

Strand Castle

Region: Knysna Sleeps: 14

Overview

Sitting within the breathtaking Knoeztie National Park with sensational Indian Ocean views, Strand Castle just has to be the coolest castle ever. It is chic, effortlessly stylish, contemporary and oozes luxury. As you spend a week ruling your own castle, you will be captivated by the secluded cove of Knoetzie, a pristine, unspoilt beach and a quiet estuary. The beautiful Knoetzie castles are some of the most famous private castles in the world and a favourite getaway for the rich and famous because of their spectacular oceanfront location. Strand Castle is nestled in this area of exceptional natural beauty with rocky outcrops that harbour wild oysters, a meandering river and fynbos-covered cliffs as well as its glorious beach. The castle offers seven spectacular, minimalist bedroom suites, superb entertainment spaces and stunning outdoor space. It is the perfect spot to bring the generations together or spend time with your favourite friends.

Within Strand Castle's smart, majestic walls lies a stunning contemporary interior. With its sumptuously stylish fabrics, its wonderful blend of vintage and chic contemporary furnishings and its beautiful, natural and calming colour palette, it invites relaxation and reinvigoration. It is flooded with Knoetzie sunlight, which streams in through floor-to-ceiling glass doors and windows. Your sea views are maximised by these open walls of glass and every element of the design of the castle has been created to work in unison with the concept of indoor, outdoor living. The castle is surrounded by a beautiful garden which leads directly to the sea. There are several terraces where you can enjoy a tippie or two as you bask in the golden hour sun, dine alfresco and listen to the waves that provide a harmonious soundtrack.

The living room of this capsule of contemporary cool is very generous in space, light and beauty. It comes with a stunning feature open fireplace, sumptuous sofas and armchairs, beautiful rugs, modern artwork and a gorgeous dining table and chairs. You can dine inside or outside with a view. Strand Castle is a private paradise. The chef's dream of a kitchen comes with the very best of appliances where you can cook up a storm. Alternatively, your barbecue masters can prepare a feast on the quality barbecue outside.

The castle's seven bedrooms enjoy clean lines, a cool vibe, exquisite ensuite bathrooms and a contemporary colour scheme that flows throughout. They are light-flooded, and most come with sensational views, which make them perfect for long lazy lie-ins. The top-floor master bedroom suite is incredible with a



stunning lounge area and fireplace, luxurious linens, sumptuous soft furnishings, an immaculate bathroom and a superb, furnished terrace with dreamy views. The master is connected to a twin bedroom, another stunning delight with lux linens and a seriously inviting ambience. On the ground floor, you will discover three gorgeous bedrooms with kingsize beds and stunning intoxicating sea vistas and two twin bedrooms. Every ensuite bathroom is super stylish with top-notch fittings.

You will never miss a moment of coastal bliss at Strand Castle. If you are tempted to hole up in this beachside hideaway, you just need to remind yourselves of the seductive, award-winning beach outside, the mesmerising Sinclair Nature Reserve and the fantastic, taste-tingling restaurants nearby. Strand Castle offers an astonishing equilibrium of South African simplicity, luxurious comforts, astounding picturesque views of the crystalline, impossibly blue waters, flawless white sandy beach and a remarkable holiday experience where you can watch dolphins playing in the water from the terraces.

Please note that this property is accessed directly from the beach, so it is an obligatory condition to arrive by 4x4 or SUV.

Facilities

Chateaux & Castles • Instagrammable • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Walk to Beach • <1hr to Airport • Safety Deposit Box • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Parking Space • Beachfront • Watersports • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Outstanding Landscapes

Interior & Grounds

Ground Floor

- Ample living room with comfortable seating, fireplace and access to a terrace
- Open plan dining area for 8 people and access to a terrace
- Well equipped kitchen with hob & oven, microwave, fridge/freezer, toaster, kettle and ample crockery, cutlery, kitchen pots, and cooking implements
- Bedroom with king size bed, access to a terrace and en-suite bathroom with bath tub and walk-in shower
- Bedroom with king size bed and en-suite shower room
- Bedroom with king size bed and en-suite shower room
- Bedroom with two single beds and en-suite shower room
- Bedroom with two single beds and en-suite shower room

First Floor

- Master bedroom with king size bed, lounge area, fireplace and access to a terrace
- Bedroom with two single beds (access via master bedroom)
- Bathroom with bath and walk-in shower

Exterior Grounds

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

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Rooftop terrace
- Underfloor heating
- Satellite TV
- Safe box



Location & Local Information

Strand Castle enjoys an exclusive waterside location in the delightful hamlet of Knoetzie on the Garden Route in Southern Africa. The peaceful, picturesque 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 utterly unspoilt.

Just ten minutes away is the lively town of Knysna. Lovers of the outdoors adore the Eco-Trail, a fabulous nature trail through the protected, breathtaking Sinclair Nature Reserve. An experienced skipper can take you from the Knysna Lagoon through the breaking waves to look for whales or dolphins. Embraced by its exquisite beautiful lagoon and surrounded by forests, Knysna was formally the centre of the timber industry, supplying yellowwood and stinkwood for railway lines, shipping and house-building. It enjoys unique shops specialising in woodwork and furniture, artisan bakeries and local charcuteries. There are luxury spas offering pampering treats and wonderful restaurants, including sea food restaurants, family-run eateries, five-star restaurants and outdoor food stalls. There is plenty of live music, local craft beers, craft gin and a never-ending supply of delicious oysters. 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 awe of the nearby Pezula Championship Golf Course and equally impressed by the other championship golf courses within forty-five minutes. Pezula Golf Course is renowned for its breathtaking beauty and wonderful gardens. It spreads over 254 hectares on the picturesque 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 heavenly 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 offer 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)
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

- Strand Castle is a capsule of contemporary cool with clean lines, a calm colour palette, beautiful furnishings, top-notch fittings and the most spectacular views of the Indian Ocean
- The hamlet of Knoetzie offers an intoxicating sandy beach, seductive vistas, pure tranquillity and an array of fabulous outdoor activities
- Knoetzie and Knysna offer a truly memorable holiday with luxury, opulence, serenity, boutique shopping and unspoiled nature in abundance
- Reminiscent of something out of a fairy tale, it is very hard not to fall in love with Strand Castle and the idea of being King of the Castle for a week!

What you should know...

- The castle doesn't have a swimming pool, but the beach with its crystal clear blue water and gleaming white sand is just moments away
- The master suite on the top floor is absolutely superb. You might need to draw straws for it!
- There is a wonderful team looking after Strand Castle that can organise any special extras for you that may enhance your South African holiday experience
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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?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Pool towels included?: No.
- 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.
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