

# South Africa arrests four suspected poachers

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South African marine law enforcers have arrested four people, suspected of "poaching" lobster and abalones in Table Mountain National Park, the South African National Parks (SANParks) said on Friday.

One suspect was arrested for fishing for west coast rock lobsters during the closed season in the Cape of Good Hope Section that lies in the southernmost part of the park in Cape Town, SANParks said in a statement.

An unspecified number of suspects dumped the west coast rock lobsters into the ocean after being chased by rangers, it said.

Other arrests were made somewhere else in the park, including one at Miller's Point on Friday for possession of 20 shucks and four whole state abalones.

SANParks is currently working together with its law enforcement partners in the national police and the Cape Town municipality to fight abalone poaching, with measures including daily sea patrols in the park's marine protected areas.

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