

TRADE ACTIVITY FACT SHEET

LUNCH CRUISE



VESSEL TYPE	55 ft Mono Hull Yacht
VESSEL NAME	Outeniqua
MAXIMUM PAX	12 pax
MINIMUM PAX	4 pax
SEASONALITY	Year Round
DURATION	2.5 hours
DEPARTURE TIMES	10h00 or 11h00

ACTIVITY OVERVIEW

Experience a **luxurious daytime escape on Knysna's waters** with Springtide Charters' **Lunch Cruise**. Aboard a **classic 50-foot mono-hull yacht**, guests glide through the tranquil **Knysna Estuary**, enjoying ever-changing **lagoon views** and the dramatic sandstone cliffs of the region. With numbers **limited to 12 guests**, the cruise offers an **exclusive, personalised experience** ideal for **luxury travellers, incentive groups, and bespoke itineraries**.

As the yacht nears the iconic **Knysna Heads**, guests enjoy the gentle rhythm of **traditional sailing** and a **friendly commentary from the skipper** on the area's history, geology, and marine life. Subject to conditions, the yacht may venture into the **Indian Ocean**, while calm or less ideal conditions ensure a **serene estuary cruise** that remains equally memorable.

A **gourmet picnic-style lunch served on the teak deck** forms the highlight of the journey, paired with refreshing beverages. Guests can relax, socialise, and capture the moment against a stunning backdrop, making the Lunch Cruise a **memorable and elegant daytime experience** that combines **scenic cruising, fine dining, and understated luxury**.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Classic 50-foot mono-hull yacht with traditional sailing charm
- Exclusive experience – max 12 guests for personalised service
- Scenic Knysna Estuary cruise with ever-changing lagoon views
- Indian Ocean passage – skipper assesses conditions for open-water adventure
- Skipper commentary on history, geology, and marine life
- Iconic Knysna Heads with dramatic sandstone cliffs
- Gourmet picnic-style lunch served on deck
- Authentic sailing experience – hands-on, old-school charm
- Intimate and personalised – small group ensures a memorable cruise
- Ideal for incentive groups, luxury travellers, and bespoke itineraries



CATERING

Served picnic-style on our teak deck, layered on a bed of fresh herbs for a touch of natural elegance.

- **Crispy crumbed prawns & sliced smoked chicken**
- **Camembert, Brie & Blue cheese** with homemade onion marmalade and sliced preserved figs
- **Calamata olives & peppadews stuffed with feta**
- **Fresh seasonal fruit**
- **Rosemary & black pepper baguette** served with creamy hummus and a vibrant peppadew dip

The platter can be tailored to accommodate dietary requirements upon request.

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INCLUDES

- Classic 50-foot mono-hull yacht with skipper and crew
- Gourmet picnic-style platter on the teak deck
- Pre-departure briefing
- Life jackets (mandatory for children; adults if crossing Knysna Heads)
- Onboard bathroom facilities
- Scenic estuary cruise and skipper-led ocean passage
- Exclusive small-group experience – max 12 guests

EXCLUDES

- Transport to/from the Waterfront
- Alcoholic or other beverages not included in the platter
- Personal travel insurance or gratuities
- Additional activities not in the itinerary

WHAT TO BRING

- Camera or smartphone to capture the stunning scenery
- Sunglasses and sunscreen for sun protection
- Light jacket or wrap — it can get cool on the water,
- Optional hat or cap for sun protection
- Motion sickness tablets, if prone to seasickness

Guests are asked to remove their shoes to protect the deck. Shoes will be stored and returned after the cruise. Outside food and drinks are not permitted.

SAFETY & COMPLIANCE

- Fully licensed, insured, and compliant with South African maritime regulations
- Life jackets provided: mandatory for children for the entire cruise; adults use them only if proceeding out through the Knysna Heads
- Professional skipper and crew, trained in first aid and emergency procedures
- Cruises are weather-dependent; skipper has full discretion to adjust or cancel for safety
- Safety briefing provided to all guests prior to departure
- Indemnity forms completed by all guests before boarding



ITINERARY SNAPSHOT

Arrival & Check-In

- Meet at Springtide Charters on the Knysna Waterfront
- Indemnity forms completed prior to boarding
- Guests are encouraged to use restroom facilities on land before departure; onboard bathroom facilities available throughout the charter

Boarding & Departure

- Board via a tide-influenced jetty, stepping across onto the yacht
- Classic 50-foot mono-hull sailing yacht offering authentic, old-school sailing
- Brief, informal chat with the skipper once all guests are on board
- Depart from the Waterfront into the Knysna Estuary

Estuary Cruise & Knysna Heads

- Leisurely cruise through the Knysna Estuary toward the iconic Knysna Heads
- Vessel may sail or motor, depending on wind and conditions
- At the Heads, the skipper assesses prevailing conditions
- If suitable, the yacht may proceed into the Indian Ocean
- If not, the cruise continues within the sheltered estuary
- Light commentary on the area's history, geography, and marine environment

Lunch Experience

- Gourmet picnic-style lunch served on the teak deck
- Relaxed daytime cruising with uninterrupted lagoon and coastline views
- Maximum 12 guests, ensuring an exclusive and personalised experience

Return

- Scenic return through the estuary to the Waterfront
- Crew assist guests prior to disembarkation

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