

LEKKERWATER BEACH LODGE

Situated just over three hours from Cape Town, in the midst of the Cape Floral Kingdom, Lekkerwater Beach Lodge at De Hoop makes for an idyllic coastal getaway.

Sea views don't get much more dramatic than this, with every room and the main area boasting spectacular outlooks across the panorama outside. Fynbos adorns the rugged hillsides as they cascade down towards the golden sands and craggy rockpools below. The ocean beyond meanwhile, teems with marine life including whales, dolphins and myriad water birds.

Once a waterfront escape for F W De Klerk, the lodge now offers an open kitchen overlooking an open plan living and dining area, along with a pool and deck with steps leading straight to the six-kilometre private beach. There are seven sumptuous rooms here (one of which is a family unit), each with en suite facilities and a private veranda from which to soak up the view.

Days are spent exploring the reserve, strolling across the sand, searching for the weird and wonderful creatures that inhabit the rockpools, or simply lazing in the hot tub down on the beach. This also happens to be one of the best places in the world for land-based whale watching during whale season – bring your binos.







