

Cape Town's Cloud 9 reopens after six month renovation, expansion

Boutique hotel and spa Cloud 9, situated in Cape Town, has reopened its doors after an extensive renovation and expansion which took six months to complete.



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The renovation involved, among other things the addition of eight additional guest rooms with balconies, also adding balconies to several of the existing rooms. There is also a heated pool and expanded sun deck for use of guests.

The new rooftop restaurant, Mountain Club, is a double level restaurant with an upper deck which boasts a plunge pool for visitors and a bar with ventilation. Other developments include the recently opened Deluxe Spa and Hair.

Etienne Hanekom of Etienne Hanekom Designs, who is the designer for the renovations for the spa, reception area and bar and restaurant at Cloud 9 Boutique Hotel, explains that the inspiration for the bespoke look and feel was Cape Town and its surrounding nature.

He says: "For the reception area, we wanted to create a more local look and feel with vibrant colours from Bo-Kaap and illustrated scenes of the Atlantic seaboard by local artist Lucie de Moyencourt." Hanekom describes the décor as "slightly eclectic with the use of colour accents from pinks & greens. We tried to soften the spaces with plants that can breathe fresh air into the spaces".

The hotel offers a carefully curated, artistic experience that showcases distinctive art throughout the foyer and 55 guest rooms. The hotel also connects five heritage properties via a central reception and secluded courtyard. Facilities include a spa with three treatment rooms, an elevator, 24-hour reception, security and guest parking.

Gerd Weideman, of Gerd Weideman Architects, is the lead architect, whose footprint includes residential renovations in the Cape Town city bowl, developments along the Atlantic seaboard and hospitality projects in Europe.

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