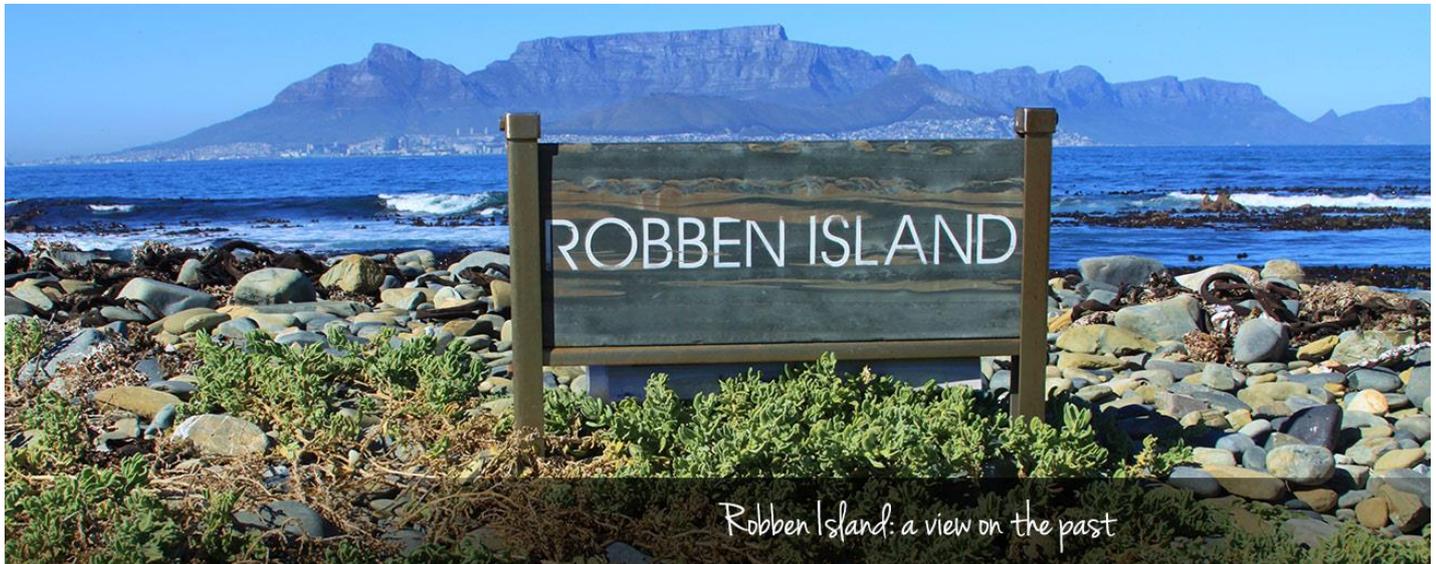




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Robben Island Tour



Robben Island, the unique symbol of “the triumph of the human spirit over adversity, suffering and injustice” with a rich 500 year old multi-layered history, is visited every year by thousands of people eager to understand and honour the important aspects of South Africa’s history that the Island represents.

THE TOUR EXPERIENCE

Currently the boat runs three times a day, 09h00, 11h00 and 13h00 until the beginning of the peak season (01 September 2018). The ferries depart from the Nelson Mandela Gateway at the V & A Waterfront. The tour takes 3.5 hours including the ferry trip to and from the Island (Depending on the boat used as they have different travel times).

You will disembark at Murray’s Bay Harbour situated on the east coast of the Island and take a short walk to buses that will transport you to all the historical sites around the Island. On the way to the buses, you will pass buildings and a high wall built by prisoners during the 1960s. The buildings were used for family and lawyer visits to prisoners.

You will meet your Tour Guide when you have boarded the busses. The Tour guides inside the prison are former political prisoners. They are fully conversant and knowledgeable about the Island’s multi-layered 500 years old history. The tour route includes the graveyard of people who died from leprosy, the Lime Quarry, Robert Sobukwe’s house, the Bluestone quarry, the army and navy bunkers and the

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Maximum Security Prison where thousands of South Africa's freedom fighters were incarcerated for years. The tour culminates with a viewing of Nelson Mandela's cell.

SPECIALISED TOURS

Specialized Tours include Private Tours, VIP Tours and Protocol Tours. Private tours are for individuals or small groups. VIP Tours are for 'famous' personalities. Protocol Tours are for Heads of State.

These tours can be arranged for any day of the week. The duration of these tours range from 3.5 hours to about 8 hours. Visitors are transported to the Island via Ferries which depart from the Nelson Mandela Gateway at the V & A Waterfront. Groups may be transported on ferries that are part of the general tours, and at the times of those ferries. Alternatively, a dedicated ferry departing at a specific alternate time may be arranged. Flights are used for some of the tours such as the Protocol Tours.

These tours include all the various heritage sites that reflect the Island's longstanding multi-layered history, such as the graveyard of people who died from leprosy, the Lime Quarry, Robert Sobukwe's house, the Bluestone quarry, the army and navy bunkers and the Maximum Security Prison where thousands of South Africa's freedom fighters were incarcerated for years. The tour culminates with a viewing of Nelson Mandela's cell.

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR ON THE ISLAND?

We recommend the wearing of comfortable walking shoes, a hat, sunglasses and sun protection cream.

CAN I BRING MY CAMERA TO THE ISLAND?

Yes, cameras are allowed on Robben Island.

HOW LONG IS THE ROBBERN ISLAND TOUR?

The standard tour to Robben Island is about 4 hours long with two half hour ferry trips, this is only true for the Sikhi as other boats take longer, between 30 min and 1 hour.

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TERMS & CONDITIONS

All visitors are encouraged to read the Terms and Conditions of Robben Island Ferry Ticket.

- The price of the ticket includes access to Robben Island, ferry voyage to and from the Island, access to Jetty 1 and Nelson Mandela Gateway exhibitions.
- This ticket is only valid for the date and time specified on the ticket.
- Robben Island Museum reserves the right to cancel voyages or to change departure times without notice.
- This ticket is not subject to refunds except if the respective voyage is cancelled by Robben Island Museum or the **passenger could not attend due to hospitalisation or mortality**. Refunds will only be issued against the return of this ticket and proof of identification.
- Ticket amendments will be subject to an administration fee as determined by Robben Island Museum.
- Passengers must arrive no later than 30 minutes prior to the scheduled times of departure, failure to do so could result in the forfeit of your paid ticket. Boarding gates close 10 minutes before departure time and there will be no refunds or rescheduling of boats if the departure times are missed.
- Robben Island Museum, its servants and its agents shall not be responsible for and shall be exempt from all liabilities in respect of loss damage, injury, accident, delay or any inconvenience to any person or his/her luggage or any personal property, whether in respect of the voyage to and from the Island or in respect of any occurrence results from the negligence of Robben Island Museum or any other person directly or indirectly in the employment or service of the Robben Island Museum or otherwise, under any circumstances whatsoever.
- Passengers may also be conveyed by an independent contractor and the provisions above shall also apply in respect of all services or any activity conducted or provided by this contractor. Robben Island Museum shall under no circumstances be liable for any act or omission of such contractors.
- Robben Island Museum is a “Gun Free Zone” shall be allowed or stored for safekeeping on the premises.
- The Robben Island Museum ferry ticket is not transferable. Resale of the Robben Island Museum ferry ticket is a criminal offence.

Departure times:

09h00
11h00
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Price per person from:

R400.00

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