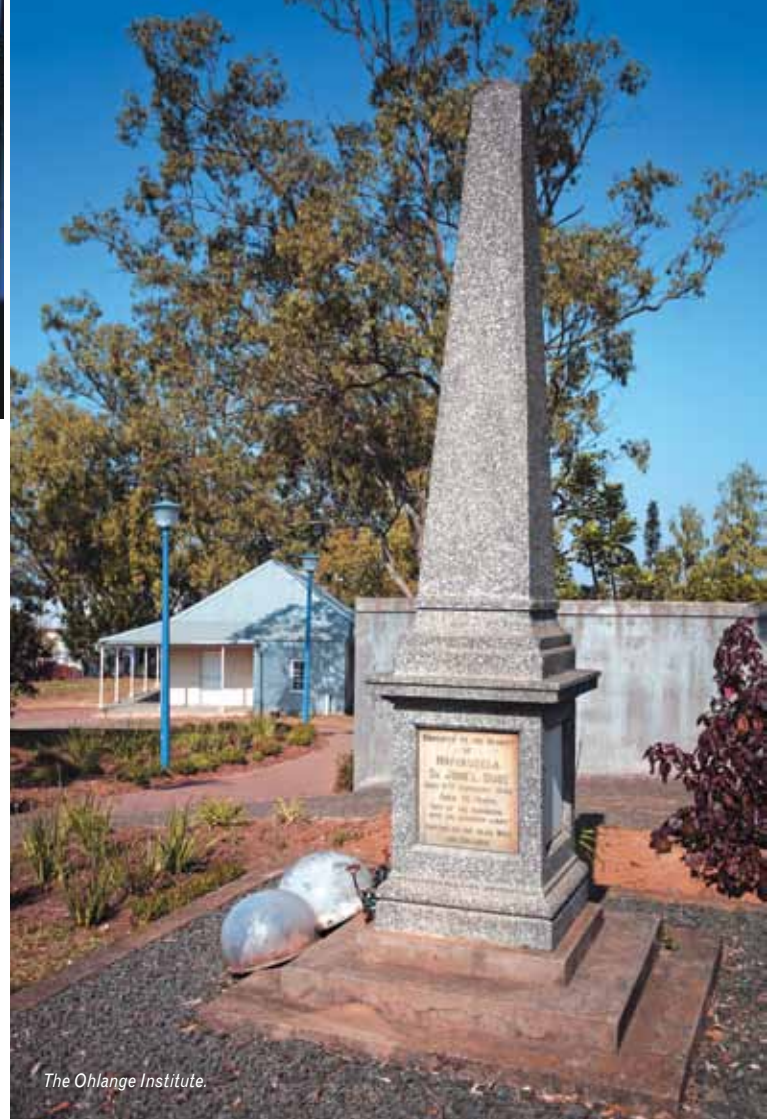
Inanda Heritage Trail

The Inanda Heritage Trail allows a visit to some of Durban's most important historical sites, places where South Africa's future changed for the better because of the



bravery of a few individuals. The Phoenix Settlement is where Mahatma Gandhi developed his philosophy of passive resistance, which has been lauded the world over, and his home has been turned into a monument dedicated to lasting peace and justice. At Inanda Township one can visit the Ohlange Institute, founded by the first president of the African National Congress, Rev. John Dube; this is also the site where Nelson Mandela cast his historic vote in South Africa's first democratic elections in 1994. The Inanda Seminary is one of the oldest and most famous schools for girls in South Africa and has a legacy of producing some of the country's finest black women leaders. Visits to these historic sites can be arranged through specialist tour operators.

Enquiries: Inanda Tourism: 031 519 2555



The Ohlange Institute.

A splendid example of Art Deco architecture.



Art and architecture

Visually, Durban is a captivating city thanks to its heady mix of Victorian, Edwardian, Art Deco, Indian Traditional and modern architecture. The influences of Asian, African, English Colonial and Afrikaans cultures have all produced some rare and obscure styles, making Durban's architecture astonishing in its quality and diversity. It is also a city that is rich in art – both African, classical and modern.

See Directory on pages 53-54

A city tour will take in Durban's gorgeous Golden Mile, the City Hall and the Natural Science Museum, not to mention the numerous art galleries such as the Durban Art Gallery, the BAT Centre and the African Art Centre.

Founded in 1887, the Natural Science Museum is one of South Africa's smallest but busiest and most interesting museums. Set in the City Hall building, the museum is renowned for its realistic habitat displays, life-size model of a Tyrannosaurus Rex, a near-complete Dodo skeleton and an Egyptian mummy, Peten Amen.

Durban's City Hall.



Vibrant township tours

Townships offer visitors a glimpse of another side of Durban. Originally established by the apartheid government to house black people working in the city, townships have become sprawling and vibrant neighbourhoods in the post-apartheid era where an exciting new urban African culture is being born.

No visit to Durban is complete without visiting one of these townships. Tours guided by knowledgeable locals will provide the visitor with the opportunity to immerse themselves in the rich community life townships enjoy

and experience the pulse of this vibrant culture.

Guests can visit a shebeen (which means 'hidden' bar) or a 'shisanyama' (where meat is grilled on open fires), where locals meet to drink and eat together in a lively atmosphere. Popular spots are Meat Café in Claremont (Tel: 083 354 3985), Max's Lifestyle in Umlazi (Tel: 083 776 6545), Eyabo Butcher & Tavern in Inanda (Tel: 082 441 2317) and Hlabisa Tavern & Shisanyama in KwaMashu (Tel: 082 577 1495).

Enquiries: 031 322 4164



Good vibes at a popular 'shisanyama'.

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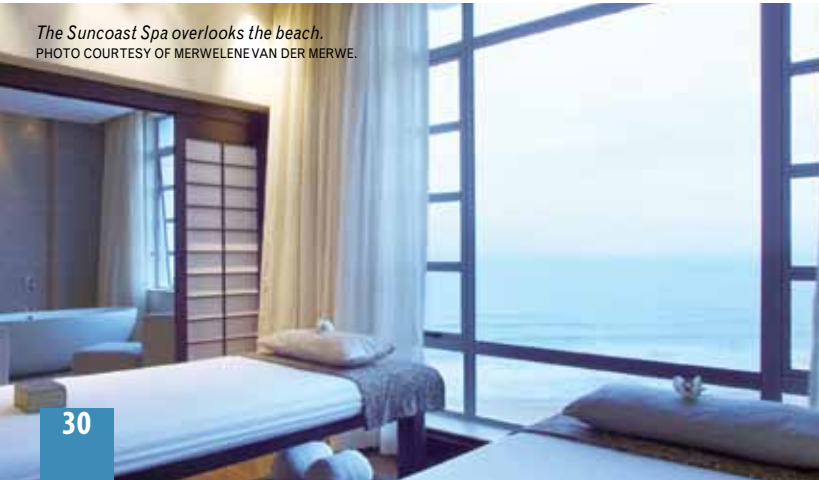
Durban is well known for being a comfortable city where you can put your feet up, make yourself at home and relax. Everyone needs to take a break from the hectic pace of everyday life once in a while, and Durban can provide exactly that. There are a number of luxurious health spas you can visit where your well-being is the number one concern and you can unwind and let all your cares slip away.

Durban's wide range of holistic health spas provide many options for health and beauty treatments. From massages to aromatherapy to full body treatments, there are many opportunities to de-stress mind and body when visiting our beautiful city.

The warm all-year-round climate, beautiful gardens and sub-tropical vegetation make Durban and its surrounds all the more soothing and relaxing. This is an environment tailor-made for promoting health and vitality.

The Suncoast Spa overlooks the beach.

PHOTO COURTESY OF MERWELENE VAN DER MERWE.





Mangwanani Sibaya African Day Spa

Set in a unique venue styled in traditional Zulu architecture, Mangwanani Sibaya mixes earthy African culture with uncompromising attention to detail. With stunning sea views in a luxurious setting, Mangwanani Sibaya will pamper you with all the goodness and hospitality the Zulu kingdom has to offer.

Enquiries: 0860 55 00 55

Suncoast Spa

Encompassing the entire ninth floor of the Suncoast Hotel and Towers, the spa's style is spacious, contemporary and chic, incorporating modern décor with magnificent beach and ocean views giving each guest a great feeling of privacy, comfort and elegance. The spa's philosophy is to delight guests by providing service that is gracious, sincere and steeped in the values of the East.

Enquiries: 031 314 7900



Makaranga Health and Beauty Spa

Situated in the leafy suburb of Kloof, Makaranga Health and Beauty Spa is a haven of pampering and rejuvenation. It is set in the African Pride Hotel Makaranga and is surrounded by beautifully landscaped indigenous gardens featuring dozens of stone sculptures.

The Spa offers a comprehensive menu of treatments to revive and revitalise your body's natural harmony.

Enquiries: 031 764 9434

Camp Orchards Spa

Set in the outskirts of Hillcrest in the Valley of 1000 Hills, Camp Orchards Spa offers a range of treatments from massages to beauty treatments and aromatherapy that are designed to make you glow with health and vitality.

Enquiries: 031 765 5576

Makaranga, set in a peaceful indigenous garden.



Accommodation

Voted by Lonely Planet as one of the top 10 family beach holiday cities in the world, Durban has a wide range of accommodation options to suit your needs and budget. There are upmarket hotels and holiday apartments, guest houses, B&Bs, backpacker establishments and bush lodges.

The Durban Accommodation Finder: www.durbanexperience.co.za

Enquiries: 031 322 4164



*Luxury suite,
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Beyond the city: Adventures for the bold at heart

If you're an adrenalin junkie, you've come to the right place as there are all sorts of adventures and exciting activities to enjoy. In the water, on land or in the air, visitors can participate in a different adventure sport every day of the week.

See Directory on pages 58-59

Scale a sheer cliff-face

The Valley of 1000 Hills area is home to a variety of climbing sites with routes for beginners and advanced climbers to enjoy. Monteseel and the 'wave cave' at Shongweni Dam are two of the best known spots.

Gone fishing

The Indian Ocean is alive and well, and fishing enthusiasts come from all over the country to angle off Durban's beautiful shoreline. Deep sea fishing charters are also available from Durban harbour, and from ski-boat launches north and south of the city.

Explore on horseback

Enjoy a horse trail through the sugar cane, coastal bush or along a deserted beach. It's a wonderful way to enjoy the scenery and the sunshine. These tours cater for both experienced riders and beginners, so bring the family along.

Horse riding through the lush Umdloti hills, just north of Umhlanga Rocks.



Rock climbing at Monteseel, Valley of 1000 Hills.

A paddler explores the uMngeni River.



Challenge our mighty rivers

Durban has a number of rivers, like the uMngeni and Umkomaas, which offer exciting white water rafting, kayaking and canoeing experiences. The Shongweni, Inanda and Hazelmere dams also offer canoeing and fishing activities, with scenic bush lodges and self-catering bungalows for overnight visits.

Take a ride on an old steam train

For the laid-back adventurer there is a different form of excitement. The Umgeni Steam Railway offers a good old fashioned train outing on the last Sunday of every month from Kloof to Inchanga. The train winds through the Valley of 1000 Hills, with several fun stop-offs and spectacular views.

Scuba diving wonderland

Aliwal Shoal is Durban's prime diving destination and attracts divers from around the world. Dive boats launch from the Umkomaas River, south of Amanzimtoti, to get to the reef which is about 4km long and lies some 5km offshore, with depths ranging from 5m to 35m. The reef runs almost parallel to the shoreline and its many gullies, overhangs, caves and shelves are home to a vast array of marine life. Two wrecks lying near the shoal – the Produce and Nebo – provide divers with alternative underwater experiences.

Local dive operators provide equipment and accredited training, and will introduce you to the wonders that lie beneath the waves.

Enjoy stunning views of the Valley of 1000 Hills from the Umgeni Steam Train.



Dolphins and whales

The warm waters of the Indian Ocean that wash Durban's shores are alive with marine life. Schools of bottlenose dolphin move up and down the coast all year round, and whales can be seen off the coast from July through to November – mainly humpback whales and occasionally southern rights. You can view these creatures from high points along the coast, or even from the beach as the dolphins frequently frolic in the waves or just behind backline.

A number of dolphin and whale watching businesses have sprung up along the coast, offering ski-boat trips to view these gentle creatures close-up. Deep-sea fishing charters also ply these waters, launching from Umhlanga, Tongaat, Umdloti, Umkomaas and Durban. Pleasure cruises are also offered around the harbour and out to sea, with spectacular views of the city and the coastline.

Creatures of the deep

There are a variety of shark species found off the shores of Durban and adjacent coast. Most common is the ragged-tooth shark which is especially plentiful at Aliwal Shoal, which has become famous among divers world-wide for sightings of this shy creature.

For those whose interest in sharks is more intellectual, the KwaZulu-Natal Sharks Board in Umhlanga is an informative and interesting visit. Visitors have the opportunity to learn about the biology, ecology and conservation of sharks, and view a 20-minute shark dissection.

The KwaZulu-Natal Sharks Board maintains shark nets along Durban's bathing beaches to ensure the safety of water users.



Whales visit Durban shores from July to November.

PHOTO COURTESY OF 36 DEGREES, 082 553 2834



Scuba diving off Aliwal Shoal.

Stunning natural beauty

Durban is situated in an exquisite natural environment, and the warm, sub-tropical climate provides an ideal opportunity to explore nature. It has a variety of unique habitats, from dense coastal forest, to mangrove swamps and estuarine systems which are home to a wondrous variety of plant, animal and bird life.

See Directory on pages 53-54

The Umgeni River Bird Park is home to endangered, indigenous and exotic birds in a stunning natural environment on the banks of the uMgeni River. The park allows visitors to get up close and personal with many different birds in walk-through aviaries, open paddocks and a viewing window into the baby room where chicks are raised by foster parents.

Botanic Gardens

The Botanic Gardens is situated close to the city centre and features a fascinating collection of sub-tropical trees, palms and orchids. It is one of the oldest botanical gardens in the country.

Enquiries: 031 322 4000 • www.durbanbotanicgardens.org.za

uMngeni Green Hub

The Green Hub is Durban's central portal for eco-tourism information and bookings. Based at the uMngeni River Estuary, the Hub arranges canoe trails, nature trails and heritage trails in and around Durban. Open 09h00-17h00 daily.

Enquiries: 031 303 8476 • greenhub@durban.gov.za

uMngeni River, on the northern edge of the city.



Silverglen Nature Reserve

The use of muthi (Zulu traditional medicine) is deeply rooted in Zulu culture. A vast number of plant species are used to make muthi preparations, and as a result of over-exploitation and shrinking habitats, some muthi plants have been driven to the brink of extinction.

To help save these plants growing in the wild, the Silverglen Nature Reserve has established a nursery which propagates muthi plants using indigenous knowledge. The nursery cultivates about 120 at-risk plant species and plays a vital role in conserving Durban's natural flora.

Enquiries: 031 404 5628

Beachwood Mangroves Nature Reserve

Situated on the edge of the city between the north bank of the uMngeni River and the south bank of the Tongaat River, Beachwood Mangroves Nature Reserve is home to a unique mangrove ecosystem which is as interesting as it is beautiful.

A haven for many rare bird species and thousands of fiddler crabs, these mangroves are an important part of Durban's natural heritage.

The reserve features a raised boardwalk through the mangroves for guided and self-guided walks, as well as an education centre with information about this distinctive mangrove ecosystem.

Enquiries: 082 559 2839



Serene Shongweni Dam and Nature Reserve

Shongweni Dam and Nature Reserve lies just 30 minutes from Durban and offers visitors a real African experience. Camping, water sports, game viewing, walking trails and luxury accommodation are just some of the features of this reserve. With lush forests and steep cliffs, Shongweni Dam and Nature Reserve's diversity allows for numerous activities, including canoeing, sail-boating, trailing and rock climbing, and if it's animals you want, it's animals you'll get. The reserve is home to rhino, buffalo, giraffe, zebra, impala, kudu, wildebeest, caracal, ostrich and many more, and is rated as one of the top bird sanctuaries in the area.

The dramatic Krantzkloof Nature Reserve

Krantzkloof Nature Reserve, where two river gorges, the Molweni and Nqutu, meet, encompasses cliffs, waterfalls and natural forest teeming with wildlife. It has 20km of scenic walks, including a stunning waterfall and two wonderful view sites of the Krantzkloof Gorge.

Zebra and other wildlife can be spotted at the Shongweni Dam and Nature Reserve.



The breathtaking Inanda Dam.



Kenneth Stainbank Nature Reserve

Just 14km from the Durban city centre, the Kenneth Stainbank Nature Reserve comprises 250 hectares of riverine forest and grassland and is home to zebra, impala, bushbuck, duiker and over 200 species of birds. Well defined trails of various lengths provide good opportunities for visitors to experience the animal life. There is a 500m trail for the physically disabled and sight-impaired.

Empisini Nature Reserve

The 120 hectare Empisini Nature Reserve contains 50 hectares of pristine coastal forest teeming with a variety of birds and small mammals. It has pretty picnic and braai areas and rustic accommodation in the form of a large tree-house built deep in the forest alongside the Empisini stream.

Mountain biking at Giba Gorge.



White rhino can be seen at Shongweni Dam and Nature Reserve.



Cricket action at Sahara Stadium Kingsmead.
PHOTO COURTESY OF ANESH DEBIKY/GALLO IMAGES



A sporting city

Durban is a sports-mad city with world-class facilities, including the iconic Moses Mabhida Stadium that was built especially for the 2010 Soccer World Cup, and world famous sports teams with huge fan bases. Durban has produced a wealth of sporting talent over the years, and many of them have gone on to become household names internationally.

Cricket

The Sunfoil Dolphins are Durban's local cricket team with a long pedigree of being among the top teams in South Africa. Based at Sahara Stadium Kingsmead, the Sunfoil Dolphins play exciting cricket and are well-known for having vocal and energetic fans. A carnival atmosphere prevails at big matches. A number of the Dolphins players have gone on to play for the national cricket team, the Proteas.

Enquiries: 031 335 4200

Usuthu!

The beautiful game is alive and well, and Durban is as soccer mad as the rest of South Africa. AmaZulu FC, nicknamed 'Usuthu', is Durban's local football club that features strongly in the South African Professional Soccer League. Soccer lovers are encouraged to grab a vuvuzela, go down to the stadium and give Durban's finest their most vociferous support.

The Comrades Marathon

Durban and Pietermaritzburg host possibly the most gruelling ultra-marathon in the world in June, and each year the event draws top international competitors going all out to win. The 90km race, run between Durban and Pietermaritzburg, draws thousands of runners and the route is lined with spectators. The Comrades has a unique spirit and camaraderie epitomised by its name.



The Comrades Marathon.

Shark attack

The Sharks have been a powerhouse of South African rugby for many years and have developed intense rivalries with top local and international teams. The home ground, the 52 000-seater Kings Park Stadium, is a fantastic venue which allows spectators to feel close to the action. The Sharks are known for playing high quality and bruising rugby, and have produced many Springbok rugby players over the years. No matter the competition format, the Sharks' games are always well supported, and the after-parties are legendary.

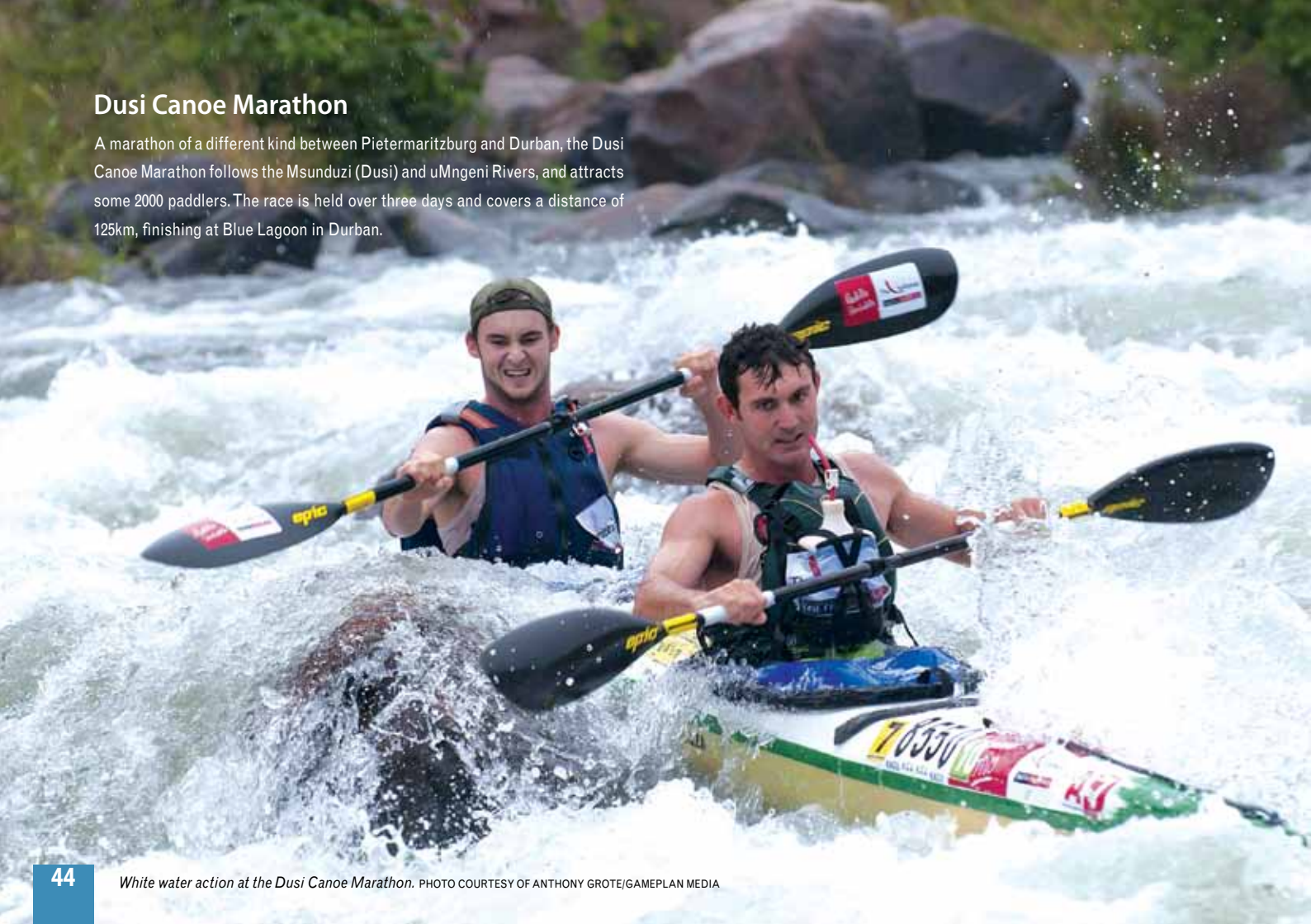
Enquiries: 031 308 8400



The Sharks in action. PHOTO COURTESY OF GERHARD DURAAAN

Dusi Canoe Marathon

A marathon of a different kind between Pietermaritzburg and Durban, the Dusi Canoe Marathon follows the Msunduzi (Dusi) and uMngeni Rivers, and attracts some 2000 paddlers. The race is held over three days and covers a distance of 125km, finishing at Blue Lagoon in Durban.



A golfer's paradise

Durban's year-round sunny climate and lush, natural environment provide a pleasant backdrop for the numerous golf courses to be found close to the city. From sea views to indigenous forest and even some courses with wild game, golfers will find many challenges and memorable holes to test their abilities. You could spend a week or more in Durban and play a different 18-hole course every day, and the 19th-holes are also legendary. Here is a brief summary of the top courses.

See Directory on page 57

Durban Country Club

Durban Country Club is Durban's finest golf course and is considered by many to be the best in the country. Rated as one of the top 100 courses in the world, the course lies close to the beach and is fashioned into the sand dunes. Breathtaking to play and gorgeous in its verdant natural beauty, this premier golf course demands your attention.

Enquiries: 031 313 1777

Durban Country Club Beachwood

Lying some 2km north of Durban Country Club, the recently upgraded Beachwood course is no less beautiful and offers a different challenge. The fairways are narrow and long, and lined with dense foliage requiring precision tee shots, making this a difficult but rewarding course for the patient golfer.

Enquiries: 031 313 1777

Royal Durban Golf Club

Royal Durban is a links type golf course set in the middle of a horse racing track. The course is distinctive for its lack of large trees and vegetation, which means that wind becomes a major factor. It is well known for its notoriously thick rough, and is a demanding course that challenges every golfer.

Enquiries: 031 309 1373

Maidstone Country Club

Suitable for golfers of all abilities, this 9 hole (18 tee) course is bordered by trees and laid out in a residential village. Each hole is pretty in aspect but holds many surprises for the unwary golfer in the form of cunning water hazards and 33 bunkers. It's a testing and relaxing course and well worth the 30-minute drive north from Durban.

Enquiries: 031 945 0419



A romantic couple is shown in a close embrace, kissing. They are seated at an outdoor dining table with wine glasses and plates of food. The background is a soft-focus green landscape.

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Mount Edgecombe Country Club

Tucked away into the undulating hills of the North Coast, Mount Edgecombe Country Club boasts two championship golf courses designed to USPGA specifications. Each course is a nature lover's treat, with attractive surrounds and a host of bird life. Both courses are challenging but fair, and provide a very enjoyable round of golf.

Enquiries: 031 539 5330

Amanzimtoti Country Club

Located south of Durban on the attractive Sapphire Coast, Amanzimtoti Country Club is not only a unique and challenging course with a links feel to it, but the sea is visible from the majority of the course providing stunning views. As picturesque as it is enjoyable to play, Amanzimtoti Country Club is well worth a visit.

Enquiries: 031 902 1166

Amanzimtoti golf course.



Kloof Country Club

Kloof Country Club is a testing course set unobtrusively in the leafy natural beauty of its surrounds. Immaculately maintained and dotted with intimidating hazards, the course requires a thoughtful round that will bring golfers back for more.

Enquiries: 031 764 0555

Cato Ridge Country Club

Leaving behind the balmy air of the coast, Cato Ridge Country Club lies midway between Durban and Pietermaritzburg. Set in the countryside, the course ambles and winds its way between cane fields allowing for a pleasantly relaxed day of golf. The large number of trees lining the fairways makes accurate tee shots a must.

Enquiries: 031 782 1985

Royal Durban. PHOTO COURTESY OF ROYAL DURBAN GOLF CLUB





MORE THAN A STADIUM

Moses Mabhida

Durban's new icon, Moses Mabhida Stadium, offers a variety of experiences and attractions for fun-seeking families, couples looking for a bit of romance, or corporate team-building. Take a trip on the SkyCar or make the 550-step adventure walk to the top of the arch and enjoy panoramic views of the Indian Ocean and Durban. Or take a look inside the stadium with one of our all-access (90 minute) or general (45 minute) tours. For the adrenaline junkies, try plunging off the 106 metre arch on the Big Rush Big Swing. There will soon be a total of 20 shops, seven

of which are already open and trading: Big Rush Big Swing, Subway, Nino's, Sneakers, STS Sports, Cuba Lounge, the People's Park Café and Visitor's Centre. There is also a Virgin Active Gym and the Prime Human Performance Institute.

More restaurants and fast food outlets are due to open over the coming months. The stadium has a wide variety of stunning venues to offer and is the perfect location for functions, conferences and product launches.

Enquiries: **031 582 8242/**www.mmstadium.co.za



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R90 per person/Pensioners: R80/No children under 10

Getting around Durban

Getting around Durban is easy. An efficient transport system using buses, taxis and/or trains links different areas and key attractions in and around the city.

Airport shuttle

The shuttle to and from King Shaka International Airport runs at 15-minute intervals with stops at Umhlanga and the Durban Beachfront.

Enquiries: 032 436 6585

People Mover

The People Mover bus system provides convenient and comfortable transport around the city. It operates on three routes, linking the beachfront to the CBD. Buses depart every 15 minutes from the easily identifiable Durban People Mover bus stops, which are conveniently located for both commuters and tourists. See pages 4 and 5.

Enquiries: 0861 000 834

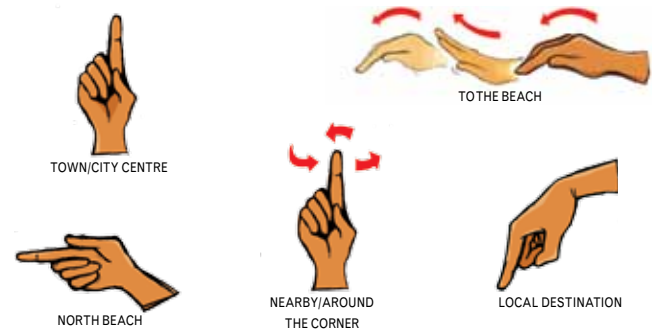


Metered taxis

There are plenty of metered taxis operating in and around the city. They are safe and relatively inexpensive. These taxis operate in key zones, including the airport, beachfront, city centre and accommodation and entertainment nodes within Durban. Registered metered taxis are clearly marked with a coloured sticker (see above), so that you can be assured of a safe and professional service.

Minibus taxis

Minibus taxis are hard to miss as they often have music pumping and someone hanging out of a window touting for passengers. Ask the locals for assistance when choosing a minibus taxi route. When hailing a minibus taxi, use these hand signals.



Car rental and driving

The roads in Durban are in good condition and well sign-posted. Remember, in South Africa (see Directory on page 55), you drive on the left hand side of the road! There are a number of reputable car hire companies operating in Durban.

Tour operators and tour guides

Trained and registered tour operators offer a wide variety of trips to outlying areas of Durban or further afield in KwaZulu-Natal. (See Directory on page 60-61.)



King Shaka International Airport.





Getting to and from Durban

King Shaka International Airport

Durban's new international airport is located north of Durban's city centre and offers international access to Durban, as well as domestic flights to all the major South African cities. Taxis, airport shuttles and car hire are available.

Enquiries: 032 436 6585 • Flight information: 086 727 7880

Inter-city bus companies

Durban is connected to the rest of the country by an excellent bus network, serviced by buses of international standards. The main bus station in Durban is close to the Sahara Kingsmead cricket stadium.

Inter-city train transport

The Durban train station is close to the bus station and connects Durban with other major centres through a train service known as the Shosholozameyl. The service offers tourist class (with sleeper accommodation) and economy class (with sitting accommodation), and catering in the dining car.

Enquiries: 011 774 4555 • www.shosholozameyl.co.za

Useful information

Population and climate

South Africa – 48.7 million • KwaZulu-Natal – 10.1 million • Durban – 3.4 million. Durban is in the subtropical zone. Summers are warm, with high levels of humidity and an average maximum temperature of 28°C. Winters are mild, with average temperatures around 18°C. The sea is warm, with winter temperatures seldom falling below 17°C and reaching a maximum of 24°C.

Weather info: General 082 162 • Durban 082 231 1603 • Maritime 031 307 4135

Time zones

There is one time zone in South Africa, two hours ahead of GMT all year round.

Electricity

South Africa's electricity supply runs at 220/230V, 50Hz AC. Sockets take round-pinned plugs. Most hotel rooms have sockets that will take 110V electric shavers, but for other appliances visitors might need adaptors.

Emergencies

The city has a number of excellent medical facilities, able to meet any medical emergency. You are advised to take out travel insurance to cover medical costs.

Malaria

Durban and most of KZN is malaria-free. However, it is recommended that visitors to the far northern game reserves consult their medical practitioners.

Internet

There are numerous internet cafés around the city, and most of the big hotels and public buildings have wireless internet hotspots.

Language

English and Zulu are the main languages spoken in Durban, however most inhabitants understand and can communicate in basic English.

Money matters

- South Africa uses the Rand (R) as its currency unit. Foreign currency may be exchanged at any commercial bank or foreign exchange bureau.
- Banking hours: Monday to Friday, 09h00-15h30; Saturday, 09h00-11h00.
- Outside banking hours, some hotels will change money, although this entails a fairly hefty commission. You can also change money at branches of American Express and Rennie's Travel.
- ATMs are widespread and will accept most international bank & credit cards.
- Credit cards, including American Express, Visa, Diners Club and MasterCard, may be used at most hotels, restaurants, car hire companies etc.

Telecommunications

- Mobile phones: The country is well covered by all networks.
- You can use a GSM/tri-band phone in South Africa, if you arranged for international roaming before leaving home.
- International telephone dialling code is +27.

Drinking water

South Africa's tap water is world class – it is safe to drink and tastes great.

Directory

ANIMAL FARMS

Name	Tel No.	Web	Location
1000 Hills Bird Park	031 765 6090	www.1000hillsbirdpark.co.za	Assagay
Animal Farm Yard	031 765 2240	www.animalfarmyard.co.za	Botha's Hill
Duck 'n Deck & Tea Garden	031 768 1029	www.duckanddeck.co.za	Assagay
African Birds of Prey Sanctuary	031 785 4382	www.africanraptor.co.za	Camperdown
pheZulu Safari Park	031 777 1000	www.phezulusafaripark.co.za	Botha's Hill
Lion Park/Zoo	031 785 1423	www.natalzoo.co.za	Camperdown
Crocodile Creek	032 944 3845	www.crocodilecreek.co.za	Tongaat
Crocworld Zoo	039 976 1103	www.crocworld.co.za	Scottburgh
Flag Animal Farm	032 947 2018	www.flaganimalfarm.co.za	Ballito

ARTS & CRAFTS

Name	Tel No.	Email/Web	Location
The Durban African Art Centre Association	031 312 3804/5	africanartcentre@afri-art.co.za www.afriart.org.za	Morningside
Art SPACE Durban	031 312 0793	info@artspace-durban.com www.artspace-durban.com	Stamford Hill
BAT Centre Democratic & Menzi Mncunu Galleries	031 332 0451	info@batcentre.co.za www.batcentre.co.za	Small Craft Harbour
Artisan	083 301 5747	sue@artisan.co.za	Morningside
Coppin Johnson Gallery	031 201 1501	anilsomduth@vodamail.co.za	Glenwood
Durban Art Gallery	031 311 2265	receptiondaj@durban.gov.za www.durban.gov.za/museums	Durban City Hall
Elizabeth Gordon Gallery	031 303 8133	joy@elizabethgordon.co.za www.elizabethgordon.co.za	Morningside
KZNSA Gallery	031 277 1700/5	gallery@kznsagallery.co.za www.kznsagallery.co.za	Glenwood
Tamasa Gallery	031 207 1223	tamasacc@mweb.co.za	Overport
Springbuck Art & Curio	031 304 8451	info@springbuckart.co.za www.springbuckart.co.za	City Centre
Cheval Ceramics	031 765 2344	chevalc@worldonline.co.za www.nguniceramics.co.za	Botha's Hill
Ethnicks Hillcrest & Dbn North	031 563 5225 031 563 5225	info@ethnicks.co.za www.ethnicks.co.za	Hillcrest/ Durban North
Swazi Candles	031 777 1000	leo@phezulusafaripark.co.za info@phezulusafaripark.co.za	Botha's Hill

Name	Tel No.	Email/Web	Location
Heritage Market	031 765 2500	elongbottom@growpoint.co.za www.heritagehillcrest.co.za	Hillcrest
Woodmagic	031 777 1189	puzzleman.sa@gmail.com	Botha's Hill
Embocraft	031 765 3697	embocraft@telkomsa.net www.embocraft.co.za	Botha's Hill
Articrafts	031 764 3221	info@ethnicks.co.za www.ethnicks.co.za	Kloof
Glenart Glassware	031 767 4857	equinei@iafrica.com	Kloof
Hillcrest Craft Market	073 237 5522	hillcrestcraft@gmail.com	Hillcrest
Keddah	031 566 3281	keddah@telkomsa.net	Umlhanga
Africa Art Gallery	031 561 2661	africagallery@mweb.co.za	Umlhanga
Gold Club Galleria	031 561 7633	goldclub@iafrica.com	Umlhanga
Pan African Art	083 741 8231	gallerymodu@gmail.com www.panafricanarttour.com	Umlhanga
Kizo Art Consultants & Gallery	031 818 2056	craig@kizo.co.za/www.kizo.co.za	Umlhanga
Candles & More	031 903 2182	candle.more@telkomsa.net www.candlesandmore.co.za	Amanzimtoti
Illovo Nursery	031 916 2491	adelejolliffe@telkomsa.net www.illovonursery.co.za	Illovo Beach
Hope Shop	039 973 2424	hope4all@telkomsa.net	Umkomaas
The Collective Art gallery	031 303 4891	info@thecollective-durban.com www.thecollective-durban.co.za	Morningside
1000 Hills Arts & Craft Village	031 777 1680	puzzleman.sa@gmail.com	Botha's Hill
Heirlooms	031 765 6534	heirloom@mweb.co.za	Hillcrest
Wenkidu Gallery	031 769 1166	wenkidu@mweb.co.za	Shongweni
Inchanga FET College	031 783 4212	zakuboz@yahoo.co.uk	Inchanga
KwaXimba Tourist Junction	031 783 4013	1000hch.dawn@zamaail.co.za www.1000hch.co.za	KwaXimba
Hillcrest AIDS Centre	031 765 5866	wozamoya@hilllids.org.za www.hilllids.org.za	Hillcrest
Palace Craft Ceramics	031 777 1115	pravinmaharaj@oval.co.za	Botha's Hill
Just Imagine Mosaic	031 764 6454	sheila.nichol@gmail.com www.kznmosaic.co.za	Kloof
Tusani African Enterprise	082 825 7080	tusiwe@telkomsa.net	Kloof
Zimbabalooba	031 765 7090	info@bitsof africa.com www.bitsof africa.com	Hillcrest

ATTRACTIONS

Name	Tel No.	Email	Location
Moses Mabhid Stadium	031 582 8242/22	nereshneeg@mmsdurban.co.za florinam@mmsdurban.co.za	Central
Fun World	031 332 9776	funpark@iafrica.com	Beachfront
Ocean City Ice Rink	031 332 4597	meg@olivebs.co.za	North Beach
Mini Town	031 337 7892		North Beach
uShaka Marine World	031 328 8000	reception@ushakamarineworld.co.za	Waterfront
Riksha Rides	083 626 9669 031 368 1660/1741	GumedeM@durban.gov.za	Beachfront
Ricksha Bus	031 322 4209	Rickshabusoffice@durban.gov.za	Beachfront
Durban Botanical Gardens	031 322 4000	visitorscom@durban.gov.za www.durbanbotanicgardens.org.za	Central
Durban People Mover Bus	031 309 2631	people.mover@hotmail.com	Central
Sugar Terminal	031 365 8100	tourguide@sasa.org.za	Harbour
Umgeni River Bird Park	031 579 4600	info@urbp.co.za	Durban North
Mitchell Park & Mini Zoo	031 303 2275		Morningside
Japanese Gardens	031 311 6976	chettyvictor@durban.gov.za	Durban North
KZN Sharks Board	031 566 0400	hargreaves@shark.co.za	Umhlanga
Sharks Board Boat Trips	082 403 9206		Waterfront
Crocodile Creek	032 944 3845	crocodilecreek@mweb.co.za	Tongaat
Skatepark (Gateway)	031 584 9400	kim.perry@wavehouse.co.za www.wavehouse.co.za	Wavehouse
Slow Rider	031 584 9400	ryan.watkins@wavehouse.co.za www.wavehouse.co.za	Wavehouse
D-REX	031 584 9400	ryan.watkins@wavehouse.co.za www.wavehouse.co.za	Wavehouse
Climbing Rock	031 584 9400	ryan.watkins@wavehouse.co.za www.wavehouse.co.za	Wavehouse
Fantasy Forest	031 566 1897		Gateway
Centre for Rehabilitation of Wildlife	031 462 1127	info@crowkzn.co.za www.crowkzn.co.za	Yellowwood Park
Science Centre	031 566 8040	info@sciencecentre.co.za	Gateway
De Colores Craft Shop	031 903 5004	dalene.wagner@webmail.co.za	Amanzimtoti
Crocworld	039 976 1103	crocworld@cbl.co.za	Scottburgh
Amanzimtoti Bird Sanctuary	031 903 1203	shangesiphwe@durban.gov.za	Amanzimtoti
Japanese Gardens	031 311 5500		Amanzimtoti
Funland	031 903 1068	info@funland.co.za	Amanzimtoti

Name	Tel No.	Email	Location
Spash Waterworld	031 904 2273	ragingrapids@yebo.co.za	Amanzimtoti
Horseback Rides	084 205 9797	coetzee3@polka.co.za	Amanzimtoti
Empisini Nature Reserve	039 973 0093	empisini@scottburgh.co.za	Umkomaas
Reunion Park/Isipingo Mangroves	031 902 6072	larrysingh@yebo.co.za	Isipingo
Umbogavango Nature Reserve	031 949 2081	alvinm@twini.co.za	Umbogintwini Complex
Umgeni Steam Railway	031 303 3003 082 353 6003		Kloof
High Stakes Venue	031 782 1139	gerry@highstakes.co.za	Cato Ridge
Blue Horizons Horse Trails	083 269 4945	debbie@bluehorizonsestate.co.za	Drummond
Shongweni Brewery	031 769 2061	sherene@shongwenibrewery.com www.shongwenibrewery.com	Shongweni
Lion Park/Zoo	031 785 1423		Camperdown
Shongweni Dam and Nature Reserve	031 769 1283	shongweni@msinsi.co.za www.msinsi.co.za	Shongweni
pheZulu Safari Park	031 777 1000	info@phezulufasafaripark.co.za	Botha's Hill
African Birds of Prey Sanctuary	031 785 2981 082 925 3023	onair@africanraptor.co.za	Camperdown
Mariannahill Monastery	031 700 4288	monastery@ionet.co.za info@monasteryteagarden.co.za	Mariannahill
Krantzkloof Nature Reserve	031 764 3515		Kloof
Makaranga Garden Lodge	031 764 6616	info@makaranga.com	Kloof
Campaign Trails cc	031 767 4166 082 653 4166	info@campaigntrails.co.za	
Springside Nature Reserve	083 297 5019	pickles@csinternet.co.za	Hillcrest
Waterberry Trails	031 765 3412		
Heritage Market	031 765 2500	elongbottom@growthpoint.co.za	Hillcrest
Crinkley Bottom Park & Lodge	031 763 4149	kim@crinkleybottompark.co.za	Hillcrest
Inanda Dam Resort	031 766 9946 082 551 5696	info@msinsi.co.za	Inanda
Animal Farm Yard	031 765 2240	jenny@animalfarmyard.co.za	Assagay
Duck 'n Deck	031 768 1029	cheryl@duckanddeck.co.za	Assagay
Giba Gorge Mountain Bike Park	031 769 1527	info@gibagorge.co.za	Westmead
Spirit of Adventure	031 769 1981	tourism@spiritofadventure.co.za info@spiritofadventure.co.za	Shongweni
1000 Hills Bird Park	031 765 6090 072 927 8242	raredleg@iafrica.com	Assagay

CAR HIRE COMPANIES

Name	Tel No.	Email	Web
Avis Rent-A-Car			
Reservations	011 923 3660	ortambo@autoit.co.za	www.avis.co.za
Downtown Royal Hotel	031 310 9700	durbandt@avis.co.za	
King Shaka International Airport	032 436 7800	durbanapt@autoit.co.za	
Pinetown	031 702 5534	pinetown@avis.co.za	
Umhlanga	031 561 6073	michelle.dougaflar@avis.co.za	
Amanzimtoti	031 904 3408	jchart@avis.co.za	
Budget Car Rental			
Reservations	086 101 6622	reservations@budget.co.za	www.budget.co.za
Regional Sales	031 304 9023	vouchers.ldb@budget.co.za	
King Shaka International Airport	032 436 5500	reservations@budget.co.za	
Umhlanga	031 561 3011	reservations@budget.co.za	
Durban South Branch (Umbogintwini)	031 904 5198	reservations@budget.co.za	
Woodford Car & Bakkie Hire			
Reservations	031 337 8602	ordinance@woodford.co.za	www.woodford.co.za
King Shaka International Airport	032 436 2786	woodford@woodford.co.za	
Hertz			
Central Reservations	0861 600 136	res@hertz.co.za	www.hertz.co.za
King Shaka International Airport	032 436 0300	durban@hertz.co.za	
Hilton Hotel	031 335 2570	rakesh@hertz.co.za	
First Car Rental			
Pine Street Branch	0861 011 323	ravikaw@cmh.co.za	www.firstcarrental.co.za
Head Office	031 335 8400	cindy@cmh.co.za	
King Shaka International Airport	032 436 0100	firstapt@cmh.co.za	
Umhlanga	031 566 7052	charlottg@tempestcarhire.co.za	
King Shaka International Airport	032 436 9800	vineshk@tempestcarhire.co.za	
Europe Car Hire			
Reservations	032 436 9500	rene.anderson@europcar.co.za	www.europecar.co.za
Umhlanga	031 561 4501		
Pinetown	031 701 6138		
Downtown	031 337 3731	ddt@europcar.co.za	
Other			
Windermere Car Hire	031 312 0339	mwincarhire@mweb.co.za	
Rent & Drive	031 332 2803	dave@rentanddrive.co.za	www.rentanddrive.co.za
Siyeza Car Rental	031 201 8390	info@siyezacarrental.co.za	www.siyezacars.co.za
Amanzimtoti Car Hire	031 903 9400	service@southcoastmotors.co.za	
Forest Drive Motors	031 562 8433	thornell@mweb.co.za	www.fdmcarhire.co.za
Citi Rent Car Hire	031 561 6142	info@citicarhire.co.za	www.citycarhire.co.za

CONSULATES

Country	Tel No.	Email	Location
Belgium	031 303 2840/1	durban@diplobel.org belcondbn@icon.co.za	Morningside
China	031 563 4534	chinaconsul_db_za@mfa.gov.cn	Durban North
Denmark	031 202 9396/7	stc@mweb.co.za	Glenwood
Germany	031 266 3920	germanconsul@caraville.com	Westville
Hungary	031 251 4000	laszlo@rebinc.co.za	Westville
India	031 332 7020/1	officeofcg@cgidbn.com	Central
Italy	031 368 4388/98	condurb.mail@esteri.it	Central
Korea	031 563 6280	rorym@eastcoast.co.za	Durban North
Madagascar	031 312 9704	mdconsul@icon.co.za	Morningside
Malta	031 572 2041	randcons@mweb.co.za	Glenashley
Mauritius	031 207 9370/082 490 0786	nirode@bramdaw.co.za	Durban
Mozambique	031 303 7130	mozamcon@mweb.co.za	Morningside
Netherlands	031 266 9291	info@netherlands.consul.co.za	Westville
Norway/Sweden	031 303 5212	consulates@itt.co.za	Overport
Pakistan	031 304 8836/031 368 1486	advocatemoosa@gmail.com pakassociationsa@yahoo.com	North Beach
Poland	031 266 9792	reception@wozani.co.za	Westville
Portugal	031 312 4854/5340	mail@cndur.dgaccp.pt	Morningside
Spain	031 208 7737	granvil@dvi.co.za	Central
USA	031 305 7600	derderianjx@state.gov nzuzajd@state.gov	Central
Austria	031 261 6233	gerald@seboarch.co.za	Central
Honourary French	031 573 1554	fconsdbn@sos.co.za	Durban North
Lesotho	031 307 2323	lesothodurban@telkomsa.net	Central
Angola	031 312 6516	conculadodeangola@gmail.com	Morningside
UK/Britain	082 234 4450/012 421 7800	info@vfs-uk-za-com	Pretoria

CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS

Name	Tel No.	Email/Web	Location
pheZulu Safari Park	031 777 1000	info@phezulusafaripark.co.za	Botha's Hill
Temple of Understanding	031 403 3328	iskcon.kzn@pamho.net	Chatsworth
Juma Masjid Mosque	031 306 0026	info@ipcisa.com	Central
Gandhi Settlement	031 519 2555/ 073 055 5860	mthembubo@durban.gov.za	Inanda Trail
Ohlange Institute	072 503 3495		Inanda Trail

Name	Tel No.	Email/Web	Location
Inanda Seminary	031 510 4469 082 374 5192		Inanda Trail
Ebuhleni	072 934 8653		Inanda Trail
Ekuphakameni	083 525 7435 076 388 5415		Inanda Trail
Emmanuel Catholic Cathedral	031 306 3595	secretary@emanuelcathedral.org.za	Central

FACTORY SHOPS

Name	Tel No.	Location
Marine Salvage Warehouse	031 207 3378	Overport
AlJays	031 205 6966	Umbilo
Grab-A-Bargain	031 312 0490	Stamford Hill
Lizzard	031 374 8400	Stamford Hill
Ripcurl Clearance Store	031 312 1729	Stamford Hill
Levi's Factory Outlet	031 263 0429	Springfield
Louis Factory Shop	031 461 4240	Durban
Lucky Break	031 313 1421	Stamford Hill
Bluedot Footwear Planet	031 312 6920	Stamford Hill
J.A.M.	031 306 9370	Berea
Dungeon Factory Shop	031 203 5639	Mayville
Continental Crockery	031 207 5166	Mayville
Bull Clothing	031 312 7716	Durban
Ninian & Lester Factory Shop	031 303 1422	Stamford Hill
Grab A Garb	031 337 5014	Durban
Charles WackWay	031 202 1840	Glenwood
Osmans –Wholesalers & Cash & Carry	031 368 6777	Durban
Kingsmead Shoes	031 263 0010	Springfield
Kingsmead Shoes	031 304 8915	Durban
It's Africa	031 701 0400	Pinetown
1st Factory Shop	031 705 3844/5	New Germany
House of Classics	031 705 8216/084 504 2626	New Germany
Playtex Factory Shop	031 303 7905	Stamford Hill
Just Plastic	031 263 1906	Springfield
Playtex Factory Shop	031 460 8752/031 467 3781	Jacobs

Name	Tel No.	Location
Merry Enterprises	031 201 6974	Glenwood
BEAR Factory Shop	031 465 7993	Sarnia
Mohamedys Mayfair Discount City	031 462 2214	Mobeni
Golden Horse Family Market	031 564 2350/083 262 3693	Durban North
Quick Silver	031 309 3567	Stamford Hill
Miller Road Trading	031 312 7075	Stamford Hill
Forest Fabrics	031 709 3488	Pinetown

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Name	Tel No.	Email/Web	Location
American Express			
Main Branch	031 301 5541	fx_clubplace@amex.co.za	Central
Musgrave	031 202 8733	fx_musgrave@amex.co.za	Berea
Umhlanga	031 566 2620/ 1412	fx_umhlanga@amex.co.za	Umhlanga
The Pavilion	031 265 1455/6	fx_pavillion@amex.co.za	Westville
Rennies			
Rennies	031 305 5722	yeshen.naidoo@bidvestbank.co.za	Durban
First National Bank			
Beach	031 337 9464	dbch088@fnb.co.za	Beachfront
Durban	031 369 5411	durban084@fnb.co.za mels@fnb.co.za	Central
Travelex			
The Wheel	031 368 7984	chinamall@travelexretail.co.za	Central
Pavilion	031 265 8256	www.travelexretail.co.za	Westville
Musgrave	031 201 8083	www.travelexretail.co.za	Berea
Westwood	031 266 6229	www.travelexretail.co.za	Westville
Hillcrest	031 765 2802	www.travelexretail.co.za	Hillcrest
La Lucia	031 562 8600	www.travelexretail.co.za	La Lucia
Galleria	031 904 5233	www.travelexretail.co.za	Amanzimtoti
Bidvest			
Galleria	031 904 5000	www.bidvestbank.co.za	Amanzimtoti
Umhlanga Ridge	031 566 5500	www.bidvestbank.co.za	Umhlanga
Hillcrest Corner	031 765 5505	www.bidvestbank.co.za	Hillcrest

Name	Tel No.	Email/Web	Location
King Shaka International Airport	032 436 2625	www.bidvestbank.co.za	King Shaka International Airport
Mutual Mall	031 305 5722	yeshen.naidoo@bidvestbank.co.za	Central

GOLF COURSES

Name	Tel No.	Email/Web	Location
Royal Durban Golf Club	031 309 1373	rdgc@global.co.za	Greyville
Durban Country Club	031 313 1777	golfdirector@dcclub.co.za robym@dcclub.co.za www.dcclub.co.za	Beach
Durban Country Club Beachwood	031 313 1777 031 564 4257	rdgc@global.co.za golfdirector@dcclub.co.za robym@dcclub.co.za www.dcclub.co.za	Durban North
Windsor Park Golf Course	031 312 2245	papwagolf@telkomsa.net	Umgeni
Papwa Sewgolom Golf Course	031 262 7130	thedurbangolfclub@telkomsa.net	Reservoir Hills
Bluff National Park Golf Course	031 467 7448	bluffgc@jafica.com	Bluff
Maidstone Country Club	032 945 0419	maidstongolf@mweb.co.za	Sugar Coast
Kloof Country Club	031 764 0555	golf@kloofcc.co.za	Kloof
Camelot Golf Estate	031 765 8347	camelotgolf@telkomsa.net	Hillcrest
Amanzimtoti Country Club	031 902 1166	totigolfclub@icon.co.za	Amanzimtoti

MARKETS

Name	Tel No.	Email	Location
Victoria Street Market	031 306 4021	adelaide.tuswa@ghi.co.za	Central
Essenwood Craft Market	031 208 1264 082 460 0625	info@essenwoodmarket.com	Berea
Amphimarket	031 301 3200/080	amphi@telekoms.net	North Beach
South Plaza Flea Market	084 563 2614		Central
Car Boot Market	031 209 4751	etiquette@intekom.co.za	Greyville
Shongweni Farmers & Craft Market	083 777 1674	info@shongwenimarket.co.za	Shongweni
Nite Market	031 903 4534 072 414 8582	info@lordsandlegends.co.za	Amanzimtoti
Farmers Market			Amanzimtoti

Name	Tel No.	Email/Web	Location
Umkhumbane Flea Market	031 322 4494	zondinkosinathi@durban.gov.za	Cato Manor
Church Square Market			Central
South Plaza Market	031 466 6454		Central
Bluff Market	076 857 3815	bluffauctionmarket@gmail.com	Bluff
Food Market (Hellenic)	084 505 0113 083 707 0531	info@thefoodmarket.co.za	Durban North
Umhlanga Farmers Market	082 413 1887 084 840 2646	underwood@telkomsa.net	Umhlanga
Stables Lifestyle Market	084 488 1865	www.stableslifestylemarket.co.za	Morningside
Food Market	072 552 8152	truceydrewis@gmail.com	Point Waterfront
Florida Lifestyle Market	031 311 4500	mzimelap@durban.gov.za	Morningside

MUSEUMS

Name	Tel No.	Location
Bergtheil Local History Museum	031 311 6607	Central
Campbell Collections	031 207 3432	Morningside
Cato Manor Heritage Centre	031 261 3216	Cato Manor
Durban Natural Science Museum	031 311 2256/48	Central
KwaMuhle Museum	031 311 2233	Central
Natal Maritime Museum	031 311 2230	Small Craft Basin
Old Court House Museum	031 311 2229	Central
Old House Museum	031 311 2261	Central
Phansi Museum	031 206 2889	Glenwood
Pinetown Museum	031 311 6343	Pinetown
Warrior's Gate: Moth Museum of Militaria	031 307 3337	Central
Durban Holocaust Centre	031 368 6833	Central
Port Natal Maritime Museum	031 311 2231	Small Craft Basin
Geological Display Centre UKZN	031 260 1111	Morningside
KwaZulu-Natal Sharks Board	031 566 0400	Umhlanga

NIGHTLIFE

Name	Tel No.	Location
Jazz clubs		
Please note, the dress code for all jazz clubs is smart-casual.		
Rivets @ Hilton	031 336 8204	Central

Name	Tel No.	Location
Centre for Jazz	031 260 3385	Glenwood
The Rainbow	031 702 9161	Pinetown
Bean Bag Bohemia	031 304 2167	Greyville
Jus Jazzin	031 563 4530	Durban North
Live Music		
BAT Centre	031 332 0451	Small Craft Basin
Night Clubs		
Please note that all clubs require a specific dress code.		
Cubana Lounge Durban	031 303 2076/4383	Morningside
Ice Dance Emporium	031 561 7740	Umhlanga
Afro Fashion Lounge	031 309 6046	Morningside
Max's Lifestyle	031 906 1393	Umlazi
Level 4	031 312 0947	Morningside
Cuba Lounge	031 584 6444	Gateway
Cuba Lounge	031 303 6364	Moses Mabhidu Stadium
Krakatoa	031 580 5559/5444	Sibaya Casino & Entertainment Kingdom
Hops	031 573 1657	Durban North
Origin		Glenwood
Boulevard	031 303 7631	Morningside
Hai.Bo	072 674 4609	Morningside
Eyadini Lounge	082 932 2526	Umlazi
Casa Nostra	031 201 6434	Morningside
Egagasini	031 337 6651	Central
Reggae		
Cool Runnings	031 368 5604	Central
Pubs and Bars		
Connors L' Afrique	031 362 1300	Central
Joe Kool's	031 368 2858	Central
Rivets	031 336 8142	Central
Exchange Bar	031 333 6000	Central
The Grove Pub	031 304 4381	Central
De La Sol	031 312 9436	Morningside

Name	Tel. No	Location
The Lounge (Gay Friendly)	031 303 9030	Stamford Hill
Rocca Bar	rocca.bar.nightclub@gmail.com	Stamford Hill
Classical Music		
Friends Of Music	031 202 7822	Central

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

Name	Tel No.	Location/Email/Web
Horse Rides		
Horse Back Beach Adventures	084 467 0752	horsebackbeachadventures@gmail.com www.horsebackrides.co.za horsebeachride@gmail.com
Blue Horizons Horse Trails	083 269 4945	debbie@bluehorizonsestate.co.za www.bluehorizonsestate.co.za
Morrow Farm Riding School	031 765 1409	shevcraig@hotmail.co.za
Helicopter Rides		
King Shaka Aviations	031 563 7226	justin@kingshakaaviation.com
JNC Helicopters (Virginia Airport)	031 563 9513	flightops@choppers.co.za
BAC Aviations	031 569 1531	info@bacaviations.com
Parachuting & Paragliding		
Sky Adventures (Cato Ridge Airfield)	073 334 7911	robyne@skyadventures.co.za www.skyadventures.co.za
Sky Dive Durban	072 214 6040	vernon@skydivedurban.co.za
Rock Climbing		
The Rock	031 584 9400	Gateway Theatre of Shopping
Cycling and Mountain Biking		
Giba Gorge Mountain Biking Park	031 769 1527	info@gibagorge.co.za/www.gibagorge.co.za
Bicycle Hire (Viki)	031 312 2559 082 773 6870	vikif@vodamail.co.za www.2ride.co.za
Fishing Charters/Dolphin & Whale Watching		
Casea Charters	083 690 2511	Umhlanga Rocks
Durban Charter Boat Association (Durban Marina)	031 709 0797 073 175 1559	info@boatcharters.co.za www.durbanboatcharters.co.za
Swissroll Charters (Brynston Beach)	031 467 2185 082 451 6567	www.swissroll.co.za
Lynski Charters (Mount Edgecombe)	031 539 3338 082 445 6600	www.lynski.com/tom@lynski.com

Name	Tel No.	Location/Email/Web
Elangeni (Tongaat)	032 943 1118 082 961 4313	www.fishingchartersdurban.co.za elangeni@fishingchartersdurban.co.za
Boat Cruising		
Sarie Marais	031 305 4022	www.sariemaraiscruise.co.za
Isle of Capri	031 305 3099 082 851 4787	bfjvr@absamail.co.za
Da Boss Executive Cruise	031 301 7008 082 519 5000	bfjvr@absamail.co.za
Diving		
Andy Cobb Eco Diving	031 916 4239	andycobb@iafrica.com www.adventurescuba.co.za
Ocean Ventures	086 100 1138 031 332 9949	info@oceanventures.co.za www.oceanadventures.co.za
Aqua Planet	039 315 7524	www.aquaplanet.co.za info@aquaplanet.co.za
Calypso	031 332 0905	info@calypsoushaka.co.za
Other		
Kite Sport	082 572 4163	info@kitesports.co.za/www.kitesports.co.za
FishEye	031 566 4955 072 731 1270	info@fisherye.co.za Umhlanga
Fat Traxx Quad Tours	082 477 5837	quadbike@vodmail.co.za
Wavehouse (Umhlanga)	031 584 9400	info@wavehouse.co.za
Big Rush Big Swing (Moses Mabhida Stadium)	031 312 9281	bookings@bigrush.co.za/www.bigrush.co.za
Umngeni Steam Railway	031 303 3003 082 353 6003	www.umngenisteamrailway.co.za bookings@umngenisteamrailway.co.za
Giba Gorge	031 769 1572	info@gibagorge.co.za
Oribi Gorge (Wild 5)	039 687 0253 082 566 7424	info@oribigorge.co.za www.oribigorge.co.za
Moses Mabhida Stadium	031 582 8222	reception@mmsdurban.co.za www.mmstadium.co.za
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