



Langklip

Rock Climbing Guide



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EASTERN CAPE CLIMBING VENUES

Port Elizabeth

- 1 Lady's Slipper
- 2 Van Stadens
- 3 PE urban crags & boulders
- 4 Sleepy Hollow
- 5 Elands River
- 6 Kirkwood
- 7 Cape St Francis

Groot Winterhoek

- 8 Tygerhoek
- 9 Naga's Kloof
- 10 Eagle Gorge
- 11 Momentum Gorge
- 12 Pinnacle Gorge
- 13 Cockscomb
- 14 Grootbos & Kleinbos
- 15 Nivera

Baviaans

- 16 Grips
- 17 Kudu Kaya
- 18 Waterkloof

Grahamstown

- 25 Alicedale
- 26 Howieson's Poort
- 27 Moodies
- 28 Bouldering
- 29 Thornkloof

30 Coombs Gorge

- Amatolas**
- 31 Fort Fordyce
- 32 Hogsback
- 33 Stutterheim
- Langkloof**
- 19 Nguniland
- 20 Kouga Wildernes
- 21 Uniondale Pass

Garden Route

- 22 Titzikama
- 23 Groot Rivier
- 24 Plett Crags

East London

- 34 NSA
- 35 Windmill Hole
- 36 Buffalo River

37 EL urban crags & boulders

- 38 Yellowsands & Inkwenkwezi
- 39 Lalapanzi
- 40 Morgan Bay
- 41 Bola
- Winterberg**
- 42 Mary & Martha
- 43 Hangkip

Toorberg

- 44 Graff-Reinet
- 45 Compassberg
- Transkei**
- 46 Hole in the Wall
- 47 Hill of Execution
- 48 Port St Johns

Swartberg

- 49 Towerkop
- 50 Oudtshoorn
- 51 Gamkaskloof Bouldering



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DIRECTIONS: Smart people with smart phones will use the Google map on www.easterncaperockclimbing.co.za

Click on directions & your phone will guide you there from where ever you are in the world.



But for those who like it hard: From the R62 find the turn off to Twee Riviere, which is a few km out of Joubertina on the Port Elizabeth side. From the Twee Riviere Turn off on the R62, follow the R62 towards PE for about 400m, on the PE side of a concrete bridge there is an unmarked gate on the L(facing PE). Through this onto a dirt road. Follow the yellow flags to Langklip Estate. The reception is at the restaurant & bar (Ja! Cold beers!). From there they will direct you to the kloof with the Langklip pinnacle.

ACCESS: Langklip Estates is a resort, restaurant & bar. People are their business. You would need to be using their accommodation to access the climbing. Langklip is far for most climbers & you will need to stay somewhere.

ACCOMODATION: Langklip Estates cottages & camping, both very affordable & comfortable. Johan De Wet is the resort manager. He can be contacted for bookings on 079 0389 190 or johan.langklipestate@gmail.com

TO-DO: Langklip is an awesome scenic venue. There is lots to do for the non-climbing family. There are tame petting springbok, eland & gemsbok. Paint ball, swimming holes, horse rides & lots of other stuff. The restaurant has awesome steak & the bar has cold beer. Expect solid Langkloof hospitality.

GENERAL: So far there are only 3 trad routes. Rock is very strange looking sandstone or quartzite. Potential for new routes is basically unlimited & walk-in is easy & relatively flat. The Langklip pinnacle is the main attraction at this stage.

Langklip Pinnacle



1. Langklip – 18 ★★★

27m Derek & Caroline Marshall & Johan De Wet 03/12/2016 (T&C)

Start up the rib, moving onto the face to the R. Gain the stepped ledge then push on to the summit.



De Wet Wall



- 1. Oom Christiaan – 17** 16m Derek & Caroline Marshall 22/12/2016 (T)
Start in chimney cave, into L facing open book. Ledges & broken ground to the top.
- 2. De Strijd Tusschen Boer en Brit – 16** 16m Derek & Caroline Marshall 22/12/2016 (T)
Fine hand crack for first 5m, then move R into finger crack under a long jutting block. Broken ledges to the top.
- 3. Three Years War – 16** 16m Derek & Caroline Marshall 22/12/2016 (T)
Up L facing open book, onto broken ledge, bamba to the top.
- 4. Scorched Earth - 16** 16m Derek & Caroline Marshall 22/12/2016 (T)
L facing open book, then traverse L to abseil tree.
- 5. Divinely Inspired - 15** 14m Derek & Caroline Marshall 22/12/2016 (T)
L facing open book. Directly up to abseil tree.
- 6. Baily Bread – 15** 14m Derek & Caroline Marshall 22/12/2016 (T)
Perfect hand crack to RH side of RH fin. Up the edge of the fin.
- 7. Resistance – 15** 16m Derek & Caroline Marshall 22/12/2016 (T)
L facing open book into a short section of off width. Up crack into gully beneath the fin.
- 8. Fleur – 19** 16m Derek & Caroline Marshall 04/12/2016 (T)
About 4m R of General De Wet, up parallel curved finger cracks, into a short L facing open book, then R onto protruding rib.
- 9. General De Wet – 15 ★★★** 19m Derek & Caroline Marshall 04/12/2016 (T)
Sweet prominent R facing open book. Perfect! There is tat with leaver-carabiners on top.
- 10. Commando – 14** 22m Derek & Caroline Marshall 22/12/2016 (T)
Diagonally out over broken steps, into RH, R facing open book.
- 11. Commandant – 15** 22m Derek & Caroline Marshall 22/12/2016 (T)
Diagonally out over broken steps, into LH, R facing open book. Near the top move out L into perfect finger crack open book.

