

Cape Province Mountain Club Hut on Table Mountain

The CPMC hut is a place where the people of Cape Town are offered an opportunity to spend time on Table Mountain while exploring the beauty of the Cape. Our hut is a focal point for many of our outreach projects including our flagship outreach programme, the Table Mountain Hiking Challenge. The hut is not run for a profit. All fees and costs are charged to cover the cost of consumables and to fund the maintenance and development of the hut.

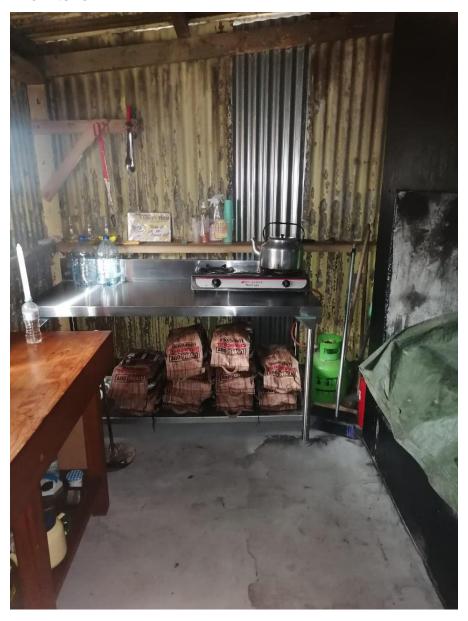
The hut is eco-friendly, and we encourage environmentally friendly practices in and around the hut but also on the mountain. The hut rules and costs are detailed in the hut booking process. This document also provides an inventory of items in the hut. Although we charge for the usage of the hut and consumables, we allow usage of the hut on a goodwill basis. We entrust the hut to members of the club and public with the understanding that they will treat it as their own. To this end our social compact goes both ways. We therefore ask that members of the club and public are honest when booking the hut. This honesty extends to the number of guests, the usage of consumables and breakages. We ask that the hut is left clean, without graffiti or any dirt.

Our hut has 4 rooms, viz. the kitchen, the sleeping quarters (including raised deck), the living room and the storage room (including the toilet). Our hope is that by allowing usage of the hut we can generate interest to assist in upgrading the hut while offering a unique experience on the mountain.

The hut provides comfortable sleeping for up to 20 people on bunks or decks. There are however only 10 sets of plates, cups, mugs and cutlery. Please refer to the inventory listing to ensure that you have packed sufficiently for yourself and your group.

There is water at the hut. The water is not treated although it has been safely used in the past. When arriving at the hut you will find a tap near the Jo-Jo tank, please open this and allow for up to 15 minutes for water to start running. We recommend boiling water before use. <u>DO NOT</u> drink the water from the Jo-Jo tank, this is not fit for consumption even when boiled.

The kitchen



The kitchen is equipped with a two-plate gas cooker and a braai for cooking purposes. All cooking is to be done in the kitchen only. There are two worktops for preparing food and drinks. You are required to purchase charcoal and firelighters from the club for braai purposes, no other charcoal and firelighters

may be used. The kitchen is further equipped with cutlery and crockery per the inventory list.

The sleeping quarters



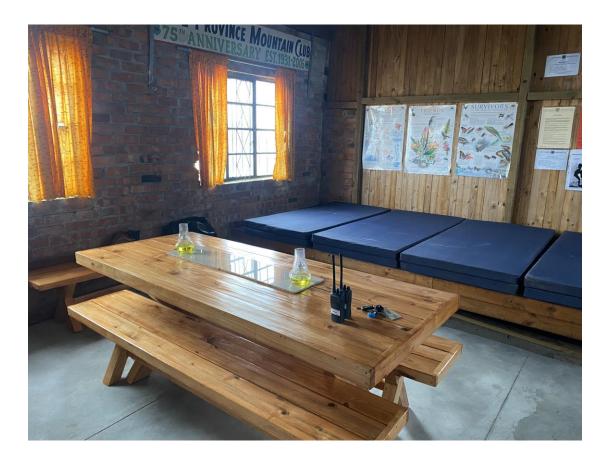
The sleeping quarters has 12 bunk beds with mattresses. These are newly purchased, and we request that they be maintained in this condition. Guests are not to write or leave other carvings on the beds. There is also a bench for relaxing.

The deck is reached by climbing the ladder to the left of the door. The deck has space for 4 mattresses but there is limited space for any other storage.

No eating is allowed in the sleeping quarters or on the deck.

The living room





The living room has a fireplace for warmth. The fireplace is not to be used for cooking of any sort. There is a chopping block in the storage room, and we request that no chopping of wood is done in the living room or the kitchen.

There are 5 benches in the living room. These provide comfortable seating for guests. There is a table that provides seating for 10 to 12 guests. There is a smaller table in the corner of the room where you will find the visitors register, we request that all guests sign the register when using the hut.

There is a deck that provides place for 4 mattresses, or the deck can be used for placing hiking bags.

The storage area (including the toilet)

When you enter the hut, the first room you enter will be the storage room. There is a door to your left through which you enter the living room. The storage room is where you will find wood, charcoal, the chopping block and axe as well as other items. We ask that you do not remove any items from this room (except wood).

In the storage room you will find the toilet. This is a long drop eco-loo. You will find complimentary biodegradable toilet paper as well as sanitary bags in this room. We ask that you do not throw any foreign objects or liquids in the toilet. The toilet works in a way that removes odours and leaves minimal impact on the environment. Please leave the toilet clean and scrub the toilet bowl before leaving the hut.

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Future projects

The club hopes that by allowing members of the public to experience the hut we will be able to raise funds through awareness, for the following projects:

- Provision of reliable water to the hut
- Solar power for lights inside and outside the hut
- Floor covering (wooden flooring or tiling) in the kitchen, living room and storage room
- Rebuilding the storage room and toilet area, this includes rebuilding the structure as well as partitioning the toilet and building this into a bathroom that contains a hand basin and shower
- Ceilings throughout the hut to provide insulation
- Rebuilding the outbuilding

We welcome any enquires about club membership as well as any donations towards the hut.