

## Cape Town Homestay



# Immerse yourself in local culture and hospitality with a selected host family.

Staying with local host families in Cape Town allows you to experience life like a local and fully immerse yourself in the city's rich culture and stunning surroundings. With a range of rooms available for both short- and long-term stays, we provide great value for students so you can focus on making the most of your time in Cape Town.

### Your neighborhood

We host students within the Cape Town City Bowl and Atlantic Seaboard areas:

Aptly referred to as the City Bowl, the heart of the city is held in an enclosed basin formed between the Atlantic Ocean and the face of Table Mountain, flanked on one side by Lion's Head and Signal Hill, and on the other by Devil's Peak. From the busy seaport, through the business centre, and up into the more residential slopes, the city reveals its rich history and contemporary metropolitan character. The Cape Town City Centre is made up of the Foreshore, CBD, Bo-Kaap, Gardens, Higgovale, Tamboerskloof, Oranjezicht, Vredehoek and Devil's Peak.

The Atlantic Seaboard stretches from the V&A Waterfront on the north shore of Table Mountain, all the way down the west side of the Cape Peninsula, stopping just short of Hout Bay. It takes in Green Point, Sea Point, Fresnaye, Bantry Bay, Camps Bay, Bakoven, Oudekraal and Llandudno along the way, and includes some of the world's finest beaches and trendy seaside hot spots. These are all connected by a picturesque scenic drive flanked by the Twelve Apostles mountain range and the Atlantic Ocean.

#### **Your Accommodation**

Students are hosted on half-board basis (breakfast and evening meals only) from Monday to Sunday. Students can choose either single or twin room accommodation. The room either has a single or twin bed, depending on the type of accommodation being offered.

#### Room type

Single

#### **Bathroom**

Private / Shared bathroom

#### **Board status**

Half board

#### **Available**

Year-round

#### Arrival and departure

Saturday/Saturday

### **Arrival and Departure**

Available: Year-round Arrival day: Saturday Departure day: Saturday

Contact

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#### **Meal Description**

Breakfast: A continental breakfast, which normally includes a choice of cereals, tea and coffee, bread with spreads, as well as fresh fruits. Dinner: Whatever meal the family is serving. \*We ask hosts to enquire what the students like to eat and if possible, serve those types of meals also.

#### **Arrangement and Transport**

#### Journey to school

To commute around the city centre, you can take the MyCiTi bus from various bus stops. Please note that you will need to purchase a 'MyConnect' bus card and load credit onto the card. The buses do not accept cash. Bus cards and credit can be purchased from the Adderley Street Bus Station close to the school or from participating retailers around Cape Town.

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#### **Arrival and Departure**

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Arrival day: Saturday
Departure day: Saturday

The average distance from a homestay to the school is 15 – 30 minutes by foot. The furthest homestay is up to 30 minutes by public transport. Times are approximate.

#### **House Rules**

- Special dietary requests may be accommodated, subject to availability at a supplement fee per week
- A twin room may be booked by a student travelling alone; however, the student should be aware that he/she will share the room with another student of the same gender. We will do our best to ensure students sharing rooms are within the same age range and that nationalities are mixed, but this is not guaranteed.
- Some homes may have pets. Should students be allergic or prefer not to live with a pet, they should indicate this on their preferences when booking.
- Special requirements must be specified when booking this type of accommodation.
- Laundry services are not provided. Students will need to wash their clothes at the nearest laundrette.
- Students arriving in EC accommodation between 22.00 08.00 may be asked to book alternative accommodation for their first night. This is to ensure student's safety on arrival.
- Students are required to follow EC Student Code of Conduct, failure to do so can result in termination of the accommodation.
- For more accommodation terms and conditions please refer to the EC Accommodation Policy.

#### **Cancellations**

#### Cancellation prior to arrival

Students cancelling or postponing within 14 days of arrival date, for reasons other than

visa denial, will be charged a two-week accommodation fee at the standard accommodation rate and the accommodation placement fee.

#### **Cancellation after arrival**

Students leaving their accommodation must give notice in writing 4 weeks prior to termination. After deducting the price of accommodation used, including the required notice period, charged at standard accommodation rates, students will be refunded the remaining accommodation costs. If the 4-week notice period is not provided a cancellation fee equal to 4 weeks of the accommodation cost will apply

