

# Relax Mini Spa opens at Breakwater

For the first time ever, the Protea Hotel Breakwater Lodge at Cape Town's V&A waterfront has opened a spa facility.

The hotel opted for a Relax Mini Spa Suite, which comprises a couple's room with a rain shower, single room, manicure station and a reception area.

Relax founder and operations director Noli Mini describes a Mini Spa Suite as 'a mini luxury day spa escape where a guest/client can enjoy spa treatments of the same calibre as that of a fully pledged spa, in a cozy, intimate, luxurious and exclusive setting'.

Breakwater's Mini Spa Suite is populated by two full time therapists, student therapists and a spa manager. It offers facials, manicures and pedicures, waxing, body wraps and body scrubs.

Mini made the decision to open a Relax Mini Spa Suite at Breakwater for a number of reasons. "Within the hotel is the UCT Graduate School of Business where top corporate companies send their staff for day/weekly or even monthly study programmes. This proved that there is definitely a market for spa services,



especially considering how stressful it is at times for academics.

"It also made sense to open at this venue due to the positive response we got from hotel guests and from our stats. In addition, Breakwater has historic significance, having previously been a prison. The building itself has been in existence since 1901."

One of the brands used at the Mini Spa Suite is Noli Mini Spa Products, which she herself created. Three different massage oils, a cuticle oil and brown sugar body polish form part of this range, with the facial and

body range still in development.

The spa also offers CSpa, Gelish and Medi-Heel. Products are available for retail.

Breakwater is the first Relax Mini Spa Suite and Mini plans to grow this number to four by the end of 2016.

"Relax has formed exclusive partnerships with over seven hotels in Cape Town and the goal for the next two years is to create Spa Suites at some of those properties," notes Mini.



Noli Mini

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Micro-needling pioneer and Environ founder Dr Des Fernandes delivered the first address at the recent CIDESCO World Congress held at the Sandton International Convention Centre in Johannesburg. Fernandes spoke on micro-needling versus mesotherapy.

## Imbalie acquires Prana

Prana Products' assets and distribution footprint have been acquired by the Imbalie Beauty Group.

The main product and equipment brands of Prana Products that will now be incorporated into the Imbalie Beauty stable are Beauté Pacifique, Dermalcan equipment, Bodyography Professional Cosmetics, and the Beauty Blender make-up tool.

Prana's Debbie Wolfendale will become executive director of Imbalie Beauty in charge of the sales, marketing and training businesses.

Esna Colyn will continue as the CEO of the Imbalie Beauty Group, which has both its own distribution footprint and a franchised distribution footprint. Together this comprises 160 beauty salons in South Africa.