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Safety tips for travellers Visiting Cape Town and other parts of South Africa

The World Travel and Tourism Council awarded South Africa the WTTC Global Stamp of Approval. For more information: <https://safetravels.capetown/health/south-africa-awarded-the-wttc-global-safety-stamp/>

Cape Town is a major, modern cosmopolitan South African city. As such, we would advise you to exercise the same level of vigilance they would exercise when visiting any major city in the world.

This includes ensuring you follow basic safety tips such as keeping emergency numbers on hand, avoiding carrying large sums of cash and always keeping your valuables safe. For the overwhelming majority of the 1,7 million foreign visitors to the Western Cape in 2018, a visit to Cape Town and the Western Cape was a positive, memorable experience.

The destination is frequently cited as among the world's best holiday destinations and has a high return visitor rate, proving that those who visit our destination once, fall in love with it, and want to discover it again.

To ensure a pleasurable trip, please keep in mind a few precautions that you can employ on all your travels across the world:

- When deciding on an accommodation option, use the same vigilance you would when selecting accommodation elsewhere in the world. Should you be concerned about the property's safety measures or the location of the property, do not hesitate to contact them for further details, check whether they are a member of a tourism association or organisation and make your enquiries there.
- Cape Town is one of the most well-connected cities in South Africa when it comes to transport options. While travellers often choose to walk around the Downtown or Central Business District area because distances are short, you have the option to use Uber, Taxify, metered taxis and the MyCiti bus system, which can also connect you to points within the central district of Cape Town and surrounding tourism must-sees like Camps Bay, Sea Point and Hout Bay. The MyCiti bus also connects you directly to Cape Town International Airport through a direct shuttle. There is also a City Sightseeing hop-on-hop-off red bus service with a variety of tourist routes on offer.
- Avoid carrying large sums of cash, don't carry cameras in plain sight and do not leave belongings unattended.
- Heed the advice of your hosts, or locals on where to go after dusk. Avoid walking in deserted and dark places at night. Park in a secure, well-lit area with street guards.
- Never allow strangers to assist you in any way at ATMs or cash points.



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- Street children and beggars may approach you for a handout. If you wish to help, consider giving food or contact your host for advice.
- Keep copies of all valuable documents in a safe place.
- When exploring Table Mountain National Park, take a map, comfortable walking shoes, a few friends, and a charged mobile phone.
- When hiking, be prepared for weather that can change rapidly, even in summer. Bring along enough water and sunblock, as well as something warm to wear. Start heading back well before dark and don't venture away from the demarcated paths. Tell a friend or your host where you are going and when you expect to be back.
- Load the Table Mountain National Park emergency number +27(0)861 106 417 into your mobile phone before departing on a hike. Cape Town Tourism and Protection and Emergency Services run a Visitor Support Programme to assist you, should you be involved in any incident during your stay.

Emergency numbers

- For all emergency services from your mobile dial 112
- For all emergencies from a landline, dial 107
- To call the South African Police Service, dial 10111

For more information on safety & security :

<https://safetravels.capetown/>

<https://www.wesgro.co.za/travel/things-to-know-1>

Cape Town Central City Improvement District (CCID)

A public-private partnership, the [Cape Town Central City Improvement District \(CCID\)](#) was established in November 2000 by local property owners with a vision for the Cape Town CBD to rise from the “crime and grime” scenario it had fallen into, to once again become a safe, clean and caring urban environment. Today it is also a vibrant CBD for investment, and a world-class live, work, play and stay destination that is welcoming to all.

A non-profit organisation, the CCID operates with its own board of directors and liaises across both the public and private sectors, working together with each to develop, promote and manage the Cape Town Central City.



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As a result, the Cape Town Central City is considered today to be South Africa's most vibrant and safest CBD.

The CCID operates in the traditional downtown of the city across an area measuring 1.6km². It stretches from Buitensingel to FW de Klerk Boulevard, and from Buitengracht to Canterbury Street. To download the map, click [here](#).

Over 300 Public Safety Officers of the Cape Town Central City Improvement District (CCID) are on duty 24/7 in their area to assist you.

WhatsApp or call the CCID 24-hour CONTROL CENTRE

EMERGENCY NUMBER: +27(0)82 415 7127

Flyer: <https://www.capetownccid.org/sites/default/files/2022-12/Welcome%20to%20the%20Central%20City%20-%20A5%20flyer.pdf>