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TASSO EVANGELINOS  
CEO OF THE CCID

WELCOME TO OUR SPECIAL  
FESTIVE SEASON ISSUE!

As this extraordinarily difficult year comes to a close, it's time to take stock. We have all been under enormous pressure, albeit economic or personal, and thanks to the coronavirus pandemic, anxiety levels have been high.

While 2020 is nearly over, we all know only too well that Covid-19 is still in our midst.

At the CCID, we are very proud of the way we handled our role as an organisation on the frontline, offering top-up services in the Central City to those of our primary partners, the City of Cape Town and SAPS. Right

from the start, we jumped in, gloves, masks and all, and did whatever was required to keep the CBD safe, clean, caring and open for business.

This year has indeed been bitter-sweet as it also marks our 20th anniversary. We share our 20-year journey with you on page 4, where we look back on the past two decades. We are humbled to have been afforded the task of working for you, our stakeholders, and look forward to serving you in the years ahead.

The Cape Town CBD, despite Covid-19, still has so much to offer visitors. And in this bumper 12-page

issue, we invite you to – in the words of the CCID's campaign to re-ignite the CBD economy – **Come Back To Town**. Not only are we a great destination to live, work, study and invest, we're also an ideal place to visit and play.

This edition is jam-packed with ideas on what to do and buy in the city centre over the holiday period. Check out the CCID staffers' favourite eateries on pages 6 & 7, where to find the best cocktails (page 11) and at which spas you can kiss 2020 good-bye as you destress (page 5). We also have a cool crop of shopping retailers where you can find the perfect Christmas gifts (pages 8 & 9).

We look forward to welcoming you and assure you that our stakeholders are committed to enforcing Covid-19 protocols. I urge you, too, to stay safe when you **Come Back To Town** to enjoy what you've been missing.

MESSAGE FROM  
THE MAYOR

DAN PLATO  
EXECUTIVE MAYOR  
OF CAPE TOWN

**The national lockdown has had a significant impact across sectors, and on many aspects of our lives and livelihoods. With restrictions having eased over recent months, we are seeing the lingering effects on the business sector, including the Central Business District, home to 69 corporate head offices, and where the value of property in 2019 was an estimated R44.1 billion.**

One of the most noticeable consequences of the lockdown has been the impact on employment – from changes that encourage working from home, to job losses. These have resulted in a considerable reduction in foot traffic into the city centre, causing a knock-on effect with further job losses due to businesses closing.

There is great value in focusing rebuilding efforts on economic hubs: as the CCID's annual report *State of Cape Town Central City Report 2019*

– *A year in review* highlights, there are just over 3 300 business in an area of 1.6 km<sup>2</sup>.

The City of Cape Town is taking proactive steps to revitalise our Central City as well as other CBDs in our metro. We have identified five work streams requiring intervention, and these will be carried out in collaboration with our partners:

- Regulatory reform, which looks at policies to enable businesses to operate in a safe and attractive manner;
- Precinct management, with a focus on initiatives to address crime and grime;
- Collaborative partnerships between stakeholders to ensure buy-in and participation;
- An Events and Activation workstream to encourage people to visit the CBD;
- An occupational density workstream to consider the implications of

changing work patterns and how the City can help the CBD adjust to this new normal.

These interventions offer a blueprint for other commercial centres to bring life back to economic hubs in a socially responsible and safe manner.

We have overcome the worst of the pandemic together, but we cannot become complacent. As we work towards rebuilding our economy, continued recovery depends on all of us, and it is vital that we continue to take the necessary safety precautions.

We are working hard as a city to drive economic recovery and will need our residents' full support. This has been a challenging period, but I am proud of your resilience. Let us keep supporting and looking out for one another as we rebuild as #OneCityTogether and make 2021 better than any year Cape Town has ever seen!

## THE CCID AT WORK DURING SEPTEMBER &amp; OCTOBER 2020

## SAFETY &amp; SECURITY



Conducted **6 449** crime prevention initiatives

Traffic wardens issued **1 371** fines to a total of **R974 500**

Rendered public & vehicle assistance **107** times

Arrests made with City Law Enforcement **38**

Alarm activations responded to **20**

Medical & rescue callouts responded to **18**

Incidents of illegal dumping addressed **14**

Interventions by Aggressive Begging Team **9 593**

Conducted **44 346** checks on residential buildings

Tourism monitors warned **1 407** people for not complying with lockdown rules; informed **2 786** people about wearing masks; identified **248** cases of suspicious activity; rendered public assistance **3 557** times and assisted **11 752** people with social distancing

Chrysalis Academy student ambassadors working in the Company's Garden assisted the public **6 752** times; warned **3 561** people for not complying with lockdown rules; informed **2 607** people about wearing masks; assisted **1 825** people with social distancing and identified **413** incidents of suspicious activity

## COMMUNICATIONS



Generated **155** media clips to an advertising value equivalent (AVE) of **R5 026 887** reaching an audience of **185 824 076**

Boosted **3** Facebook posts which reached **89 600** people

Wrote **217** Facebook posts on the CCID's **3** Facebook pages

Produced **2** e-Newsletters which reached **10 417** subscribers

Launched the *State of Cape Town Central City Report 2019 – A year in review* economic publication

Distributed **3** Newsflashes to **1 700** stakeholders

## URBAN MANAGEMENT



Cleaned **1 962** municipal drains

Removed **132** illegal posters

Removed **267** incidents of graffiti

Undertook **199** road maintenance repairs

Maintained **290** tree wells

Removed **86** strings & stickers

Removed **189.8 tonnes** of litter and waste

Cleaned **668** storm water drains and removed **6.9** tonnes of waste

Removed **67.5 kg** of butts from ciggie bins and replaced **94** locking pins from the bins

Removed **205** bags of clothing from municipal drains

## SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



Interacted with **87** people living on the streets

Referred **16** people to NGOs for general services

Placed **33** adults in shelters in the CBD

Conducted **8** interventions with children

Assisted **6** adults to healthcare facilities

Referred **29** clients to TB HIV Care, Straatwerk and Streetscapes

Assisted **9** adults to get back home

Received donations from **Belmond Mount Nelson Hotel, Western Cape Economic Development Partnership, Investec, Mutual Heights, The Silo Hotel, Eurocape and Icon Building**

## STAKEHOLDER NEWS

## OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Central City retailers are welcoming back patrons as the CBD opens up. Here's a selection of what's on offer.



ROSETTA ROASTERY

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## EAT

## ► Rosetta Roastery

This speciality coffee roasting company has opened a café and brew bar in Bree St with an appetising menu of pastries and breakfasts to complement the exquisite coffee.

101 Bree St  
021 447 4099  
[www.rosettaroastery.com](http://www.rosettaroastery.com)

## SHOP

## ► Prime Persian

A beautiful rug adds colour and comfort to a room. Choose yours from Prime Persian's array of modern, tribal, vintage, Afghan, Persian and Moroccan carpets.

61 - 67 Bree St  
072 784 7573  
[www.primepersian.co.za](http://www.primepersian.co.za)

## ► Stephan Morris

Stephan Morris makes clothes for the "socially conscious modern woman". His designs include wedding gowns, casual clothes and evening wear and are inspired by form, quality textiles and technique.

24 Barrack St (6th Floor)  
071 907 9717  
[www.stephanmorris.co.za](http://www.stephanmorris.co.za)

## Q&amp;A WITH JADE SAUNDERS, OWNER OF CLAY CAFÉ IN THE CITY

## Tell us more about Clay Café?

We're a ceramic painting venue and tapas bar. People can choose to paint or decorate from Bisque-ware items while enjoying a glass of wine or one of our delicious tapas or pizzas. This is a place where you can feel like a kid again and create a memorable one-of-a-kind item.

## What prompted your move to the Central City?

We were in Gardens for 11 months and quickly needed more space. We're so glad this venue was

available! We started off small to feel out the new systems and make sure everything ran smoothly. We're now in full swing and have decided to open earlier (12h30 Wednesday to Friday) to catch the lunchtime trade.

## What do you make of our downtown?

Bree Street is the "in" place to be. We love being in the creative hub of Cape Town. We're absolutely loving our new venue, it's simply stunning and we're so happy to be here.

199 Bree St  
[www.claycafeinthecity.com](http://www.claycafeinthecity.com)



## COME BACK TO TOWN

Aimed at promoting business in the CBD and luring visitors back to town, a wide-reaching campaign called Come Back To Town has been launched by the CCID to rejuvenate the city centre's all-important economy.

Digital ads across the CBD and greater Cape Town, an exciting busking programme, social media influencers promoting the CBD left, right and centre, Google Display Network ads,

special meetings, fun and fabulous informative posts on Facebook and Insta ... what's up, Cape Town?

It's the CCID's Come Back To Town campaign, aimed at encouraging people to come back to enjoy the CBD, which is in full swing.

The campaign, which launched in mid-October, encourages people to return to their favourite CBD haunts, discover new ones and support the

myriad SMEs that have had it very hard thanks to the harsh lockdown regulations imposed from 26 March 2020 to curb and contain the coronavirus epidemic.

"The campaign also aims to encourage workers to return to their CBD offices as they provide essential footfall into the CBD and our stakeholders urgently need their support to survive the economic ravages of Covid-19," says CCID CEO Tasso Evangelinos.

He says the Central City has a lot to offer, with over 1 200 retail and entertainment stakeholders, including over 150 restaurants and over 70 coffee shops. "It's a vibrant city centre, a successful business node where the estimated value of property in 2019 was R44.1-billion."

To recreate the vibrancy of the inner city, a three-week busking programme was introduced over lunch time from mid-November to mid-December, with young



STANLEY SIBANDE

performers honing their craft in front of passers-by. Extensive social media campaigns to promote CBD retailers have also been launched.

So come on, Come Back To Town – to shop, to work, to play, to do business. Safety protocols are in place, so please mask up.

## USEFUL CONTACTS

## EMERGENCY

CCID 24-HOUR  
SAFETY &  
SECURITY



082 415 7127  
(Cape Town CBD only)

AMBULANCE, HEALTH,  
NOISE & FIRE

107 / 021 480 7700  
(24 hours)

107 from landlines only

## SAPS CENTRAL CITY

021 467 8001/2  
(24 hours)

CITY OF CAPE TOWN  
SERVICESINCIDENT REPORTING  
& ENQUIRIES

- Refuse collection, water issues, street lights and electricity faults  
0860 103 089
- Traffic signal faults  
0860 001 948
- Prepaid electricity meters  
0800 220 440
- Cable theft  
0800 222 771
- Disaster Risk Management  
080 911 4357  
021 597 6000 (24 hours)

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

- Alcohol & Drug Helpline  
0800 435 748
- Social Development: Children  
0800 220 250
- Social Development: Adults  
0800 872 201
- CCID Social Department  
082 563 4289

BYLAW & TRAFFIC  
INFRINGEMENTS

- Law Enforcement  
021 596 1999 (24 hours)
- Traffic Police  
0860 765 423
- Metro Police  
0860 765 423



## CCID NEWS

# CCID CELEBRATES 20 YEARS' IN BUSINESS

*2020 marks 20 years since the launch of the Cape Town Central City Improvement District. We look back proudly on the strong and consistent impact we have made in downtown Cape Town.*



2010 SOCCER WORLD CUP

**Our 20-year anniversary is not only a celebration for the CCID but for the whole of Cape Town**

– TASSO EVANGELINOS

## AWARDS & ACCOLADES

• **2010** Certificate of Excellence from the City of Cape Town to Tasso Evangelinos for Outstanding Contribution during the 2010 FIFA Soccer World Cup.

### IDA Downtown Awards

- **2008** International Downtown Association (IDA) Achievement Awards: Special Achievement Award – Social Issues for CCID Social Development.
- **2012** Merit Awards for Downtown Leadership and Management & *City Views*.
- **2013** Merit Award for *City Views*.
- **2014** Merit Award for the *SCCR*.
- **2015** Merit Award for the CCID "Give Responsibly" Social Development campaign.
- **2018** Certificate of Merit for the *Best of Cape Town Central City 2018* guide.

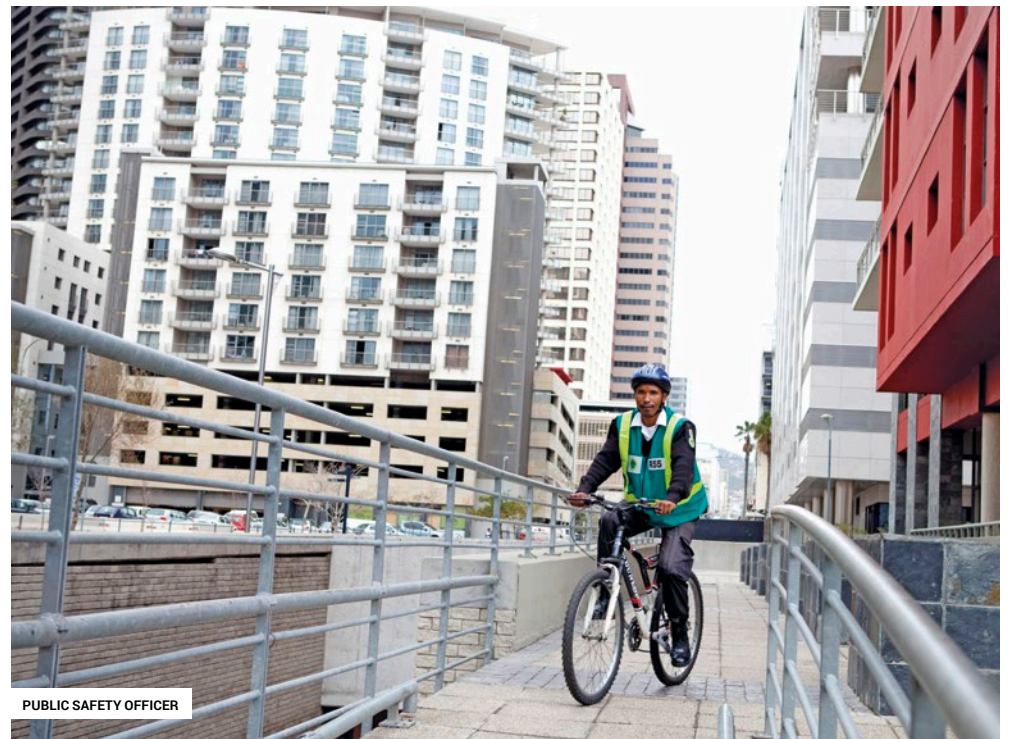
From a derelict environment characterised by crime, dirt, graffiti and antisocial behaviour in 2006, to a thriving, vibrant CBD where the estimated value of property is R44.1 billion, the Cape Town CBD has come a long way.

"The Cape Town Central City we speak of today is vastly different from the one we were entrusted with in 2000. I am proud to say that two decades' later, our hard work and dedication have paid off, and the city centre is what it should always have been: a hub of economic activity both day and night," says CCID CEO Tasso Evangelinos.

"The transformation is evident not only in the increased footfall into the city centre but in the investment in upmarket apartments, shops, restaurants, the construction of new mixed-use developments, the renovation of old buildings and the presence of big and small corporates that have made the Central City their home."



ANTI-POLLUTION ACTIVATION



PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER

**Thanks to two decades of working hard with our partners and collaborators, we can stand back today and bear witness to a CBD that is no longer characterised by 'crime and grime' but by rising skyscrapers, safe and clean streets, a myriad successful companies, inner city residents, retailers and award-winning eateries. It is a vibrant CBD that is open for business**

– TASSO EVANGELINOS

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE LAST 20 YEARS

### 2000 – 2005

In **2000**, the CCID starts working in the CBD, under the umbrella of the CT Partnership, with 100 community police officers deployed on the streets along with 30 sweepers. In **2003**, the number of vacant shops drops by 66 % in the inner city. In **2004**, CCID Safety & Security begins to provide supplementary services for public events such as the Community Chest Twilight Run. The CCID assists SAPS in establishing the pioneering sector policing project and acts as a response team to the City's Cyclops CCTV camera surveillance unit.

### 2005 – 2010

In **2005**, the CCID assists in the creation of community courts to deal with minor offences. Tasso Evangelinos becomes COO of the organisation in **2007**, the same year the CCID starts using data and research for insights that drive improvement. The CCID's collaboration with NGO Straatwerk begins. The Road Maintenance Team, tasked with fixing minor road defects, is established in **2009**. In **2010**, four branded security kiosks are placed on the streets; the following year this increases to five.

### 2010 – 2015

In **2010**, Soccer World Cup fever hits; the CCID works around the clock to ensure the CBD is ready to welcome fans. Eight matches go off without a hitch. About 2 000 homeless watch the games on TV. By **2011** there are 230 security officers deployed in the CBD. In **2011** our strategy expands to include promoting investment into the CBD. The CCID's prestigious economic publication, *State of Cape Town Central City Report (SCCR)*, launches in **2012**. In **2014**, our crime prevention unit is established.

### 2015 – 2020

In **2015**, the CCID breaks away from the CT Partnership. Sixty professional cleaners are now deployed via J&M Cleaning. A 300-strong maintenance team is given daily work. In **2015** Public Safety Officers are issued with body-worn cameras as the CCID capitalises on technology. In **2016**, Evangelinos becomes CEO. Public space management projects begin in Greenmarket Square and St Georges Mall. The CCID has 18 permanent staff members in four departments. In **2019**, the CCID celebrates 15 years working with Straatwerk. In **2020** a campaign, Come Back To Town, is launched to reinvigorate the CBD economy devastated by Covid-19. The CCID remains a constant in the CBD.



ROAD MAINTENANCE TROLLEY

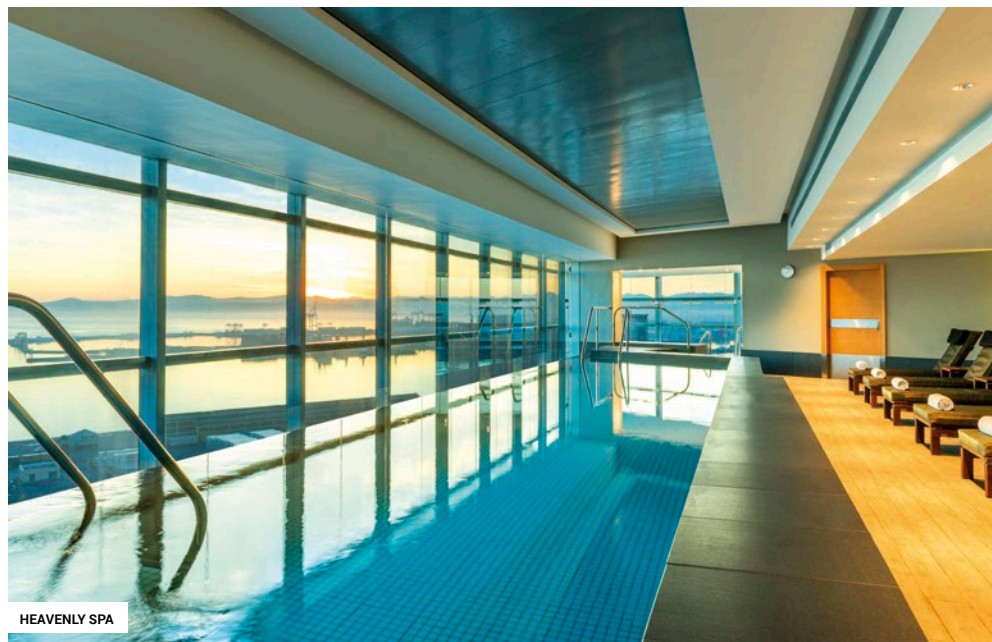
The CCID's purpose was, and still is, to create a solid stage from which the CBD can thrive. "We set out to take care of behind-the-scenes services, consistently and reliably, and two decades later, we're still at it," says Evangelinos, who is also celebrating 20 years with the organisation.

CCID board chairperson Rob Kane, who celebrates 10 years in the position this year, says: "The four pillars of the CCID's mandate have remained unchanged over many years, namely Safety & Security, Urban Management, Social Development and Communications. However, the CCID retains its relevance to the community by being innovative in how it fulfils that mandate. It has therefore remained highly relevant as an organisation for 20 years."

## FESTIVE SEASON GUIDE

## HEAVEN ON EARTH

*There are a handful of special spas in the Central City, where you can unwind and destress and spoil yourself. You know you deserve it after this rollercoaster of a year! Here's where to go to recharge body and soul – and to win a treatment, too.*



HEAVENLY SPA

## 01 HEAVENLY SPA AT THE WESTIN

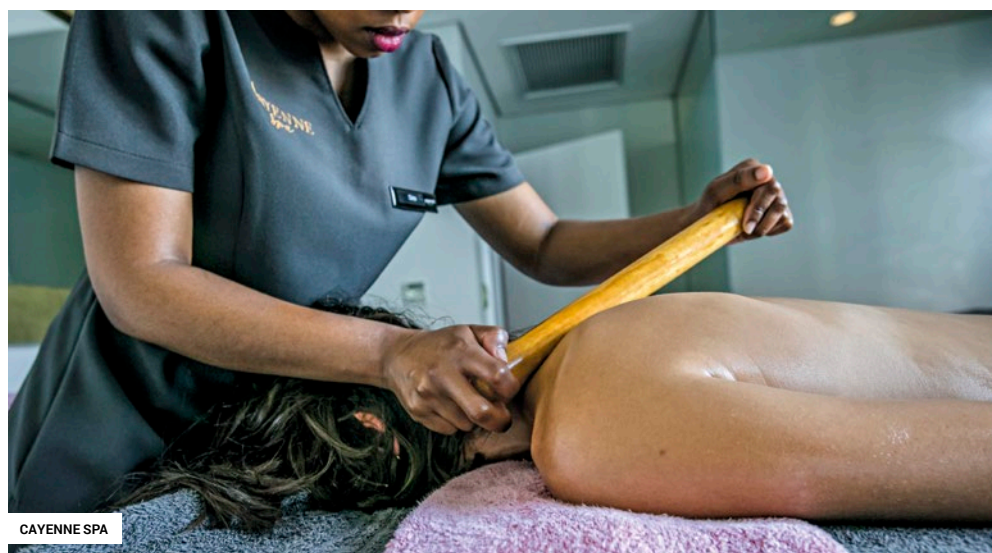
Live your best life at Heavenly Spa on the 19th floor of the Foreshore's plush Westin hotel. The spa, with its 15 treatment rooms, offers a balance between "outer skin and inner being" with its treatments which include massages, facials and body treatments.

So, what's the signature fix? According to spa manager Nicola van Huyssteen, it's the one-hour

Heavenly Signature Massage in the Swedish style. "It's a three-stone massage using medium to firm pressure to promote deep relaxation and enhance meditation. It will relax you from head to toe."

Hotel and outside guests with a booked treatment can access the spa facilities, including the gym and pool. Heavenly Spa even offers spa memberships.

**Lower Long St | 021 412 8200/1**  
**www.westin.com**  
**Trading hours: 09h00 – 1900 (Wed to Sun)**



CAYENNE SPA

## 02 CAYENNE SPA AT PEPPERCLUB HOTEL

Blessed with heavenly views of the city, Cayenne Spa is a true urban wellness sanctuary. For complete peace of mind and relaxation, the spa is fitted with soundproof glazing to phase out the bustling city background. What's more, visitors have access to the outdoor swimming pool and spacious sauna before retreating to the tranquil treatment rooms.

There are a range of special remedies and packages to suit patrons, but the signature offering, says spa manager Roxanne Van Niekerk, is the Africology Intonga Stick Massage. "It's a deep tissue and stress relieving treatment in which skilled hand techniques and differently sized wooded sticks are used to stretch out tight muscles and eliminate toxic overload caused by daily stress."

**Cnr Loop & Pepper streets | 021 812 8812**  
**www.pepperclub.co.za**  
**Trading hours: 08h00 – 21h00 (Mon to Sun)**



## 03 JIVA SPA AT TAJ CAPE TOWN

Nestled inside the Taj Cape Town hotel, the Jiva Spa is the only one in Africa. It's also the only spa in town that specialises in ancient Indian wellness methods that include 6000-year-old Eastern health philosophies to balance body, soul and mind.

Says Bianca Hungary, a massage therapist at Jiva Spa: "We use Indian aroma oils that are

extremely relaxing." At Jiva, everything that touches the body is natural. Hungary says their signature treatment is the two-hour Trupti, which is ideal for relieving body stress and back pain. It starts with an Indian head massage to relax neck muscles, after which Indian oils are used on the back and rest of the body, concluding with a foot massage.

**1 Wale St | 021 819 2000**  
**www.tajhotels.com**  
**Trading hours: 08h00 – 20h00 (Mon to Sun)**

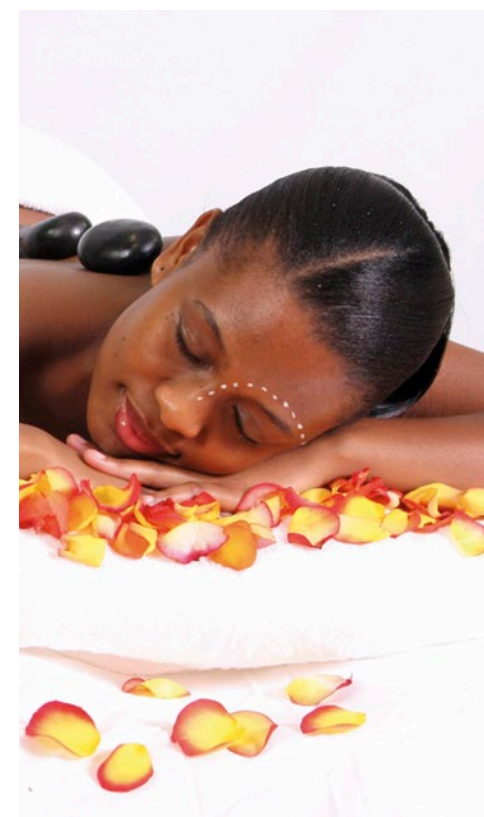
## 04 MANGWANANI BOUTIQUE SPA AT THE CULLINAN

Tranquility is key at the Mangwanani Boutique Spa at Southern Sun The Cullinan. This hidden gem offers luxurious treatments to "calm your spirit, soothe your soul and relax your body". You're spoiled for choice as you can have your massage at the spa, by the pool or in the privacy of your room at the hotel.

Spa marketing manager Jacques Dippenaar says the Korean Scrub is a must and ideal for summer. "It's a vigorous and rejuvenating full-body exfoliation that combines modern knowledge with ancient wisdom to cleanse your body of dead and ageing skin cells."

Elaborating, Dippenaar says the scrub opens pores and improves blood circulation. "It also helps to reduce pigmentation and evens out skin tone, enhances the penetration of creams and serums and improves suppleness. Plus, the scrub technique helps to break down cellulite and leaves your skin revitalised," he adds. Book an appointment now!

**1 Cullinan Street 021 415 4075/6**  
**www.mangwanani.co.za**  
**Trading hours: 09h00 – 21h00 (Mon to Sun)**



## 05 YEMAYA URBAN SPA &amp; HAIR AT 15 ON ORANGE HOTEL

What's the most popular treatment at the Yemaya Urban Spa & Hair? It's the relaxing and uplifting 60-minute CBD (cannabidiol) Oil Massage, which focuses on the back, neck, legs, arms and feet. Yasmina Leo from Yemaya believes it's time we all destressed. "We've got affordable options to suit everyone and always have special promotions," says Leo.

Besides massages, Yemaya offers full-body exfoliations and wraps, manicures and pedicures, facials, waxing, threading, and hair treatments.

The spa has exquisite facilities with an indoor heated pool, steam room and sauna. A selection of drinks is available.

**Cnr Grey's Pass & Orange Street**  
**021 286 9050 | www.urbanspa.co.za**  
**Trading hours: 09h00 – 18h00 (Mon to Sat)**  
**09h00 – 17h00 (Sun)**

WIN!

To stand a chance of winning one of three spa treatments (from Cayenne Spa, Mangwanani Boutique Spa and Heavenly Spa), tell us which spa treatment you'd love to have.

Email your response to **simangele@capetownccid.org**. Entries close on 30 January 2021.

The winners will be contacted directly, and the names will appear on our social media pages.

FESTIVE SEASON GUIDE

# REFUEL & FRESH

## THE CCID'S GUIDE TO CBD EATERIES

*As busy Cape Town Central City staffers, we work, live, eat and breathe the inner city. Here we let the cat out of the bag and share our favourite go-to retailers where we catch essential down-time, a Cup of Joe or a bite to eat.*



VIXI SOCIAL HOUSE  
TASSO EVANGELINOS

### URBAN MANAGEMENT



Kally Benito  
Manager

**NANDO'S**  
CNR WATERKANT & LONG ST

"I love their pap, relish, chicken and spinach; it's a staple diet for half of Africa. They're also efficient, friendly and there's a great atmosphere. I like that they've got tables where the sun comes through as you enjoy your meal."

**Other faves:** Café Frank (160 Bree St) & I Love The Dough (101 Bree St)



Carlisle Marankey  
Precinct Manager

**NOM NOM**  
166 LONG ST

"They're perfect for summertime visits and make the best heat-quenching double-thick milkshakes I've ever tasted. Nom Nom also has a great menu with a variety of food options."

**Other fave:** Mariams Kitchen (31 Heerengracht St)

### OFFICE OF THE CEO



Tasso Evangelinos  
CCID CEO

**VIXI SOCIAL HOUSE, 49 BREE ST**

"I love the vibe at VIXI's as well as the good food. There's positive energy from staff, management and customers, which adds to the engaging atmosphere. Their Mediterranean menu is well-rounded – the ribs are excellent."

**Other faves:** New York Bagels (44 Harrington St) & Dias Tavern (5 Caledon St)



Stephen Willenburg  
Business Manager

**VILLA 47, 47 BREE ST**

"I enjoy Villa 47 for their quick, friendly service and good food. They also have great coffee. I've enjoyed regular commuter breakfasts there with my bike-to-work group."

**Other fave:** Deluxe Coffeeworks (25 Church St)



Christa Maans  
PA to the CEO

**FOOD LOVER'S EATERY**  
ICON BUILDING

"There's a lovely selection of food, and it is budget friendly. They also expanded their range during lockdown to include some fresh produce such as red meat and poultry and have weekly specials on these items."

**Other fave:** Lunchworks (22 Waterkant St)



Mary-Ellen Joseph  
Finance & HR Assistant

**SEATTLE COFFEE CO**  
4 LOOP ST

"Seattle gives me a feeling of being safe and loved. It has this toasty vibe where I feel relaxed and I am able to calm down for a second to take a break and breathe."

**Other fave:** Food Lover's Eatery (Icon Building, Lower Long St)



I LOVE THE DOUGH  
KALLY BENITO

TJING TJING TORII  
SHARON SOROUR-MORRISCLARKE'S BAR AND DINING ROOM  
SCOTT ARENDSESTELLSKI COFFEE BAR  
MUNEEB HENDRICKS

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**TJING TJING TORII**  
165 LONGMARKET ST

"A stylish ode to Japanese easy dining, this neon-bright eatery is a little slice of Japan in the heart of Cape Town. I love its exquisite décor, which is an instant mood-lifter. Then there are the to-die-for dumplings, ramen noodle bowls, bento boxes ... this is destination dining at its best!"

**Other faves:** Hemelhuijs (71 Waterkant St) & The General Store (22 Bree St)

Aziza Patandin  
Project Coordinator

**KAUAI**  
PORTSIDE

"This my ultimate eatery in the CBD! I love the warm bowls and, of course, their refreshing smoothies. I especially like that they have a variety of options such as gluten-free, vegetarian and low-carb. The venue also has attractive outdoor seating."

**Other fave:** Seattle Coffee Co (4 Loop St)

LUNCHWORKS  
PAT EDDYSimangele Mzizi  
Staff Writer

**THE ELECTRIC, 48 CANTERBURY ST**

"You won't miss The Electric with its bright-yellow building in the East City. I highly recommend their fresh juices. Did I also mention that the shop is mostly a plastic-free zone, has cool merchandise and is dog and bike-friendly?"

**Other fave:** Swan Café (cnr Buitenkant & Barrack streets)

VIDA E CAFFÈ  
SHANIE RICH

## SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Pat Eddy  
Manager

**SEATTLE COFFEE CO**  
ST GEORGES MALL

"Seattle's coffee is the best in town. This is where I get my daily fix or where I go after my walks around the CBD – it's very central. The shop's perfect for quick meetings, too."

**Other fave:** Lunchworks (22 Waterkant St) & Heritage Coffee Shop (Company's Garden)

Shanien Rich  
Social Worker

**VIDA E CAFFÈ**  
4 ADDERLEY ST

"This Vida was renovated not so long ago. It looks beautiful and inviting. I love the sandwiches, they're always worth it and they always have combo specials. Plus, all their food is Halal."

**Other fave:** Bootlegger Coffee Company (50 Harrington St)

Headman  
Siralarala  
Field Worker

**ROCOMAMAS**  
9 BUITENKANT ST

"I enjoy their smash burgers and ribs. The place is perfect for a day out with family or friends. I also like that it's Halal and close to public transport."

**Other fave:** Mugg & Bean (2 Riebeeck St)

Mark Williams  
Field Worker

**HOUSE OF COFFEES**  
ST GEORGES MALL

"This is my favourite place to sit, have meetings or have a hot or cold beverage. I like that it's a place where you meet people from all walks of life. Plus, it's near my all-time favourite space, Greenmarket Square."

**Other fave:** Food stalls at the Grand Parade

Muneeb Hendricks  
Manager

**STELLSKI COFFEE BAR, 59 LOOP ST**

"Stellski rates highly in my book. It's a small little shop with great toasties and coffee. They have two awesome staff members, Irene and Austin, and the owner, Megan, regularly sends out weekly specials."

**Other fave:** Molten Toffee (161 Longmarket St)

Alec  
Van De Rheede  
Assistant Manager

**FOOD LOVER'S EATERY**  
2 HERTZOG BLVD

"The front section, where the seating is, is breath-taking with the planted area. It's the one place where people from different walks of life come together to chat and enjoy a meal."

**Other fave:** Mountain View Take-Aways (171 Long St)

Martinus Jenkins  
Night Manager

**CAPPADOCIA, 210 LOOP ST**

"This new Turkish restaurant is strictly Halal with mouth-watering dishes and a beautiful interior. The owner, Huseyin, is on hand to welcome you personally. I enjoy the ambience inside or on the deck while drinking well-brewed Turkish coffee."

**Other fave:** Clay Cafe in the City (199 Bree St)

Gary Dyssel  
Night Manager

**MADAM TAITOU, 77 LONG ST**

"I love this Ethiopian restaurant. It's completely different from anything I've ever seen or tasted. Inside it's as if you're sitting in a forest and there are sounds of birds chirping; the set-up is amazing."

**Other fave:** Club 169 (227 Long St)

## FESTIVE SEASON GUIDE



THE

## GREAT GIFT

GUIDE



*Looking for the perfect present to delight the special people in your life? Come in to town and shop till you drop for gifts from these unique CBD retailers.*



THE HERITAGE SHOP



MISSIBABA



ARCHIVE

## GENERAL

## THE HERITAGE SHOP

The whimsical Heritage Shop is a tiny gem offering a wide range of ethically sourced local gifts, from skincare products, hand-painted ceramic mugs to essential oils and beautifully packaged flavoured teas and soaps.

**The Company's Garden, 19 Queen Victoria St | [www.heritage.org.za](http://www.heritage.org.za)**

## BARNET FAIR

This traditional barber shop with a modern twist offers a range of services from hot towel shaves, head shaves and beard maintenance to haircuts. Spoil the man in your life with an indulgent voucher.

**98 Bree St | [www.barnetfair.co.za](http://www.barnetfair.co.za)**

## FRANK &amp; MYRRH

There's something about this innovative store that resembles an old-style apothecary. Its origins lie in Northern Somalia where the current owner's father once had a shop, and it's stocked with a wide array of traditional essential oils, tinctures, fragrances and herbal teas.

**305 Long St | [www.frankandmyrrh.co.za](http://www.frankandmyrrh.co.za)**

## FASHION

## MISSIBABA

These must-have handmade leather handbags have been thrilling visitors to the CBD since artist Chloe Townsend introduced them in 2012. Colourful and desirable, they now have a cult following and are made by a local artisan.

**229 Bree St | [www.missibaba.com](http://www.missibaba.com)**

## BABETTE CLOTHING

The whimsical appearance of this delightful vintage clothing store beckons you to its world of charms. Gently worn clothing is its mainstay but you'll find so much more, including local designer wear and artisanal-made shoes.

**41 Church St | [www.babetteclothing.co.za](http://www.babetteclothing.co.za)**

## SPAGHETTI MAFIA

A menswear boutique, Spaghetti Mafia sells bespoke suits and clothes by Italian designers. It stocks dapper, sophisticated wear for the ultimate man-about-town.

**199 Loop St | [www.facebook.com/spaghettimafiapetown/](http://www.facebook.com/spaghettimafiapetown/)**

## BLACKWOOD BROTHERS

This trendy store sells exclusive men's wear brands, including Edwin Denim Co, Schott NYC, Deus, Church's and Common Projects, as well as its own range. Look out for high quality T-shirts, caps and jackets galore.

**63a Shortmarket St | [www.facebook.com/blackwoodbrothersstore/](http://www.facebook.com/blackwoodbrothersstore/)**

## JACK LEMKUS

A Cape Town institution (it's been around since 1935), Jack Lemkus offers an impressive range of sneakers and leisurewear. Look out for the specials.

**26A St Georges Mall | [www.jacklemkus.com](http://www.jacklemkus.com)**

## ARCHIVE

All the top sneaker brands can be found here. There's also a cool clothing range. Check out the new Vans X Moma collection, with sneakers featuring the works of Jackson Pollock, Lyubov Popova and Edvard Munch.

**26A Shortmarket St | [www.archivestore.co.za](http://www.archivestore.co.za)**

## JEWELLERY

## DEAR RAE JEWELLERY

Stylish and refined, this store carries a wide range of handcrafted jewellery by designer Karin Rae Matthee. Her treasures are desirable – and there are also items for children.

**164 Bree St | [www.dearrae.co.za](http://www.dearrae.co.za)**

## KIRSTEN GOSS

Sharing a store with Missibaba are the statement jewellery pieces of Kirsten Goss, known for her angular and ethereal work. Did you know she even counts *Sex and the City's* Sarah Jessica Parker as one of her clients?

**229 Bree St | [www.kirstengoss.com](http://www.kirstengoss.com)**

## OLIVE GREEN CAT

Three adventurous, distinctive jewellery brands share this retail space – Ida Elsje, Philippa Green and Nunc, so you are spoilt for choice.

**76 Church St | [www.philippagreen.com](http://www.philippagreen.com)**

## PRINS &amp; PRINS DIAMONDS

The ultimate splash-out gift can be found at Prins & Prins, jewellers who specialise in diamonds. Bespoke rings, pendants and earrings can be purchased here: there's a reason these gemstones are a girl's best friend.

**Cnr 66 Loop & Hout streets | [www.prinsandprins.com](http://www.prinsandprins.com)**

## FOOD AND WINE

## THE ELECTRIC

It's one of the coolest places in town for a laidback breakfast but you can also buy products to make a healthy gift hamper. We love the flavoured oils and unusual teas.

**48 Canterbury St | [www.the-electric.com](http://www.the-electric.com)**

## NUDE FOODS

Surprise the health freak in the family with locally sourced, organic products from Nude Foods, where you can also buy natural soaps and skincare products that will spark joy in any vegan's heart.

**5 Constitution St | [www.nudefoods.co](http://www.nudefoods.co)**

## CAROLINE'S FINE WINES

Wine connoisseurs rejoice at the range of local and international wines at this fine store. After 40 years in the business, Caroline Rillema knows her subject, and there are over 1 500 wines to choose from.

**62 Strand St | [www.carolineswine.com](http://www.carolineswine.com)**

## OPENWINE

Leave your shopping at OpenWine until last, because in this comfortable environment you get to taste the wine before you buy it. What's more, it's served in the French and Italian way. Olive oil is also on sale.

**72 Wale St | [www.facebook.com/openwineza/](http://www.facebook.com/openwineza/)**





MUNGO



BORDALLO PINHEIRO

## DÉCOR

### MUNGO

The cottage vibe of this split-level store is enticing. Everything is made from quality, natural-fibre homeware textiles crafted at their mill in Plettenberg Bay. Choose from exquisite throws and blankets, table linen, towels and apparel.

**78 Hout St | [www.mungo.co.za](http://www.mungo.co.za)**

### SKINNY LAMINX

At this iconic store you'll find Heather Moore's signature fabrics which have been used to create fun, bright bespoke items, from cushions and aprons to bags and pencil cases.

**201 Bree St | [www.skinnylaminx.com](http://www.skinnylaminx.com)**

### BORDALLO PINHEIRO

If you're looking for something quirky, this divine ceramic store is for you. A world leader in high-end Portuguese ceramic tableware, this brand has been around since 1884. With several ranges, from natural to humorous, there is something to suit everyone's taste. Check out the watermelon fruit bowl or the famous ceramic fish.

**7 Bree St | [www.bordallopinheiro.co.za](http://www.bordallopinheiro.co.za)**

### CHANDLER HOUSE

In this charming shop-cum-gallery-cum-artist's studio, every item has been carefully chosen by artist and owner Michael Chandler. On offer is a wide range of homeware and gifts, antiques, objets d'art, handwoven textiles and a selection of artworks.

**53 Church St | [www.chandlerhouse.co.za](http://www.chandlerhouse.co.za)**

### PEZULA INTERIORS

Lovers of décor will feel right at home in this upmarket store that stocks everything from

furniture and lighting to scented candles, apparel, textiles, books and games.

A Walnut & Oak backgammon set could be just the thing for that impossible-to-buy-for person in your life.

**17 Buiten St | [www.pezulainteriors.co.za](http://www.pezulainteriors.co.za)**

### WAZA

Everything Japanese can be found at Waza, which combines retail with Japanese-themed events and workshops. Great gift ideas include original Shichirin grills (hibachi), beautifully packaged Japanese ingredients and traditional cooking utensils.

**Second Floor, 111 Loop St | [www.wazashop.co.za](http://www.wazashop.co.za)**



SKINNY LAMINX



## BOOKS

### THE BOOK LOUNGE

What could be a better gift than a book? At the Book Lounge you're spoiled for choice with two floors of best-sellers and lesser-known gems for the widest of literary tastes.

**71 Roeland St | [www.booklounge.co.za](http://www.booklounge.co.za)**

### CLARKE'S BOOKSHOP

This legendary bookstore (it's been around for more than 60 years) will provide the ideal gift for the historian in the family. It houses some of the best Africana tomes to be found anywhere.

**199 Long St | [www.clarkesbooks.co.za](http://www.clarkesbooks.co.za)**

## SPORT AND ADVENTURE

### JUST LIKE PAPA

Visiting this store is more of an adventure than just a shopping trip. It's an eccentric, exciting outlet that specialises in outdoor gear but offers so much more. And it's not just for the happy campers – the artsy water bottles will make beautiful gifts for anyone.

**73 Harrington St | [www.justlikepapa.com](http://www.justlikepapa.com)**

## ART

### YOUNGBLOOD

The Youngblood Foundation helps to support up-and-coming young artists by providing a platform for them to showcase their creations. Different works are displayed throughout the three-storey venue.

**70 – 74 Bree St | [www.youngblood-africa.com](http://www.youngblood-africa.com)**

### WHATIFTHEWORLD

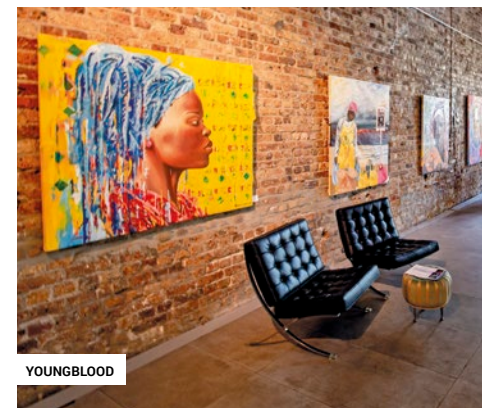
A contemporary gallery with the focus on local, this is the place to spot new talent. On display until mid-January are works by KwaZulu-Natal artist Sthenjwa Luthuli.

**First floor, 16 Buiten St | [www.whatiftheworld.com](http://www.whatiftheworld.com)**

### STATEOFTHEART

Here you'll find the works of emerging and mid-career visual artists. Choose from a variety of mediums such as painting, printmaking, fine art photography and sculpture. The dedicated and knowledgeable team will even help you choose something ideal for you.

**50 Buitenkant St | [www.stateofheart-gallery.com](http://www.stateofheart-gallery.com)**



YOUNGBLOOD

## FESTIVE SEASON GUIDE

# MATT MANNING'S FINE GRUB



CULTURE WINE BAR

*We know Cape Town dining is world-class. Grub & Vine restaurant, in the heart of the CBD, now has accolades to prove it, writes KIM MAXELL.*

Visually arresting, eaten with your eyes first. The Grub & Vine dining experience is more than just pretty food on plates, though. British chef Matt Manning is friendly and approachable; a lot like his food. Care is taken to put ingredients together tastily, using classic recipes.

Grub & Vine has been trading upstairs at 103 Bree Street since December 2018. The bistro serves “relaxed yet refined fare from a small, seasonal menu”. It’s ideal for elegant drinks, followed by a treat dinner. But it would make a great pick too for a one-on-one business lunch.

Thanks to fantastic local ingredients and solid culinary talent, many modern South African restaurants are now considered world-class. Grub & Vine recently received some international accolades. The restaurant was selected as Best Gourmet Bistro in Africa at the Haute Grandeur Global Awards, regarded as “the pinnacle of achievement in global hospitality”, and Manning was declared Best Chef. A local Haute Grandeur team assessed the restaurant on their experience of a five-course dinner.

Do awards matter? “At the end of the day, we don’t cook to win awards. It’s about just doing what we do and letting it speak for itself,” says Manning. “So, these kinds of accolades are something I take with a pinch of salt, but it is nice to be recognised.”

Still, Haute Grandeur Global Awards are on an international platform, and that brings reservations from patrons near and far. As any restaurant knows “it helps to let people know you’re there”, especially when you’re operating in a post-pandemic environment.

## GREENERY IS SCENERY

The restaurant also walked away with the Best Scenic Setting in Africa accolade. So let’s hear it for cool urban interior design. Capetonian Monya Eastman of Stokperd injected comfortable glamour and a plethora of lush plants in The Green Room, a wine bar that extends into a calming conservatory.

She also added curved mirrors and plant boxes in Grub & Vine’s light-filled dining space. If you want to appreciate what the judges appreciated, take a window seat at lunchtime or early on a windless summer evening, to catch a bird’s eye view of Bree Street’s urban bustle below.

Many diners opt for two courses at Grub & Vine but stay for three or five if time allows. If you can be persuaded, sip a wine taster with each dish. Manning loves wine so has surrounded himself with staff such as waiter Christian Nkulu, or sommelier Keize Mumba, to introduce the Cape’s lesser known labels, such as B-Vintners Fire Heath Chardonnay from the Sondagskloof, for instance. A delicious match with roast potato gnocchi, and intensely umami flavoured, frothy “cauliflower cheese” – Manning’s clever take on cheese sauce – with hazelnuts and kale crisps.

If snacky is more your mood, tasty nibbles are available in The Green Room. That’s the place to be on Wednesday wine evenings, where winemakers pour complimentary tastings from 16h00. Or on your monthly First Thursdays urban pedestrian route. On Saturday from midday, there is bottomless bubbly with arancini balls.

## HOW IT STARTED

There’s a story about Manning being on holiday in Toulouse with his South African wife and going down a side street to find lunch. They ended up at a very welcoming restaurant. The lunch experience was so memorable, the couple modelled their future Grub & Vine dining concept on it.

“We found this little bistro, an unassuming hole in the wall. It didn’t even have a name, just a chef standing outside having a smoke, with his apron on,” recalls Manning. “It was unpretentious, with good cooking and good wine. Ultimately that’s what it should be about. And I thought: that’s what I want to do in Cape Town.”

What makes him happy about cooking, he says, is seeing people enjoying his food.

“I enjoy cooking the food I’ve trained in: French cuisine, but obviously highlighting excellent South African produce.

“My style is honest, not too fussy. When you have quality stuff, you don’t need to mess about with it.” In summer, heirloom tomatoes sourced from Franschhoek could be sliced and combined with local burrata cheese, figs, and salsa verde. Delicious.

## MORE WINE PLEASE

Culture Wine Bar opened at the end of October, in a beautiful upstairs space, metres from the Grub & Vine doorway. Manning says the decision was a no-brainer when it was vacated by the previous tenant. Bar manager Chris Groenewald is on board, creating a comfortable, accessible space for serious wine enjoyment, or for sipping a casual cocktail or whisky. An old staircase leads up to a wine library.

Stokperd’s Eastman helped transformed the bar’s interior too. Original exposed red brick walls combine with banquette seating, freshly reupholstered in a russet tone. The bar feels cosy and warm, welcoming.

As a business owner, Manning is pleased that Cape Town’s local restaurant scene is looking more lively. “Our dinner trade has a nice mix of people in their late twenties to sixties. Some are only after a two-courser on a Thursday night.”

Come Fridays, a current carnivorous offering is *côte de beauf* from Outshoorn. It’s a prime rib to share. “We’re using dairy cows that have spent their life eating grass. It’s got this beautiful layer of fat on it, with nutty cheesiness. I bring it to the table and carve it in slices. It’s theatrical, it’s cool.” Diners see the glorious steak being presented. And invariably change their orders. It’s the Manning effect.



GRUB &amp; VINE

## FESTIVE SEASON GUIDE

UNWIND IN THESE  
CENTRAL CITY BARS

*Looking for a sophisticated space for a sundowner? Or wanting to live it up (safely, of course) in a cool cocktail venue with spectacular inner-centre views? Here's our pick of the best downtown cocktail bars to enjoy this summer and beyond.*



THE GIN BAR



GIGI ROOFTOP BAR

## THE GIN BAR

The Gin Bar is hidden in a historical building with a secret Mediterranean-style courtyard which you enter through Honest Chocolate Café. At this charming venue you can taste new and exciting flavours unique to South Africa's top craft gins. There are over 70 available, so you'll be spoilt for choice. They also have great cocktails and hold exclusive gin tastings.

64A Wale St | 071 241 2277  
www.theginbar.co.za



TJING TJING ROOFTOP BAR

## TJING TJING ROOFTOP BAR

The super-cool Tjing Tjing Rooftop Bar at Tjing Tjing House is an inner-city treasure. If its iconic bar – painted a vibrant, Japanese shrine-red and offset by a wall of black-and-white photographs of Tokyo and Kyoto – doesn't give you a zing of energy then nothing else will. Small and intimate, it resembles an old attic with its wooden mansards, but the décor and furnishings are eclectic. Expect bespoke cocktails, wine and delectable *otsumami* (snacks).

165 Longmarket St | 021 422 4920  
www.tjingtjing.co.za

## GIGI ROOFTOP BAR

"It's always better on top," proclaims the GiGi Rooftop Bar. We agree. GiGi, located on the top floor of hot-and-happening hotel Gorgeous George, was voted Hotel Bar of the Year at the 2020 South African Bartending Accolades & Recognition (BAR) Awards and was a finalist in the New Cocktail Bar of the Year category. This is thanks to the playful, exotic cocktails of resident mixologist Leighton Rathbone. Overstay your welcome by the pool and indulge in cocktails.

118 St Georges Mall | 087 898 6000  
www.gigirooftop.com

14 STORIES ROOFTOP BAR  
AT SUNSQUARE

Views. Spectacular views. That's the order of the day at the 14 Stories Rooftop Bar at SunSquare. Watch the sun go down from the rooftop pool deck while sipping on appetising cocktails and taking in gorgeous views of Table Mountain and beyond. If the weather misbehaves, 14 Stories also has an indoor lounge.

23 Buitengracht St | 021 492 9999  
www.tsogosun.com

## THE ATHLETIC CLUB &amp; SOCIAL

With a bird's eye view of Signal Hill, The Athletic Club & Social comprises three bars and a restaurant. Described by *Inside Guide* as a "whimsical design fantasy of colonial-meets-modern", the sumptuous venue is sophistication personified. With names like Orange Blossom, The Doorway of Champions and Lilac Lady V2.0, you're in for a treat with their speciality cocktails.

35 Buitengracht St | 084 087 5566  
www.theathletic.co.za

## I LOVE THE DOUGH

P is for pink. Here it's also for pizzazz. This Neapolitan-style pizza restaurant has an impressive bar and great cocktail menu. A "newish" kid on the Bree St block, it was nominated in the New Cocktail Bar of the Year category at the 2020 South African Bartending Accolades & Recognition Awards. Visit them for a great vibe and signature cocktails by their mixologists.

101 Bree St | 072 145 9988  
ilovethedoughct (Instagram)

## CULTURE WINE BAR

Newly opened, Culture Wine Bar by well-known chef Matt Manning is one of the CBD's must-visit venues right now. A labour of love for Matt and his partner Chris Groenewald (and a beautiful one, at that), together they have curated a selection of South Africa's best wines, cult classics, hidden gems, natural wines, and special imports from across the globe. You'll also enjoy Matt's signature accompanying snack menu.

103 Bree St | 087 153 5246  
www.culturewinebar.com



THE ATHLETIC CLUB &amp; SOCIAL



CULTURE WINE BAR

## THE DRINKERY

If it's gin, wine or beer you're after, you'll find it at The Drinkery in Heritage Square. Their gin cocktails from local favourites including Cape Town Gin Co. and Hope On Hopkins are highly recommended. Besides the drinks, you'll love the look and feel of the place as they have great art, photographs and furniture. Word is that everything is for sale at The Drinkery and if you happen to like the chair you're sitting on, you can buy it too – after drinks of course.

100 Shortmarket St | 082 464 4866

HONOURABLE  
MENTIONS

- 1** Ghibli Bar  
Radisson Blu Hotel  
22 Riebeeck St  
021 467 4000
- 2** The House of Machines  
84 Shortmarket St  
021 426 1400
- 3** Paparazzi Bar & Lounge  
Pepperclub Hotel  
Cnr Loop & Pepper streets  
021 812 8888
- 4** The Village Idiot  
32 Loop St  
021 418 1548
- 5** Harringtons  
Cocktail Lounge  
61B Harrington St  
078 916 7903

## FESTIVE SEASON GUIDE

WHAT'S ON IN THE  
CENTRAL CITY

*This holiday season, there's a plethora of enjoyable events and activities.  
Here's a selection of what you can look forward to, either online or in the CBD.*

For more event info,  
visit City Views on  
Facebook at  
[www.facebook.com/  
CityViewsCapeTown](https://www.facebook.com/CityViewsCapeTown).



## CITY BUSKING PROGRAMME

16 December 2020 till 8 January 2021

Cape Town's got talent. Come back to town to see it on show in the City of Cape Town's night-time busking initiative. It sees a variety of entertainers performing in various public spaces from Wednesdays to Saturdays. This programme and the recently concluded Cape Town CBD Busking Programme by the CCID is part of efforts to revitalise the CBD economy.

**Where:** Greenmarket Square, Bree & Shortmarket streets, Strand & Bree streets and Bree & Buiten streets

**When:** 16h00 – 21h00

**Cost:** Free

## MINI GIN &amp; TAPAS FEST

Every Saturday

Gin and tapas in a safe and beautiful venue ... what's not to love? Treat yourself and your friends to a Mini Gin & Tapas Fest at The Station On Bree where you can taste five double gin and tonics with garnish as well as delicious tapas. Bookings are essential. What's more, the venue has introduced live entertainment on Thursdays for all to enjoy with food and drink.

**Where:** Station on Bree, 207 Bree St

**When:** 15h00 – 19h00

**Cost:** R200

[www.thestation.capetown](http://www.thestation.capetown)

FRIDAY ELIXER FIESTA:  
THE RETURN

Now on till 26 February 2020

Friday nights in the Central City are reserved for good music, tapas and cocktail specials at Harringtons Cocktail Lounge. Join in the fun as resident DJs usher you into the weekend. To book your booth with friends, email [bookings@harringtonstreet.co.za](mailto:bookings@harringtonstreet.co.za) or call 078 916 7903.

**Where:** Harringtons Cocktail Lounge, 61 B Harrington St

**When:** 12h00 till late

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

## GIN TASTINGS

Ongoing

Gin aficionados are invited to join a delectable and educational gin tasting at The Gin Bar's Embalming Room. Friendly and knowledgeable staff will lead the tasting which comprises three local gins with a premium tonic and paired garnishes. Before or after your tasting, be sure to pop upstairs for a meal at Oxalis Eatery which is adjacent to The Gin Bar. And before you leave, pick up some chocolate to take home from Honest Chocolate Café, also housed at 64A Wale Street.

**Where:** The Gin Bar, 64A Wale St

**When:** 15h00 and 17h00 (Thursday and Saturday)

**Cost:** R220 per person

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

## SANLAM CAPE TOWN MARATHON

17 October 2021

Entries for the prestigious Sanlam Cape Town Marathon are open. This world-class event, with a fantastic route showcasing historical landmarks in the Central City and beyond, is not to be missed. The race is open to elite athletes and social runners and includes two Peace Trail Runs (22 km and 12 km), a 5 km Peace Fun Run/Walk, a 10 km Peace Run, and of course, the main attraction of the marathon itself.

**Where:** Green Point and passes through the CBD via Long, Orange, Plein and Darling streets before moving to the southern suburbs.

**When:** 06h00

**Cost:** R135 – R390

[www.capetownmarathon.com](http://www.capetownmarathon.com)



## THE CAPE TOWN COFFEE EXPERIENCE

Now on till 31 December 2020

We are big fans of experiencing the CBD and its offerings on foot. That's why we were thrilled to discover that Cape Town Culinary Tours has a walking tour for exploring the CBD's thriving coffee culture. Gather your friends for the coffee tour which includes a visit to three venues with incredible coffee, stories, brewing methods, and coffee pairings. You'll also get a 10 % discount at each location on your next visit.

**Where:** Truth Coffee Roasting, 36 Buitenkant St (first stop and meeting place)

**When:** 10h00 – 12h30 (Monday to Saturday)

**Cost:** R495 per person

[www.capetownculinarytours.com](http://www.capetownculinarytours.com)

## THE CRYPT JAZZ CLUB

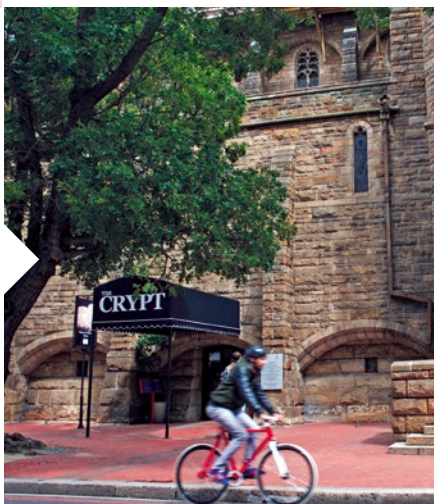
Ongoing

If you love the smooth sounds of jazz and good food, you'll be glad to know that the iconic Crypt Jazz Club, located in the historic St George's Cathedral, has reopened after closing due to the lockdown restrictions. The cosy jazz restaurant serves dinner and drinks four nights a week where live jazz by local musicians is performed. Online bookings are advised, and the dress code is smart casual.

**Where:** St George's Cathedral, 1 Wale St

**When:** 19h00 – 23h30 (Wednesday to Saturday and performances start at 20h00)

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



## INKABA YAMI

Now on till 16 January 2021

WHATIFTHEWORLD presents Sthenjwa Luthuli's debut solo exhibition, Inkaba yami (my navel in isiZulu). The exhibition reflects on a traditional ceremony where a newborn's umbilical cord is placed in the centre of a family's kraal. Elders lead this ritual to remind the child never to forget their roots. Luthuli depicts the significance of the ritual and "highlights the potential for a communal disconnect from traditional customs caused by urbanisation and migration".

**Where:** WHATIFTHEWORLD, 16 Buiten St

**When:** 09h00 to 17h00 (Monday to Thursday) and 09h00 to 16h00 (Friday)

**Cost:** Free

[www.whatiftheworld.com](http://www.whatiftheworld.com)

## RORY EMMETT'S EXHIBITION

28 January 2021

Treat yourself to an exhibition that goes beyond the mundane. Through his paintings, Rory Emmett uses colour and its various "ideological and material implications" to reference the personal and political by working with what he finds around and within himself as his most immediate point of departure".

**Where:** 99 Loop Gallery, 99 Loop St

**When:** 10h00 – 15h00

**Cost:** Free

[www.99loop.co.za](http://www.99loop.co.za)



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\* The Cape Town Central City Improvement District works closely with the following NGO partners in the Cape Town CBD:

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**Straatwerk**  
Job rehabilitation projects for street people

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Residential care and family integration for boys

**Ons Plek**  
Residential care and reunification processes for girls

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Shelter and skills training programmes for adults