



June 2025

**TO ALL THE DAD'S - A TRIBUTE TO FATHER'S DAY - 15TH JUNE**

To all the fathers, far and near,  
We honour you with love and cheer.  
Your hands have built, your hearts have stayed,  
In your quiet strength, we've all been made.

A loving guide, forever caring,  
Through life's storms, always supportive, daring.  
You lead with courage, calm and bold,  
True gentlemen with hearts of gold.

You're the role models many seek,  
With actions strong and voices meek.  
Your kindness paints each memory sweet,  
In every hug, in every heartbeat.

We hear your laughter in the air,  
In every moment that you're there.  
Men of integrity, tried and true,  
The world is brighter because of you.

With generous hearts and open hands,  
You teach us how to take a stand.  
In lessons shared with wisdom deep,  
You plant the dreams our spirits keep.

You are the ones who always show,  
How far a father's love can go.  
Our favourite memories, near and dear,  
Are filled with you, year after year.

You lift us high, you let us grow,  
The roots beneath the winds that blow.  
So inspiring, so brave, so strong,  
With you beside us, we belong.

You are the biggest heroes, true,  
For all you are and all you do.  
Today we honour your amazing grace,  
Happy Father's Day to the fathers we embrace.



4th - Gill Cooper  
6th - Julie Phillips  
13th - Jennifer Erskine  
14th - Liddy Cummins  
15th - Felicity Walker



18th - Peta Noble  
21st - Ann Lawton  
27th - Janine Fuller  
28th - Elnor Leach  
29th - Gavin Morrison

Happy birthday one and all

3rd Jenny and Stewart Fisher

15th Jacky and Dave Orton

18th Glenda and Robert Welsh

28th Jill and Chris Hinde

30th Inez and David Gretton

Happy Anniversary



A bingo evening will be held on Friday 13th June at 6pm R80pp

A selection of soups will be available together with buttered  
rolls and chocolates

Please book at reception by 6th June for catering purposes



Whale watching season is *early JUNE to end of NOVEMBER* in Hermanus

### Whales and whale-spotting

The town is noted for the presence of whales that often swim within sight of the coastline of the town. Although the Southern Right whale is the most prolific species in Hermanus bay, it is not the only species in the area. The whales can be seen from the cliffs all along the coast from as early as June and usually depart in early-December. They were once hunted in the nearby town of Betty's Bay, but are now protected. The Old Harbour Museum contains several exhibitions that explain the local whaling industry, and the De Wetsuits Photo Museum houses an exhibition of photos by T. D. Ravenscroft that depicts the history of Hermanus. The Whale Museum houses a skeleton of a whale and shows an audio-visual presentation of whales and dolphins twice daily.

Visitors can watch whales from the cliff-tops, from the air or via boats. Since August 1992, Hermanus has had the world's only whale crier, the first being Pieter Classen 1992–1998, then Wilson Salukazana 1998–2006, and Zolile Baleni since April 2006,<sup>1</sup> who sounds his kelp horn to announce where whales have been sighted. In 2005, Zakes Mda wrote the novel *The Whale Caller* in which the Whale Crier of Hermanus is the main character, a man who gets enthralled by a southern right whale he names Sharisha. The book was adapted into a 2016 movie by the same name.



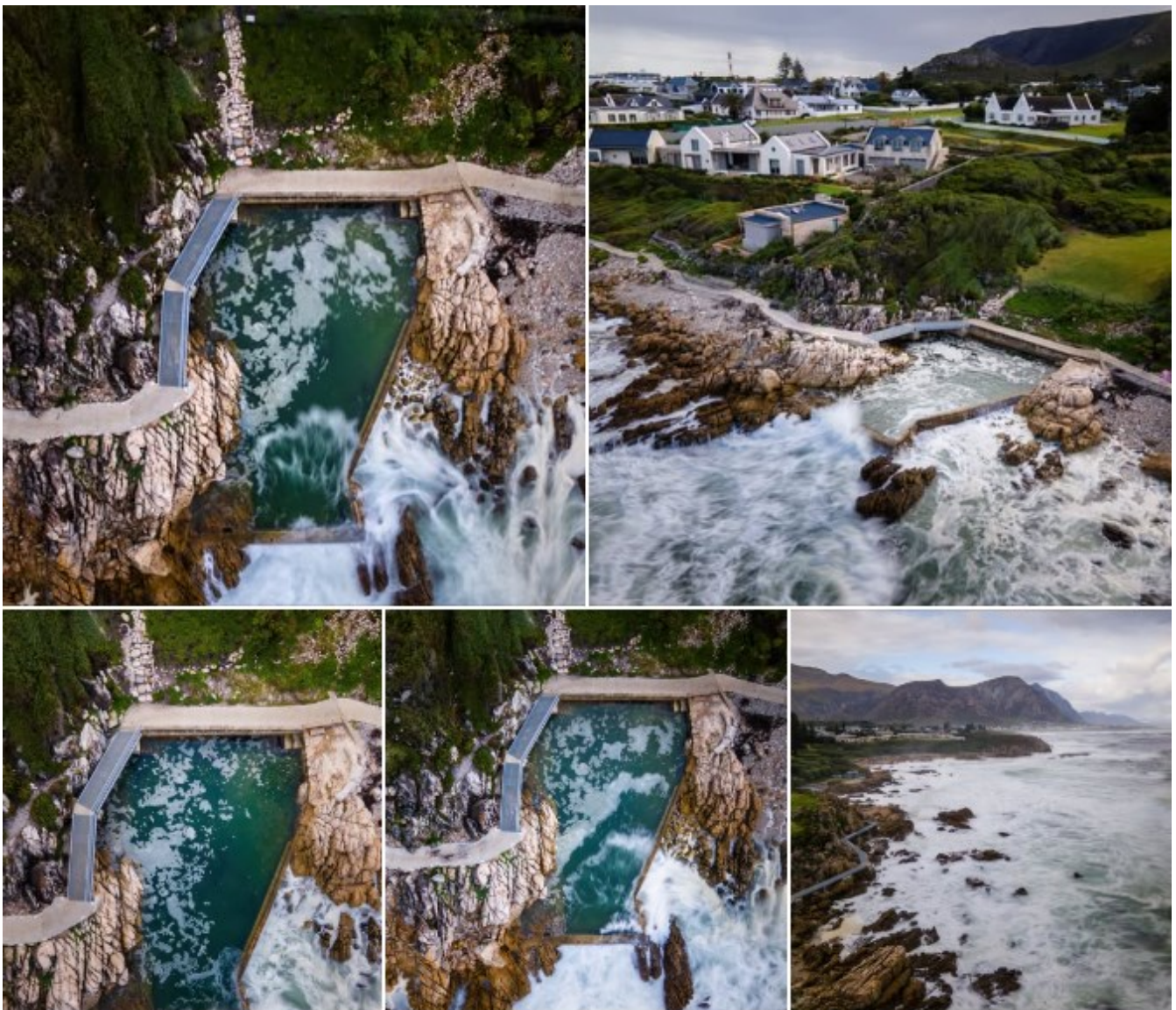


## FOUND THE MAFIA TIDAL POOL

“ Tucked away along the newly extended section of the Hermanus Cliff Path, this gem - affectionately nicknamed the Mafia Tidal Pool - was a total surprise. No wonder it flew under the radar for so long : before the path opened, it was touch to reach, hidden from access behind steep cliffs and private housing.

Now open, it brings a whole new energy to the walk along Poole’s Bay. Shooting here felt like unlocking a secret level of the coastline, and I’m stoked to add it to my tidal pool collection.”

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17 JUNE | 19H00

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ORGAN CONCERTO

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FANTASY OVERTURE  
ROMEO

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## LEONARDO da Vinci the Renaissance Genius

Leonardo da Vinci, born on April 15, 1452, in Vinci, Italy, is one of the greatest geniuses in history, known for his exceptional talent in multiple disciplines, including painting, engineering, anatomy and architecture. His ability to integrate art and science makes him an emblematic figure of the Renaissance.

Among his most famous works are "La Mona Lisa" and "The Last Supper", both considered masterpieces of Western art. The Mona Lisa with her enigmatic smile, has intrigued generations and is one of the most recognized and visited paintings in the world. "The Last Supper" captures the dramatization of Judas' betrayal, showcasing his mastery in using perspective and emotional detail.

Besides his artistic achievements, Leonardo was a prolific inventor and scientist. His notebooks contain designs ahead of their time, such as helicopters, submarines and flying machines. He also conducted detailed studies of human anatomy, which contributed significantly to medical knowledge. Leonardo combined insatiable curiosity with a meticulous observation of the natural world. His studies of botany, geology, optics and hydraulics reveal a deep understanding and love of science.

His legacy lives on not only in his artwork and designs, but also in his interdisciplinary approach, which continues to inspire artists, scientists and engineers worldwide.



A very warm welcome to Carol Mary Hay who has moved into unit 38



### A WINETASTING WITH A DIFFERENCE

“ The Shackelton.

A group of friends was doing what we love to do, go tasting in the Winelands.

After a few delightful stops, we ended up for lunch at the Stettyn Family Vineyards.

To our great surprise, we noticed a large mural on one of their back walls, of an airplane with the words Shackleton in bold letters. Our immediate thoughts were Antarctica and the Shackleton connection. But how wrong we were.

On 8<sup>th</sup> of August 1963, the South African Air Force Shackleton Maritime Patrol Aircraft 1718 crashed into the mountains on the Stettyn farm, between Worcester and Villiersdorp. All 13 crew members died.

The Stettyn family has honoured the crew by this large painting of the plane. Next to the mural is a display of names and pictures and dates of the persons who died in the crash, and also mentioning where their last resting places are. They were all so young, doing their military service for the country.

### A DIFFERENT WINETASTING INDEED

We enjoyed oysters and wine. One of their wines pays tribute to The Shackleton disaster.

We had a very good Pinot Noir, called The Shackleton, which we found needed to rest for a few years, and a delightful Petra Amphora Chardonnay, which was perfect for the oysters.”

*Wenche Hovstad*







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14th March 2025

Dear Mr Wish,

I'm writing in response to your numerous letters and the most recent 'Cease and Desist'.

I'd like to firstly acknowledge receipt of your correspondence.

Secondly, I'd like to apologise for the apparent upset our *"flat out refusal to sell boots of any kind"* has caused you, your son Laarzen, and pet cat, Boots.

After reviewing the 74 letters on file, and think the previous light-hearted tone in our reply may have been due to the assumption you were being humorous. Apologies if this wasn't the case.

Boots has never sold boots. In fact, our name references our Founder John Boot who started the business in 1849.

You're technically correct in your assertion there should be an apostrophe in our logo. But after your first *"fruitless and bootless visit"* perhaps should have stopped there before *"tearfully traipsing around hundreds of our stores up and down the country at great personal and emotional cost."*

I'd like to point out, a Cease and Desist is a serious legal request. Not, as you seem to believe, a request to *"stop using poor grammar in a company logo"*. We're also unable to *"cease and desist refusing to sell boots"* as you confusingly asked on more than one occasion.

We wish your son well in his celebrity football match, and your cat Boots all the best in his upcoming *"cowboy fashion parade"*.

We do hope you're able to find boots suitable for both. I notice you're London based, maybe try Selfridges - to avoid confusion they do not sell fridges. For that, perhaps try Currys, who confusingly do not sell food. They are however a newer business and might be open to adding an apostrophe to their logo.

We hope this finally settles the matter.

Kind regards,

Darryl Phipps  
Customer Services

The power of an apostrophe





The Statue of Liberty is a symbol of freedom, justice and democracy, and was a gift from France to the United States to commemorate the centenary of its independence:

**Design:** It was designed by the French sculptor Auguste Bartholdi, and Gustave Eiffel, the designer of the Eiffel Tower, contributed to the construction of the internal structure.

**Construction:** It was built in Paris, except for the pedestal, which was the work of the United States.

**Transport:** It was dismantled into 300 pieces, packed in 214 crates and shipped to the United States.

**Inauguration:** It was inaugurated in October 1886. **Location:** It is located on Bedloe's Island, renamed Liberty Island since 1956, at the entrance to New York Bay.

**Symbolism:** The statue represents freedom and democracy.

The woman holding a torch in her right hand symbolizes the enlightenment that guides people to freedom. **Declaration of World Heritage:** It was declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1984.





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16 April at 12:54 · 🌐

Did you know, electronic waste is toxic to throw in your normal bin and also contains valuable materials that can be re-used?

This includes laptops, toasters and kettles.

Recycle your e-waste today! Find a bin near you on our website, see link in our bio.

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## WHAT E-WASTE CAN I RECYCLE?

### ✓ RECYCLABLE ITEMS



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Headphones



Hard Drives



Cellphones



Kettles



Vacuums



Toasters



TVs



Washing Machines



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Mouses



Computers



Keyboards



Cables



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Tubes

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Some people have the lowest stress rate because they do not understand the seriousness of most medical terminology...

Artery : The study of paintings

Bacteria : Back door to cafeteria

Barium : What doctors do when patients die

Benign : What you be, after you be eight

Caesarean Section : A neighbourhood in Rome

Cat scan : Searching for Kitty

Cauterize : Made eye contact with her

Coma : A punctuation mark

Dilate : To live long

Enema : Not a friend

Fester : Quicker than someone else

Fibula : A small lie

Impotent : Distinguished, well known

Labor Pain : Getting hurt at work

Morbid : A higher offer

Nitrates : Rates of Pay for Working at Night,

Node : I knew it

Outpatient : A person who has fainted

Pelvis : Second cousin to Elvis

Secretion : Hiding something

Seizure : Roman Emperor

Tablet : A small table

Terminal Illness : Getting sick at the airport

Tumour : One plus one more

Urine : Opposite of you're out

WHY WOULD ANYBODY WORRY ABOUT ANY OF THESE?

Please STAY SAFE, but keep your sense of humour.

*Mike Smith*





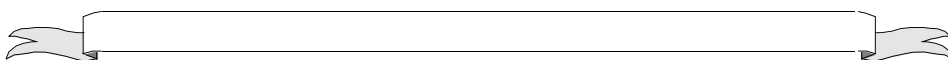
*The old church building and millennia-old yew tree at Fortingall in rural Perthshire.*

*(Image credit: Getty Images/iStockphoto)*

BY CLIVE ASLET PUBLISHED 8 JANUARY 2023

What is the oldest living organism in Europe? It could be the yew tree that grows in the churchyard at Fortingall. Long ago, the trunk changed shape, losing its centre and one side to become a one-dimensional ligneous wall. Nobody quite knows the exact age of this relic, but it is calculated not in decades, not in centuries, but in millennia.

The late Duke of Buccleuch made a pilgrimage to see it shortly before his death. 'I never cease to marvel at the fact that there is something living today that was 3,000 or more years old at the time of the first Christmas,' he said.



Legacy of a Legend:

"Nearly a century of wonder. Sir David Attenborough has shown us Earth like no one else."

# LEGACY OF A LEGEND

Sir David Attenborough  
has shown us Earth like no one else.



**A true gift to our planet**  
**Happy 99th birthday (8th May)**

Too good to not share 🤔

1. When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.
  2. To me, "drink responsibly" means don't spill it.
  3. Age 60 might be the new 40, but 9:00 pm is the new midnight.
  4. It's the start of a brand new day, and I'm off like a herd of turtles.
  5. The older I get, the earlier it gets late.
  6. When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.
  7. I remember being able to get up without making sound effects.
  8. I had my patience tested. I'm negative.
  9. Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.
  10. If you're sitting in public and a stranger takes the seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say, "Did you bring the money?"
  11. When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing.
  12. I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.
  13. I run like the winded.
  14. I hate when a couple argues in public, and I missed the beginning and don't know whose side I'm on.
  15. When someone asks what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"
  16. When you do squats, are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing on an aluminum can stuffed with celery?
  17. I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.
  18. When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "east."
  19. Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head. That'll freak you right out.
  20. Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people cops.
  21. My luck is like a bald guy who just won a comb.
- Which one is YOUR favorite?

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Tampa photographer Jean Claude spent three years attempting to capture the perfect sunset photo at Clearwater Pier, Florida.

When he finally managed to take the shot, a bird flew into the frame, adding an extra touch of beauty.



Thanks to all for your contributions—keep them coming to [flickiwal@gmail.com](mailto:flickiwal@gmail.com)

Cut off date for July is the middle of June

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