



Silent Steps Wilderness Walk



The Wilderness Walk was created with the sole purpose of affording hikers the opportunity to explore one of the most beautiful parts of South Africa, on foot!

This hike will take you past caves, coves, and some of South Africa's most pristine beaches, where you will probably walk for an entire day without seeing one other person.

At night you will sleep at the best accommodation on offer in Wilderness- with unspoiled views of the lake or the Indian Ocean, whilst being served hearty meals prepared at the Wilderness Bush Camp or at some of the top restaurants in the area.

This hike will stretch over 40km in three days. Each day varies in distance and scenery, with the last day not being a beach walk, but rather a lovely forest walk on a wooden walkway to a waterfall in the Wilderness Conservation area.

Overview

What is included?

- Permits
- Transport shuttle between places
- Accommodation
- All meals (bar the 2 lunches en route while you are hiking)

What is excluded

- Any cool drinks or alcoholic beverages
- Your own snacks en route
- Lunches (en route while you are walking)
- Silent Steps promotional items

You must bring

- A small back pack (25 or 35 litre)
- Your own lunch for the duration of the hike
- Your own snacks
- Camera
- Hiking Clothes
- A rain jacket (four seasons in one day)
- Hiking shoes (no boots needed)
- Sunscreen
- Sunhat
- Small first-aid kit





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Itinerary

Please note that you will receive a detailed itinerary closer to your specific hike. Our breakfast and departure time in the mornings depend on the tides and for each hike it will be different.

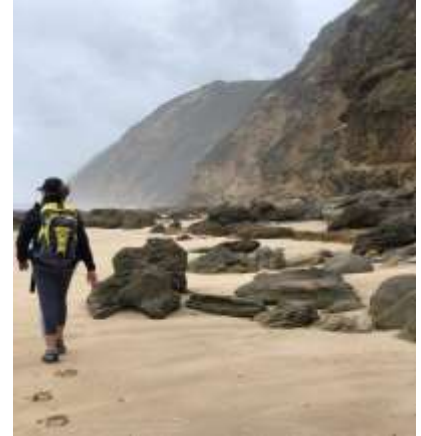
Day 1: Arrival

17:00- Arrive late afternoon/ early evening at the Wilderness Bushcamp

18:00- Welcoming braai at the Wilderness Bush Camp lapa, overlooking the majestic Indian Ocean

Day 2: Buffelsbaai to Sedgefield- 17km

- Breakfast is served or breakfast packs issued- depending on the tide on that particular day
- Depart to Buffelsbaai
- Hike 17km from Buffelsbaai to Sedgefield
- We have a cold beer, cocktail and lunch at Pili Pili Beach Bar- optional but strongly advised
- We depart for Wilderness by bus, as soon as everybody is ready to go
- Supper at the upmarket Illali restaurant in Wilderness, where hikers will only pay for their drinks tonight. Illali is by far the most popular restaurant in the Village



Day 3: Swartvlei to Kleinkrantz- 13.79km

- Breakfast is served or breakfast packs issued- depending on the tide on that particular day
- Depart to Swartvlei
- Hike 13.79km from Swartvlei to Kleinkrantz Beach.
- Bus fetches us at Kleinkrantz as soon as everyone completed the distance
- Rowing on Kaaimans River- optional, but strongly advised
- Sundowner cocktails and supper together at the Lapa



Day 4: Forest Hike- 8km

- We have coffee and rusks and are issued with hearty breakfast packs to enjoy at the waterfall
- Depart to the start of the Pied Kingfisher Trail. It is an 8km hike, but will take us at least 3 hours to complete. Today there is no beach walking, but a lovely stroll along a well-kept wooden pathway all the way to two small waterfalls, where we will have our breakfast.
- Light lunch at "The Girls" in Wilderness
- Depart to George Airport and/ or Cape Town around 14h00





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FAQ

Where do we stay?

- The accommodation is located within 9 hectares of indigenous forest.
- The cabins sleep either 2 or 4 guests and are fully self-contained
- The cabins each have their own ocean and lagoon views
- The property has a communal lapa area- made available to Silent Steps guests exclusively- for breakfasts and braais
- Wilderness Bushcamp is the perfect base from which to explore the Garden Route by car or on foot, and in your free time, just settle back on your private deck and watch the ocean roll in while you sip your morning coffee, relax with a sundowner or drink in the sea air!



Meals:

- Hot and cold breakfasts will be served every morning depending on the time of the tide. If we have a very early low tide, we will be issued with breakfast packs, but we always try and have breakfast instead of breakfast packs as far as possible
- Suppers will either consist of a potjie or steak braai at the Wilderness Bush Camp, or a hearty meal of your choice at Illali restaurant in the Village
- Hikers must please provide for their own snacks or light lunches during the hike



Transport:

- A shuttle will transport the group daily on a number of occasions
- For hikers flying in to George Airport we recommend the following 2 reliable and trusted shuttle service companies, located in Wilderness, to transport you from George Airport to the Wilderness Buchcamp and back.

Woober Taxi: 083 598 1319

Wilderness Express: 074 977 2215

Please note that the airport transfer is for your own account and your transfer must be booked in advance.





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Please note:

- We are acutely aware of our footprint on our environment
- We save water
- We save electricity
- We support local businesses
- We buy local produce when/where we provide meals
- We support the development of local talent and skills
- We leave only our footprints behind



*I took a walk in the woods
and came out taller than the trees-* Henry David Thoreau

