

Four Rosmead, for sure!



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Four Rosmead is the kind of Cape Town boutique hotel where you would put your visiting family and friends who can afford to fly First but choose Business class instead.



The rooms are generous... and well-served.

With four managers to just eight rooms, service is efficient, intelligent, and available when you want it without feeling someone is breathing down your neck.

I liked the fact that while someone was available on the premises 24-hours a day we were also given our own door latch key and remote for the off-street, secured parking.

Windows on the world

Rooms in this original 1903 Oranjezicht mansion, a listed monument, are generous and I loved the number of windows and opening doors in the rooms including a rather beautiful apse round window which comes with a block-out shield if you're a light sleeper.

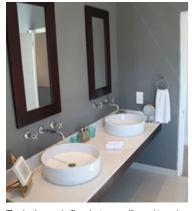
Situated at 4 Rosmead Avenue, on the slopes of Table Mountain you can easily walk into Green Market Square or Long Street and it is a short drive to the Table Mountain Cable Station or the V&A Waterfront.



Fancy a dip? But wait for warmer weather.

Four-star, with benefits

I got the feeling that owner David Shorrock and his team worked hard to think about the needs and wants of travellers.



The bathroom is fine, but you will need to ask for one with a bath if you fancy a bit of a soak.

There was nothing missing from the room that you'd expect from a five-star establishment even though theirs is four-star graded but there were many value-adds, the next day's weather forecast along, for example and notes with some local knowledge about what to look out for when visiting the mountain, for example.

Turn down included small bottles of Amarula.

I especially like that they had a solar-heated, salt-water pool and cafe-style tables and chairs to sit outside over looking the pretty garden.

Like a bath? Just ask

Breakfast is included in your room rate but while they don't have a 24-hour kitchen, lunch and dinner is available upon request, and they have a partnership with a top nearby deli. I also liked that you can order from many local eateries (menus are in the room) who will deliver to Four Rosmead and the staff will plate the meal and serve it to you in the breakfast room.

All rooms offer extra length king/twin beds, air-con, LCD HD satellite TV (not HD ready), DVD player, iPod docking station and free Wi-Fi internet connectivity.

Not all rooms have baths so be sure to request one or, if you prefer a room with a fireplace, private garden, balcony of

courtyard access.

There is a spa offering a variety of massage treatments with advance bookings.

Four Rosmead is a TripAdvisor Travellers Choice Award winner and I can see why.

For more information go to Four Rosmead or call +27 (0) 21 480 3810.

The windows are large, so there's amply natural light and oceans of fresh air on demand.

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