



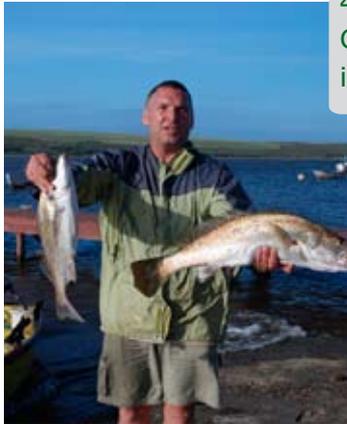
Mudlark Riverfront Lodge

# Newsletter

Breede River - Infanta

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Who was spotted at The Mudlark this month



## 43 Spotted Grunter caught in one day!

What a month of extremes we have had, a raging gale for a week, when it was unpleasant to walk outside.

The worst wind that I can remember in the 14 years that we have been here. The guests could only fish from the shore, and without too much success.

The morning when the wind dropped we were in for another surprise. The staff arrived at work more than an hour before the normal start time. As they said "The day was perfect and they wanted to get busy". This should have told us something. As soon as the guests who were here to fish got on the water all hell broke loose. The fish were biting like rabid dogs! It is many years ago that so many fish have been caught, and it has continued for the past 2 weeks. With very few boats on the river it has been an absolute pleasure.

To give you an idea of the numbers, one of our regular clients fishing on 4kg line caught and released 43 grunter in one day! The best is that everyone caught good numbers of fish and most were released, except for a few that were kept for the pot. A couple of four kilogram kob were also caught. Obviously most people are targeting the spotted grunter, so we have not tried for anything else. The largest grunter was about 4.5kg mostly they were in the 2-3kg class.

The weather must have also affected (our) spotted genet as he/she has been coming on to the bird feeder almost every night, providing our guests with live entertainment, and great photographic opportunities. As they have said what a beautiful animal to get so close to. Our dogs certainly don't appreciate that a wild animal should get more attention than them.

It has all been happening this month, our new boat a 28ft Butt Cat powered by 2x140 hp 4 stroke outboards, after an epic trip on its trailer from Cape Town has arrived. Can't wait for all the license formalities to be completed so that we can launch her. We can now offer an extremely comfortable fishing and/or cruising experience on the river and the sea.

The Mudlark has now joined the Facebook and Twitter social revolution. Please become a fan/friend and keep up to date with the day to day happenings at the Mudlark. Visit [www.mudlark.co.za](http://www.mudlark.co.za) and click on the Facebook or Twitter icon.

Lastly this month the Mudlark celebrates its fourteenth year in business, and takes this opportunity to wish you all a very festive season and happy and prosperous New Year



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