

# Observatory Station

Various modes of transport are available from the station to those attractions more than a mere walk away

## Culture & Heritage:



**The Heart of Cape Town Museum in Grootte Schuur Hospital:** This is where the first human heart transplants was done in 1967 by Dr Christiaan Barnard.

Address: Grootte Schuur Hospital, Main Road, Observatory

Tel: 021 – 404 1967

Walking Distance: 🚶 1km

[www.heartofcapetown.co.za](http://www.heartofcapetown.co.za)



**The SA Astronomical Observatory:** The South African Astronomical Observatory (SAAO) is the national optical observatory of South Africa and a National Facility administered by the National Research Foundation (NRF). SAAO headquarters are in the suburb of Observatory in Cape Town, but the main telescopes used for research are at the SAAO observing station near Sutherland in the Northern Cape, a 4 hour drive from Cape Town. There is a Cape Town night tour on the second Saturday of the Month at 20:00. There is no fee or booking required, but donations are appreciated. Sutherland night and day tours are also available. Both these tours are booked via Karel Klein 023 571 2436

Address: Observatory Road, Observatory,

Tel: 021 - 447-0025

Walking Distance: 🚶 2 km

[www.saa.ac.za](http://www.saa.ac.za)

## Eco & Nature:



**Liesbeeck River Trail:** Includes the Raapenberg Bird Sanctuary and is disabled friendly.

Tel: 021-671 4553 (Tour Guide Liz Wheeler)

021-650 2875 (Kevin Winter)

Walking Distance: 🚶 1, 4 km

## Outdoor Active:



**CityROCK:** The first real indoor climbing gym in Cape Town, and the largest in South Africa. 100's of routes, overhanging climbing sections, over 450m<sup>2</sup> of climbing area with separate adult and kids bouldering caves. Expert climbing advice as well as introductory courses, outdoor courses, gear shop, yoga, corporate teambuilding, kids junior programs and birthday parties.

Address: 21 Anson St, Corner Collingwood Road, Observatory

Tel: 021 447 1326

Walking Distance: 🚶 1,4 km

[www.cityrock.co.za](http://www.cityrock.co.za)



**Golfing:** Logical Golf offers world-class golf coaching at their high tech studio. Undercover, double storey driving range, combined with state-of-the-art video analysis makes this the prime golf coaching experience in the Cape.

Address: The River Club, Liesbeeck Parkway, Observatory

Tel: (+27 21) 448-6358

Fax: (+27 21) 448-3319

[www.logicalgolf.co.za](http://www.logicalgolf.co.za)

Walking Distance: 🚶 1,4 km

## Gourmet Delights:

Within an easy walking distance from the station a variety of restaurants are available – from sushi to Mexican

For further information on the South region of Cape Town:

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