

To assist with directions and driving times, Lekkerwater Beach Lodge is located on Google Maps. Please aim to arrive at the Lekkerwater car park 6km inland from the lodge at around 14h00. Depending on road and traffic conditions, it will take you around 3 hours 15 minutes from Cape Town International Airport and around 3 hours 45 minutes from George. Please add time for meal stops & refuelling (Bredasdorp or Swellendam are your last refuelling opportunities). **If you are lost, please WhatsApp Lekkerwater on 072 252 2905.**

NB: The Potberg park entry gate to De Hoop Reserve closes at 16h00 sharp (and only reopens the next morning at 07h30). If you are late, you will have to find your own accommodation.

Pick-Up Time: 2pm from the Lekkerwater Car Park • **Park Entry Fee:** R50 pppn, payable in **CASH** on arrival at the gate.

PLEASE NOTE: The last 57km to the Lekkerwater Car Park is on gravel roads and the condition of this road varies day to day depending on the weather and the traffic. Please ensure that you drive slowly on the dirt roads.

DIRECTIONS FROM CAPE TOWN:

- Depart Cape Town on the N2 motorway towards Somerset West and over Sir Lowry's Pass.
- Continue on the N2 to Caledon where you turn right / south onto the R316 to Napier and Bredasdorp. The Napier Farm Stall and the Bredasdorp Square offer good homely food and coffees.
- You must refuel either in Napier or Bredasdorp – there is no reliable fuel station after Bredasdorp.
- When you arrive in Napier or Bredasdorp, please check your drive time on Google Maps. If it looks as if you will arrive in plenty of time for the 14h00 pick up, please enjoy the sights and food of Napier or Bredasdorp to avoid hanging around in the Lekkerwater car park waiting for our 2pm transfer!
- In the centre of Bredasdorp, look out for the signs to Swellendam on the R319. Turn left onto the R319.
- Drive for 7.1km along the R319 till you signs to De Hoop. Turn right here onto a gravel road.
- From here it is a relatively straight road for 41.9km till you reach the Potberg Entrance Gate to De Hoop.
- At 32.6km from the R319 tarred road, ignore the signs to De Hoop, Morukuru and De Hoop Collection and keep driving straight. If you turn off here, you will end up in the western sector of the park and be a very long way from Lekkerwater.
- At 36.9km from the R319 tarred road, keep driving straight / right and do not veer left to Malgas / Cape Infanta.
- At 41.9km from the R319, you will arrive at the Potberg Entrance Gate to De Hoop Reserve.
- Drive for another 800 metres until you see a wooden hut on your left. Here you will be asked to sign into De Hoop Reserve and pay the park entrance fee (currently R50 per person per night). Please make sure you have cash as there are no credit facilities available. Please also ask the gate personnel to radio Lekkerwater to say that you have arrived.
- Veer slightly right immediately after the hut, staying on the main track for another 14.6km to the Lekkerwater Car Park. A further 400m ahead there will be a small swing gate across the road. Open the gate, drive in, close the gate and keep following the signs to Lekkerwater. There is one more small gate between you and your destination, but that second gate is usually open.
- Keep driving slowly on the main gravel road until you see a sign and a turning for Lekkerwater on your right. Ignore that sign and drive straight on, following the Lekkerwater parking signs for another 250m. Turn off to your left and follow those tracks until you arrive at water tanks and solar panels, where you will be able to park your car under shady trees. We will meet you here in the lodge's 4x4 vehicles to drive you the last 6km to Lekkerwater Lodge.

DIRECTIONS FROM GEORGE:

- Drive west on the main N2 motorway towards Swellendam and Cape Town. The N2 skirts to the south of Swellendam with two access roads into the town off to the right.
- Please enjoy a brunch or lunch in Swellendam and refuel as there are no filling stations or restaurants once you have turned off the N2 to Lekkerwater.
- When in Swellendam, check your drive time to Lekkerwater Beach Lodge on Google Maps to ensure that you arrive at around 2pm and avoid hanging around at the Lekkerwater Car Park waiting our 2pm transfer.
- After leaving Swellendam, keep driving in the direction of Cape Town on the N2.
- About 4.5km after the R60 turnoff to Swellendam and just past the bridge over the Breede River, there is a turn off to the left saying Cape Infanta and Malgas. Do not take this turn off and keep driving.
- Continue driving for another 5.3km and turn left at the next dirt road turning. This dirt road has a small sign that says De Hoop and is just past the Kluitjieskraal River and sign, with a large farm building on the right-hand side.
- Drive south on this dirt road for 31km until you reach a T-junction.
- At the T-junction turn left and keep driving straight following the Whale Trail signs for 11.7km.
- **NB: At 2.1km from the T-junction, ignore the signs to De Hoop, Morukuru and De Hoop Collection and keep driving straight on otherwise you will end up in the wrong sector of the De Hoop Reserve and very far from Lekkerwater!**
- When you reach a fork in the road signposted left to Malgas, keep driving straight (i.e. take the right-hand fork).
- You will soon arrive at the Potberg Entrance Gate to the De Hoop Reserve and the directions to Lekkerwater Car Park are the same as the Cape Town directions described in the last three paragraphs on the left.



————— Directions from Cape Town
 ————— Directions from George, Knysna & Plett
 ————— Final route in from Cape Town & George

If you are lost, or running late or have not heard from us on your morning of arrival, please WhatsApp Lekkerwater on 072 252 2905
Please note that signal at the Lodge is erratic so a WhatsApp message is best.