



## ABALONE

Guest Lodge

### **Introduction:**

4 Star, Abalone is part of the Shell Lodges collection and is situated at Sievers Point in Hermanus. Sievers Point is considered to be the best land based whale watching area in Hermanus. It is midway between the town centre and the blue flag swimming beaches of Hermanus and abuts onto the cliff path with a green belt of Fynbos connecting the lodge and Sievers Point. The Fynbos green belt attracts a vast variety of birds.

Abalone is an unusually artistic guest lodge with exclusive SA artwork incorporated into the décor.

The following services and facilities are available: Parking, luggage storeroom, Laundry service, an infra-red sauna, swimming pool, gym, free wireless internet.

The lodge has free Wi-Fi in all the rooms and public areas.

A treatment room for aromatherapy massages and reflexology including beauty treatments are available by prior arrangement and promises to be a very relaxing and pleasant experience. This service is rented out to the lodge and public and trades under the name Abalone Wellness Centre.

A turn down service with a good night chocolate and the following day's weather can be expected from 19h00 at night.

### **Accommodation:**

Rooms enjoy either sea; mountain, garden or courtyard views and all have balconies or patios. Facilities such as Nespresso machines, mini bars, safes, hairdryers, overhead fan, Satellite television, robes, under floor heating and heated towel rails can be expected in each room. All bathrooms have a bath and a shower glass cubicle, toilet and hand basin, with only the finest linen and towels.

The suites have glass dividers between the room and bathroom with a sea through curtain to ensure a sea view from your bathroom. All rooms are serviced daily and are Non-smoking.

## **Room configuration**

### **Room 1- Honeymoon Suite**

Spacious Ocean view room with King Size bed, two arm chairs, en-suite bathroom and private furnished balcony overlooking Sievers Point. All suites are situated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor allowing guest access through the sunroom, swimming pool door and main entrance. The Spacious en-suite bathroom consist of two basins, a double walk-in shower, bath, toilet and bidet. Please note the room and bathroom is divided by clear glass divider with a curtain.

Facilities: Underfloor heating, heated towel railings, bathrobes, slippers, Beach Bag, two beach towels, stocked mini-bar, snack basket, Electronic safe with instructions, laundry bag, Nespresso Machine, Coffee and Tea facilities, 2 x overhead fans, Hairdryer, shaver plugs, Flat Screen TV with selected bouquet, Full length dresser mirror, work desk, complimentary WiFi. Non- Smoking Room- Astray available on Balcony.

Room size #1: 51.6 m2

### **Room 2 ,3, 4 – Ocean View Suite**

Spacious Ocean view room with King/Twin bed, two arm chairs, en-suite bathroom and private furnished balcony overlooking Walker Bay area. All suites are situated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor allowing guest access through the sunroom, swimming pool door and main entrance. The Spacious en-suite bathroom consist of two basins, a double walk-in shower, bath, toilet and bidet. Please note the room and bathroom is divided by clear glass divider.

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Room size #2: 43.7 m2

Room size #3: 42.5 m2

Room size #4: 42.5 m2

### **Room 5 – Ocean View Suite**

Spacious Ocean view room with King/Twin bed, two arm chairs, en-suite bathroom and private furnished balcony and Corner Window overlooking Walker Bay and its magnificent coastline all the way to distant Grotto Beach. All suites are situated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor allowing guest access through the sunroom, swimming pool door and main entrance. The Spacious en-suite bathroom consist of two basins, a double walk-in shower, bath, toilet and bidet. Please note the room and bathroom is divided by clear glass divider.

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Room size #5: 38.6 m2

#### Room 6 – Luxury Sea-Facing

A Luxurious King / Twin room with panoramic views over Walker Bay area. Side windows and front windows have views of the bay, with a private furnished balcony. This Upper level room allows guest access from the sunroom, swimming pool door and main entrance. The Bathroom consists of a separate shower and bath with hand basin and toilet.

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Room size #6: Bedroom 22.45 m2 - Bathroom 6.09 m2 - Dressing Room 3.91 m2

#### Room 7 – Luxury Sea-Facing

A Luxurious King / Twin room with panoramic views over Walker Bay and Maanskyn kop (Moonshine Hill) from the side windows, front windows and private furnished balcony. This Upper level room allows guest access from the sunroom, swimming pool door and main entrance. The Bathroom consists of a separate shower and bath with hand basin and toilet.

Facilities: Underfloor heating, heated towel railings, bathrobes, slippers, Beach Bag, two beach towels, stocked mini-bar, snack basket, Electronic safe with instructions, laundry bag, Nespresso Machine, Coffee and Tea facilities, overhead fan, Hairdryer, shaver plugs, Flat Screen TV with selected bouquet, , complimentary WiFi. Non- Smoking Room- Astray available on Balcony.

Room size #7: Bedroom 21.541 m2 - Bathroom 5.60 m2 - Dressing Room 7.70 m2

#### Room 8 – Luxury Garden

A Luxurious King / Twin room on the ground level, overlooking our beautiful indigenous garden. The room has own private furnished patio with direct access to our garden gate leading to the famous cliff path. This Ground level room allows guest access from swimming pool door and main entrance. The Bathroom consists of a separate shower and bath with two basins and toilet.

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Room size #8: Bedroom 29.15 m2 – Bathroom 7.22 m2

### Room 9 – Luxury Garden

A Luxurious King / Twin room on the ground level, overlooking our beautiful indigenous garden. Enjoy the Garden either from the two comfortable arm chairs in the room or from the private furnished patio. This Ground level room allows guest access from swimming pool door and main entrance. The Bathroom consists of a separate shower and bath with two basins and toilet.

Facilities: Underfloor heating, heated towel railings, bathrobes, slippers, Beach Bag, two beach towels, stocked mini-bar, snack basket, Electronic safe with instructions, laundry bag, Nespresso Machine, Coffee and Tea facilities, overhead fan, Hairdryer, shaver plugs, Flat Screen TV with selected bouquet, , complimentary WiFi. Non- Smoking Room- Astray available on Balcony.

Room size #9 size: Bedroom 22.62 m2 - Bathroom 6.24 m2 - Dressing Room 4.76 m2

### Room 10 – Standard Garden View

A Ground Level room overlooking the courtyard garden area, with patio furniture outside the room. The King/ Twin room also consist of a double sleeper couch. The bathroom consists of separate shower and bath with basin and toilet.

Facilities: Underfloor heating, heated towel railings, bathrobes, slippers, Beach Bag, two beach towels, stocked mini-bar, snack basket, Electronic safe with instructions, laundry bag, Nespresso Machine, Coffee and Tea facilities, overhead fan, Air- Conditioner, Hairdryer, shaver plugs, TV with selected bouquet, , complimentary WiFi. Non- Smoking Room- Astray available on Balcony.

Room size #10: Bedroom 22.88 m2 – Bathroom 4.99 m2

### Room 11 / 12 – Standard Interleading Garden View

Upper Level Inter-leading courtyard garden view Annex rooms with furnished patio. King/Twin rooms with en-suite bathrooms; consist of a separate shower and bath with hand basins and toilet.

Facilities: Underfloor heating, heated towel railings, bathrobes, slippers, Beach Bag, two beach towels, stocked mini-bar, snack basket, Electronic safe with instructions, laundry bag, Nespresso Machine, Coffee and Tea facilities, overhead fan, Air- Conditioner, Hairdryer, shaver plugs, TV with selected bouquet, , complimentary WiFi. Non- Smoking Room- Astray available on Balcony.

Room size #11: Bedroom 21.20 m2 - Bathroom 6.93 m2 - Dressing Room 2.55 m2

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### Amenities:

Africology only uses all-natural ingredients that are bio-identical to your biology, effectively enhancing the integrity of your skin whilst simultaneously preventing premature aging. For sale at reception/office.

**Dining:**

Abalone serves a continental and full English breakfast daily from 08h00 – 10h00. Breakfast is served in the new dining room which has superb sea views. Weather permitting; meals are served on the sea facing patio. We do catering for special dietary requirements and breakfast packs are available on requests.

Lunch and Dinner are served on the premises; (menu available on request) however our friendly & capable staff would gladly assist with lunch / dinner reservations for restaurants in town. We do provide a menu guide with all the local restaurants in town.

Abalone Lodge only stock local hand crafted beers and wine from our Hemel & Aarde Village.

**Public Areas:**

The Lounge at Abalone has a fireplace and superb sea views. Guests are invited for a complimentary drink/aperitif between 17h00 – 18h00. Abalone has a rim-flow swimming pool which is protected from the wind, faces the mountain which allows it afternoon sunshine.

Abalone has a large garden which allows guests the opportunity of relaxing under the large shade trees. Abalone has 3 mini-bars in the public areas, guests are welcome to help themselves after 8pm.

**Abalone's Art:**

The Lodge is artistically decorated with unique South African Art works by well-known artists such as Marlene Graefin von Duerckheim, Margaret Gradwell, Pippa Skotnes, Louis Jansen van Vuuren, Pieter van der Westhuizen, Marina Louw, Lionel Smit. In some of the the rooms, you will find various sizes ceramic tiles with either birds or landscapes painted in colours of blue and gold. These tiles are done by the artist Esias Bosch and are unique to Abalone.

**Activities and facilities in the area:**

Approximately 70 restaurants, 8 bars and 12 coffee shops in Hermanus. Facilities within a 3 km radius: Hermanus CBD with all the accompanying shops including Beauty Parlour, Boutique, Health Spa, Pharmacy, Sauna, Curio shops, the cliff path, Fernkloof Nature Reserve, Museums and the Old Harbour. The following activities are available within a 3 km radius: Landbased whale watching, Bowls, Fishing, Golf, Tennis, Hiking and sea kayaking. Activities within a 30 km radius: Whale watching (land, boat and air based), Wine Route, Brewery, Hiking, Shark Cage Diving, Paragliding, Sea Kayaking, Abseiling, Quad Biking, Fishing, River boating, Rotary drive (scenic drive), Game Reserve air charters, Various Ocean based adventures. Medical services – doctor available to come to lodge / private hospital – 5 km

**More things to do in the area:**

Shark Cage Diving: Kleinbaai is well known for its Shark Cage diving industry and this small town is just half an hour's drive from Abalone Guest Lodge. Boats leave from Gansbaai to Dyer Island where the Cape Fur Seal colony has established themselves. Seals are an attractive food source for the Great White Shark. These trips last about 3-4 hours and they start early in the morning as this is the best time to view them. Pick-up times can be arranged.

Wine Tasting: The Hemel and Aarde Valley, situated a mere 6km outside of Hermanus is host to some of the best wine in South Africa. In fact 6 out of the 16 wine estates in this area have received numerous awards from various organizations. Four of the 16 wine estates in the Hemel and Aarde Valley offer either lunch or lunch and dinner.

Whale Watching: Hermanus, built along the shores of Walker Bay near the Southern most tip of Africa. Magnificent mountains watch over the town which is home of the Southern Right

Whale. Nature lovers from all over the world visit Hermanus to view these magnificent creatures from the best land based whale-watching destination in the world. These Giant creatures can be seen within 2 meters of the shore. Walker Bay has a "no go" area for boats which makes this perfect for whale breeding.

Boat based whale watching is offered by a limited number of companies. Booking is essential. Hermanus is also the only town with a Whale Crier in fact he is the only Whale Crier in the World. He alerts guests to a whale sighting by blowing on his Kelp horn. He is a very knowledgeable and readily shares his knowledge with visitors.

Golf: Abalone is situated only 300 meters from the Hermanus Golf Course that has just upgraded themselves to a 27 hole golf course. Arabella Sheraton Golf Course situated 23km outside of Hermanus a drive worthwhile for the golf enthusiast. Abalone Guest Lodge also offers storage for golf clubs that can take so much space in your bedroom.

Horseback riding: During the Whale season horseback whale watching can be arranged. Leaving Hermanus you ride all the way along the shore to Gansbaai on the 'plaat' to view the whales from there. Other trips include Beach Rides, Fynbos Rides and Vineyard rides.

Sea Kayaking: Very popular especially during the whale season. Leaving from the Old harbour to the open waters viewing the whales from much closer. Seals and dolphins have been known to join you along your journey.

Hiking: Fernkloof nature reserve a 5 min drive from Abalone Guest Lodge offers great hiking trails with spectacular views over Walker bay and you are surrounded with amazing birds, dassies "rock rabbits" and fynbos. There are a variety of routes that you can take ranging from 1 hour up until 5 hours. They are uniquely designed giving you a variety of scenery and experience. Guided tours are also available from Billy an enthusiastic Hiker and Nature Lover that can tell you everything from birds, fynbos, the history of Hermanus and the animals that can be found.

Restaurant: We have a wide variety of restaurant in the area. All the menus are available at the lodge for you to look at. Taxi services can be arranged if you would like to enjoy a bottle of wine or two from the region. The restaurant at Abalone lodge will be open during peak season.

### **Responsible Tourism**

Employment: Staff is drawn from the local community with training undertaken on a regular basis. All duty managers has First Aid Certificates.

Purchasing: Abalone Guest Lodge purchase 91% off all our produce locally or within 40km of Hermanus to boost the town's economical growth. All of our wine is sourced from the Walker Bay Wine Region.

Product Development: Dijana Smal actively markets Hermanus and Plettenberg Bay as a destination through our in house marketing strategies. We are members of both the local chamber of commerce and volunteers at Hermanus Tourism office. In this way we encourage the development of responsible tourism product in our region. We also offer free brochure display area for activities in our area.

## **Environmental Responsibility**

**Water Management:** We notify guests of the importance and scarcity of water and offer them the choice of selective laundering. Abalone Lodge has a borehole and makes use of water tanks for the collection of rain water.

**Energy Management:** We recently installed a need underfloor heating water system, working with solar panels and heat pump, to ensure minimum electricity wastage. We notify guests of load shedding and the importance of saving electricity. Our staff has been fully informed on the energy crisis and certain measures have been put in place to lesson our power usage such as: switching off lights that are not in use, laundry loads are monitored to save both water and power, geysers are switched off when not needed.

**Waste Management:** Garden Waste goes to a community garden where they have there own composting facilities. We also recycle all glass, paper, plastic and cans. This recycling process is handled off site and has assisted with job creation.

## **Location and Directions:**

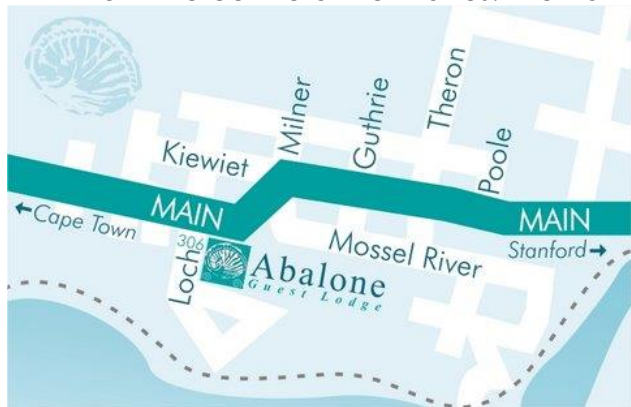
### **GPS COORDINATES**

34'24' 36.44" S

19'15' 46.11" E

**Location:** Ocean facing lodge on cliff path in Hermanus. 100km to Cape Town International Airport accessible along the scenic coastal road or N2 inland route.

**Directions:** Abalone is situated on the Main Road, 306. It is on the right hand side and is aprox 2 km from the centre of Hermanus. The name is well marked on the wall outside.



### **Traveling from Cape Town:**

From Cape Town follow the N2, direction Mosselbay/ George. Pass over Sir Lowry's Pass and Houw Hoek Pass. As you come down Houw Hoek pass Botrivier will be on your left hand side and shortly after you will see a turn off to Hermanus R43 to your left. Take the R43 Off Ramp carry straight along the R43 Hermanus (31km to Hermanus)

You will pass the Kleinmond turn off and suburbs called: Fisherhaven, Hawston, Vermont, Onrus River, Sandbaai and Mount Pleasant before reaching Hermanus. Follow the R43 into Hermanus. You are now on Main Road, drive straight through yor first roundabout. The road turns 90 degrees to the left at a 3 way traffic light, carry on through the CBD and straight through the 2<sup>nd</sup> roundabout. Carry on, on Main Road for 3km.

Abalone Guest Lodge is on your right hand side. 306 Main Road, the name is well marked on the wall outside.

### **Traveling from Knysna:**

Take the N2 in the direction Cape Town. You will pass the following towns from George onwards: Mosselbay, Albertinia, Riversdale, Heidelberg, Swellendam and Riviersonderend. 10km after passing through the Village of Riviersonderend, Turn left onto the R326 (Hermanus, Stanford, Caledon) Carry on straight on the R326 for 41km until you reach Stanford. You will reach a Stop Street turn Right on the R43 Direction Hermanus. Follow this road straight into Hermanus. Carry on straight around the round-about (circle). After 1 km Abalone Guest Lodge will be on your left hand side. 306 Main Road, the name is well marked on the wall outside.

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