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## Durban, our Award Winning Home

- **UTILITIES:** 2015 African Utility Week Industry Awards: “**Municipality of the Year**”
- **WATER & SANITATION:** 2014 Winner of **Stockholm Industry Water Award**: “most progressive water utility in Africa and a forerunner in the world of utility-run service” – Stockholm International Water Institute
- **HOUSING:** 2014 & 2015 Winner of “**Govan Mbeki Award**” for best Housing Delivery – and 2014 “**SALGA Awards**” for water quality & best housing delivery
- **ROADS:** 2015 CAPSA Conference– eThekweni recognised as **the leading road authority in Africa** alongside SANRAL and no 1 in terms of internal capacity.
- **ENVIRONMENT:** 2012 Winner “**SA’s Greenest City Award**”; 2013 & 2014 “**Arbor City Award**” and 1<sup>st</sup> African **100 Resilient Cities Partner** (Rockerfeller Foundation)
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- **INVESTMENT PROMOTION:** R700Bn on Durban Investment’s Dashboard & 2016 winner of “**KZN Top Business Portfolio Award**” for best Investment Promotion.
- **TREASURY & FINANCE:** **One of the best Credit Ratings in SA** municipal sector (AA- in long-term with positive watch and A1+ in short-term). “**Unqualified**” **Audit Reports** from the A.G.’s Office since 2000.
- New “**7 Wonders City of the World**” – 2014
- SA’s “**Top performing City for growth in millionaires since 2000**” - New World Wealth Report, 2015
- Rated **Number 1** City in Africa for “**Quality Of Living**” : Mercer Consulting in 2015, ’16 & ’17
- Rated by the **New York Times** as **number 7** of their **Top 52 Places to Go** in 2015
- **National Geographic** rated Durban in **Top 10 Oceanfront Cities**, globally in 2015
- Voted by **CNN** as one of the world’s “**Top 10 most underrated cities**”; the **Umhlanga Pier** as the **best globally**, & the “**Coolest City in SA**”
- **Master Card** Global Destination City Index predicts Durban to 1 of the fastest growing tourism cities in Africa & could be one of the **fastest growing tourism city’s** worldwide.
- Durban was ranked as **the least congested Metro City in SA, (Tom Tom Traffic Index, 2017)** at 22% (compared to SA’s most congested City at 35%).
- **Most affordable of all SA Metro Cities** to live in – The 2016 “**Numbeo**” & “**Expatisan**” **Cost of Living Indices**.
- SA is #1 on the **Top 10 Cheapest Countries for Transport** (train, bus, & air) – 2014 **GoEuro.com Report**
- “**GoBankingRates**” **2016 Report** ranked SA (and in several categories, Durban) as the **cheapest country in the world to live and retire in**, out of 112 countries.
- Durban **#1 in SA, & whole of Africa for capital investment growth** in residential properties, plus in **Top 50 Worldwide (@ #26) - 2016 Knight Frank Global Residential Cities Index**
- Durban included in “**7 Emerging Luxury Housing Markets To Watch in 2015**” by **Christies International Real Estate Group**
- SA is in the second quartile out of 189 countries on the **2016 World Bank “Doing Business Report”**
- SA’s in Top 25 Country Index: **2017 AT Kearney FDI Confidence Index**
- King Shaka International Airport ranked by **SKYTRAX** as the **Best Airport Staff in Africa for 2017, & 2<sup>nd</sup> best airport in Africa** by **ACI**, handling circa 5 million passengers