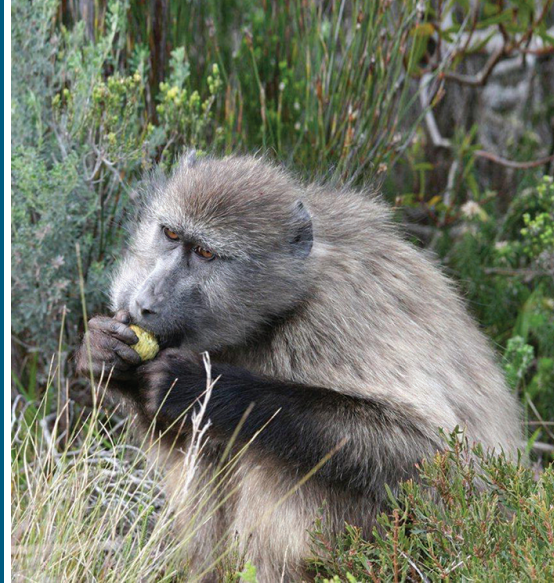


Help us to keep our baboons **safe** and **wild**

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Report illegal acts
- Report people feeding baboons
- Report baboon incidents in order to inform future management actions



KEEP BABOONS OFF YOUR PROPERTY

✓ ALWAYS:

- Avoid planting exotic plants which bear fruit such as figs and nuts as baboons will keep returning to eat seasonal fruit.
- Keep doors locked and windows closed when baboons are in the vicinity.
- Install night bolts into sliding doors.
- Ensure that windows, particularly top-hung ones, have a latch at each end of the opening edge to prevent baboons from pulling the frame and breaking the glass.
- Install burglar bars with gaps smaller than 8 cm, including sides and tops of bars on windows you usually keep open.

✗ NEVER:

- Feed baboons - they will return to your property again and again.
- Leave any food or seeds on display where they can be seen.
- Plant fruit trees, vegetable gardens or make compost heaps unless they are in a locked caged area or surrounded by electric fencing.

SAFEGUARD YOUR BIN

- Fit a baboon proof locking device to your bin and keep your bin locked 24/7. Overstrand Municipality Enquiries can be contacted with regards to animal proof bins.
- Never leave refuse bags anywhere on pavements, even on refuse day.
- If you are away on refuse day, drop your refuse off at a refuse depot or ask your neighbour to share their bin, and return the favour another time.
- Only put refuse out before 07:30am of the day of collection, not the day before.
- Advise and educate new residents in the area on the use of animal proof bins.



LAWS PROTECTING BABOONS

Baboons are protected under the Nature Conservation Ordinance 19 of 1974. It is illegal to feed or hunt baboons without a permit.

Anyone caught feeding baboons could face a year's imprisonment, a fine of up to R2 500, or both. Shooting at baboons with paintball guns or any other weapon without a permit could result in two year's imprisonment, a fine of up to R2 500, or both.

What happens to raiding baboons?

Sadly, it is very difficult to manage baboons habituated to suburbia, as once they associate easy access to human foods with your property, they will return over and over again. Authorities therefore have no choice but to apply the approved Baboon Management Guidelines in areas where baboons constantly raid, for the protection of the baboons and affected community.



Report baboon incidents to the
BABOON HOTLINE: 072 028 0008
or
Tel: 028 3165610 (office hours)
Email: projectmanagerbmp@overstrand.gov.za

For advice on mitigation measures please contact
CapeNature:
Tel: 087 087 3064

Please call these numbers if you witness the following :

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| Refuse issues: | Waste Management – 028 313 8000/8111 |
| Illegal dumping: | Law Enforcement contact – 028 313 8996 |
| Feeding of baboons: | Cape Nature – 087 087 3064 |