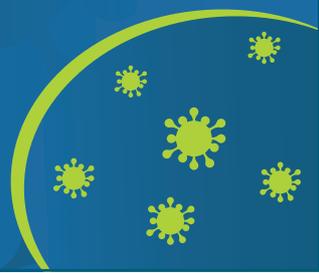




CapeNature

4 September 2020

# COVID-19 WEEKLY UPDATE



## Arbour Week 2020

TALKING TREES WITH TOMORROW'S GENERATION

TO ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT TREE PLANTING this Arbour Week, CapeNature has planted more than 150 trees at 25 different locations across the Western Cape.

A highlight was the ceremonial tree planting event at Woodlands Primary School in Heideveld where CapeNature donated a number of fruit trees. The children were treated to an educational presentation on the importance of trees and why we should care for them. In turn, they presented the audience with "An interview with a tree" using lessons derived from their curriculum on the topic.

CapeNature's CEO, Dr Razeena Omar said: "It is so important for us to instil awareness about the environment in children. Creating awareness and interaction with nature fosters a love and appreciation for nature."

Woodlands Primary School Principal Anthony Meyer, added: "We, the educators and learners of Woodlands Primary feel honoured to be part of the Arbour Day festivities in collaboration with CapeNature. It is a chance for our school children to learn the importance of trees in our daily lives and forms part of their Natural Science curriculum".



**Dr Razeena Omar, CEO CapeNature, joined in planting a tree by Mr Meyer, Principal and Grade 4 learners of Woodlands Primary, Heideveld.**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of September, CapeNature hosted the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning as part of their oversight visit to the Overberg Region.

The programme was jam packed with day 1 seeing visits to the Abagold Abalone Farm and Milkwood Forest.

On day 2, the Committee visited the Kogelberg Nature Reserve to inspect the newly developed Phase 2 Kogelberg Tourism Development which boasts 5 x 2 sleeper Eco-pods, 3 x 6 sleeper Eco-cabins and an eco pool.

Thereafter they visited the Stony Point Penguin Colony. Here, the Committee got a first-hand experience of how the Mooi Uitsig Community Trust, in partnership with CapeNature, is managing the On the Edge Restaurant. This successful project creates local jobs, stimulates the local economy through procuring 80% of their goods and services locally and ensures benefits to the 42 households that makes up this community.



**Edith Henn from Eco-Tourism & Access addressing the Standing Committee.**

## ACCESS WEEK 2020

HERE IS YOUR FREE TICKET TO NATURE!

**In September we celebrate Tourism and you are invited! CapeNature will once again open its doors and provide free access to the public during its annual Access Week.**

From 16-22 September 2020, day visits to selected CapeNature reserves will be free for all to enjoy exploring our natural heritage.

Visitors to participating CapeNature reserves will be allowed free day entry (excluding overnight stays) ranging from the West Coast to the Winelands, Overberg, Garden Route and even the Klein Karoo.

We encourage everyone to seize this opportunity and plan that much needed family day trip following five months of lockdown. Free day access will allow for participation in a number of activities ranging from hiking and walking to mountain biking.

Visit [www.capenature.co.za](http://www.capenature.co.za) to find out more and remember to tag us on social media when visiting the reserves using the hashtag **#AccessWeek2020**.

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## ACCESS WEEK

FREE ENTRY  
AT CAPENATURE RESERVES



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FOR FREE

WEST COAST Grooetwaterhoek, Cedarberg, Matieland, Boesmansrivier, Riebeeckpan  
WINELANDS Lismberg, Jonkershoek, Assigsbosch, Hottentots Holland, Vrolijkheid  
OVERBERG Middelberg, De Mond, De Hoop, Mierik, Groenvaldsbosch  
GARDEN ROUTE Robberg, Keurbooms River, Goukamma  
KLEIN KAROO Swartberg, Gamkaberg

Get free day entry at any CapeNature reserve gate that is open to the public. Free entry is only applicable to entrance fees for hiking and mountain biking. The waiver will NOT apply to the Whale Trail or concessions (including Cape Canopy Tour, bouldering, horse riding etc).  
Normal rates and access fees apply for any accommodation booked online or through the call centre.

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