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### Whales, Wine and Helicopters

Experiencing whale season along South Africa's South Coast has to be one of the world's greatest natural wonders. This is the time when Southern Right Whales come so close to the shore to calve that you feel you could almost reach out and touch them.

Why not do it in ultimate style? Mount Nelson's ocean experience combines a spectacular helicopter flight and expert-led whale-watching adventure with a bespoke food and wine "terroir tasting" in one of the Cape's most sought-after wine regions.

Up to 8 guests (4 per helicopter) can travel comfortably aboard Silvercross Helicopters' modern Airbus helicopters. As Silvercross helicopters support Marine Research, you'll be a part of their work in protecting whales as you watch from above, marvelling at their natural behaviour, undisturbed.

#### **INCLUDES:**

- Transfers to and from heli pad/Mount Nelson
- Helicopter whale watching
- Marine biologist guide
- Creation food and wine experience,
- Carbon offset and donation to <u>RockHopper Fund</u>.

Bring your own: binoculars and camera.

**Availability**: All year. August - November is the peak of whale season.

**Duration**: 12h00 - 17h00. (Includes 2 hrs helicopter flight time)

**Cost**: From R80 844.00. Maximum 8 guests, no minimum age required. All payments must be made in full 7 days prior to departure. If cancellations are made less than 48 hours prior to the date of the experience, the full booking fee will be forfeited.

For more information and to book directly please contact the concierge team at concierge.mnh@belmond.com or call us on call us on +27 21 483 1000.

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## Be a Marine Biologist for A Day with Shark Scientist Justin Blake

Discover the extraordinary world that lives beyond Cape Town's shores in the company of a real-life shark scientist. This ocean expedition, exclusive to Mount Nelson guests, and led by Justin Blake, will give you an understanding of the much-maligned fish's importance in maintaining ocean ecosystems as you explore Cape Kelp Forests, octopus gardens and fascinating sea caves. Discover spectacular views of Cape Town, both above and below the sea's surface as you plunge in and snorkel among the kelp fronds. You may even discover other creatures such as starfish, nudibranchs, sea urchins, octopus, seals, penguins, dolphins and even whales.

#### **INCLUDES:**

- Packed breakfast.
- Transport from the hotel
- Ocean safari on a rigid inflatable boat
- Marine Biologist Justin Blake as your guide
- Snorkel gear if desired
- Scientific shark tracking equipment
- Dry bags
- A donation to <u>The RockHopper</u> <u>Fund</u>

Bring your own: sun protection, towel, change of clothing, warm layers, water bottle.

**Ages:** 8 years and over (younger children considered individually upon request)

**Cost:** From R17 580.00. Max 8 guests for a half-day tour. If cancellations are made less than 48 hours prior to the date of the experience, the full booking fee will be forfeited.

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