AIRPORT EXIT

# Cape Town International Airport (CPT)

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## THE ANSWER

**MyCiTi A01 runs airport->Civic Centre for a flat R90 single-trip card, ~30 min, every 20-30 minutes - the only fixed price in the arrivals hall.**

Air-conditioned BRT with luggage bays and a card sold at the airport kiosk; nothing to negotiate, and Cape Town taxis have no citywide tariff, so 'quotes' are exactly that.

Late landing / heavy bags? Uber or Bolt from Parkade 1: R150-250 to the City Bowl (flagged range), 20-35 min. Group or Camps Bay? A pre-booked R350-500 transfer beats a surged app at event end-time.

## EVERY WAY OUT — REAL PRICES

**MyCiTi A01 Airport Express *BEST FOR MOST*** R90 single-trip card

MyCiTi's own airport service: A01 to Civic Centre (~30 min; onward to V&A; Waterfront by transfer, ~40 min). Roughly 05:00-21:30, every 20-30 min at peak. Cashless - buy the single-trip card at the station kiosk or use a loaded myconnect card.

**Uber / Bolt** R150-250 to the CBD (flagged range)

Widely used; pickup is the e-hailing bay on Parkade 1 (P1) ground floor, signed from arrivals. 20-35 min to the City Bowl. Surges to R250-350 in weekday peaks (07-09, 16-18) and after late banks.

**Authorised metered taxis** R250-450 to CBD / V&A (flagged range)

Touch-Down Taxis hold the official rank directly outside arrivals; 2026 guides put CBD runs at R250-400, Waterfront to R420. No citywide tariff - confirm the meter (or a fixed total) before setting off. Cash preferred.

**Pre-booked shuttle / private transfer** R300-600 door to door (flagged range)

Name-board meet-and-greet with fixed quotes; the sensible pick for families, surfboards, or onward Winelands runs (Stellenbosch R450-700). Book before landing to lock the rate.

## THE TRAPS — WALK PAST THESE

**The arrivals-hall 'taxi' that isn't at the rank**

Anyone approaching you inside the terminal is off-rank - Cape Town's own guidebook calls these 'pirate' taxis, with quoted prices diverging from anything paid and real safety concerns behind them. **Do this:** walk through to the supervised metered rank or the signed Parkade 1 e-hailing bay

**Cash does not work on the bus**

MyCiTi is fully tap-in/tap-out: the A01 needs a R90 single-trip card from the station kiosk (or a loaded myconnect). There is no driver to pay and no cash fallback at the bus stop. **Do this:** buy the single-trip card at the airport kiosk before walking to the platform

**Surge right after a big bank lands**

When the Emirates or KLM widebody clears, hundreds hit the same e-hailing queue at once - the usual R150-250 City Bowl fare jumps to R350+, and the 05:00-21:30 window hides it from early/late travelers in the other direction. **Do this:** let the bank clear 15-20 min before requesting, or take the A01 if it's running

**'Airport rate' flat quotes at the rank**

Some rank drivers skip the meter and state a flat 'airport fare' - 2026 guides record R500+ quotes to the City Bowl for a 20 km trip the app does at R200. **Do this:** ask for the meter or the exact total first - then ask at the next car

## KNOW BEFORE YOU WALK

- Fares were adjusted 1 July 2026 - expect figures at the kiosk to lead older blog posts; the single-trip card is R90 per MyCiTi's airport announcement.
- Civic Centre is the interchange: transfer there for V&A; Waterfront, Sea Point and Gardens connections.
- If you'll ride MyCiTi more than twice, the myconnect card (reusable, sold at kiosks) plus credit beats single-trip cards.
- Domestic and international arrivals share one hall - taxi rank, e-hailing walkway and the MyCiTi station are all past the same doors.
- Level boarding and luggage bays make the A01 workable with one big case; with two it's a taxi.

R90 single-trip and A01 service are from myciti.org.za's own airport announcement (MyCiTi reports a 1 July 2026 fare adjustment - confirm the number at the kiosk). Cape Town taxis have no citywide regulated tariff, so metered-taxi and Uber/Bolt figures are 2026 ranges from operator/booking guides (capetown-airport.co.za, thetraveler.org, capetourism.co.za, firstdayabroad.com).

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