



The Cape Milner Sustainability Initiatives 2023

At Cape Milner Hotel, we are committed to minimizing our environmental impact, promoting responsible tourism, and meeting the growing demand for eco-friendly accommodation.

We have implemented a range of thoughtful initiatives at our establishment. These initiatives, though individually small, collectively contribute to our commitment to sustainability and responsible tourism. By adopting these measures, we aim to minimize our ecological footprint and create a more environmentally conscious accommodation option for our guests.

Energy Efficiency:

- We use energy-saving light bulbs throughout the hotel to reduce electricity consumption.
- Gas is predominantly used for all kitchen equipment, reducing reliance on electricity.
- Heat pumps are gas-generated, requiring less electricity for operation.
- Air conditioning and TVs are switched off in vacant bedrooms to conserve energy.
- Pool pumps are switched off at night to minimize energy usage.

Water Conservation:

- In guest bedrooms, we provide Eco cards that encourage guests to drop towels in the bath when they need washing, reducing water usage.
- Linen is changed for guests every third night of their stay, conserving water.
- Low-flow shower heads and taps are installed to reduce water consumption.
- Our water irrigation system operates on a timer to optimize water usage.
- The swimming pool is a salt pool, eliminating the need for chemical treatments.

Minimize Single Use of Plastic:

- In guest bedrooms, amenities are hygienically refilled, and bottles are reused, minimizing plastic waste.
- Paper pens are provided, which can be recycled.
- Refillable glass bottles are used for water throughout the hotel, including bedrooms and conference facilities.

Collaboration with Suppliers:

- We collaborate with Miko, our coffee supplier, who shares our focus on sustainability. They are involved in social initiatives that aim to protect the environment and support local communities.
- We use biodegradable straws and takeaway boxes to reduce plastic waste.
- Local suppliers, such as Fitch and Leedes for soft drinks and Lausanne dairies for dairy products, are preferred to support the local economy and reduce transportation-related emissions.
- We source from local distilleries, such as KWV, Gin, and Jack Black, to promote local businesses and reduce carbon emissions.
- Charlotte Rhys products used in the hotel are locally produced, safe to use, and have credentials such as cruelty-free and fair trade.
- Sunflower oil and palm oil used in the hotel's operations are sourced sustainably, recycled, and used for biofuel production.
- Air-layered napkins are used instead of cotton napkins, ensuring they can be recycled.

Through these initiatives, Cape Milner Hotel aims to minimize its environmental impact, promote responsible tourism, and contribute to a more sustainable future. We continually seek new opportunities to enhance our sustainability efforts and encourage our guests to participate in these initiatives during their stay.