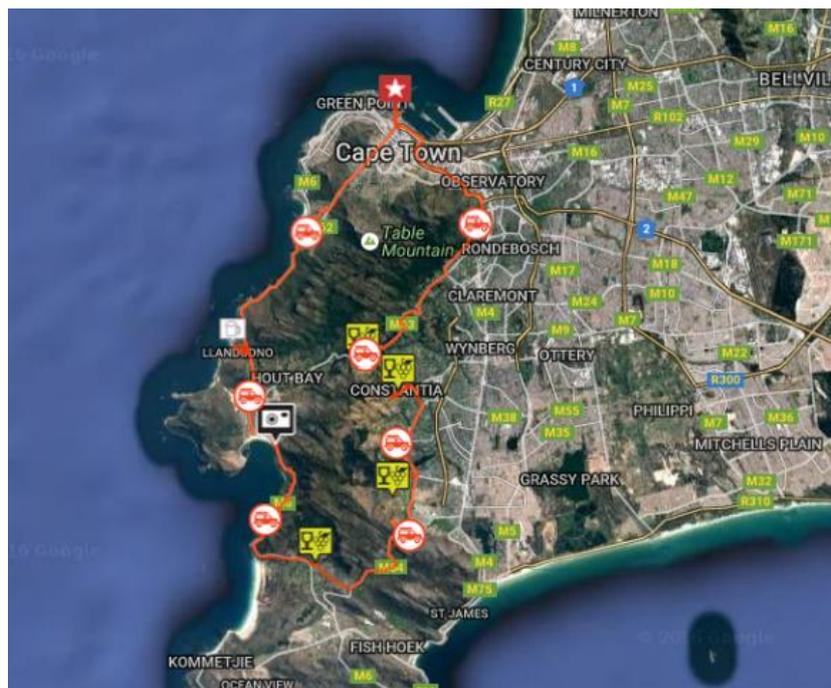


Constantia Outdoor Wine Safari

Summary

This area is often overlooked as people make a beeline for the wine farms around Stellenbosch and beyond. Just 20 minutes from most Cape Town hotels, Constantia valley is situated in a rural and mountainous setting on the slopes of Table Mountain and although close to the city, you feel a world away.

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Activities

- Wine Farm - Wine Tasting at Beau Constantia
 - Wine Farm - Groot Constantia
 - Wine Farm - Steenberg Bistro 1682 (clients pay locally)
 - Wine Farm - Cape Point Vineyards
 - Explore - Chapman's Peak Drive
 - Sundowners - Llundudno Life Savers Club
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Description

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To get a perspective on the valley this adventure starts at Beau Constantia, located high on the slopes of Table Mountain. We will break into the wine tasting at ease, learning about how the different tastes come from the different soils and exposure.

For a sense of history we'll pay a visit to Groot Constantia before heading to Bistro 1682, which is located on the Steenberg Wine Estate, the perfect spot to relax in a suntrap in most weather conditions.

We will then head to Cape Point Vineyards. Just over the mountain from the Constantia Valley, the Vineyards have a commanding view down to Cape Point and the most impressive panoramic Atlantic sea view. You will then head over Chapman's Peak Drive with its 114 curves skirting the rocky coastline linking Noordhoek with Hout Bay, this 9km route is the most famous coastal road in South Africa and is renowned as being one of the most spectacular routes in the world. We will visit Llandudno Beach, the most beautiful beach in Cape Town for sundowners before heading back to base.

Wine Farm - Wine Tasting at Beau Constantia



Up on the steep slopes of Table Mountain, Beau Constantia is one of the most elevated wine farms, at 350 metres above sea level. Panoramic views of the distant Stellenbosch and Helderberg mountain ranges are staggering, and stretch all the way to Hangklip on the far side of False Bay. This family-owned boutique vineyard is relatively new to the scene, having first been cultivated with a variety of vines as recently as 2003. Seven years later, the awards starting rolling in and Beau Constantia is justifiably proud of its superb range of wines which continue to pull in the accolades.

Wine Farm - Wine Tasting at Groot Constantia



Groot Constantia is a 300-year-old wine farm with plenty of history and award-winning wines. For a lord of the manor moment we drive straight past the main tasting room and pull up in the middle of the vines to walk into the old main buildings via the vineyard and along its oak line boulevard to the main cellar for a private cellar tour and wine tasting.

Wine Farm - Steenberg Bistro 1682



Bistro 1682 is the perfect spot to relax a suntrap in most weather conditions and part of the Steenberg winery. Despite the date the bistro itself was created in 2009 on the historic wine farm and has been featured in countless designer magazines for its wine inspired architecture and art works.

Wine Farm - Cape Point Vineyards



The Capetonian tradition of enjoying magnificent scenery while sipping a glass of fine locally produced wine is a much-loved way of life, and here in the rural Noordhoek valley, it's no different. Cape Point Vineyards lies at the foot of steep mountain slopes, and faces out across the rolling lawns, all the way out to sea - we think it's one of the most spectacular views in the Peninsula. If you feel like stretching your legs, our guide will take you exploring in the vineyards surrounding the beautifully kept grounds.

Explore - Chapman's Peak Drive



This ribbon of coastal road is rightly known as one of the most scenic drives in the world. We'll follow the tar around the shoulder of Chapman's Peak which rises above on one side, and plunges way down to the rocky shores far below. Chapman's Peak Drive links the village of Hout Bay to Noordhoek, around 114 bends which is quite possibly one of the most beautiful nine kilometres you'll ever experience.

Sundowners - Llundudno Life Savers Club



Llundudno Beach is one of Cape Town's most picturesque crescents of sand at the foot of steep boulder-strewn mountain slopes a short distance from Hout Bay. Judas Peak on one side, and Klein Leeukoppie (Little Lion's Head) on the other, frame this wonderful beach, and the views out over the Atlantic Ocean are superb. We'll make our way to the secluded Lifesaving Club hidden away at the far end of the beach to watch the sunset, with a glass in hand.
