



## Welcome

Every now and then a hotel gets the chance to be a part of something very cool, as is the case in our collaboration with Red Bull on the new Hippo Red Bull Suite. We were very excited to begin with, but were truly impressed with the final result. With a number of original works by local artists, it creates a fresh, urban South African feel that sets a whole new level of hotel hipness. Available for bookings now - see more pictures and details [here](#).



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## Win a Country Getaway

We love South Hill Wines, the official unofficial wines of the Hippo. But many don't realize their beautiful estate in the Elgin Valley also has a four-bedroom luxury villa that serves as a guesthouse, perfect for a country getaway. Since we believe everyone should have a chance to experience this, book seven -or-more nights at the Hippo for the month of August and you stand a chance to win this country guesthouse for yourself and friends for a midweek or weekend getaway, valued at R10,000!



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## Upcoming Highlight

**Cape Town Fashion Week** gets underway from 20 - 22 August at the CTICC. Bigger and better each year, don't miss all the exciting shows from designers like Gavin Rajah and Craig Port. Tickets available at [computicket.co.za](http://computicket.co.za) from August 1.



## The Black Book.....where are we going to this month.

### EAT

With **The Quarter**, Bruce Robertson's latest venture and completely devoted to 'bunny chow,' it seems he has said *sayonara* to the world of fine dining for now. The menu offers a variety of fillings, from traditional lamb mince to gourmet crayfish, in either half or quarter loaf. There's nothing glamorous about the place, but a good bunny chow is always a treat, especially in winter. 44 Long Street, CBD.

### SHOP

Run by a trio of ladies, the **Rhubarb Room** on the edge of the Bo-Kaap is a "gifts, café and clothing shop" with style. Aside from the café (serving breakfast, lunch and tea), their repertoire of services specializes in gifting, hosting intimate events (kitchen teas, baby showers) and kitting fashionable Cape Town ladies in cool brands, from hip Mingo Lamberti tees to Desray couture. There's a lot of love here, go check it out. 142 Buitengracht Service St. 021 424 2004.

### DRINK

Cape Town's bustling model industry has a love affair with **Karma**, as a visit to this beach lounge in Camp's Bay on most nights will confirm. The space is home to regular guest DJ's and the stylish peninsula party set, but if you feel like skipping the crowds, head early from the beach to enjoy sundowners on the deck overlooking the Atlantic. Victoria Road, Camp's Bay. 021 438 7773.

### PARTY

Our guests involved in international film and advertising production are always keen to let loose when the job is done. **The Assembly** provides a live local music venue for them and the local hipster scene, with a consistently attractive monthly lineup. From local rockers to electro outfits to the occasional international DJ, there is always something to break out and dance to here. 61 Harrington Street. 021 465 7286.