

WESTERN CAPE TECHNICAL TOUR

23-26 March 2026



**Strandveld Rehabilitation and
Fynbos Restoration**



Regenerative Agriculture



**Aquatic and Coastal Erosion
Protection**

Excluding Flights

What to expect

This technical tour will showcase practical applications in Strandveld mine rehabilitation, alien invasive species management in sensitive biodiversity areas, fynbos restoration, coastal dune stabilisation, and erosion protection. It will also explore the integration of cover crops and animals in regenerative agriculture, as well as the use of geosynthetic technologies in aquatic and coastal systems.

The Tour Includes:

- ✓ Three nights' accommodation (incl. breakfast) at Velddrif
- ✓ Several lunch and dinner meals are included, as indicated in the programme
- ✓ All in-tour transport by bus
- ✓ Included Berg River cruise
- ✓ 30 Spaces

R12 000 p/p: member cost

R13 500 p/p: non-member cost

*Registrations Close: **14 February 2026**



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Activities

Kropz Elandsfontein Phosphate Mine

The recently commissioned [Elandsfontein Phosphate Mine](#) borders the West Coast National Park — making high-quality rehabilitation outcomes essential. This visit will focus on:

- Strip-mine rehabilitation under Strandveld conditions - with the ambitious target of replicating pre-mining landscape functionality
- In situ rehabilitation of filtered sand dumps (including hydroseeding and wind control)
- Methods for alien invasive species management
- The innovative aquifer recharge scheme reintroduces abstracted pit water into the Langebaan wellfield to maintain freshwater flow to the lagoon and prevent saltwater intrusion.



Geosynthetic Technologies in Aquatic and Coastal Systems



At the [Langebaan Lagoon](#) — a Ramsar-listed wetland of international importance — Kaytech will showcase a geosynthetic solution used in the construction of two groynes designed to arrest shoreline erosion and promote natural beach recovery. Participants will see how these engineered geocontainers and groyne structures function to control erosion and stabilise sediments within this ecologically sensitive zone.

At [Blouberg](#), Kaytech will explain how geocontainers have been used to create a flexible, long-lasting coastal revetment that mitigates erosion and protects infrastructure.



Regenerative Agriculture - Spier Wine Farm

This tour at [Spier](#), led by Angus McIntosh (“Farmer Angus”), offers a first-hand exploration of how regenerative agriculture actively restores ecological balance and captures carbon through living soils. On the estate’s 650 hectares, most of the land is dedicated to regenerative farming — including irrigated pastureland, vineyards, vegetables, fruit, and rooibos — alongside a 250-hectare Fynbos rewilding project where hundreds of thousands of bulbs, trees, shrubs, and succulents have been planted as part of environmental buffer and restoration zones to strengthen ecosystem resilience.

We will view their multi-species, high-density rotational grazing systems, where cattle, pigs, and chickens are moved frequently in tightly managed rotations. Cover-crop rotations and pastures with diverse mixes of grasses and legumes support a balanced diet for the pasture-raised animals, including a pasture-raised egg enterprise that is 85% employee-owned.

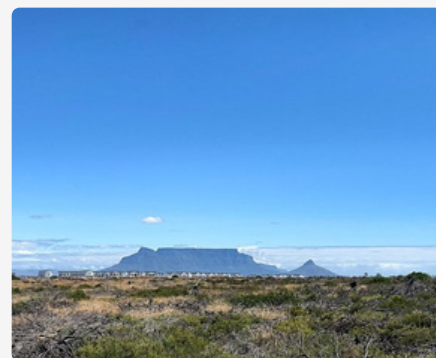
Angus will explain how these integrated systems have sequestered measurable tonnes of carbon (the farm was one of the first globally to receive carbon credits for increasing soil carbon content) and how employees receive 50% of the net income from those carbon sales.

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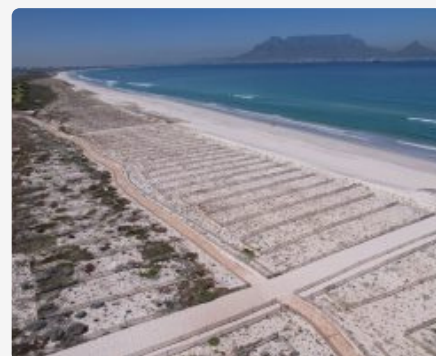
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Fynbos Restoration and Coastal Dune Stabilisation

At the [Sandown Fynbos Corridor](#) near Table View, dense stands of invasive trees were removed from remnants of Cape Flats Sand Fynbos as part of a conservation offset required to complement urban development. The area was replanted with more than 15 000 indigenous plants, and both active and passive restoration strategies are employed, including seed-bank management, fire control and response, alien invasive species control, and ongoing maintenance.



At [Blouberg](#), we will view a coastal-dune stabilisation project, where invasive clearing, dune re-profiling, wind-control structures, and indigenous re-vegetation have improved dune stability and enhanced the protection of adjacent infrastructure along this high-energy shoreline.



Veldt Reared - Small Scale Regenerative Farm (Wolseley)

Experience a practical demonstration of small-scale mixed regenerative farming, where mobile, pasture-based poultry systems operate alongside dairy cows, pigs, ducks, goats, sheep, and cattle to enhance soil structure, nutrient cycling, and vegetation recovery.



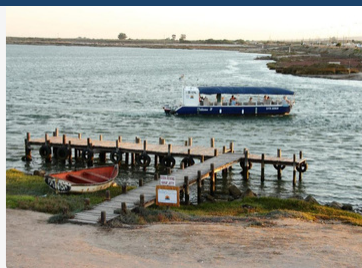
Steph and Rob will share insights from their transition from conventional to regenerative farming, highlighting the operational challenges of farming differently — from sourcing clean feed to finding markets for unconventional, low-input products. The farm also features trial rabbit breeding for cheetah feed, heritage and colour-layer hens, and pasture-raised pigs. We will see how rotational grazing, manure deposition, and rest cycles contribute to veld regeneration.



This farm also demonstrates how community-based food distribution models can broaden market access for small-scale, local, and regenerative farmers and food producers.

All accommodation, in-tour bus transport, and most meals are included. Highlights include a picnic braai at Veldt Reared in Wolseley, where we'll sample the same pasture-raised chicken served at Spier's Vadas Restaurant; lunch at the Melkbos Kitchen in Melkbosstrand; and dinner at Alegria in St Helena Bay. Participants will also be treated to a cruise on the Berg River — a unique opportunity to experience one of South Africa's most intact estuaries, renowned for its exceptional birdlife and ecological significance along the West Coast biodiversity corridor.

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Programme

Monday, 23 March 2026	11:00 - Depart from Cape Town International Airport to Veldt Reared Farm, Wolseley 12:30 - 16:00 Veldt Reared: Lunch and Regenerative Farm Tour 16:00 - Depart to Velddrif 18:00 - Arrive at Accommodation and Check-In 19:30 - Weskus Braai
Tuesday, 24 March 2026	07:30 - Breakfast 08:30 - Depart to Elandsfontein Phosphate Mine, Langebaan 10:00 - Arrival at Elandsfontein Phosphate Mine, Langebaan 14:00 - Depart Elandsfontein for Langebaan 14:30 - Langebaan Lagoon - Kaytech Aquatic and Coastal Applications 15:30 - Depart Velddrif Accommodation 17:00 - Depart Dinner St Helena Bay - Alegria
Wednesday, 25 March 2026	07:00 - Breakfast 07:30 - Depart from Velddrif to Milnerton 09:00 - Arrival at Sanddown Fynbos Corridor 11:00 - Depart Sandown for Table View 11:15 - Table View Dune Stabilisation Project 12:00 - Depart Table View to Blouberg 12:15 - Kaytech Coastal Applications at Blouberg 13:00 - Depart Kaytech Site, Blouberg for Melkbos 13:15 - Lunch at Melkbos Kitchen, Melkbosstrand 14:30 - Depart Melkbos Kitchen for Velddrif 15:45 - Arrive Velddrif 16:30 - Berg River Cruise Free Time - Dinner for own arrangement
Thursday, 26 March 2026	07:00 - Breakfast 08:15 - Depart Velddrif Accommodation 10:15 - Arrive Spier - Farmer Angus Tour 13:00 - Depart Spier for Cape Town International Airport 13:30 - Arrive at Cape Town International Airport



Registration Fees

Member Rate:	R12 000
Non-Member Rate:	R13 500
Group Discount:	15% discount on groups of 3 or more from the same company

Marketing Opportunities

Fynbos Fellowship R20 000	• 1x Free Attendance • Branded Backpacks • Logo on Itinerary • Acknowledgement on Social Media
Dune Defender R10 000	• Branded Lunch Bag • Branded Reusable Water Bottle • 50% discount on Registration Fee • Logo on Itinerary • Acknowledgement on Social Media

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