TECHNICAL TOURS

Pre-payment & Cancellation period: 1 week (7 days) prior to commencing of tour

Minimum number required to confirm the tour: 10 delegates

CAPE TOWN, WESTERN CAPE

Description:	CAFE TOWN ARCHITECTORE TOOK
Tour name:	CAPE TOWN ARCHITECTURE TOUR

Description:

The interactive walking tour informs and challenges participants as we explore the built fabric of the Cape Town inner city environment. The history of Cape Town is layered through political struggle, space making theory and the geographical challenges of the city bowl. As the tour moves through the bustling inner city, we will explore how the key themes of **Mobility, Residency, and Celebration** have weathered this historical evolution. In both architectural form and place making, participants will better understand and identify city making processes and the complexities of the contested space that is Cape Town.

Lunch: city restaurant Talk: Kirsten Wilkins

Length of tour (hrs):	Half Day - 05 hours
Dates and times of	11 August 2014
tour:	09h00 - 14h00
Cost per person	R820.00pp
Contact details:	Deveena Naiker – <u>deveenan@turnergroup.co.za</u>
Minimum number:	10 Adults
Activity Level:	Moderate (no transport included)
Included:	Sightseeing as per itinerary, light Lunch with 01 x local beverage.

Tour name:	CAPE TOWN GREEN BUILDING TOUR

Description:

Tour: I am green. No.1 Silo

An office development that takes into consideration the wellbeing of its occupants through design innovations such as displaced ventilation to eliminate sick building syndrome and a roof garden propagated using indigenous plants.

This building is located in the Silo precinct of the V+A Waterfront, adjacent to the historical Grain Silo and Elevator building. It was developed simultaneously with its neighbour, 2 Silo, which accommodates retail space at ground level and 31 apartments on 7 levels above.

The building seeks to be sustainable, well beyond the requirements of "best practice." 1 Silo has been awarded a 6 Star Design rating by the Green Building Council of South Africa. It has been an important principle that the environmental response be achieved without compromising the utility of the building, the comfort of the occupants or the aesthetic quality of the building.

Tour: The V&A Waterfront

The V&A Waterfront precinct is a mixed-use development comprising of about 400,000m2 of buildings and attracting around 23 million visitors per year. The shareholders of the property have embarked on a programme to green the development of the dual purpose of making the entire operation more environmentally sustainable as well as improving efficiencies and saving costs. Approximately R22million has been invested in energy saving projects alone over the last 3 years.

Lunch: Quay 4	
Talk: Lloyd Rubidge	
Length of tour (hrs):	Half Day - 05 hours
Dates and times of	10 & 16 August 2014
tour:	09h00 - 14h00
Cost per person	R695.00pp
Contact details:	Deveena Naiker – <u>deveenan@turnergroup.co.za</u>
Minimum number:	10 Adults
Activity Level:	Moderate (no transport included)
Included:	Sightseeing as per itinerary, light Lunch with 01 x local beverage.

Tour name:	CAPE TOWN HOUSING & INFORMAL SETTLEMENT TOUR

Description:

Tour 1 – VPUU – Khayelitsha

Freedom to move and to be mobile is a human right!

Safety is a key aspect related to mobility, and ranges from integrated safety devices in modern vehicles, to the design of safe pedestrian walkways like the Violence Prevention Urban Upgrade (VPUU) project, which was initiated in 2006. The VPUU is an example of design that can transform the life of residents living in poor circumstances, such as the people living in the township Khayelitsha. The VPUU Harare Urban Park is situated within the Harare neighbourhood. Prior to the development of this site as a public space, it was considered to be a crime hotspot, unsafe for walking and often used as an illegal dumping ground. In the past Harare had some of the highest murder and rape statistics in SA.

By improving the overall environment within the community, there was a 24% drop in crime in one year, and an overall drop of 40% in Harare, Khayelitsha.

Tour 2: 10x10 Housing / Mitchells Plain

The issue of low-cost housing in South Africa is also of global social relevance. The Design Indaba 10x10 Low-Cost Housing Project aims to stimulate alternative solutions to housing and to truly "create a better future, by design". In Cape Town some of the most impoverished families will benefit directly, but this project is also a powerful vehicle to stimulate a much wider debate, awareness and creative thought around the delivery of low-income housing.

The first qualifying solution came from Luyanda Mpahlwa, the Executive Director and partner of MMA Architects. For the 10 x 10 Low-Cost Housing project they had to design for a single-family home and leverage the extremely tight budget by borrowing elements from indigenous mud-andwattle building techniques. The Cape Town studio of MMA Architects has since transformed into the new firm DesignSpace Africa under the leadership of Luyanda Mpahlwa.

Lunch: Mzoli's

Talk: 10x10 housing informant (pending)

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Length of tour (hrs):	Half Day – 05 ½ hours
Dates and times of	11 August 2014
tour:	08h30 - 14h00
Cost per person	R1040.00pp
Contact details:	Deveena Naiker – <u>deveenan@turnergroup.co.za</u>
Minimum number:	10 Adults
Activity Level:	Moderate
Included:	Transportation, sightseeing as per itinerary, entrance fees, services of a
	registered English speaking guide and light Lunch with juice.

Tour name: CAPE TOWN PUBLIC SPACE TOUR

Description:

How could design thinking work and seek to connect the Green Point Common and Cape Town Stadium area, as a single urban fabric, and promote a more integrated, inclusive Cape Town?

Cape Town Stadium and the surrounding Green Point Common was developed and designed to host the 2010 FIFA World Cup, and has since played an important part in the on-going narrative of Cape Town and the region.

This tour explores the potential of design to shape the future of the Cape Town stadium, transport connections, public realm, Green Point Park, and the value of the proximity to the City Centre and V&A Waterfront.

Tour participants emerge from the 'MyCiTi' Stadium Station and into the bottom of the elevated Green Point Circle. Here we experience the space, and discuss the elements of the surrounding fabric including the pedestrian and cycle routes, and how to introduce and integrate mixed-use space for safety and vibrancy.

From this space, we move towards the Cape Town Stadium, experiencing the space created (or intended to be created) by the stadium forecourt and its current function, defined by skateboarders, footballers and other users of the space. We introduce a discussion on the role of urban design i.e.: to design spaces for large events, but more importantly, for the 99% of time when it is experienced by a pedestrian or cyclist on a daily basis.

We then enter Cape Town Stadium, and discuss the various elements that make up this iconic and elegant venue. From the German engineered stadium roof, which can move in high winds, to the stadium facade, constructed using woven metallic mesh. From a public realm perspective we explore the potential of a surrounding high street or active edge, and the challenges thus far, while on the podium and surrounding concourse, we capture the spectacular views of the surrounding spaces, including the golf course, Fort Wynard, and Somerset Hospital.

We elaborate on how these parts of the puzzle fit together in terms of accessibility for people, businesses, organisations, and sustainability: considering environment, finance, and structure.

The singular message is that the multi-purpose venue can be moulded to the aspirations of all Capetonians, and that the future of the venue as an anchor in the vibrant hub we call Cape Town is bright.

As we leave Cape Town Stadium we walk by the refurbished Green Point Athletics Stadium, and towards the Green Point Park. Here we will be discussing the need for a more coherent spacial network which connects public spaces rather than detaching them into disconnected islands of spaces. While walking through Green Point park we reflect on its success and magnetic role in attracting families and residents from across Cape Town to enjoy its beautifully thought-out spaces. We will also conceptualise on how to better introduce new elements, like an eco-centre, tea-room, or ice-cream seller to continue to develop its character in our public space orientated culture.

The tour comes to a close with a mapping exercise, where participants are given a plan of the entire Green Point Common area. They will be encouraged to draw and add their ideas for specific interventions (on a precinct scale), which could form connections and support the long term sustainability, vibrancy and accessibility of the site. The best ideas and thoughts will then be collected and broadcast across various social media networks.

Lunch: picnic style Talk: Rashig Fataar

Length of tour (hrs):	Half Day - 05 hours
Dates and times of	09 August 2014
tour:	09h00 – 14h00
Cost per person	R700.00pp

Contact details:	Deveena Naiker – <u>deveenan@turnergroup.co.za</u>
Minimum number:	10 Adults
Activity Level:	Moderate (no transport included)
Included:	Sightseeing as per itinerary and light Lunch.
Excluded:	MyCiti ticket to the Stadium Station

Description: Open House 16 will be a tour of selected buildings by Andrews & Niegeman, a firm of architects who practiced in Cape Town between 1945 -1999. The Rex Trueform and House of Monastic clothing factories in Salt River are amongst their most famous and so is the SA Naval College in Muizenberg. The clothing industry in Cape Town, and the buildings that it produced, played a significant role in the particular way that the city of Cape Town developed in terms of race, class, and identity. Through the work of pioneer modernist architects Doug E Andrews, and Henk Niegeman we will reflect on how a reading of architectural space can uncover some of these complexities. Ex-factory workers, knowledgeable practitioners, and current occupiers will lead the tour with insights that could prompt valuable discussions. Visitors will be exposed to a group of buildings that gives an integral glimpse into the history of garment making and the buildings that supported this industry. More information on the buildings and the architects can be found here. The event is public and forms part of the Cape Town 2014 Open Design festival. It is therefore an opportunity for UIA delegates visiting Cape Town to meet and engage with local architects and interested public.

Lunch: Venue TBC Talk: Ilze Wolff and others

Length of tour (hrs):	Half Day - 05 hours
Dates and times of	16 August 2014
tour:	09h00 - 16h00
Cost per person	R1275.00pp
Contact details:	Deveena Naiker – <u>deveenan@turnergroup.co.za</u>
Minimum number:	10 Adults
Activity Level:	Moderate
Included:	Transportation, pocket guide with locations and schedule, light Lunch with
	01 x local beverage.

Tour name:	CAPE TOWN URBAN / RURAL ECO SYSTEMS TOUR
Description:	

Tour 1: Berg River Improvement Plan 09h00 - 10h00

The Berg River Improvement Plan was developed by the Western Cape Government and is managed across various provincial departments. The Plan addresses short (≤5 years) and long (5 − 30 years) term objectives to achieve the vision of having a Water Stewardship Programme for the Berg River Catchment that would change the lives of people through the implementation of simple, but effective, interventions. Through these interventions the project is aimed at the protection and sustainable management of our most valuable resource, water, for which the Berg River Catchment is critical in terms of its supply and quality for further economic development. By having a holistic approach, the interventions are varied and targeted towards improving the condition for both local communities and our natural heritage. With the use of innovative design and engagement with local communities, the project also seeks to offer economic opportunity through its implementation. Special areas of focus in this regard are informal settlements, where by working better together with the community we have established a partnership to address a common goal. The same can be said for the farming community, where through an understanding of the needs and expectations of all role-players, has resulted in the successful establishment of

rehabilitation programmes along the Berg River. The legacy of this project will be the recognition of the value of Ecosystem Services and the return of natural resources to the Berg River, while promoting sustainable growth and development in the Western Cape.

Tour 2 : Genius of place berg river project 10h00 - 11h00

The Genius of Place project integrates the philosophy of Bio mimicry with the knowledge of local communities to address concerns which impact on the natural and social environment of the area. Bio mimicry is about using Life's Principles, understanding the way nature works to solve challenges, and translating this "genius" for the design and production of innovative solutions. Key areas which are being addressed include, solid waste management and water and sanitation. The design process has included extensive participation with the local community of Langrug, in Franschhoek, to understand the "genius" that already exists in addressing these key areas while ensuring acceptability and buy-in from the community. From the design, the systems to be developed will strive to ensure a mutual benefit for both the community and natural environment. In the case of the former, innovative ways of harvesting resources, from what is commonly seen as waste, will seek to offer some form of economic benefit while serving to clean and protect the natural environment.

Tour 3 - Langrug Informal Settlement upgrading 11h00 – 12h00

Established in 1994, Langrug informal settlement is located three kilometres northwest of the town of Franschhoek in the Stellenbosch wine lands. For years, Langrug community members had repeatedly protested about poor service delivery (e.g. sanitation, waste disposal) and the local government's lack of community consultation during interventions. In 2010 a neighbouring farmer filed a complaint with Stellenbosch Municipality because of Langrug's grey water leakage into his farm. Stellenbosch Municipality subsequently approached the Community Organisation Resource Centre (CORC) and the Informal Settlement Network (ISN) to facilitate a partnership with Langrug community. This partnership spearheaded a number of informal settlement upgrading initiatives in Langrug. Unlike the past, it centred on close community consultation and community-led planning. Langrug's upgrading included the re-blocking (reorganisation) of shacks by community members, improving public spaces, ablution and communal structures, the provision of further services, the building of a Multi-Purpose Centre and a Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Facility. The upgrading projects also involved other partners such as students from the University of Cape Town (RSA) and the Worcester Polytechnic Institute (USA). The partnership between Stellenbosch Municipality, Langrug community and CORC / ISN is particularly significant because it is the first partnership with a local municipality that made local government funds directly accessible for the purpose of informal settlement upgrading. It also resulted in building a municipal-wide network of poor communities. Langrug community's engagement with CORC and ISN is on-going around further projects.

Lunch: Bathos's Place African Restaurant.

Talk: Shannon-Royden Turner

Length of tour (hrs):	Half Day - 06 hours
Dates and times of	11 August 2014
tour:	08h00 - 14h00
Cost per person	R1095.00pp
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Minimum number:	10 Adults
Activity Level:	Moderate
Included:	Transportation, Sightseeing as per itinerary, light Lunch with 01 x local
	beverage.