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MAY 2019

REPORT ON OUR APRIL OUTING

1 love Yzer!

Thursday dawned with almost summer-like weather. We headed the

MAY30TH KNUS KAR00 KOMBUIS

71km directly to Yzerfontein and the Lifestyle Centre where Karen and Boytjie were out to meet us all, as we arrived. When this day was in the planning stages, I wanted to introduce the wonderful people Brian & I had met on our recce months prior to our trip. On this day we met Karen and Petrie at the Haus of Décor in the New Life**style Centre** and we were immediately impressed with their friendly personalities. They thought-out-of-the-box and suggested they put together a day-with-a-difference! Karen said she would prepare our lunch – with her experience of having run a Farm Kitchen on her farm outside of Darling we knew we were in good hands! They also suggested asking **Boytjie Basson**, who grew up in Yzerfontein to take us on a guided tour in our coach. On arrival **Boytjie** suggested that we all go either to Rosemead Bakery for their divine coffee and one of their Pasteis da Nata; OR a beer/gin tasting; OR spend time in their pop-up shop which has lovely clothing and handbags and jewellery; OR visit their nursery – all a stroll away from Haus of Décor! At 11h30 we all boarded the coach again and for almost an hour and a 1/4 **Boytjie regaled stories of his youth!** By 13h00 we were back at Haus of Décor. Our first course was a potato soup served with bacon or feta for those who don't eat bacon! It was a different texture of soup as we normally all know – tasty but different! Mains were Chicken a-la-king and an Asparagus Quiche for vegetarians. Not the ideal situation to serve so many people in a Décor shop, and a first for Time Out, who always go to a restaurant! Dessert was malva pudding and a delicious creamy custard with fruit salad for the Jewish ladies who are celebrating Passover and could, obviously, not eat the Malva! We left a bit later than was intended – at 15h30 – making our arrival in Tableview at 16h30 and hopefully Constantia by about

JUNE 27TH LAVENDER GALORE / SPIER & LUNCH @ BARRIQUE



18h00.

Yzerfontein by the sea—meeting the people of this little beach town!

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THURSDAY
30TH MAY

First stop 'Family Farm Stall'- a TREASURE TROVE!

LET'S HEAD TO PAARL &

EXPERIENCE DAYS-GONE-BY

Coach leaves

Tableview at

08h45 &

<u>Constantia</u>

at 09h30

COST FOR THE
DAY IS R480
WHICH
INCLUDES
TRANSPORT
& 2 COURSE
LUNCH

BOOKING AND PAYMENT DEADLINE FRIDAY 24TH MAY

NOTE CHANGE OF PICK UP TIMES We will visit the **Family Farm Stall** when we arrive in Paarl - you can buy anything from wood for your braai; gifts for the hostess; baskets; spices; jams; you name it and you'll find this in the Family Farm Stall! Then it's onto the **Knus Karoo Kombuis** where Nicolene (one of the sisters, will welcome us).

The dream of **KNUS** began with two sisters and their upbringing in the Karoo in Merwerville where their parents still live! From picnics in the middle of nowhere; from looking forward to their grandmother's tin bread; to eating apricots sitting high up in a tree; from childhood praying for rain to learning the 'real' meaning of 'hospitality' **KNUS** / **COZY** represents the encounter people have in the Karoo – a **WARM**, **COMFORTABLE EXPERIENCE**. You can also buy your jam and homemade products or something special to take home from the Karoo.



Two sisters who grew up in the Karoo and share their love of it in their new restaurant in Paarl

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## LAVENDER(?)+ MOSAICS (?) + LUNCH

I have always been keen to visit **Canettevalei** (a small lavender farm outside Stellenbosch)

**PLAN ONE** for today, weather wise-if the day is fine, is to visit the **Canettevalei** farm—lavender is at its best between May and October! I also realise that days at the of June could have rain and cold weather.

<u>PLAN TWO</u> - if the weather does not play along, we will head to Spier. We will visit the Spier Artisan Studio for a while - The Spier Artisan Studio Stellenbosch is a satellite of the Spier Artisan Studio Cape Town - a master mosaic and ceramic studio - and is situated next to Eight restaurant, close to the farm's historic Werf.

Lunch has been booked at **BARRIQUE RESTAURANT** on the **VREDENHEIM ESTATE**, where parents Karin & Peter Brittz and their daughter Simonè, show their personal detail in the warm welcome visitors receive.

## MORE DETAILS IN THE JUNE NEWSLETTER



## TIME OUT IS 19 & TRAVELTIME IS 12

## **THURSDAY 25TH JULY**

Over the 19 years we are proud to have taken 6736 people on Time Out trips. Coupled with this over

1460 people have travelled with us on Traveltime!

It is indeed reason to celebrate - we are searching for a venue that ticks all the boxes; More details in the June newsletter.

Meanwhile make your booking so we know how many we need to cater for!

