

# Forest Cottages

This row of deceptively rustic, terraced cottages is made up of five mezzanine cottages and two, more spacious, two-bedroomed cottages. All have sun-drenched patios, open-plan living, dining and kitchen areas, that overlook an immense swimming pool with a vine-covered, pool-side pavilion. Decorated with a collection of watercolours, oil paintings, colourful Indian textiles and antique linen cushions, each rustic cottage has its own unique sense of life, adventure and tranquility. Booked together, they are the ideal setting for large family gatherings and celebrations, or individually for quiet getaways.

## ***Mezzanine Cottages (Cottages Numbers 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8)***

The main bedroom, with double bed, of these intimate cottages is located on the ground floor. The mezzanine-level second bedroom has twin beds nestled in the eaves and overlooks a cozy, open-plan living, dining and kitchen area, with a dining table seating 6, built-in Barazza-style sofas, armchairs, and an open wood-burning fire. French doors open out onto a sheltered patio with built-in barbecue and endless views.

Ideal for couples sharing or families with older children, these cottages have a family shower-room, with enclosed shower, loo and single basin (towels and toiletries provided). The rooms are equipped with a fan for summer, and wall-panel heaters if the nights are cool. Each bedroom has a guesthouse quality mattress, pure cotton bedding, feather pillows and duvet – adding a touch of luxury to each cottage's rustic simplicity.

## ***Two-Bed Cottages (Cottages 3 and 6)***

Unlike the mezzanine cottages, both the main (double) and second (twin) bedrooms of these two cottages are on ground level, also with a shared, family shower-room. The spacious open-plan living, dining and kitchen areas contain built-in Barazza-style seating and lavish armchairs, with a wood-burning closed fireplace. French doors open onto a sunny patio with Weber barbecue, and small table and chairs – perfect for families with young children, couples sharing or with elderly grandparents.

All eight of the Forest Cottages have well-equipped kitchens with electric hobs and combination oven/microwaves, fridge/freezer units, SMEG toasters and kettles and an ample supply of crockery, everything you need for alfresco family meals or cozy dinners. You can even help yourself to seasonal herbs and veggies from the kitchen gardens outside the cottage entrances. Picnic on the lawns by the pool, stoke the fire for a barbecue (braai) on your patio, dine at the farmhouse-style dining tables or gather with friends in the pavilion for pool-side meals.



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## **Honeymoon Cottage**

With arguably the best view in Franschhoek, this intimate cottage with its private, sun-drenched patio, plunge pool and whitewashed charm, is located on the forest edge. Large sash windows, open beams with bamboo ceilings, double bedroom, large wood-burning fireplace, handmade Indian quilts and colourful textiles all give this cottage its sense of life, adventure and serene romance. The ideal honeymoon or romantic retreat.

The cottage's double bedroom is decorated with a collection of art, colourful Indian textiles and antique linen cushions. The guesthouse quality mattress, pure cotton bedding, feather pillows and duvet are lavish touches of luxury within the cottage's rustic simplicity. It is equipped with a fan for summer nights, and a Morso wood-burning fire if the nights are cool.

Large French doors open out from the bedroom onto the sunny, covered patio with Barbazza-style seating. The en-suite has a large enclosed shower, basin and loo, with towels and toiletries provided.

While the honeymoon cottage stands separate from La Cotte's row of terraced farm cottages, and has its own plunge pool, guests are also welcome to use the 20 x 5m lap pool and pavilion, located behind the cottage.

## **Facilities**

*Dining:* each cottage has a well-equipped kitchen with electric hob and convection oven, and fridge/freezer. Small table with chairs on the patio, and farm style dining area indoors. Or stoke up the barbecue in the outdoor fireplace

*Communal areas:* with their built-in sofas and large armchairs, the intimate sitting rooms are perfect for fireside glasses of wine, while the Barazza-style seating on the patios is custom built so that you can soak up the sunset, fall asleep in the sun or just take in the endless views. The vine-covered pool pavilion also has Barazza-style seating, with a built-in barbecue.

*Internet access:* WiFi is available through the cottages.

*Swimming pool:* a 20 x 5 m lap pool and pool pavilion



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*Recreational:* walk around La Cotte Farm, or take a 10 minute walk right into the heart of Franschoek village with all its galleries, shops and award-winning restaurants; or explore the many wine-tasting destinations.

*Weddings and celebrations:* Great for a small wedding or a family celebration using all the cottages, with loads of space and the option of having a chef. All in all can accommodate 20 adults and 10 children. There is also La Cotte House on the farm, which can accommodate 16 guests.

Also...

It is quiet, set on the edge of an historic estate, yet only minutes from everything Franschoek village has to offer

Great value

Languages spoken: English and Afrikaans

Servicing: The staff is very friendly and will come in on request

Take all the cottages and have outside catering come and cook for you

## ***In Summary***

Wi-Fi Internet

Moroso or wood-burning fireplaces

Well-equipped kitchen

Fridge/freezer

Convection oven/microwave combination

Electric hob

SMEG toaster and kettle

Large lawned garden and full access to the farm

Spectacular valley views

Sunny patios

Daily maid service on request

Large outdoor lap pool

Barbecues (braais)

Toiletries and towels

Fans for summer

Help yourself to seasonal herbs and veggies

Star gazing



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