

Knysna Castle

Region: Knysna **Sleeps: 6 - 8**

Overview

The spectacular, sophisticated, award-winning Knysna Castle is the perfect property for groups of friends or a multi-generational family to relax and explore the wonderful area of Knysna and Knoetzie in South Africa, an area renowned for its beauty, lush forests, significant wildlife and prestigious championship golf course. The castle is comprised of a main castle, a Cliff castle and Romantiese House, with five opulent bedroom suites in total. It is an exclusive oasis of gracious and glorious living where you can relax, rejuvenate and count your blessings. Knysna Castle is enveloped by an immaculately landscaped garden where you can enjoy a tipple or two as you bask in the golden hour sun, dine alfresco under the stars while listening to the glorious soundtrack of the Indian Ocean or take a refreshing dip in the pool. Knysna Castle is a haven for hunkering down with the glistening waters of the Indian Ocean, the revered wildernesses of the Sinclair Nature Reserve and the Knysna forest and river on the doorstep. Serenity awaits!

Knysna Castle sits in a beautiful elevated position above the award-winning Knoetzie Beach. Knoetzie is a gorgeous, friendly hamlet, just ten minutes from Knysna. This phenomenal, prestigious location boasts sublime panoramic views of the Indian Ocean. Surrounding the castle are rivers, estuaries, a lush forest and a sensational beach. Sitting on the Garden Route, you will enjoy spectacular scenic beauty. Knysna is one of the top holiday destinations on the Garden Route. With its rich cultural heritage, there is something for everyone. Blissful sandy beaches, beautiful forest trails including the magical Eco-Trail, a wide array of activities on land and water, wild elephants, an exquisitely beautiful lagoon, nature reserves and a fine dining scene offer the perfect balance. An intoxicating mix of whale watching and dolphin tours, kayaking, golf, hiking and lazy beach days are all enjoyed in this captivating area.

Within its smart, regal castle walls lies a serene interior full of sumptuously stylish fabrics, opulent furnishings and bang-up-to-date fittings. Its beautiful, natural and calming colour palettes of soft greens and blues and warm natural tones invite relaxation. As you relax in total seclusion and absolute peace and quiet, you will feel the tranquillity fold around you. The rooms are flooded with natural sunlight that streams through the large windows and floor-to-ceiling doors. The castle has been completely and lovingly refurbished to welcome you into an idyllic retreat. It is such a special beachfront holiday property that out of more than four thousand entries, it was awarded 'Best Property in South



Africa' by CNBC.

In the main castle, lavish sofas and armchairs, all in calm tones, sit around a giant feature fireplace with a quality vintage rug on the floor and a chandelier light hanging from the wooden beamed ceiling. Just a few steps up, you will discover a sophisticated, elegant dining room that will seat your whole group. It is perfect for celebration meals with its air of grandeur, its smart furnishings and its heavy, quality drapes hanging at the various doors that lead out to the terrace. Just beyond the dining room is a chef's dream of a kitchen with beautiful cabinetry and the very best of appliances.

A beautiful staircase leads upstairs to another elegant living space and three sublime bedroom suites. Here, you will enjoy the sleep of kings on cloud-like mattresses and luxury linens. Like the living spaces, the bedrooms ooze luxury, are effortlessly stylish and offer a cool vibe that encourages you to embrace the calm. The bathrooms are beautifully finished with exquisite detailing and supreme luxury.

The beautiful Cliff Castle is set against the cliff face above the main castle, with sensational panoramic views of the beach and ocean. It offers spacious accommodation and total privacy for a very lucky couple. The luxury bedroom boasts a beautifully dressed, lavish bed and a smart, immaculate ensuite bathroom. The adjoining open-plan living area offers a kitchenette and a superbly comfortable seating area. Double doors open onto a balcony, which maximises the Indian Ocean views. If you are lucky, you will wake to find dolphins playing in the water. The spacious bathroom features heated marble floors, his and hers sinks, a walk-in shower and a separate bathtub where you can soak your stresses away. There is also a fabulous dressing area.

[Romantiese House](#), adjacent to the main castle, is possibly the most romantic holiday property in Africa. Totally secluded and private, this luxury beach castle comes in shades of cream and blue with quirky accessories that give it a distinctly nautical flavour. On the lower floor, a beautiful open-plan living area offers a dining room, a fully equipped kitchen, a sublime living area with a wood-burning fireplace and an adjoining bathroom. The living area opens onto a wide, sunny terrace shaded by a rustic reed canopy and furnished with tables, chairs and loungers alongside a heated plunge pool. The upstairs spacious bedroom also enjoys a characterful wood-burning fireplace and a comfortable sitting area with a daybed and armchairs. It epitomises luxury holiday rental accommodation, and you will be forgiven for thinking that you are in a boutique hotel. Expansive Knoetzie Beach views will entice your gaze and lift your heart. A huge bathroom with heated marble floors, a double shower, a fabulous freestanding bath, his and hers sinks, and a walk-in wardrobe completes this dreamy property.

Facilities

- Chateaux & Castles • Private Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • <1hr to Airport • Safety Deposit Box • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Parking Space • Beachfront • Golf Nearby • Outstanding Landscapes

Interior & Grounds

Ground Floor

- Ample leaving room with comfortable seating, fireplace and access to a terrace
- Dining room for 10 people and access to a terrace
- Well equipped kitchen with access to a terrace
- Bedroom with double bed, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom with bath
- Guest toilet

First Floor

- Lounge area with comfortable seating, ceiling fan and access to a balcony
- Bedroom with double bed, access to a balcony and en-suite bathroom with bath and walk-in shower
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Exterior Grounds

- Private swimming pool
- Large garden and terrace area
- Access to the beach
- Various sun loungers
- Outdoor dining
- Garden furniture
- Parking space

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Air conditioning
- Rooftop terrace
- Satellite TV
- Safe box
- Fitness equipment



Location & Local Information

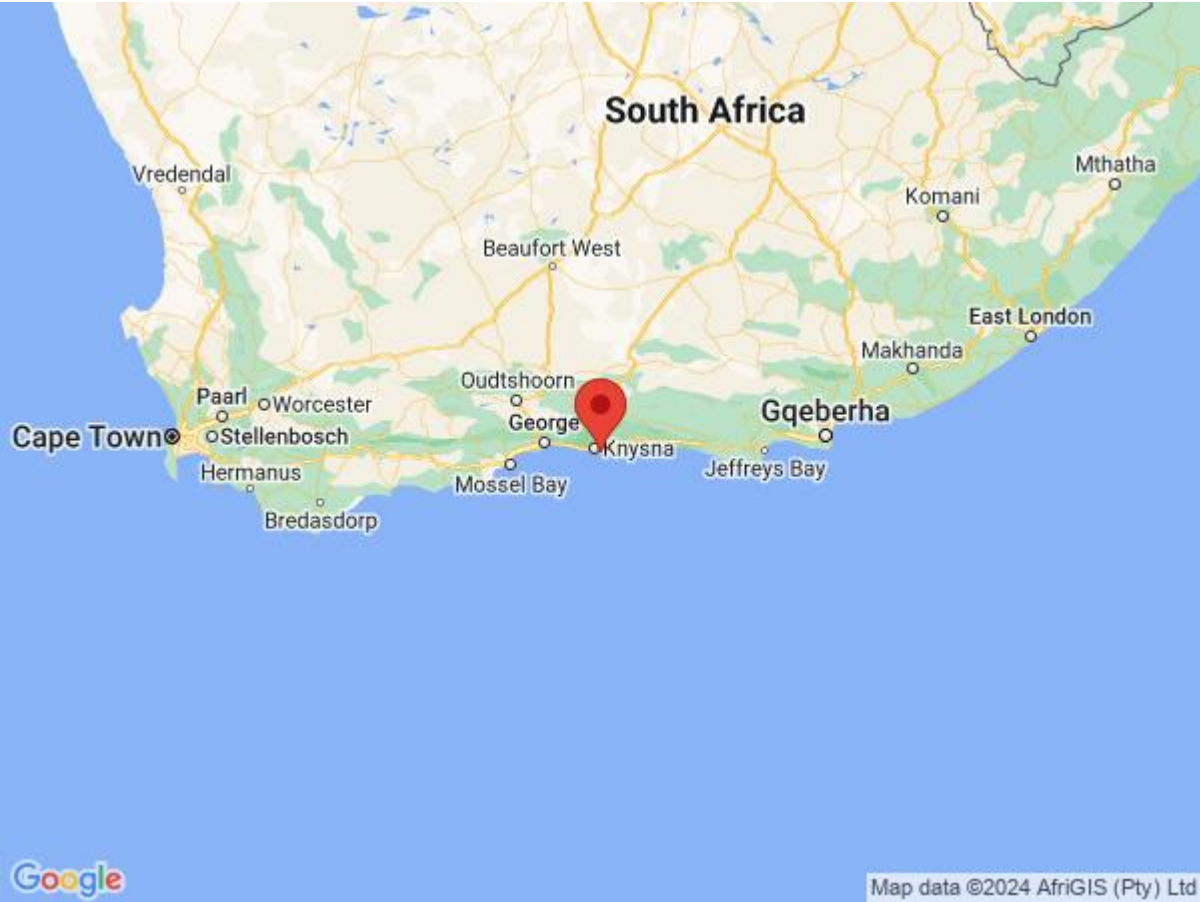
Knysna Castle enjoys an exclusive waterside location in the delightful hamlet of Knoetzie on the Garden Route in Southern Africa. Knoetzie enjoys intoxicating scenery and a pristine, secluded, award-winning beach that lies in a hidden bay proudly encircled by attractive castles. The beach voted the third best in South Africa, is bordered by the lush forest of the Sinclair Nature Reserve. There is a large variety of flora and fauna and a quiet estuary. Knoetzie is peaceful, beautiful and unspoilt. Many of the properties in the hamlet have been in the same family for generations.

Just ten minutes away is the lively town of Knysna. A highlight of its endless list of activities is the Eco-Trail, a fabulous nature trail through the protected Sinclair Nature Reserve. Starting from the Knysna Lagoon, you can head out through the breaking waves to look for whales or dolphins with an experienced skipper. Embracing the exquisite beautiful lagoon and surrounded by forests, the town was formally the centre of the timber industry, supplying yellowwood and stinkwood for railway lines, shipping and house-building. It enjoys some unique shops specialising in woodwork and furniture, as well as plenty of artisan bakeries and local charcuteries. There are luxury spas for some indulgent me time and wonderful restaurants, including sea food restaurants, family-run eateries, five-star restaurants and outdoor food stalls. You will experience live music, local craft beers and craft gin. With a rich history and proud cultural heritage, you will enjoy a lively atmosphere and a very warm welcome. You should not miss a boat trip on the lagoon, the Knysna Head viewpoints for astonishing panoramic vistas, a visit to Featherbed Nature Reserve on the Western Heads, alfresco dining at one of the many lagoonside restaurants and hiking or cycling in the Knysna forest.

Golfers are in for a treat at the nearby Pezula Championship Golf Course or the other championship golf courses within forty-five minutes. Pezula Golf Course is renowned for its breathtaking beauty and wonderful gardens. It covers 254 hectares on the Knysna clifftops with stunning views of the Knysna Lagoon and the Indian Ocean. The par 72 course is ideal for players of all levels and comes with luxury golf carts and flyover demos of each hole.

The Knysna Forest is a dreamy place sprinkled with gentle streams, towering trees and rare birds, a haven for birdwatchers. You can hike along one of the well-maintained trails, take a guided tour or take a body-powdered scooter. Guests enjoy family picnics under the majestic canopy and look out for birdlife and wildlife. You might even meet one of the famous forest elephants.

Knysna is at the centre of the Garden Route National Park Lakes Section, an area crisscrossed by rivers, lakes and estuaries. You can discover these amazing waterways by boat or canoe, enjoying the birdlife. Anglers can fish for



dinner. The Knysna Lagoon is actually an estuary and natural home of the Knysna seahorse and where the famous Knysna oysters were first cultivated in the 1940s. Boat trips include water skiing, trips up the Knysna River and romantic sunset cruises. You might meet migrating whales, playful dolphins and much more marine life.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	George Airport (81 km)
Nearest Airport 2	Plettenber Bay Airport (33 km)
Nearest Village	Knysna (11 km)
Nearest Town/City	George (74 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Bosun's Arms (9 km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	The Knysna Gin Distillery & Brewery (9 km)
Nearest Supermarket	So Ca (9 km)
Nearest Beach	Noetzie Beach (150 m)
Nearest Golf	Kysna Golf Club (12 km)
Sightseeing	SANP Garden of Eden (16 km)

What we love

- Knysna Castle has been voted 'Best Property in South Africa' by CNBC for its beautiful architecture, stylish decor, superb colour palette, gorgeous furnishings, luxurious fittings, stunning gardens and beautiful pool
- The castle's landscaped gardens enjoy mesmerising views of the Indian Ocean as well as delightful alfresco dining and lounge areas and a gorgeous swimming pool
- Knoetzie and Knysna are wonderful locations with an endless array of outdoor activities, including watersports, boat trips, fishing, hiking and cycling. They offer a rich culture and a very warm welcome

What you should know...

- The castle is comprised of two buildings, the main castle and the Romantiese House. The smaller building offers one bedroom and exquisite living areas, ideal for couples wanting a little privacy
- There are three luxury bedroom suites in the main castle, all with ensuite bathrooms and access to a terrace
- There is a wonderful team that can organise any special extras for you that may enhance your South African holiday experience

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: Credit card details are required 2 weeks prior to departure for pre-authorisation.
- Arrival time: 4 pm
- Departure time: 10 am
- Energy costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Heating costs included?: Not available on this property.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Pool towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included.
- Minimum stay: 3 - 5 nights, depending on season. All other durations on request.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.
- Pool heating charge?: Not available on this property.
- Tax: Tourist tax not applicable.
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, loss of personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- Other Ts and Cs: Daily cleaning is included in the rental price.