



THE GARDEN ROUTE AND THE WESTERN CAPE HAS **36 BLUE FLAG BEACHES** FOR YOUR CHILDREN TO ENJOY

ALWAYS KEEP WATCH WHEN THEY'RE NEAR WATER.

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THE WESTERN CAPE  
It's **more** than  
you think.

## Safety tips

- Don't allow anyone to distract you or assist you when using an ATM machine.
- An ATM machine DOES NOT issue permits or tickets for anything. You do not need a permit to walk in the streets.
- Store emergency numbers on your phone and make sure its fully charged before you leave your place of accommodation.
- Be careful of cellphone snatchers and pick pockets when walking on the streets.
- Don't leave valuables such as laptops, bags or jackets in the car. Always lock your belongings in the boot and out of sight.
- Be careful of car-jamming. Always check that the car doors are locked.
- When visiting a restaurant don't leave cellphones and wallets on tables or on the floor, especially while sitting outside. Leave bags where you can see them.
- Avoid carrying all your valuables (including your passport) and large sums of cash in your purse.
- Don't allow your bank card to be removed from your sight when paying.
- Never hike alone. No matter which route you take. Always carry sufficient water and protect yourself from the sun. Stick to demarcated paths.
- Never swim alone and always swim in areas that are supervised by a lifeguard.
- Treat beggars with respect but firmly say "No, please leave me alone" if they become aggressive. Support a charity or shelter rather than give money to homeless people. Contact police or a public safety ambassador if you feel threatened.
- Do not feed wildlife and always maintain a safe distance from baboons - they can be dangerous.
- Don't fight a rip current. Float sideways and wave for help.

## Emergency Numbers Garden Route and Klein Karoo

<b>Any emergency from a mobile</b>	<b>112</b>
<b>Any emergency from a landline</b>	<b>044 805 5071</b>
<b>Ambulance</b>	<b>10177</b>
<b>Wilderness Search and Rescue</b>	<b>021 937 0300</b>
<b>South African Police Service</b>	<b>10111</b>
<b>NSRI Sea Rescue</b>	<b>087 094 9774</b>
<b>Rape Crisis Line</b>	<b>021 447 9762</b>
<b>Sea &amp; Mountain Rescue</b>	<b>021 948 9900</b>

**Consider downloading the Namola or Secura mobile apps.**

**The Western Cape Government's Tourism Safety Support unit assists international tourists in distress by:**

- Providing emotional support & hospital visits
- Contacting family & friends
- Making logistical arrangements
- Facilitating emotional trauma counselling
- Facilitating with embassies and consulates for passports

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