



Itinerary for Gansbaai

1 Day

08h30 Gansbaai Tourism Bureau for a map and extra information.

09h00 Visit APSS (African Penguin and Seabird sanctuary). View the penguins and other seabirds as they spend time in this rehabilitation centre. Watch a video and learn all about the wonderful work provided by this group as they look after our endangered penguins and sea-birds.

Enjoy a delicious cappuccino and cake

10h00 Danger Point Lighthouse. This Lighthouse was commissioned in 1991 as a result of the many shipwrecks in the area and as a direct consequence of the sinking of the HMT Birkenhead. As you stand at the Memorial stone, you can read the history and see the wave breaking over the submerged rock.

Climb to the top of the Lighthouse and enjoy a panoramic view of the area.

11h00 Kleinbaai Harbour Famous for the launching of Shark cage diving boats. View the new Artistic sculpture paying tribute to the sharks

12h00 Lunch - Variety of coffee shops and restaurants to choose from. Or purchase "fish and chips" and enjoy overlooking the harbour or at the tidal pool.

14h00 Short hiking options Milkwood forest in Franskraal or Walk along the beach in Franskraal to the Uilkraal estuary - enjoy the abundant birdlife. You could spot a fish eagle! Swim or splash in the waves or the river. Another option is to walk along the cliffs at De Kelders and if between June and November spot the southern right whales, schools of dolphins frolicking in the bay.

A visit the Klipgat or Drupkelder caves is also recommended.

16h00 Afternoon tea

17h00 Reluctantly leave with a promise to return

3 Days

Day 1

- 09h00 Start your trip in De Kelders Drive along Cliff street and spot whales / dolphins
- 09h30 Gansbaai Drive along the coastal road and enjoy the view across Walker Bay. Enjoy a delicious breakfast in one of the many coffee shops.
- 10h30 Danger Point Lighthouse. The Lighthouse is open Weekdays from 10h00-15h00. Read the history on the Memorial stone to the HMT Birkenhead and see the wave breaking over the submerged rock. Climb to the top of the Lighthouse and enjoy a panoramic view
- 11h30 Drive along the coast to Franskraal.

Summer - frolic in the waves or the estuary. Include a visit to the Strandveld Museum.

Even in winter it is the perfect beach to take a walk.

- 13h00 Lunch Plenty of restaurants to choose from or Purchase fresh fish and enjoy from a vantage point overlooking Walker Bay
- 14h00 Book into accommodation
- 14h30 A hike in the southernmost forest – Platbos.
Or visit Flower Valley and take a tractor-ride in the Fynbos.
Sundowners - Watch the sunset over the bay.
- 19h00 Dinner – a variety of choice. Depends on your mood – seafood or steak or maybe typically South African

Day 2

- 07h00 Shark cage dive (booking should be made in advance)
Or an Eco cruise or whale watching cruise (depending on the season)
- 12h00 Refreshments at the Great White House. View the whale and dolphin skeletons on the ceiling. Visit the Souvenir shop.
- 13h00 Take a slow drive to Pearly Beach (If whale season – this is the perfect place to watch them. Spend some time in the Fynbos Garden and the Marine Centre
A visit here has to include a Walk along the Pearly beach! Or enjoy a horse-ride along the beach.
- 15h00 Stop off at APPS(African Penguin and Seabird sanctuary)

You will be just in time to see feeding of penguins. Enjoy refreshments.

- 17h00 For the energetic this is the perfect time for a Fat bike ride along the beach.
Suitable rides for all ages and fitness! See the sunset from a different vantage point
- 19h00 Dinner

Day 3

- 09h00 Embark on a Cave Tour choose between the Freshwater caves or Klipgat caves
- 11h00 Take a drive out to Baardskeedersbos. Make sure to stop at the viewpoint for a view of Kraaibosch dam and surrounds.
Explore Baardskeedersbos and see artists at work
- 13h00 Stop off at Lomond Winery for lunch on the way back to Gansbaai
- 16h00 Head back to Gansbaai. Ensure you have purchased a souvenir or other items from some of the unique shops. Sadly head off home or onto the rest of your journey.
Other options to enjoy –
Fantasy and Farm Gardens - for children
Tidal pools in Gansbaai and Kleinbaai
Horse riding along the beach
For the golfers - Play a round of golf on the southernmost golf course in Africa.

A visit to Groeneweide where children can enjoy interacting with farm animals. An opportunity to visit the nursery and enjoy refreshments

5 Days

- 09h00 Arrive Start at the Gansbaai Tourism bureau Get all the info / maps required for your visit
- 10h00 Danger Point Visit the Danger Point Lighthouse which is one of the oldest Lighthouse icons in the area. Memorial stone to the HMT Birkenhead . See the wave breaking over the rock. Climb to the top of the Lighthouse and enjoy a panoramic view
- 11h00 Visit the Strandveld museum to familiarize yourself with the history of the area
- 12h00 visit the Kleinbaai harbour. See the shark and fishing boats.
- 13h00 Lunch Variety to choose from overlooking the Bay with a chance to see marine life

- 14h00 Book into accommodation
- 15h00 Hike Take a leisurely hike along the cliff path in De Kelders (Duiwelsgat hiking trail)
Visit the Klipgat caves. Guides available
- 17h00 Relax with Sundowners
- 19h00 d Dinner at one of the Restaurants – Thyme at Rosemary / Blue Goose / Tolbos / Great White House

Day 2

- 08h30 Fatbike ride Start the day with an invigorating fatbike ride along the beach
- 11h00 Brunch choose a coffee shop / restaurant for a brunch (Farmladys shed, Tolbos, Henrys Bistro)
- 13h00 Pearly Beach Take a drive out to Pearly Beach June - November - see southern right whales. Fynbos Garden Small Marine Centre Walk along the Pearly beach! Snuffle around in the shops
- 16h00 Gansbaai harbour Sunset cruise - weather permitting
- 19h00 Dinner (as per the suggestions above)

Day 2

- 09h00 Tractor ride in the take a tractor ride in the Fynbos at Flower Valley fynbos
Combined with a walk in the most southernmost forest Platbos
- Proceed onto Baardskeerdersbos. Walk around this quiet village and discover some hidden gems.
See the artists at work.
- Lunch Lomond wine farm
- Spend a relaxed afternoon (leisurely walk in the Milkwood forest or gathering shells at Skulpies.
Searching the rock pools at Stanfords cove for treasures (look only)

- 17h00 Sundowners
- 19h00 Dinner (as listed above)

Day 4

- 07h00 Shark cage dive Shark cage Dive Eco trip or a Marine big 5 eco trip
- Spend a leisurely afternoon snuffeling around the shops in Gansbaai. Find a treasure or a souvenir

14h30 Visit the African Seabird and Seabird Sanctuary learn about the rehabilitation and watch the feeding of the penguins Delicious refreshments.

17h00 Cave Tour Visit the Drup Kelders in De Kelders (booking beforehand)

19h00 Dinner Tolbos / thyme at Rosemary / Tuscany / Blue Goose / Great White House

Day 5

10h00 Revisit one of the places you have enjoyed. There may be something you have not been able to fit in on the previous days. Maybe even a helicopter tip over the area.

12h00 Lunch at Afrikanos (soon to be opened crocodile farm)

Slowly head home – but come back soon!