

DIRECTIONS TO WEENEN GARAGE Tel: 036 3547005 (Camp) or 084 416 2857 NO sms but Whatsapp and Whatsapp calling activated)

It takes us an hour to reach Weenen from the camp so we need plenty of warning of your time arrival.

We normally tie in a "top up supplies" trip so if we are not there know we are coming!

From Durban:

Leave Durban on the N3.

Bypass the towns of Pietermaritzburg, Howick and Mooi River.

Approx 10 min after the Mooi River Toll look out for the **Estcourt South** turnoff.

Take this glide off and turn right. You will cross the freeway over a bridge, go straight.

After a couple of kms (really not sure exactly) you will pass the Estcourt Hospital and later the **Estcourt bacon factory**. You will cross the **Bushmans River**.

Drive straight through the first set of robots and the road will take you through the centre of Estcourt. You will **pass the old station** on your left, the Nestle factory and a bunch of shops such as Ackerman's and Jet. **Absa and the post office** will also be on your left.

Keep going straight and you will soon find yourself leaving town on the road heading toward **Colenso**

Cross an insignificant little stream, **go through the last set of robots and at the crest of the hill** 200 metres or so on is the **Weenen turnoff (R74)**.

Someone removed the oncoming sign so you have to twist your neck at 180 degrees to see it. This situation might have been rectified by now. Signage is always fluid!

The turnoff is **not** far out of town at all so **DON'T** go to Frere or Colenso!

From here on signage is good. You will have approx 20min traveling time to go. Make your last cell phone call, as you will have no coverage until you reach Weenen.

Look out for Rhino as you travel slowly through the **Game Reserve**.

At the T. junction turn right unless you want to sightsee in Colenso.

Drive down the windy hill into the fertile valley that is home to the little village and farms of Weenen.

Travel along the tar road until you see a garage on your left. It is currently the PUMA garage. Its branding does change every couple of years but it is the **ONLY** garage on the main road.

This is where we will meet.

TIMINGS

KSIA - Weenen 233km Allow minimum of 3hr30mins to factor in traffic delays

Mt Edgecombe - Weenen 222km Allow minimum of 3hr15mins

Westville - Weenen 200km Allow minimum of 3hrs to factor in traffic.

Hillcrest - Weenen 182km Allow minimum of 2hr30mins



From Jhb \ Harrismith:

Tel: 036 3547005 (Camp) or 079 134 3168 (Weenen office) Read notes above

When descending **Van Reenens Pass** on the N3 **look out for the R103** that leads to Ladysmith **at the base of the pass**, don't take the Tugela Toll Plaza route.

You will go through a **minor toll gate** and then travel on a single lane tar road past **Besters** en route toward Ladysmith.

Bypass Ladysmith by turning right just before the town entrance and follow the signs indicating **Colenso**. Colenso is approx a 20 min drive away. Watch out for enthusiastic Traffic Officers just outside of Ladysmith. With Colenso on your left, the R103 will cross the mighty **Tugela**.

Take the R74 glide off to your left **soon thereafter** signposted **Ambleside** and if you are lucky, **Weenen, Muden, Greytown**.

The glide off is **before** you go under the bridge spanning the R103 and the paint on the signs is quite faded so be careful not to overshoot it otherwise you will end up back on the N3.

Turn left at the top of the off ramp.

Weenen is approx a 20 min drive away. Travel down one of the few tar roads you will see the PUMA garage (Brand name does change) on your left.

FROM GREYTOWN:

Leave town on the Muden road. After a windy descending pass you will go past Ivala Lodge and cross the Mooi River which flows through the pecan nut farms of Muden

Keep trucking and you will gradually climb out of the valley and drop again into the fertile and historical village of Weenen.

Once you have passed the Owl and Elephant and crossed the Bushmans River then you are getting close to your destination.

Don't turn off the tar road until you see a garage coming up on your right. **JUST** before it you need to turn right. I hesitate to say there is a sign board saying Nkasine as it might not be there.

The Zingela meeting place is the 2nd driveway to your left (approx 300 meters down the road) and is signposted 'Zingela, Mark & Linda Calverley'

