

Table Mountain Cableway making every drop of water count

In light of National Water Week - 20 to 26 March 2017 - Table Mountain Cableway shares its water reducing measures to aid other businesses looking for ways to save water in drought-stricken Cape Town.



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Here's how Table Mountain Cableway makes every drop count:

- The Cableway has an on-site plumber to fix any water leaks or issues immediately
- · Melted ice from ice-buckets used during the day is used to wash the floors in the Table Mountain Café
- Waterless urinals are installed throughout the facilities
- · Grey water from the hand basins is used to flush the water-recycling toilets
- · All toilets are fitted with dual flush mechanisms
- · All bathrooms are fitted with sensor operated, push-button taps
- Food and beverage facilities make use of compostable cups, lids, and cutlery to reduce washing
- · Waterless mops and spray-on cleaning chemicals are used to clean front of house areas
- · Water meters record water usage, which is reported on weekly
- The production kitchen was moved to the Lower Station to further reduce grey-water generation

With further water restrictions in place, the Cableway has also taken some extra measures to save water:

- Condensation from the ice machine is collected in a bucket and used to water plants around the Lower Station building
- · Cleaning staff only make use of half-filled buckets to clean the floors
- The kitchen now makes use of a hot element instead of a bain-marie to heat food

"Table Mountain Cableway was the first attraction in South Africa to have a Diamond Heritage rating for sound environmental practices, a main part of which are our water wise initiatives," says Cableway Marketing Manager Collette van Aswegen. "Maintaining a high standard of environmental consciousness and water-wise business practices needs to remain at the forefront of our thinking, now more than ever. We, as individuals and companies large and small, can each do our bit to alleviate the crisis."

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