



Spectator Information for the Weekend

Race Weekend Schedule Overview

Friday 14 Aug

16h00 – 19h00	Race Registration at De Hoop Complimentary Strandveld Wine Tasting on offer at De Hoop Complimentary ButtaNutt Mocktails on offer at De Hoop
18h30 – 20h30	Dinner at De Hoop in Marquee Tent
19h30	Welcome briefing and Q&A in the Marquee Tent - not compulsory

Saturday 15 Aug

04h45 - 07h30	Pre-booked runner's breakfast available in De Hoop Restaurant
05h00 - 07h30	Complimentary Clock Peak Coffee & ButtaNutt Rusks at Canteen tent
05h50	53km runners - Bus departure to start
07h00	53km Start from Potberg
07h50	35km runners - Bus departure to start
08h00 - 11h00	Breakfasts available from De Hoop Restaurant
09h00	35km Start from Potberg
10h30	First spectator bus departs from De Hoop Reception to Finish
11h30	Record breaking 53km runners expected at finish
12h30	First 35km runners expected at finish
13h00	Finish line lunch buffet opens
17h00	PSG Six Dogs Gin Bar opens at De Hoop Restaurant
18h30 - 20h00	Dinner at De Hoop Marquee Tent
20h00	Prizegiving at De Hoop Marquee Tent

CapeNature Entrance Gate

Please note spectators will be asked to pay the CapeNature entrance fee of R50pp when entering De Hoop Reserve. Wild Card accepted.

Race Venue and Fuel Stations

Race Village is at [De Hoop Collection - Overberg, WC](#). (Do NOT follow Whale Trail Hike signs or go to Potberg on Friday!)

Please note - last fuel is available at Swellendam or Bredasdorp. Please plan accordingly!

Meals

- If your runner has pre-ordered meals for you, they will receive your meal wristband in their envelope at Registration. If they were slack...
- Additional Meal Tickets for supporters - can still be purchased on Fri at Registration for Fri dinner (R260), Sat Lunch (R230), Sat Dinner (R300). Credit Card only.
- Friday and Saturday Dinners are served in the marquee tent from 18h30 – 20h30 (Fri) / 20h00 (Sat)
- There is a BAR in the tent. Cash or Card.
- Saturday & Sunday Breakfast at De Hoop Collection Restaurant is served 08h00 – 11h00 for supporters on Saturday and everyone who has booked for Sunday. Please book with De Hoop Reception on arrival if you have not done so already. The restaurant is not open for dinner on this Friday or Saturday. It is open for Lunch and drinks during the day.

Saturday, 15 August - RACE DAY

Live Updates and Social Media

Live updates of checkpoint times will be broadcast on [our website](#) and photos, stories and info will be posted live on FB and Insta during the day.

[Whale of Trail Facebook Page](#)

[Whale of Trail Facebook Event Page](#)

[Whale of Trail FB Forum](#)

[Whale of Trail Instagram](#)

Cell signal at Koppie Alleen (Finish) is unpredictable. Vodacom is better than MTN there

Startline Potberg

- Bus transfers are only available to runners
- Drive from De Hoop to the start at Potberg takes about 30min
- Please park in designated area to not obstruct the buses
- 53km start 07h00
- 35km start 09h00
- Both races start with a short 400m loop on a jeep track to allow for the field to spread out before they all disappear up the single track.
- There is unfortunately no spectator access to any part of the race course.
- **NO SPECTATORS OR UNAUTHORISED VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED INTO THE RESERVE BEYOND THE POTBERG HUT and NO UNAUTHORISED VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED AT THE FINISH AREA.**

TRANSFER TO FINISH – Koppie Alleen

From De Hoop Reception we provide a free shuttle service to and from the finish line at Koppie Alleen.
From 10h30 every half hour and takes 30min

The only way for supporters to access the finish is via the free shuttle service. **NO PRIVATE VEHICLES ALLOWED**

Finish Venue Koppie Alleen

- The official Finish line is at the top of the boardwalk off the beach
- First 53km runner expected from 11h30 and first 35km runner expected from 12h30
- You may access the beach via this boardwalk but please respect the space and overall experience of runners finishing their race. Race officials may ask you to wait.
- Freshly prepared lunch and buffet is available to those who pre-ordered from 13h00. There is no other food on offer or for sale in this area.
- Drinks are available for purchase from the restaurant – **CARD or CASH ONLY**
- There are toilets
- There is no electricity nor charging facilities
- Shuttle buses run every 30 minutes back to De Hoop, about a 30 min drive.

Lost and Found

Any items found or turned in will be placed in a marked box at the Restaurant from Saturday afternoon. Anything unclaimed by Sunday afternoon will be donated to a charity.

Prizegiving

- 20h00 at the marquee at De Hoop.
- The R90 000 PSG - Rosebank prize purse for the podium winners of the 53km will be awarded
- Podium medals awarded to 53km Masters and Veterans
- Podium medals awarded to 35km Overall, Masters and Veterans
- R10 000 PSG - Rosebank Lucky Draw prize. Every finisher of the 53km and 35km is eligible for this
- Other Lucky Draw prizes sponsored by Merrell, De Hoop, CapeNature, Six Dogs, ButtaNutt, Black Diamond, 32Gi and Strandveld wines will be drawn from the Whale Tale cards
- All winners forfeit their prize if not present

OTHER ACTIVITIES

There are wonderful trails of varying distances between 3-13km close to De Hoop Collection that meander along the vlei perfect for walking or running as well as Mountain Bike Trails of 12-30km

De Hoop has fantastic birdlife and plenty of wildlife

Ask at Reception for maps and further info.

The beach at the finish line has fascinating rock formations and rockpools which reveal their secrets at low tide

Sat 15 Aug Sunrise: 7:19am Sunset: 18:08

Low Tide: 10h51 / High Tide: 17h07

Thank you for supporting your loved one at this event. Between you and the whales they have the best cheerleaders! Enjoy your stay in this fabulous reserve.

Kind regards from

The Mountain Runner Team

MELKKAMER
MK Foremans Cottage
MK Manor House
MK Vlei Cottage

DE HOOP VLEI

BOMA
- Race Registration (Fri)
- Strandveld Wine Tasting (Fri)
- Six Dogs Gin Bar (Sat)

DINNER TENT

GLAMPING CANTEEN
- Charging Station

RONDAWELS
1. Black Harrier
2. Flamingo
3. Hadedra
4. Cormorant
5. Herron

Camp Loop
CAMP SITE

VLEI COTTAGES
1. Hoepoe
2. Pelican
3. Fish Eagle

GLAMPING TENT AREA

PARKING AREA

BUS TRANSFERS TO START AND FINISH

DE HOOP Reception

EQUIPPED COTTAGES
1. Mountain Zebra
2. Bontebok
3. Baboon
4. Steenbok
5. Duiker
6. Eland
7. Grysbok

BOATHOUSE
POOL
RESTAURANT
MEETING TREE
TENNIS
POOL
OPSTAL
1. Dassie Suite
2. Vlei Suite
3. Stable Suite
4. Manor Suite
5. Figtree Suite
6. Cloete Cottage
7. Cloete Suites

OTTER SUITES
1
2
3

OPSTAL HOUSES
Giant Kingfisher
Sacred Ibis
Blue Crane
Black Oyster Catcher
DE HOOP VILLA

MERRELL WHALE OF TRAIL

PSG Wealth
Rosebank
CapeNature

VILLAGE COTTAGES
1. Morea
2. Gladiolis
3. Watsonia
4. Aloe
5. Restio
6. Protea
7. Pelargonium
8. Erica
9. Oxalis

DISTANCES FROM TURN OFF
→ to De Mond Villa 4km
→ to Melkkamer 12km

DE MOND VILLA

Melkkamer Gate

Melkkamer Rd

VIEW POINT



MAP NOT TO SCALE



GUEST INDEMNITY

(All guests 18 and over must complete and sign this form)

FULL NAMES _____

RESERVATION NUMBER _____ PASSPORT / ID NUMBER _____

NATIONALITY _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

CONTACT NUMBER: _____

DATE OF ARRIVAL _____ WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE OUR NEWSLETTER AND SPECIALS? YES / NO

CONDITIONS OF RESIDENCE AND INDEMNITY

1. The guest by signing the Registration / Indemnity Form warrants that he/she is **duly authorised** to bind his/her principal and his/her accompanying party to these conditions of residence and indemnity and acknowledges that notwithstanding any charge instruction he/she is **personally liable** for all amounts arising out of the residence of him/herself and his/her accompanying party at the reserve.
2. The guest and his/her principal and his/her accompanying party by signing the Registration Form **agree to pay** not later than the time of departure the cost of beverages and other charges and any taxes (if applicable) incurred by the guest and his/her accompanying party during their stay at the De Hoop Collection facility.
3. The guest and his/her accompanying party acknowledge that it is a condition of their occupation of the De Hoop Collection ('the premises') that De Hoop Opstal PTY LTD and the De Hoop collection group (collectively referred to herein as 'the Company'), its management, staff and employees and any person directly or indirectly connected with the running of the premises shall not be responsible or liable for the **loss of or damage to any property or personal effects** brought onto the premises howsoever arising and irrespective of whether such loss or damage is caused by negligence (gross or otherwise) on the part of the Company and its staff. (If this indemnity is deemed to fall within the ambit of the Consumer Protection Act ['the CPA']), then the reference to 'gross' will not apply)
4. The guest and his/her accompanying party acknowledge that they are aware of and appreciate the **dangers and risks** that are associated with game reserves, wilderness areas and Lodge facilities arising out of the presence of wildlife and that the nature and potential effect of such risks has been explained to the guest and his/her accompanying party and which includes the risk of suffering **bodily injury, illness, trauma, death or loss of property** which may result out of an encounter with or the presence of wildlife whilst at the premises or on a camp activity.
5. The guest and his/her accompanying party hereby **waive all claims of whatsoever nature and howsoever arising** which they may have against the Company, its management staff and employees and any person directly or indirectly connected with the running of the premises and **irrespective of negligence (gross or otherwise)** on the part of those hereby indemnified. (If this indemnity is deemed to fall within the ambit of the CPA, then the



reference to 'gross' will not apply and the waiver will not be deemed to exclude any claim for injury or death based on an error or omission of any of the parties in whose favour the indemnity is given)

6. The guest and all members of the accompanying party indemnify and hold harmless the company, its management, staff and employees and any person directly or indirectly connected with the running of the premises against all claims of whatsoever nature and howsoever caused made by their spouse, children or dependents, whether minor or adult, arising out of any bodily injury, death or loss of or damage to property and **irrespective of negligence (gross or otherwise)** on the part of those hereby indemnified. (If this indemnity is deemed to fall within the ambit of the CPA, then the reference to 'gross' will not apply and the waiver will not be deemed to exclude any claim for injury or death based on an error or omission of any of the parties in whose favour the indemnity is given. Furthermore, the exclusion of liability for consequential, economic and/or indirect loss or damage will not apply if this indemnity is deemed to fall within the ambit of the CPA and the loss or damage or harm is deemed fall within the ambit of section 61 of the CPA).
7. A **certificate** from the General manager shall constitute prima facie proof of the amount of indebtedness of the guest and his/her principal and his/her accompanying party for all purposes including any proceedings by the company against the guest and/ or his/her principal and his/her accompanying party.
8. In the event of bodily injury or death the company may at its discretion and without admission of liability, arrange to **pay for emergency medical treatment** for and on behalf of any guest and his/her accompanying party.
9. **POPI/GDPR**
Passengers ('the Client') are deemed to give their voluntary, specific and informed consent that the travel agent/tour operator may (in terms of the Protection of Personal Information Act, Act 4 of 2013 & the European Community General Data Protection Regulations): process personal information ('PI') i.e. collect, store & disseminate as explained in the privacy policy of the travel agent/tour operator ;share PI with third parties who provide services and products; approach the Client with business opportunities, promotional events, special offers and sales by direct marketing or otherwise;
The parties agree that:
Consent may be withdrawn, deleted, qualified or amended upon written request from the Client;
The Client may pre-emptively block any communication;
The Client may request any direct marketing to be stopped;
Any communication must only relate to goods or services similar to what the Client bought from travel agent/tour operator or its suppliers;
10. The guest by signing the Registration / indemnity Form:
 - a.) Consents to his/her child/children staying at the De Hoop facilities and participating in all activities associated therewith, subject to policies of the company in respect of children which are in force from time to time.
 - b.) Acknowledge that the proposed visit will be at the sole risk of his/her child/children.
 - c.) Waives on behalf of his/her child/children all claims of whatsoever nature arising out of the proposed visit to the premises and indemnifies and holds the company harmless in respect of any such claims.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____