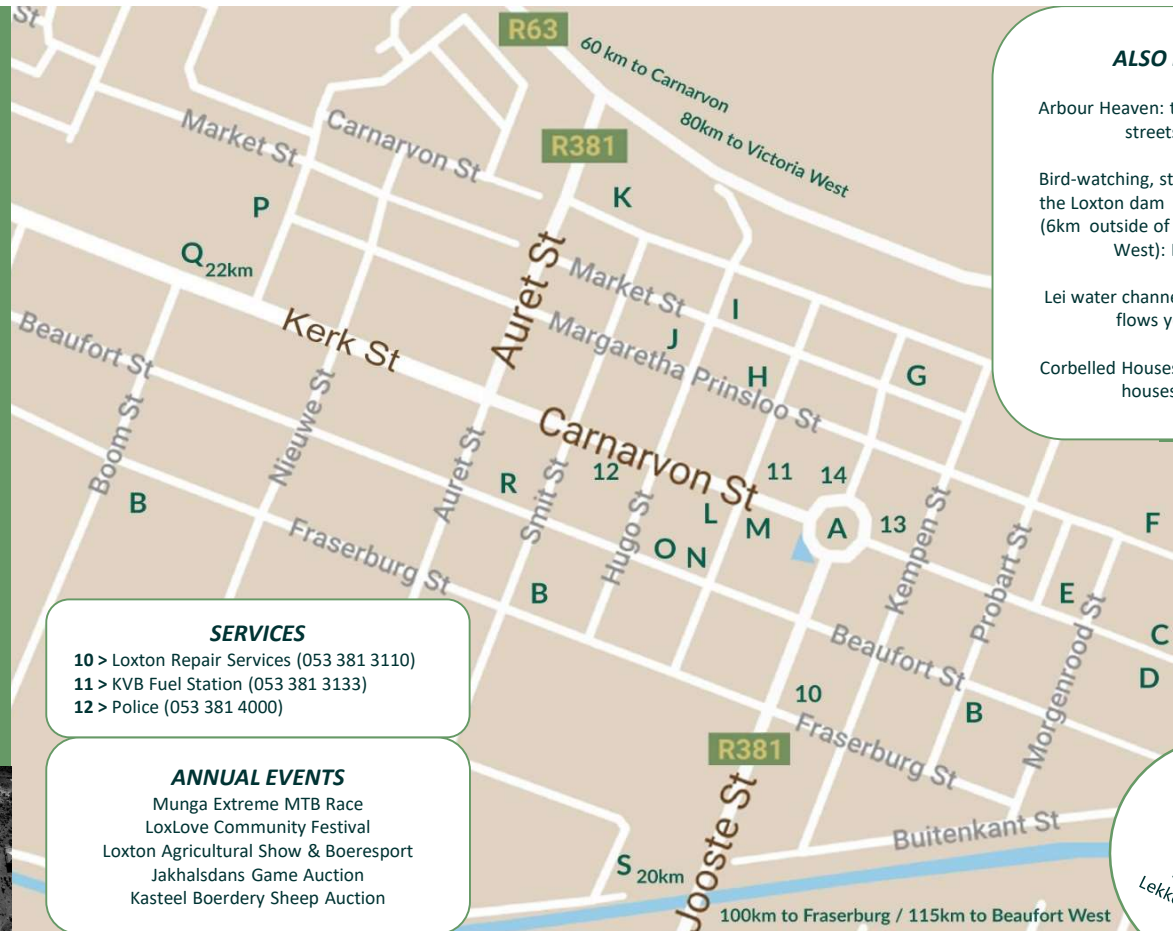




karoo highlands route

Loxton is a tranquil, arboreal village situated in an area called the Bo (Upper) Karoo, almost in the centre of South Africa. This is one of the few gems that has almost no shops, and is so small that you can easily explore the entire town on foot. Loxton speaks of silence, sunsets, stars, set in a landscape that offers natural beauty all year round, with each season bringing something special.



SERVICES

- 10 > Loxton Repair Services (053 381 3110)
- 11 > KVB Fuel Station (053 381 3133)
- 12 > Police (053 381 4000)

ANNUAL EVENTS

- Munga Extreme MTB Race
- LoxLove Community Festival
- Loxton Agricultural Show & Boeresport
- Jakhalsdans Game Auction
- Kasteel Boerdery Sheep Auction

ALSO LOOK OUT FOR

- Arbour Heaven: the famous Loxton tree lined streets planted in 1900
- Bird-watching, star-gazing, hiking & cycling at the Loxton dam or at Jakhalsdans Guestfarm (6km outside of Loxton en-route to Beaufort West): Linda 082 875 3339
- Lei water channels: fresh clean spring water flows year in and year out
- Corbelled Houses: the amazingly constructed houses of old "Trekkeers"



EATERIES

- 13 > Die Windpomp
- 14 > Loxton Lekker Restaurant



ATTRACTIONS

- A > **Dutch Reformed Church:** The epicentre of Loxton. Take a look inside as well, organ recitals can be arranged. Sunday service at 9.30am
- B > **Deon Meyer's Book & Film Residences:** Most of the movies inspired by Deon's writings, have been filmed in and around Loxton: Jakhalsdans, Laaste Tango, Seun, Jagveld
- C > **Indigenous Schrub Trail:** Community Garden Cooperative and indigenous Karoo shrub trail (the reason our lamb tastes so unique)
- D > **Loxton parkrun:** every Saturday morning (7am summer / 8am winter)
- E > **Historic hand water pump:** This old hand pump watered many travellers, horses and donkeys in the early 1900's
- F > **Original Stables of Phezantefontein:** The stables of the original farm on which Loxton is built. In the later Part of the 20th century it was converted to house the first electricity generators in the town

- G > **Windpomp:** The ubiquitous Karoo windmill (windpomp) was invented by Daniel Halladay in 1854 in the USA. The first imported pump arrived in S.A. In 1874 and was erected in the Hopetown district
- I > **Aarthuis & E-learning Centre:** A community / training venue & artist residency linked to the Riverine Rabbit Thinking Path. Also home to the Laslappies (local hand crafts) Cooperative
- J > **Old Mill:** Site of the original grain mill. Bags of various full grains were transported to Loxton and then milled here
- K > **Riverine Rabbit Thinking Path & Huis van Tyd:** This Geoglyph (meaning a picture drawn on the face of the earth) was created by Site-Specific Volunteering Land Artists from all over South Africa in 2016: Ingrid 084 709 0218
- L > **Old Magistrates Court:** This is where justice was delivered in the wild Upper Karoo

- M > **Old Jail:** Built in 1900. Now a private residence. One of the oldest buildings in Town
- N > **Loxton Art Gallery:** Local artist Annelise Vorster's artwork
- O > **High Stoeep House:** A house built atop an exceptionally high foundation. Certainly contributed to its survival during the 1961 flood
- P > **Graveyard:** Many old graves of pioneers of life in the Karoo lie here
- Q > **Kasteel Farm:** Replica of a castle..a fantasy come true. Jan Hugo, known as the Walt Disney of the Karoo, built this structure and an original Dutch stone grinding windmill in the 70's: Cari 082 881 8851
- R > **The Old Milk Stable**
- S > **Bushman Sculptures „The Dance“:** Marcella de Boom's (1945 – 2009) fascinating dancing sculptures. Guided tour only: Linda 082 875 3339